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REFLECTIONS

By the Editor

I'M NOT SORRY that Dillinger is dead. I think the world is better off without him. I have no patience with the more or less romantic halo with which some people have surrounded him.

And yet—
I wonder whether it properly described the defunct outlaw to call him "Public Enemy No. 1."

NO, THIS IS not to be a denunciation of the big fellows who control our industrial and financial resources and who place heavy burdens upon the people. Without question they are anti-social fellows in their own big way, and I shall at some other sitting take time to condemn them for exploiting their fellows and turning the lives of men, women and children into gold and power for themselves.

But I have in mind another enemy, an enemy whose atrocities, unlike those of Dillinger and the legal highwaymen of Capitalism, are not positive, but negative.

I AM THINKING just now of the citizen who does nothing to improve the world in which he lives and in which his children must pass their days. He doesn't rob banks and he doesn't shoot policemen. Nor yet does he exploit the labor of little children or spin schemes which plunge nations into wars in which millions are slaughtered.

The man about whom I am thinking is the man who doesn't do any of those things—or who does not do a single thing to see to it that they shall not be done. He's a useless sort of cuss so far as the morals and safety of the present generation or the advancement of the world is concerned. If he has a "good" job—he waters his lawn and takes his family to the movies and forgets all about the many who are in distress. And when his job is gone he just whines. So far as improving the world by eliminating the fundamental injustices which cause some men to become legal and others illegal bandits, this man—and there are millions of him—is a total social loss.

I THINK THE man who fits the above description deserves the title which society has given to Dillinger. He is "Public Enemy No. 1."

He never protests—not even by the simple and easy method of registering and voting—against the basic evils which afflict society. If he votes at all he votes to continue the same old game.

He votes himself into perpetual slavery to the master class. He votes for a system which will make his children toil for the further enrichment of the parasitic offspring of some millionaire. He votes for an arrangement which forces nations to compete with each other for world markets and, eventually, to wage wars against each other. He votes for production when he is told to do so, and for destruction when somebody tells him that prosperity can be achieved only by creating an artificial scarcity of the things which everybody needs. He votes for panics and depressions and crises and for

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EXPOSURE OF WATER RATES LEAVES BOSSES' OFFICIALS WITHOUT LOGICAL EXCUSE

Unit Charge of Big Owners Little More Than Half of Rate Paid by Householders—Bertole's Quest For Reading Water In Wyomissing May Explain Why Sliding Scale Was Adopted—Rorke Fears Facts Will Embarrass Colleagues

An actual example of how the big financial and industrial interests have been favored by the new water rates which went into effect at the beginning of this year is furnished by figures secured at City Hall this week. Most glaring of all the cases thus far uncovered is the water bill of the big Reading Company car shops, where force reductions have been the rule over a period of several years.

In this one operation of the Reading Company alone the company is handed a reduction by the Fusion city administration which averages approximately \$221.67 per month or \$2,660.04 per year as against the 20-cent reduction given to small users of water. What the total saving to the railroad company is remains to be computed.

The average water consumption at the car shops during the present year was 437,157 cubic feet. At the flat rate of 12 cents which was formerly in force this would have run the bill to \$524.59 monthly.

However, the company pays no such sum. Here is how their bill is figured by the obliging Fusionists:

3,300 cu. ft. at 12c.....	3.96
30,000 cu. ft. at 10c.....	30.00
133,200 cu. ft. at 8c.....	106.56
270,647 cu. ft. at 6c.....	162.39

Total bill.....\$302.91

The contrast between what the small householders pay and the smaller charge levied against this big railroad industry is made more apparent by a comparison of the base charges. While the average citizen of Reading pays a flat 12c per hundred cubic feet, the sliding scale which begins to slide downward far past the consumption of the average citizen.

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NRA BETRAYS HOSE WORKERS

Harriman Strike Settlement By "New Deal" Mediator Halts Walkout Without Union Sanction

PHILADELPHIA (FP).—"A gross betrayal" of an understanding reached at the White House last March between the Harriman strikers and President Roosevelt was what John W. Edelman, research director of the American Federation of Hosiery Workers, called the restoration of the Blue Eagle to the Harriman Hosiery Mills without an agreement regarding collective bargaining. Promises made by Gen. Hugh Johnson, NRA chief, were tossed aside.

