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"New Deal" Living Standards Fall Below Hoover Year

By the Editor

STRIKES AND RUMORS strikes are filling the newspapers these days. For more than a year of the "New Deal" the workers of this "democratic" nation have been placing their trust in the mystic policies of Franklin D. Roosevelt and other gentlemen who are determined that the Capitalist system shall continue. Now, it appears, these trusted workers are beginning to believe that they must do something for themselves.

AS I READ the news from Cleveland. St. Louis, Alabama and other strike centers, and as I mull over news dispatches which voice disillusionment in the NRA, I find myself wondering how many of those impoverished, disheartened and desperate workers voted for Socialism at the last election. Also, after they have finished their strikes and accepted a few more sops from Washday sanction to the same old game which enables the masters of industry and finance to exploit workers.

election tell me that less than a million Americans voted for Norman Thomas in 1982/Buff many of those who cast straight Socialist ballots accepted sense of the word. There religions. were a goodly number of college stuby society and operated for human the unemployed. welfare instead of for the profit of a few. parasites. But what about the great mass of workers?

and are getting what they voted for. is scheduled to begin promptly at from poverty and insecurity in this Tuesday. richest-of-all nations. That is why they are complaining and striking (Continued on Page Four)

RAIL UNIONS ENDORSE

Darlington Hoopes and Lilith Wilson, Reading's two Socialist members of the General Assembly and candidates for re-election, have received the unsolicited endorsement of the Co-operative Legislative Board of the four transportation unions, namely, the brotherhoods of Locomotive Engineers, Trainmen, Railway Con-

organizations in the following lan- ment.

"Our endorsement is based upon your excellent one hundred per cent Union No. 93 and participated in the record in behalf of labor, social and strike movement which closed many humane legislation. We most sin- industries here at that time. They cerely hope you will be returned."

SOCIALIST Radio Program

EVERY SUNDAY at 12:15 P. M. over

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Apr. 29-J. Henry Stump. May 6-Darlington Hoopes.

REFLECTIONS RIEVE AND THOMAS TO BE CHIEF SPEAKERS AT TUESDAY MASS MEET

All Labor Groups Will Participate In Cause of International Workers' Unity

Program Starting at 7 P. M., Daylight Time, Will Be Real Peace Pageant, Rhodes Declares

Lauer's ball park, on North Second street, will be the scene, next Tuesday, of what organington, I wonder how many of them ized workers believe will be will continue to give their election- biggest May Day demonstration ever held in this city. No less than 15,000 workers are expected to participate in a STATISTICS FROM THE last gigantic fete which will have for its purpose the manifestation of the solidarity and common interests of the workers of were not workers in the commonly- all crafts, nations, races and

This years' May Day celebration dents, small business and professional has been sponsored and planned by men among those who used their po- a combined committee on which are litical power to voice a demand for members of workers' trade unions, a system under which the great re- the Socialist Party, workers' youth sources of the nation would be owned movements, CWA-PWA workers and

Will Begin at 7 P. M. The big program, which will in clude speechmaking, mass singing Well, they voted for something-band music and plenty of cheering, That is why they are still suffering 7 p. m., daylight saving time, next

Emil Rieve, national president of the American Federation of Hosiery Workers, and Norman Thomas, the prominent Socialist Party leader, will be the principal speakers. They will be introduced by James H. Maurer, Reading's Socialist and Labor vet-

Preceding the main addresses there will be short talks of five minutes or less by representatives of (Continued on Page Three)

CRYSTAL WORKERS WIN

Negotiations between David Crysductors and Locomotive Firemen and tal, Inc., and the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union re-In a letter dated, April 20, and sulted, Tuesday afternoon, in the signed by M. W. McCarty, chairman, signing of a closed shop agreement B. of L. E.; H. O. Cook, for O. R. C.; which affects David Crystal factories G. B. Rawand, chairman, B. of R. T.; in Reading and Lebanon as well as and James A. Fox, chairman, B. of New York City. Approximately 175. L. F. and E., the officials of the four local workers and 100 in the Lebanon unions voice the sentiments of their plants will be benefited by the agree-

> Reading employes of the Crystal concern organized last July as Local won recognition from the company in September and wage increases which more than doubled their former earnings Following their winning of code rates the earnings of operators increased from between \$8 and \$11 to \$22 per week.

Although the Crystal firm is said to be a member of the Sportswear Guild, other members of which have signed closed shop agreements, it was reported early this week that the firm was unwilling to concede a closed shop in the case of their Reading plant. Preparations were completed for a walkout by the local workers when news of the favorable settlement was flashed from New York

MAY DAY MANIFESTO

Adopted by the United Workers' Committee, appointed by Trades Union, Socialist, CWA Workers and Unemployed Organizations of Reading and Berks County

Comrades, brothers and sisters, fellow working men and women! On this First of May, the great international holiday of the workers of America and the world, we call upon you to assemble at 7 P. M. in Lauer's Ball Park, Second and Elm streets, and to demonstrate your solidarity, your might and your power.

May Day as a labor holiday was first conceived by the American workers fifty years ago in their fight for the eight-hour day. The workers of the rest of the world have also adopted May Day as their symbol of solidarity. All over the globe today, workers are gathering to proclaim their opposition to a system of starvation and war and their determination to fight for a better world.

On this May Day, 1934, the workers of America are assembling to demonstrate against a system that condemns twelve million people to idleness and hunger in a world of plenty. Twelve million jobless people, with their wives and children, comprise over a third of our population. Millions of children are suffering from malnutrition in a land rich in the possibility of a good life for all. Over a third of our population is hungry, roofless, or living in slums and hovels, wearing shoddy and rags.

In this, the richest country in the history of the world, forty million people have been turned into little. short of beggars. /They must depend upon private charity or become wards of the state. A system that produces such misery and degradation must stand condemned in the eyes of every intelligent worker in this country.

Against that system—and for a better world for the workers—we call upon you to join with us on this May Day.

We ask you to protest against the rising tide of company unionism, against the danger of war and Fascism. We ask you to join in a mighty demonstration for bread and work, for peace, and for a sane, classless society!