Restoration of the Blue Eagle by Johnson's assistant, Compliance Director A. R. Glancy of the NRA, followed closely upon Johnson's anti-labor speeches in California. It is regarded as another setback for organized labor.

Strikers Ignored
Harriman officials were informed that they might obtain the Blue Eagle while the strikers were unanimously rejecting the agreement made between Glancy and the company. The agreement called off the strike automatically "upon the signing of this instrument by an authorized officer of the Harriman Hosiery Mills," without consulting the desires of the strikers themselves.

All demands put forth by the strikers were ignored. Of the 300 men on strike, the company was

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RELIEF NEEDS GROW AS FUNDS ARE DWINDLING

National Survey Shows Conditions Growing Worse, Not Better, Under the "New Deal"

SITUATION IS SERIOUS

Pennsylvania Keeps In Step By Cutting Disbursements 25% In One Month

NEW YORK (FP).—The relief situation is growing worse throughout the nation rather than better, a national survey of conditions shows.

The Federal Emergency Relief Administration should report the number on relief rolls and the amount spent in the near future and will probably show a small decrease but the decrease is entirely seasonal and less than normal.

Moreover, if it were not for wholesale slashing of the amounts paid in some places and of the families from the rolls in other places, there would be no decrease at all, however slight.

Cuts In South
Reports from the south indicate that some of the most severe cuts.

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WHY DO YOU THINK COPS CARRY GUNS?

MINNEAPOLIS (FP).—"What do you think the police carry guns for, ornaments?"

This was Mayor A. G. Brainbridge's answer to the request of a committee of labor and strike leaders, led by R. D. Cramer, editor of The Minneapolis Labor Review, that he remove Chief of Police Michael Johannes on the ground that he was a "tool of the citizens' alliance" and responsible for the recent bloodshed in the Minneapolis teamsters' strike. The committee informed the mayor that they would appeal to Gov. Olson to declare martial law, thus taking authority out of the hands of Minneapolis police.

Despite repeated assertions by Rev. Francis J. Haas, federal mediator, that progress was being made toward settlement of the strike, 4,000 militiamen have been called into the city.

CONVENTION'S PLATFORM IS CHALLENGE TO CAPITALISM; WOMEN FORM ACTION GROUP

Resolutions Attack Fascist Developments In U. S. and Denounce "New Deal" Strikebreaking Policies. Special Contributions to be Sought Among Members and Sympathizers to Finance Campaign. Maurer, Oneal, Thomas, Krzycki and Holmes Address Delegates

In a two-day convention in Socialist Park, Sinking Spring, last Saturday and Sunday, 150 delegates of the Socialist Party of Pennsylvania laid plans for an aggressive congressional campaign and reaffirmed its purpose of dedicating the resources of the state to the common good through the instrumentality of workingclass political power.

As a means of financing a strong campaign, the convention approved the recommendation of the Finance Committee to issue booklets of tickets, to be sold to unionists, party members and sympathizers at 25 cents each. The funds raised by this method will be divided equally between the state and local organizations.

In connection with the convention, a conference of women Socialists was held following the adjournment of the opening session and a statewide organization of women was initiated for the purpose of conducting propaganda activities among housewives and women in industry.

Resolutions against Fascism, deploring the death of Morris Hillquit and denouncing the strikebreaking activities of the "New Deal" with special reference to the San Francisco General Strike, were adopted. Platform Points to Capitalism's Failure

"In this, the richest state in the union, hunger, poverty and destitution are the lot of the working class," the opening sentence of the preamble to the platform adopted by the gathering points out.

Continuing, the document states: "We are now in the fifth year of the worst crisis in our history. More than one million manual, skilled, white collar workers, and members of professions are unemployed in Pennsylvania."

"Hundreds of thousands are living as charity wards of private and public agencies. A vast army of the workers have lost their homes and savings of a lifetime. The middle class is faced with increasing insecurity and poverty. Hundreds of thousands of young people are denied all opportunities and face the future without hope. Slow starvation of children and adults, utter physical and mental demoralization, are increasing evils in our life."

We are now told by Relief Director Seibert Whitman that, obedient to orders from above, he will refuse relief to unemployed workers who refuse to work on SERB jobs when called for service. That, some of the unemployed assert, merely proves that the "New Deal" is fastening a new slavery upon American labor. BUT—

Along with Whitman's announcement comes the plaint from Reading's Fusion council that money for work relief is so nearly exhausted that a number of jobs are likely to be stopped before long.

Funny, isn't it? No relief unless you work and no money to supply work. What a splendid excuse for letting a large section of the unemployed starve to death!

Whitman and the Fusion officials will tell you that they are not to blame for the scant relief given the jobless. Well, personally, perhaps they're not—except to the extent that they support the crazy Capitalist system which brings poverty and misery to millions of willing workers in the world's richest nation. But then, many workers also vote to continue that system, so what the—

REPUBLICANS NERVOUS ABOUT FUSION DELAY

Now that Fusion Boss Bertole has filled the councilmanic vacancy by permitting the G. O. P. majority there to name a Democrat to the job, organization Republicans are beginning to believe that it is high time to complete the Fusion legislative slate. They said so at a meeting last Monday night when they called upon Edward F. Anewalt, who was mentioned as a candidate, to either get in the assembly fight to win or get out and let us propose a candidate who will.

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Comments on Capitalism

"THE STRIKE SHALL BE CALLED OFF AT ONCE"

The quotation which heads this paragraph has come to be the "New Deal's" stereotyped reply to every strike which workers have called against chiseling bosses. It is the language of the strikebreakers, a role which the Roosevelt administration has accepted as its own.

The attitude of the government toward labor controversies, in which the desire to keep on the job such wage slaves as the employing class sees fit to use, makes every strike a political act.

Out in Minneapolis, where 68 workers were shot by police a week ago and where the truck drivers are battling for union recognition and decent working conditions, Governor Olson steps into the picture with the ultimatum that unless the strikers accept settlement plans, proposed by Roosevelt's arbitrators, he will place the city under martial law. This threat was virtually put in action in San Francisco and is also being hinted at in the strike of Chicago stockyard workers. It requires only that military rule be extended to the nation to have an American fascism no less dictatorial than those in Europe.

Since workers find the government constantly stepping between them and their exploiters for the benefit of the latter, why should they hesitate to take control of the government as a class? The best way to avoid the struggle against those who profiteer upon workers is to abolish the profit system. That is the use to which the Socialist Party aims to make of government when they control it.

WHEN WILL THE BANKS BE OPENED?

It is now more than sixteen months since the Farmers, Penn and Reading national banks closed their doors and answered appeals of depositors with the cryptic word, "frozen." During all that time there have been promises to keep the hopes of the gullible from falling below zero, but nothing more.

For several weeks it has been rumored about town that the banks would be opened on August 1. Now comes a newspaper story to the effect that September 1 is the date and perhaps sooner.

One wonders whether there is not a considerable method in the madness of the bankers in giving their victims as many false hopes as human patience can endure. Since, at best, all the depositors can get when the banks finally do begin paying out is 35 per cent from the Farmers and 25 per cent from the other two banks, perhaps the best diplomacy is to make the public believe they won't get anything.

Then when they are handed a fraction of their savings the depositors will forget what the bankers and the Capitalist system did to them and, instead, think they're lucky.

YOUTH ORGANIZES TO FIGHT FASCISM

Announcement, this week, that a group of young men and women had organized in Reading to fight Fascism is an appropriate sign of the times.

As Capitalism sinks deeper and deeper into collapse, the owning class and their political servants can be depended upon to deprive the people of more and more constitutional rights in a desperate effort to preserve the parasites' privilege of taking what workers make and forcing the unemployed to be satisfied with pauper existence.

The preservation of Capitalism is the purpose of Fascism. It will be the task of the youth of today to overthrow Capitalism and set up a system which will be to the advantage of the great mass of people. To no small degree, the question of freedom or slavery will be decided by the number of young people who answer the call for an organization meeting which will be issued soon.

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Dollfuss' Death And Capitalism's Menace

The assassination of Chancellor Engelbert Dollfuss, fascist dictator of Austria, on Wednesday, gives the workers of Austria and the rest of the world little reason for elation. If the Nazi putsch is successful, the utmost which will be accomplished will be to transfer to a new set of rulers the power to oppress the masses. The workers will remain economic slaves until they unite to establish a Socialist economy.

So far from making conditions better for millions of workers, the immediate outlook becomes more gloomy. Civil war is already in progress in Austria, and the situation is pregnant with the seeds of an international war which may engulf all Europe and eventually the United States in slaughter.