American labor finds itself today at the crossroads. Faced by the collapse of capitalism, the government, through the NRA, granted workers the "right" to organize and bargain collectively with their employers. But the employers got the lion's share of the bargain. The government took the initiative in organizing the industrialists. The employers won the right to fix prices and to exact any tribute from the consuming masses. Their divine right of profits and of unlimited monopoly over industry was sanctioned and perpetuated by the Government.

Now these giants of industry, organized one hundred per cent, are using their power and influence to try to wipe out genuine unionism. They are attempting to fasten the yoke of company unionism on the necks of the working class.

On this May Day, the workers must raise a mighty protest against any attempt to aid or legalize other than bona fide unions organized and controlled by workers.

War Danger and Fascism

The danger of fascist savages today threatens the whole of Europe. All workers must know that fascism is nothing but bloody terroristic capitalism, revealed in its true colors. Unable any longer to rule under the guise of democracy, capitalism casts off its sheepskin and stands exposed as a blood-thirsty world eager to swallow all labor organizations and destroy everything that labor has fought for and achieved.

In order to divide the working class, fascism has also brought in the issue of race and religion, just as in America the ruling class attempts to set workers against each

other on lines of race and color and religion. But the main purpose of fascism is to destroy workingclass organizations. In some countries, the fasciststhe murder bands of capitalism—have called themselves "National Socialists" in order to deceive the workers. They (Continued on Page Six)

FREE CONCERT

Next Wednesday May 2nd

at 8 P. M. Odd Fellows' Hall

8th and Franklin Sts.

The Socialist Gift to Music Week

Hear the Combined Men's and Women's Socialist Chorus in a Program of Songs

This chorus will be free to the public; an offering will be lifted to defray necessary expenses. The entire net proceeds will be donated to the Socialist Radio Fund. Be sure to hear the

Combined Chorus

LABOR GAINS BY

Supreme Court Decision Favoring Injured Workers Made Possible by Socialist's Fight In Assembly

entire state to have Socialists on guard in the Pennsylvania General Assembly was demonstrated this week in a verdict handed down by the Supreme Court in a compensation

an employe actually working only two days a week because of depressed business conditions, is the basis of a full week's work. against the Champion Blower and Forge Company of Lancaster county

sets a precedent of vast importance

to the workers of Pennsylvania. Hoopes Influence Seen case does not show what went on sembly, the records of that body reveal that but for the alertness of to give free reign to the dealers. Darlington Hoopes, Socialist legis-(Continued on Page Two)

HEAR THOMAS Answer Dollfuss

NORMAN THOMAS will deliver a **MAY DAY** Radio Address

on the subject: "The Case Against Fascism—An

Answer to Dollfuss" Over NBC on Tuesday, May 1, from 3:15

Daylight Saving Time Thomas' talk will be offered to a number of stations including the following which are easily received in this locality: WKC

Washington; WGY, Schenectady;

WFAI, Cincinnati; WTAM, Cleve-

to 3:30 P. M.

land; WFI, Philadelphia; WLIT, Philadelphia. TUNE IN! Invite your friends to a radio party in your home to **HEAR THOMAS**

STUDY OF RETAIL SALES SHOWS RECOVERY PROMISE HAS NOT BEEN FULFILLED

Nine of the First Thirteen Months of New Deal Economy Shown to Be Worse For Masses Than Most Unfavorable Years of "Individualism"—Food Sales Show Public Is Eating Less

.By FRANK L. PALMER.

'NEW YORK (FP).—The standard of living of the American people has been lower than under Hoover's worst comparable months nine of the 13 months of the New Deal.

That is indicated by the index of the physical volume of retail sales produced by A. W. Zelomek of the International Statistical Bureau, 70 Fifth Avenue, New York, based on the sales of department stores, mail order firms, variety stores and other chains. Food stores are not included although food departments in the outlets named are included.

terests Only

Socialist voters throughout Reading and Berks county are incensed That it paid the workers of the by what they term a "cheap political tactic? on the part of the Retail Liquor Dealers Association, of Berks County.

The cause of their resentment, which is being freely expressed by tion on a substantial scale. The low The Supreme Court decided that many voters, is a letter issued or the stationary of the Liquor Dealers organization, urging support for Wiltitled to compensation for injuries on son G. Sarig, Chester Mohn, Rev. Frank Ruth in the county and Mc-Simon P. Romig was the injured Cormick Moore and Herbert Rapp in worker and the result of the test case the city for the office of general as sembly.

The reason given for the liquor dealers' slap at the Socialist candidates is that Hoopes and Wilson Although the news story of the voted for the liquor control act, which places the control of retail the last session of the General As- liquor sales in the hands of the state, while those who are endorsed, voted

David E. Houck, jr., 34 S. 4th ers, Rocky Mountain Mountaineers lator, the decision of the highest street, and John R. Willets, 301 S. and Schnitzelbunk Jug Band. Cheap 8th street, are listed as president and eats and other refreshments have secretary of the organization. Both been announced by the committee in are in business at the above loca-charge. tions. Houck also handles confectionery and serves meals in connectat the depression rate of ten cents tion with his line of beers, etc. It per person, and record-breaking is felt that the letter expresses the crowds are expected to take advantopinion of the officers of the associa- age of this opportunity for cheap tion and is not in tune with the gen- enjoyment. eral political attitude of many members of that group.

The slap at Hoopes and Wilson, despite their perfect record in favor of progressive labor legislation, demonstrates how cheaply the officials of the liquor dealers' association expect their membership and the general public to sell their votes. The to the public intelligence, and many Lauer's Park. voters are openly stating that they will retaliate by withholding their patronage from liquor dealers who share the sentiments expressed in the letter bearing the names of Houck and Willets.

TRUCKERS AND TEAMSTERS WILL HAVE ODEN MEETING | WILL HAVE UPEN WILLING

All truck drivers, whether members of the union or not, are invited to an open meeting next Thursday, May 3, at 8 p. m., at the headquarters of the C. T.& H. Local No. 429, 117 Penn street. Business of importance to every truck driver will be discussed.