The best lesson to be learned from what has happened and is still happening in Austria is that Capitalism inevitably leads to war and is right now threatening the destruction of civilization itself.

Socialists have been teaching this lesson for many years. But the workers of Europe, like the workers of America, failed to act upon the moral it implies. They stuck to Capitalism to the very end. They did not act together to take over the industries and abolish the private profit system. Instead, they merely re-acted to the many miseries with which they simply had to be afflicted if the parasite profit-takers were to be able to make their robber system function.

In the world war workers of the world paid with their blood for their folly and inaction. This year or the next or the year after that they will again be forced to pay in like coin—if they do not unite to establish the co-operative system which Socialism advocates.

Here in the United States of America the workers still have it in their power to end the outworn economic system which, of necessity, makes them the victims of poverty, insecurity and war. They still have the votes which will enable them to place the power of government in the hands of a political party which is dedicated to the sole purpose of using the nation's resources for the benefit of the American people and not for the profit of an owning class.

It is begging the question to say that the American exploiters will not yield to the will of the people, that bullets and not ballots will have to wipe Capitalism from the earth. Such predictions may or may not prove to be true, but the fact is that the American people have never used their ballots to end the system which is dragging the entire world to ruin.

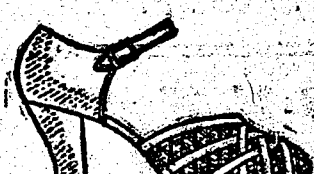
In voting for Capitalism, American workers are voting for the same economic arrangement which caused the world war, plunged the nations of the world in debt to a few industrial and financial dictators, brought chaos and civil war to Europe and poverty in the midst of plenty to America. In voting for Capitalism the American workers are preparing the scene for a political and economic dictatorship which will bring to them the same problems and the same slavery which are now the lot of their European brothers.

In voting for Capitalism the workers of all nations vote for war and destruction—and they will get what they vote for.

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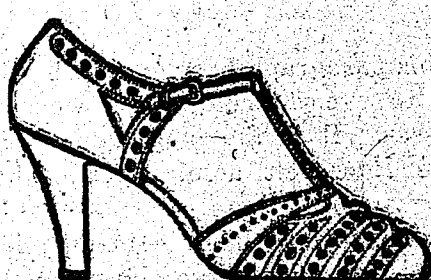
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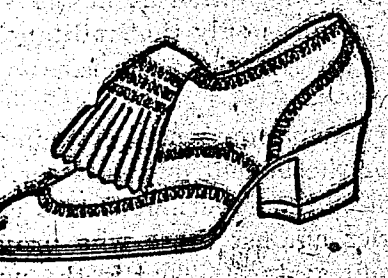
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living costs increased 1.5 per cent. The cost of living of wage earners and lower salaried workers living in Washington, however, increased by 1.9% in the same period. "This is accounted for by the relative stability of the costs of a number of items included in the index for federal employees, such as life insurance, education and retirement fund," says the report.

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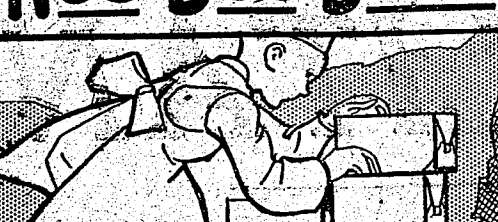
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tion average of householders, brings the 100-cubic-foot charge against the car shops down to less than 7 cents. In other words, the big fellow pays slightly more than half as much as the worker for the water he uses.

Fusion Hunts Excuses

The ADVOCATE's disclosures of the effects of the sliding scale was a veritable bombshell in the ranks of city hall's fusionists. So startling was the discrimination in favor of Fusion's powerful supporters that both daily papers reprinted the article and gave the ADVOCATE credit for the "scoop."

Hasty conferences were called and after two days' consideration a statement appeared in the Reading Eagle in which Mayor Emmert sought to justify Fusion water rates on the grounds that cheap water rates would entice new industries to Reading and prevent those now here from getting water from the Schuylkill river and from other sources.

However, the promise of "new industries" has not been fulfilled since it was first made in 1933 by the Fusionists as a means of stampeding Socialist voters into the Fusion ranks. Mayor Emmert did not point to new industries which had been attracted to Reading by the lure of cheap water; nor did he point to any increased activity in old industries since water costs were reduced.

Bertollet Spills the Beans

While the mayor was preparing his statement, Wellington Bertollet, Fusion boss and corporation attorney, rushed into print to say that, come what may, Wyomissing was going to have better water and to urge that Reading water be secured for use in the aristocratic borough across the river.

That the prospect of using the city's water is not a new idea in the minds of the Wyomissing hosiery interests which Bertollet serves as an attorney is made plain by his statement that Reading's water can be turned into Wyomissing's mains within 24 hours.

It is not too much to believe that the water rates were reduced and the sliding scale put into effect with the intentions and

wishes of Wyomissing's dictators in mind. Certainly Bertollet, who dictates Fusion policies and who, as an attorney, serves the interests of Wyomissing, might easily be expected to favor such a scheme.

Rorke in Doubt

When Councilman Rorke was first asked for figures on water consumption he readily agreed that all citizens have a right to such public information. However, a few minutes later, after a conference with Revenue Control Clerk Hertwig, Rorke expressed doubt as to whether he should permit the ADVOCATE to have access to the city's records until after he had consulted with his colleagues.

"I am a new man in council and I do not wish to do anything which will embarrass my colleagues," Rorke explained. "However," he admitted, "I still feel that you are entitled to the information." At Rorke's request the ADVOCATE consented to wait until he could take the matter up with his fellow Fusionists. Later in the day he sent word that information on water consumption would be made available.

In the interview with Rorke, who, as director of the department of accounts and finances, has supervision of the revenue control clerk, the new councilman told the ADVOCATE that "we know, of course, that you want this information for political purposes."

Faced with unanswerable charges of discrimination in favor of the big industrialists which will reduce water revenues at a time when the city is going deeper into debt, the Fusionists may be expected to fall back on the cry of "politics" as a substitute for any explanation for their actions which will be satisfactory to the majority of Reading's citizens.

Ambassador Luther Not Expected To Return

BERLIN (TIS).—The firm belief that Dr. Luther will not return to his ambassadorial post in Washington, is expressed in diplomatic circles here. The Hitler government intends to keep him in Berlin, partly as a hostage and partly as a threat to his rival Dr. Schacht, President of the Reichsbank. Schacht's attempts to keep the German mark stable at all cost, are doomed to defeat. Dissatisfied with the course of events, he is reported to insist on his resignation which he tendered a few months ago. Dr. Luther will presumably be replaced by Dr. Dietrich, political director in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and in charge of American affairs.

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How Johnson's Trickery Smashed General Strike

Anti-Labor Speech Seen As Well-Timed Attack Upon Workers' In Owners' Behalf

Red Raids Were Logical Follow-up of "New Deal" Administration's Vicious Appeal

SAN FRANCISCO (FP)—Gen. Hugh S. Johnson has smashed the general strike.

In doing it he used one of the oldest tricks of open shop employers—the holding out of a hint that the employers will make concessions which they have not made and which they will not make.

The general, with military strategy, worked out his strikebreaking program quite effectively. He waited until the tension of the general strike was at its height. On its third day he delivered a speech of bitter anti-labor invective, in which he demanded that the general strike be smashed. At almost the very hour, mobs, police and militia staged riots through San Francisco streets, sacking the offices and printing plants and halls of left wing groups and the soup kitchens of the longshoremen's union.

This accomplished two things: it failed some of the most aggressive strikers and it served notice on the unions what would happen to them unless they gave up the strike. This method was accompanied and followed by a wide extension of martial maneuvers and the threat of a declaration of martial law.

Thinking he had the wavering general strike delegates cowed, the general changed his tactics slightly and held out bait to them. "Agreed to submit all differences to the arbitration of the president's labor board and call off the general strike," he said in effect. By putting in a proviso that the employers must agree to arbitrate, the strike was called off by the close margin of 191 to 174. However, as Gen. Johnson knew they would do, the striking unions immediately surged back to work. Then, as Johnson equally well knew they would do, the employers began to hedge on the idea of arbitration. The waterfront employers said they would arbitrate if the union really represented their men. These are the men who have followed the union in 100% of the docks through a 60-day strike.

It is believed in San Francisco that the usual maneuvers in these cases will now be carried out; that the unions will be penalized in every possible way; that the waterfront employers will refuse to recognize the union; and the spirit of the men will then be broken by the end of the general strike. Johnson's implied promise will be ignored and forgotten and the fruits of one of the great official used successfully one of the oldest tricks in the bag of the labor-hating boss.