Taking the first year of the Roosevelt regime as compared with the

last year of the Hoover regime, the index shows: Hoover 1,207.9 For the four months May through August, 1933, the physical volume of

trade was above the same months for 1932. March 1934, was above March louck's and Willets' Names 1933, by 5.2 points, partly because Head Letter Which Urges of the bank holiday in the former Consideration of Liquor In- month and partly because Easter was on April 1 this year. But March, 1934, was below March, 1932, the comparable Hoover month.

> Used as Inflation Argument Those who favor inflation and oppose the NRA will point out that the months during which the people actually lived a bit better under the New Deal were those months between the time Roosevelt started inflation and the time the NRA started opera-(Continued on Page Four)

T.P.L. WILL HOLD MAY FETE THREE NIGHTS IN ARMORY

With a change of program nightly, the Taxpayers' Protective League of Reading will hold a three-night May Fete in the Armory on May 9, 10 and 12. Dancing and vaudeville will be on the program on each night and door prizes will be awarded to the patrons.

The following orchestras have been announced: Pennsylvania Corn Husk-

The admission price has been fixed

ATTENTION, UNEMPLOYED!

All unemployed workers whether members of an unemployed organization or not, are asked to assemble at Labor Lyceum next Tuesday, May 1, at 6:30 p. m., and march in a body letter is viewed by many as an insult to the May Day demonstration at

> SUNDAY NIGHT 7:30 o'clock

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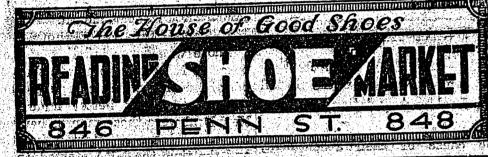
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NEW YORK (FP)—The year 1934, which started off key by show- of Commerce, only cover about 70% ing a decrease of interest payments of the interest payments, but the in January below January 1933, comparison from year to year seems swung back to normal in February. For the two months combined the figures show:

1933 \$834,692,000 1934 841,278,000 Apparently 1934 is going to be bad, depression and prosperity—it is celebrities.

INO going to show an increase of the number of dollars paid to the coupon clippers. The figures, which are gathered by the New York Journal

> A democracy is a land where nobodies chip in to help pay for the mistakes of somebodies.

just like every other year, good and who is mentioned frequently by other earnings would be.

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New Deal Like Old Deal, Burdens Nation With Debt While Wealth Accumulates In Few Hands

Although the major farm and labor organization is on record for heavy income, estate and corporation taxes, and most of them for taxation of income from government bonds, the House Revenue Bill, increased taxes, to raise only about \$240,000,000 additional revenue, though the deficit this year will be about \$4,000,000,-000, and next year probably \$2,000,-

The friends of plutocrats have won so far, in the Senate—though that body may increase taxes to raise \$500,000,000 to \$550,000,000 more. Other Nations Tax Incomes

Great Britain with about half our wealth and income, raises about twice as much from the individual and corporation income tax as we do. There are no tax-exempt bonds in Great Britain-or in any other large nation. The Federal Government can raise as much money by taxing as by borrowing. If it taxes the wealthy heavily it won't have to pay them interest. If it borrows from the wealthy, those of small means will have to pay billions in interest to

the wealthy. Of the national income distributed in 1932, amounting to \$48,952,000,-

000:--The 102,134 persons reporting net incomes over \$10,000 received \$3,the national income-nearly three- high court would have rendered the popular radio program. Miss Boquarters from property.

Favored Few Keep Loot They paid federal income taxes and surtaxes on this income, only 248,173,087, and had left after "deductions" an average of \$21,836.

Their income remaining after pay- the future. they were not taxed on their pro-

paying taxes was about twenty-six times an annual wage of \$16.00 a week for fifty-two weeks, and equalled the cash income of nearly hundred luckless farm families.

LABOR GAINS

(Continued from First Page)

ourt would probably have been gainst the workers, with a resultant oss to injured wage earners of many housands of dollars annually.

On May 3, 1933, two days before the adjournment of the legislature and the last possible day for the House to pass a bill in order to secure consideration by the Senate, a bill introduced by Philip Sterling, a Philadelphia member, was called up for final passage. Hoopes took the floor against the bill and called the attention of the lawmakers to the fact that the purpose of the Sterling measure was to compute the compensation of injured workers upon the basis of actual earnings instead A celebrity is any common mortal of on the basis of what a full week's

Unfair to Injured ontended, "at a time when many well in the duets. workers had been unemployed for a long time through no fault of their

Sterling, as sponsor of the bill, then moved for its postponement. wealthy manufacturer of dog bis-However, within 10 minutes it was cuits, who has the nation's most gain introduced.

Hoopes again took the floor against t and was successful in his fight to

ave it defeated. Speaking of the recent decision of the Supreme Court in the Romig & case. Hoopes said yesterday that friends of the big insurance comanies appeared to be eager to have the Sterling bill adopted in order to the scene for a decision against the scene for a decision against

Refused to Legalize Injustice "During the 10-minutes which inervened between the time the Sterl- 2 ng bill was postponed and then recalled some lawyers came to me and said. Hoopes, you might as well let this bill go through, since it's the law anyway,' " the Reading Socialist recalled yesterday.

"I knew that the Superior Court 2 and decided against Romig's receivng compensation on the basis of his earnings for a 55-hour work week. lut I also knew that prior to the the compensation law had been interpreted by the Workmen's Compensation Board on the basis of a five and one-half day working week. So 1 3 had some hope that the Supreme Court would reverse the Superior Court. The decision rendered this week showed that I was right. However, if the Sterling bill had become a law there is much doubt that the " more many man a law there is much doubt that the " more man a law there is much doubt that the " more man a law there is much doubt that the " more man a law there is much doubt that the " more man a law there is much doubt that the " more man a law there is much doubt that the " more man a law there is much doubt that the " more man a law there is much doubt that the " more man a law there is much doubt that the " more man a law there is much doubt that the " more man a law there is much doubt that the " more man a law there is much doubt that the " more man a law there is much doubt that the " more man a law there is much doubt that the " more man a law the more man a law there is much doubt that the " more man a law the more man a law there is much doubt the more man a law the mo

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EMBASSY



Hear Lanny Ross sing: "ENDING WITH A KISS"
"MELODY IN SPRING" "THE OPEN ROAD"

verdict it did."