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prostitution for girls and vagrancy for boys. And—

To make him the most contemptible, this public enemy thinks he is playing the part of a "good citizen!"

WHAT WOULD YOU think of a man who saw a baby drown and sit idly by without doing anything about it?

Well, that's what I think of millions of people who refuse to do anything to abolish the evils of poverty and insecurity and economic slavery which are the natural fruits of Capitalism.

He ought to be ashamed of himself. He should stop referring to John Dillinger as a "public enemy," and walk to the nearest mirror for a long, appraising look at "Public Enemy No. 1."

HOW DOES THE description fit YOU? Are YOU in the fight to end Capitalism? Are you helping the Socialist Party to win power for the working class? Do you concern yourself with registration day and do you vote to end the system which breeds Dillingers at one end of the social scale, Melons and duPonts at the other and millions of more or less dispossessed and hopeless slaves in between?

If you are not doing what you can to end Capitalism's evils you share the blame for all the legal and illegal crimes which afflict the race. If you are one of the do-nothing tribe, yours is the blame

for racketeering, for war, for starvation amidst plenty and for the slavery and chaos which menaces your children. YOU, the unresisting victim of Capitalism, are Public Enemy No. 1.

I. L. G. W. U. HEAD FLAYS GREEN

Union Vice-President Declares A. F. L. Chief's Statement Weakened the Strikers' Morale

NEW YORK (FP).—President William Green of the American Federation of Labor "played a big part in breaking down the morale of the San Francisco strikers and in opening the way for the disintegration of the whole general strike." So charged Vice-President Charles S. Zimmerman of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union.

Green had said while in Chicago that the San Francisco general strike was not authorized by the A. F. of L. and that the strikers would win only a "moral victory" if they won; "but if they lose, they lose all."

"It would be an insult to the American labor movement to regard the statement Green made in Chicago as truly representative of the sentiment of the masses of organized workers in the A. F. of L.," Zimmerman stated. His statement "most arouse indignation from every sincere and progressive element in the labor movement. At a time when the combined forces of big capital, the gigantic industrial corporations of the country have launched a vicious campaign to wipe out every trace of unionism and to turn the alleged guarantees of Section 7a into a scrap of paper, it is the manifest duty of everyone with the interest of labor at heart to give enthusiastic and unconditional support to every struggle of the workers for their elementary rights."

The biggest local in the U. S., a San Francisco I. L. G. W. U. local of 30,000 members, had voted to support the general strike the day after Green made his statement.

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asked to agree to rehire only 25 within the next two months, with a possible second 25 by Jan. 1.

If the strikers do not accept the agreement within 30 days, the company shall not be bound to rehire any of them at all, and can keep its Blue Eagle.

In a last effort to settle the issue by arbitration, union officials sought to protest to Gen. Johnson concerning Glancy's action.

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LEAN SMOKED SHOULDERS . . . lb. 13c
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MINIMUM WAGE LAWS NECESSARY FOR WOMEN

WASHINGTON — Some progress in establishing minimum wages for women workers is seen by Mary Anderson, director of the Women's Bureau, U. S. Dept. of Labor, during the past year and a half. She sees "particular significance" in the recent interstate compact on labor legislation recently signed between Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New York, Pennsylvania and Rhode Island. This, she believes, will "work toward the elimination of competition between the states and remove the pressure toward long hours of

work, low wages and unfavorable working conditions." Three states with minimum wage laws passed in the spring of 1933 are now concentrating on wage standards for women in the laundry industry, according to Miss Anderson. New York has set a minimum of 31c an hour in New York City and 27½c elsewhere. Ohio has set one of 27½c an hour, and a minimum of 28c an hour is expected in New Hampshire. These minimums are a little higher than those in the NRA laundry code.

"White Collars" Militant

NEW YORK — New York white collar relief workers, members of the Associated Office and Professional Emergency Employees, recently voted to picket city hall and to send a delegation to Albany to protest layoffs.

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Activities of the Reading Socialists

CARD PARTY SATURDAY AT HYDE PARK

Keep cool Saturday night by attending the card party at Hyde Park under the joint auspices of the Socialist Branch and the Taxpayers' Protective League. The event will be held in the old school house, 420 Pennsylvania avenue. Playing will start at 8 p. m. Prizes will be awarded to winners and refreshments will be served.