Hoopes expressed himself as "well Sothern his daughter. pleased" with the Supreme Court's verdict because of the far-reaching with fond hopes of getting on Rugeffect it will have for the welfare of gles' radio hour. injured workers of Pennsylvania in "Melody in Spring," "Ending with

to their income from property—that workers will receive compensation give evidence of being outstanding for injuries on a full week's work hits, and were written by Lewis Gensbasis even though they have been ler, with lyrics by Keene Thompson. Their average income left after working but part time," the Reading Socialist declared.

'MELODY IN SPRING" STARTS EMBASSY TODAY

pertly woven together in Para-labor laws, states: mount's "Melody In Spring" which "Capitalism has proven that it has is to give theatregoers their first no remedy for our present crisis.

bassy Theatre present mess. next Friday.

dio that present spirit or in letter." ed Crosby to the

film fans a year ago. Charlie Ruggles and Mary Boland, that grand comedy team, are on hand to assist Ross in his initial film appearance, and, as usual, are immensoly funny. 'Ann Sothern, Ross's "love "This would be unfair," Hoopes interest," is decorative, and sings

Charlie Ruggles

Makes Dog, Biscuits The story has more plot than usually is evident in this type of comedy. Ruggles plays the part of a

land, as usual, is his wife, and Miss

STARTS

TODAY

Benefits Sunday

Ross is pictured as a young tenor

a Kiss," and "The Open Road" are "As long as that verdict stands the three songs Ross sings. All three

TEXTILE WORKERS TRACE HARDSHIPS TO CAPITALISM

SALISBURY, N. C.—The legislative program of the North Carolina Federation of Textile Workers, in Comedy, melody and beauty ex- introducing its demands for new

glimpse of Lanny Ross, famous tenor Not only is capitalism responsible for getting us into this desperate state of House Showboat affairs, but the system of capitalism hour, and start- has failed to such an extent that it ing at the Em- is not capable of getting us or the

"The NRA is the latest attempt of Ross, hailed as capitalism to save itself. In this ata second Bing tempt it has failed miserably, as is Crosby, is given shown by the wholesale violation of his screen debut the codes and the government's inby the same stu-ability to enforce them either in

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SECRETARIES, REPORT!

rade secretary have you sent yours

in to the office? Co-operation works

both ways. Get them in as soon as

AFTERNOON CARD PARTY

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2

The Deed-A-Day Sewing Circle o

who you are, you will be certain to

have a good time if you like to play

PONED THIS WEEK

activities to attend the May Day cele-

LABOR LYCEUM

All members of the Labor Lyceun

Association are urged to attend the

meeting this Sunday at 11 a. m

Business of importance must be

MEN'S CHORUS WILL REHEARSE

SUNDAY

SOCIALIST BANDMEN

ATTENTION!

don McLean. Failing to do so, re-

port at Lauer's Park with your in-

MRS. SULLIVAN IN POLITICS

This should interest all the lady

given by the Southern Branch Wom-

en next Friday night, May 4th. This

date has been set aside for "Fun

Night," by the Southern Women.

There will be no charge for admis-

sion, and everyone is welcome to at-

In the meantime, comrades, let's

have tonight's meeting well attend-

ed. There has been a vast amount

of unfinished business that accumu-

lated in the past few weeks, and also

large amount of new enterprises

that must be gone into. Tell every

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bration in Lauer's Park.

transacted. Be on hand!

Organizer.

Several reports are missing! Com-

ber the time and date.

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CARD PARTY SATURDAY

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Table prizes will be awarded and torium. lunch will be sold. The playing fee will be 25 cents per person.

a little to support a sapling.

JOHN S. CLOUSER

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The play is entitled "Herman Shultz's Country Store, or Dyeing to Dye." Many novelty specialties will The clinging-vine type hasn't dis- be introduced during the action of urday night (instead of Friday). appeared. She has just branched out the play, which will begin at 8:15 Playing will start at 8 o'clock and p. m. The admission price will be fine prizes will be awarded. Cakes 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for and ice cream will be sold.

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CENTRAL WOMEN

Another washline social will be held this Friday. April 27, at 8 p. m at the Labor Lyceum by the women members of the Central Branch. Bring your lunch in a bag and enjoy yourself with these peppy comrades of the Central Branch. Enough said.

CARD PARTY

Come to the card party Saturday night at the Labor Lyceum, where the Central women will furnish you with a pleasant evening of recreation and where you can meet your friends and comrades over the card tables. Lunch will be served from 5:30 p. m. until ? Prizes for the lucky ones and a good time for all

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A housewarming and card party size pictures of everything you raise will be held by the members of Hyde Park Branch and T. P. L. Saturday, April 28th, at 8 p. m. in their new headquarters at 420 Pennsylvania avenue, Hyde Park. Prizes will be awarded to the lucky ones. Lunch and make this affair a success. Workers and Socialists, help to build Boost the housewarming and have a your own sport organization and UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF VOUCHERS REDEEMED

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Southern women you meet to be sure the Northeast Women's organization and get to the meeting tonight. There will hold another card party next seems to be some misunderstanding Wednesday at 2 p. m. Prizes will about the Friday night branch meetbe awarded. This event is for men Meetings will take place as as well as for women. No matter ings.

YIPSEL NOTES

All Yipsels who are willing to act as guards and ushers at the May Day ALL TUESDAY MEETINGS POSTcelebration at Lauer's Park on Tuesday evening will hand their names to All Socialist branch organizations Comrades Adams or Jones. The whose meetings regularly are held on guards must be men. Tuesday nights, will postpone their

We also need some girls to take care of the collection. At least a hundred of these are needed. We are asking the Yipsel girls to do their part. If possible, dress in white. If any of you are interested you will let either Comrades Jones or Adams

You are to report at the Park at 6 o'clock, daylight saving time, on Tuesday, May 1, where you will receive further instructions.

All members of the Socialist Men's All members of the YPSL not Chorus are asked to be at Labor Lyotherwise engaged will meet at the ceum on Sunday at 1 p. m. for re-Labor Lyceum at 6 p. m. to march n a body to Lauer's Park. All members wait at the Third street gate until the group from the Lyceum arrives so that we may be seated in a All members of the Socialist Band are asked to get in touch with Gor-

Street Meetings For First Week In

strument at 6:30 p. m. next Tuesday. May 2nd-Mulberry and Union. Mark Brown, speaker. TO WORKER-SPORTSMEN.
The local Workers Gymnastic May 4th-Moss and Perry. Austin Adams, speaker. Club, member of the Socialist Sport

International, requests all who are Circles 6 will hold a "doggie" interested in outdoor sports to be at roast on Friday, April 27th. The will be served. Admission is free the Socialist Park tomorrow (Satur- roast will be held at Mineral Springs Back-Date Magazine Store You are urged to bring your friends day) at 2:30 p. m. for training. Park. All persons are invited to attend. The cost will be 10 cents.

> Circle 2 will have a very interesting and unusual program on Thursday, May 3. All persons are invited. to attend and you are insured of an politicians in the party. As a mat-interesting time. er of fact, it is a play that will be

> > SPEAKERS AT BRANCH MEETINGS

Friday, April 27th: Northwest: Larry Rogin. Berkshire Heights: Birch Wilson. Monday, April 3t0h: Northeast: Raymond E. Kiebach. Central: Leon Minker. Temple: Darlington Hoopes.

RIEVE AND THOMAS

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Federated Trades Council, Taxpayers' Protective League, CWA-PWA Union, Hosiery Workers Union, Young Peoples Socialist League and the Socialist Party. Combined Choruses Will Lead Mass

Singing Mass singing of workers' songs will be lead by a combined group of trained singers consisting of the conbined men's and women's Socialist choruses and members of the Young People's Socialist League. By arrangement with Frank L. Diefenderfer, president of the local Musicians' Union, band music will be furnished by a group of union mu-

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scribed the demonstration as one of the removal of its Blue Eagle, from a series of similar gatherings which NRA Administration Hugh S. Johnare being held on May Day through- son. After four months effort to out the entire world to unite the settle the strike at Harriman, Tenn., workers of all nations in bonds of the National Labor Board recomfriendship.

is the best guarantee against inter- promised speedy action, but the national war, just as the solidarity of company protested, and the case was the workers of one nation is the best bandied about in Washington, until way of ending industrial war and ex- the strikers' delegation became desploitation," Rhodes declared.

and security will be theirs."

A final meeting of the May Day Committee will be held tomorrow (Saturday) afternoon at 2 o'clock, at the office of the Federated Trades Council, 705 Walnut street.

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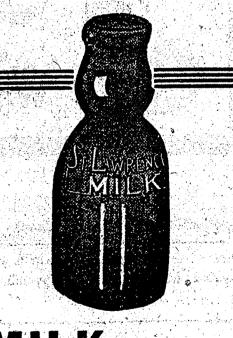
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the Federated Trades Council, de- | with another government order for mended on March 13 that its Eagle "Unity of the workers of all lands be taken away. President Roosevelt

"There has never been a war in The telegram from Johnson to the the world's history which was made company ordering it to give up all by the workers. Always one of the its Blue Eagles, states that the comdifficult tasks of the officers was to pliance board has concurred in the prevent the soldiers from frateraniz- finding that "the Harriman Hosiery ing. Workers of all lands know that Mills has infringed the rights of its their interests are the same. They employes to bargain collectively are the victims of economic injustice through representatives of their own in time of peace and of their ex- choosing. . . . by entering negotiations ploiters' greed in war. When the in bad faith with the definite intenworkers stand together peace, plenty tion to make an agreement with the representatives of its employes."



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Activities On The Local Union Front

By EARL WHITE Federated Trades Organizer

HARDWARE UNION MEETS TONIGHT

The Hardware Workers' Union i holding its meeting tonight in St. Casimir's Hall and urges its manbers to attend.

BREWERY WORKER'S CASE GETS HEARING

An arbitration board of five persons, with Lewis T. Smith, professor of economics of Albright College as chairman, conducted a hearing on the discharge of a brewery worker at the Barbey brewery office on Tuesday evening and rendered a decision on the matter.

When workers realize their strength in unity on a common cause and can force closed shop agreements similar to the Brewery Workers' Union, no matter how wealthy and autocratic the company, managements will review and give due consideration to grievances of one who is wrongfully discharged or maliciously picked upon, redress can be

GAS STATION WORKERS MAY ORGANIZE

As a result of the gas service station employees' strike in the mid-West, there seems to be considerable agitation among Berks county's gas service station employees for

The organizer is considering an other drive among this type of workers. He is hesitant, however, on ac count of the small response to a called meeting last fall that entailed considerable expense to the organzed workers.

Organized labor stands ready to assist the exploited unorganized workers, but they first must show some inclination to do something for themselves. So, will the gas station mployees please give us a little additional encouragement by calling the office by telephone or dropping in and personally talking the thing over. This little effort on their part will bring prompt assistance and the facilities of the entire Labor Move-

HOSIERY WORKERS'.

to arouse a militant spirit of unity in year. the workers, which will result in weakening the manufacturers' deterwant better conditions.

their own problems thoroughly and year. appreciate the appeal Branch 10 oficials are making in their behalf,

Meinig's, 11th street; Friday, Print able to carry on permanently.

number of times.

LABOR COLLEGE NEWS

By LARRY ROGIN

Emil Rieve, president of the Amer ican Federation of Hosiery Workers, has been chosen as the principal speaker at the annual banquet of the of retail sales affects manufacturing, Reading Labor College, which will transportation-is, in short, the final be held on May 12, at Maier's Hall,

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which will mark the official closing of the school year, will also be the occasion of the awarding of the prizes to the winners of the annual prize essay contest. Dancing will follow the eating and speaking, the music to be furnished by George LaPish, and his orchestra. Tickets to the dinner and dance are available at the Federated Trades Council, or from any student of the Labor College. Reservations must be made on or before Tuesday May 8.

Committe Meets Tomorrow The committee arranging the affair and the officers of the Labor College will hold an important meeting on Saturday, April 28, at 2 p. m., at the Federated Trades Council, 705 Walnut street.

Brookwood Players Applauded The Brookwood Chautauqua, which was held Monday night was a great success. The audience, which crowded the auditorium of the Southern Junior High School to such an MILL-GATE CAMPAIGN ern Junior High School to such an Hosiery workers of the county extent that several hundred were probably do not realize the signifi- turned away, received the players cance of Branch 10's mill gate cam- and songs warmly. I am sure that paign now being carried on. Every the Brookwooders will get an enthusieffort is being made by the officials astic welcome back to Reading next

Final Meeting Monday

The Monday night class, which mination not to yield any conces- wasn't held last week because of the sions, and add encouragement and Chautauqua, will hold its final meet prestige to Emil Rieve and Luther ing on April 30. The Wednesday Adams representing the union in classes have already finished their The World We Live In, Current their negotiations with the employ- work with a discussion of the present ers for a new and better agreement. situation in the labor movement, one To secure the desirable advantages of the most interesting sessions of under union agreements, the workers the year. The same subject will be must show a united determination to discussed on Monday. Some time may also be spent in discussing the For the workers to understand plans for the Labor College for next

To Improve College

At a meeting held on Friday even they must attend the mill-gate meet- ing, April 20, at the Hosiery Working held between noon and 1 p. m. ers Hall, representatives of Reading trade unions adopted an expanded Next week's schedule will take program for the Reading Labor Colthem to important hosiery mills lege next year and urged that the throughout the county. Workers Reading union movement support it. unions desiring to send students: In should be looking forward to their The program adopted will not only return for these contributions the appearance. This week they were at increase the number and variety of union will be allowed to send as the following mills: Monday, Tray courses to be offered, but also put many students to the school as it demore; Tuesday, Busy Bee; Wednes- the educational work on a firm foun- sires, and also have a voice in the day, Nolde & Horst; Thursday, dation so that it will be financially controling committee of the college.

The program calls for a school This is the second week of the cam- year of thirty weeks, to be divided paign and an effort will be made to into three ten-week terms. Includretrace the ground already covered a ed in the courses are: Principles of Unionism, American Labor History and Problems, Trade Union Organization Problems, Labor and the Gov-

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rnment, American History, Essen-| ment of individual students also. tials of Economics. Social Science, Events, Labor Publicity and Jour-this plan. Other unions have pledged mentary Law, Shop Problems and

Labor Dramatics. Aside from the regular class work the present attempts to develop a spirit of labor solidarity by means of mass education would-be continued. This would be done by getting speakers to meetings, and encouragement

of singing and labor dramatics. The program will be financed by regular contributions amounting to 2c per member per month by those

Provision will be made for enroll-

The hosiery and pretzel workers unions have already voted to support nalism, Public Speaking, Parlin support but not yet voted on the matter. It is expected that most of the unions in the city will support this plan for increasing the effectiveness of the Reading Labor College.

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Vienna the British Labor Party

gained control for the first time in its

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Manifesto to The International to the Workers of All Countries By the Bureau of the Labor and Socialist International.

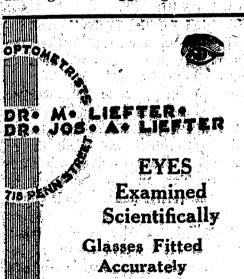
In deep mourning, but unshaken in of Austro-Fascism until the day when their convictions and in their confi-the red banners wave again victordence of victory, the workers of the lous from the Vienna City Hall. whole world will celebrate this First of May-in huge demonstrations where freedom prevails, and with italist economic system has been set teeth and clenched fists where passing for nearly five years is still Fascism has established its rule of unsolved. Fascism is not removing, Full of sorrow, the workers of all which throws Socialists into prisons

countries stand at the graves of the and concentration camps, which by Austrian workers who fought for its new labor law has completely enfreedom, who gave their lives for slaved the workers and left them to liberty, peace and the honor of world the mercy of the employers, is Socialism. They know that the gov- squandering the national wealth in 306 Bingaman Street Reading, Pa. ernment of the hangmen Dollfuss feverish rearmament. Italian Fascand Fey desired and precipitated the ism is allowing hundreds of thousands civil war in Austria. Superior armed of unemployed to remain without force, and not law and justice de support and to die of starvation. cided the struggle. The victors, Fascist force cannot prevent the inquarreling over the booty, are lead- evitable consequences of capitalist ing Austria, which has become a development. The certain dissappoint. Telephone colony of Italian Fascism, into ques- ment of those who threw themselves tionable adventures, to Hapsburg or into the arms of Fascism will be to Hitler, and thereby creating for fatal to their last capitalist system Europe a new danger of war.

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The International still relies upon you, and more then ever, today. The victim to Fascism, our courage and heroes of Austria will remain faith- conviction are unbroken. ful to the banner of international So- In all countries of western Europe cialism, you will hold your redoubled in Great Britain, France, Holland force to your ideals, which you have Belgium, Sweden and Denmark, desealed with your blood, just as the mocracy is unshaken. In the island International will stand at your side. of democracy in Central Europe, the On this First of May we swear that Czechoslovakian Republic, the whole we will do all in our power to support of the Socialist movement is success your struggle for freedom. Just as fully defending the democratic instiyou are doing, so will the International carry on the most intense and unmitigated struggle against the rule the recovery of the Socialist move-



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notice that it would soon capture

the government itself. The Belgian

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fensive and by its plan of action has

set up a signal for the workers in all

democratic countries. In the Scandi-

navian countries one Socialist victory

follows another. In Switzerland the

workers have frustrated all the re-

actionary attacks and step by step

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Athletic Association." 2. Said proposed corporation is to be organized under the provisions of the Act of Assembly, known and

cited as the "Nonprofit Corporation Law," approved May 5, 1933. 3. The purpose or purposes of the proposed corporation are: The promotion of athletic sports and rec-

Prothonotary of Berks County to the above number and term and the application will be presented to said Court on Monday, May 7th, 1934, at 9:30 o'clock A. M., D. S. T.

DARLINGTON HOOPES, dollars will be spent by Lousiana

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of tool and die shops were 100% cessful MES strike in Detroit enorganized after the second meeting courages the men to join in the east, of the new local of the Mechanics many commented. Educational Society at Bridgeport,

CHARTER NOTICE

In the Court of Common Pleas of conquered new positions. The Socialists of Argentine have brought the NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application will be made to the Court of Common Pleas of Berks County, Penna, for a charter of the payment, and those having claims to following proposed corporation, to present the same, without delay, to

and restore it in the countries which 1. The name of the proposed corporation is "Gaenzle Green Jackets On May Dad we will demonstrate

ESTATE NOTICE

Estate of Clement Hughes, also known as Clement Hues, late of the Fownship of Caernaryon, deceased. Letters of administration on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to the estate are requested to make

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THE ROOSEVELT "WE" AND EVOLUTION

"By using gray matter we can discover a lot of new things we can do. We want evolution. When you hear talk of revolution there is one letter too many in that word."

Thus spake Franklin D. Roosevelt this week. Well??? What about it, Mr. Workingman?

Does it hearten you to know that F. D. R. believes there are a lot of things "we can do?" If so, is it not possible that you have failed to analyze the meaning of that word, "WE."

When the president of these United States says "we" he doesn't mean YOU-any more than he'd mean you if he told Mrs. Roosevelt to spread herself in a house party and "invite everybody." You'd be out of that and you're out of it when Mr. Roosevelt thinks and talks about the things "we" can do.

What the "New Dealer" means is that those who really amount to something in this private profit system have a few more moves left to them before they will be compelled to admit that they cannot continue the old game of exploiting workers. "WE" can do many things—WITH WORKERS and TO

WORKERS for OWNERS. "We want evoluiton," says the president. "We do not want to recover too quickly," declares Mr. Hull, the president's

Secretary of State. In other words, "take things easy. Don't cure the disease of poverty until you can do it in such a way as to permit those who own to profit from the labors of those who work. Don't perform an operation; just inject a little dope in the way of food vouchers and work relief, so that the victims will not feel the pain so much."

As far as the president is concerned it will be better to take time about this thing of permitting the people to enjoy the wealth which abounds on every hand. To abolish poverty too quickly would likely be to end Capitalism and establish some form of Socialism. Mr. Roosevelt thinks that would be bad. So do Mr. Mellon, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Astor and the other gentlemen burglars who are included in the president's "WE."

But how about YOU? Are you willing to wait until some way can be found to work you and your children and your children's children-for the profit of an owning class? Does the slow process of evolution suit you even if, in the process you become a pauper, your son a vagrant and your daughter a prostitute?

Well, probably you're satisfied; at least you act as though to steal.

you are every election day.

Messrs. Roosevelt and Hull eulogize. We don't think there's a battle, either, according to our his-Minnesota whose congregation voted single letter too many in the word, revolution. We think it's tory books. just the word to describe what is needed throughout the entire world: An INDUSTRIAL and SOCIAL REVOLUTION, which will turn things over so completely that workers will have the full fruits of industry and idle owners nothing at all except the agree that sailors are nature's noblechance to become workers.

We regret that Mr. Roosevelt doesn't feel about it as we law-abiding temperance advocates. Sam pays his spies the world over do. For we feel that the revolution is on its way and could be made a peaceful and easy event if those who hold the political power of the nation in their hands would use that ment, which depicts seamen in unpower to bring the revolution about.

We're sorry Mr. Roosevelt isn't ready to assist in the revolution because we feel that his hold-back policies in this matter are going to result in a violent revolution in the long run. It is to avoid the violence and general hardships which accompany most revolutions that we Socialists are so eager to get political power and legally usher in the new co-operative society which will not grant special privileges to owners but which will give all a chance to work and enjoy the fruits of their labors.

NEW RULES FOR THE OLD GAME

No better example of the intention of the Roosevelt administration is to be found than that offered by the proposed stock the Japanese army Shanghai the rest market control bill. In that effort to make business safe for investors by restricting the activities of speculators is revealed the Roosevelt ambition to preserve the outworn Capitalist

Gambling in stocks is bad for the private profit system. Therefore the administration wishes to halt the gamblers in ley Pelley from his fascist outfit, the order that those who invest their money in private industries Silver Shirts, were not enough to may be safeguarded.

Safeguarded in what? Why, in their ability to make had Press, from bankruptcy.

profit by exploiting the labor of workers.

Clearly, the "New Deal" viewpoint is the viewpoint of the owning class and not the viewpoint of workers. Intelligent mules in Arkansas, convicts will conworkers do not want to be "used" for the profit of owners. prison farm, even if Gov. Futrell Intelligent workers want the products of labor's toil to be dis- objects, the control board says. Ar-

READING LABOR ADVOCATE tributed on the basis of service and not at all on the basis of how much wealth an individual may be able to invest in a business.

That is why Socialists differ with Mr. Roosevelt. Socialists want to establish a system which will be safe for workers, rather than safe for investors, and the only way to attain the Socialist aim is to make the industries of the nation the property of all the people of the nation. In other words, Socialists propose to end the system of profits from private investments while Mr. Roosevelt aims to strengthen the weak spots in that

It is to your interest to ask yourself: "Is my chief interest the interest of an investor or the interest of a worker. If you get the bulk of your income as a reward for already owning something, then you may have a selfish reason for applauding "New Deal" policies. But if you get your living by working for it, then it is up to you to vote and work for Socialism. Only slave-minded workers will be satisfied by the promise that those who rob them will be forced to be honest among themselves.

MAY DAY MANIFESTO

(Continued from Page One)

are as far apart from Socialism as barbarism is from civilization, as darkness is from light.

In this country, capitalism is already preparing for any emergency by organizing groups of fascists. The great danger of fascism is that it intensifies nationalism and spreads the seed of hatred of one people against another. It has already stimulated the armament race all over the world, which will inevitably plunge mankind into another World War, another orgy of slaughter.

Working Men and Working Women!

Let us turn this May Day celebration into a powerful and mighty demonstration of workingclass unity against the bloody hordes of fascism. Let us raise the banner of international brotherhood against the danger of a new World War. Let us raise the flag of peace. Let us launch a mighty demonstration for bread and work for all. Let us proclaim our eternal opposition to a system that has made outcasts and beggars of forty million people in the United States. Let us prepare the way for a workers' world of peace and plenty for all who toil!

The Workers of America Send Special Greetings-To all workers, political prisoners and martyrs of the labor movement in the concentration camps and dungeons of fascism.

To Tom Mooney and all other political prisoners jailed in this country for fighting labor's battles.

On International May Day, 1934, we call upon the workers of Reading and Berks to close their ranks and assemble in Lauer's Ball Park in one powerful United Labor demonstration,

Against fascism and war.

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Against company unionism and the open shop. Against starvation and degradation,

For the six-hour day and five-day week. For unemployment relief and social insurance.

For international solidarity of the workers. For bread, for work, for peace.

IT'S A GREAT SYSTEM

By JOHN PAINE

"Go Back to Work Owning Your 20. We'd be awfully lonesome if Own Car," says a big sign outside they all faded out. Syracuse, N. Y. That's telling 'em

secretaries, and other qualified au- all I can do to collect the \$700 now. thorities near the N. Y. Navy Yard, men, scions of fine old families, and Thus they refute the libel in the painting, The Fleet's In, done by a CWA artist for the Navy Departabashed pursuit of happiness.

Philadelphia Journalism will no go to pieces with the Inquirer absorb ing the Public Ledger, for the Inquirer is taking over all the P. L.

Since ex-Pres. Grau, of Cuba couldn't make a living at being president he'll have to return to his old rade of surgery. Good old saw.

Now we know the Japs want peace And what kind. The rest of the S. Knudsen, General Motors execuworld is to stay out of China and let tive. of the country. Then, of course,

there'll be peace in Asia. It's the yellow man's burden.

save his publishing department, Gala-

Because there is a shortage of

kansas has no law against birth con trol among mules.

SIGNS OF THE TIMES In 1929 income tax returns were made by 513 millionaires; in 1931 the number was 75; in 1932 it was

Methodist ministers in the United States, who total 16,500, got a salary "America will never fail," said ex- cut of \$7 a year in 1933. They now But we're not content with the same slow process which Senator Smoot. We never lost a average \$1,695. We know one in to raise his pay from \$700 to \$800. He declined saying: "That would Tradesmen, tatto artists, Y.M.C.A. just mean more work for me. It's

POLITICAL NOTE

In peacetime as in wartime, Uncle out of a secret fund for which no accounting is ever made and which does not appear in the budget.

Said Sir Herbert A. Lawrence, chairman of the board of Vickers, arms manufacturers, when put on the carpet about advertising British tanks in German papers, "Nothing is done without the complete sanction and approval of the British govern-

It seems that the auto industry is just plain dumb.

discrimination against men because they belonged to unions," says Wm.

It just happened that the men fired were all active unionists; understand.

fat surplus in the Treasury.

Principal threat to the NRA policy years. of finding permanent solution to unto hire more men at higher wages. And that is that!

A lot more people working for a based upon the proposition that

could buy for the less money they welfare of workers.

IT'S A GREAT SYSTEM!

(Continued from First Page) today-because they got what the

The great American worker votes

for beer—and got it. He voted against Hoover-and ent the great "rugged-individualist"

into private life. He voted for the protection of investors—and it does appear that the saleable surpluses, unemployment, element of chance in business is

going to be reduced. But the great American worker also voted for the continuation of a

ers shall be permitted to support battle for peace, plenty and security. armed, their families, a system which makes hard times the natural result of industry which produces surpluses which are so large that the owners can't sell them. That's what the American workingclass voted for-"We have not knowingly made any and that's what they are striking against right now.

THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG with the way the American worker acts. To ask for a thing with your ballot and then strike against it, Because Sir John Reeves Ellerman starve against it, go to jail against it patriotically kicked off recently, and after you get what you voted for the English government knows how simply doesn't make good sense. Not everybody can be a successful to collect inheritance taxes, Great Such actions appear particularly haberdasher. Profits of William Dud-Britain was able to announce a nice stupid when it is remembered that such has been the course which workers have been following for many

The wrong thing was started in employment is that employers refuse election day when the workers voted to place the political power of the nation in the hands of the owners of industry. The wrong thing was to DEFINITION OF 'RECOVERY' give approval to a system which is

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of the Capitalist system. So are unpoverty, breadlines, prostitution, crime, wars—and strikes. It is the 70 cars and passenger trains to 14. task of workers to destroy all those A state law to this effect exists at evils by abolishing the system which present in Arizona. system which permits a few people breeds them. Workers who vote for to own the things which all of us Capitalism and then strike against must use in order to live, a system the results of their votes are working

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little more money which will buy wealth shall be created for the profit BROTHERHOOD SPOKESMAN much less goods than fewer people of an owning class and not for the AGES SHORTER TRAINS

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WASHINGTON (FP) - Advocatng passage of a bill to limit the the length of trains, as a safety measure, J. A. Farquharson, legislative representative of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, testified before the House committee to the hazards of present methods of operation. With the present long trains, he said, "the visibility from one end to the other makes it impossible to see or determine hand or lamp signals." He added that brakes will not function properly when a train LABOR EXPLOITATION IS part is more than half a mile in length.

The bill, which has the support of the 21 standard rail labor organizations, would limit freight trains to

Some men have such an awful temwhich enables an owning class to at cross purposes. Voting against per they simply can't control it in dictate the terms under which work- Socialism is a poor way to begin a the presence of a little guy who isn't

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