BASKET PICNIC SUNDAY BY EXETER BRANCH

A basket picnic will be held at Gollob's swimming pool, Sunday, July 29. Pack your lunch basket and have a good time with your comrades and friends. The committee in charge will furnish free coffee; you furnish the cups. Instructions: Coming south from Reading, take first road left off concrete highway at Baunstown, then take first road leading right and follow until you come to Gollob's place. Nothing will be sold. Spend the Sunday here and have a good time.

JACKSONWALD BRANCH

The next meeting will be held August 14, at Comrade Sutter's home. At Tuesday night's meeting arrangements were made to attend the second legislative district meeting of all branches in that district at the headquarters of the Kenhorst branch, 1014 Broadway Blvd., Tuesday, July 31. Comrade Harry Gross, the speaker, urged the comrades to make a personal house to house campaign and elect Comrades Halderman to the state legislature and Raymond S. Hofes to congress.

LOCAL BERKS MEETING

The regular monthly meeting will be August 2nd at the Lyceum and all members are urged to attend.

SECOND LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT CONFERENCE

The following branches have been notified to send delegates or attend in a body the meeting of all branches in this legislative district. West Reading, West Lawn, Berkshire Heights, Sinking Spring, Fairview, Cumru, Shillington, Exeter, Mohnton, Jacksonwald, Birdsboro, Kenhorst, Gibraltar and all members-at-large in that district. Plans and discussions on organization and campaign work and other activities that will help the branches and party to wage a successful campaign and elect our candidates to office.

The meeting will be held at the headquarters of the Kenhorst Branch, 1014 Broadway Blvd., on Tuesday, July 31, at 8 p. m. Representation of all branches is urged by the Kenhorst branch and the committee on arrangements.

Now is the time to check your membership and have the members buy stamps. Members in arrears lose voice and vote in party affairs. The party needs every member, and every member needs the party. The new ruling on exempt stamps goes into effect September 1st and now is the time to have your membership card brought up to date. See your secretary at once.

LABOR LYCEUM MEETING

The regular monthly meeting of the Labor Lyceum will be held Sunday, July 29, at 11 a. m., and all members should attend.

PICTURES OF CONVENTION

Do you want a picture of the women's conference at the State Convention? If so, see either Mrs. Emma Sands or Ralph Bigony. Price, 50 cents each.

AFTERNOON CARD PARTY NEXT WEDNESDAY

The Deed-a-Day Sewing Circle of the Northeast Women's organization will hold another card party next Wednesday, starting at 2 p. m., at their headquarters, 1311 N. 9th street. Prizes will be awarded to winners. You are invited.

SOCIALIST CHORUSES WILL SING FOR SILK WORKERS

The Joint Chorus are asked to be in the Socialist Park at the bandstand at 7 p. m., Saturday, July 28, at which time they will appear on the program. After a fifteen minute recital, they will again appear after the speaking program.

RETURN BOOKS TO LIBRARY

The library committee requests all party members who are holding overdue books to return them to Labor Lyceum immediately. The library is open daily, except Saturdays and Sundays, from 7 p. m. to 8 p. m.

ON TO ALLENTOWN FOR THE BIG PICNIC

Many of the Reading comrades are anxious to attend the big picnic in Allentown, Sunday, August 5. Upon investigation we find that it will be possible to charter a bus at a reasonable rate if there are enough people interested in doing so. For further information, get in touch with Eugene Haag at the Labor Lyceum or the Southern Branch. He can supply you with full details. It is important that you make reservation early, so that proper plans can be laid. Let's surprise the Allentown Branch.

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AN INVITATION FROM THE GYMNASTIC CLUB

The Workers' Gymnastic Club of Reading, the only workers' sport organization in town, calls upon all sport-loving workers to be at the Socialist Park on Saturday, July 28, at 3 p. m. There will be training for the track and field meet of the eastern district of the Workers' Gymnastic and Sport Alliance of U. S. A., to be held on Sept. 16.

Stop disorganization of the workers in sport! Organize yourselves in the Workers' Gymnastic Club!

SOMETHING NEW

It was something new for the friends and neighbors in Berkshire Heights, who attended our last ice cream festival, to hear the combined Socialist Chorus sing in so masterly a fashion. The singers lived up to the expectation we had created in the mind of the invited public. And so all were pleased and some Democrats even surprised. Berkshire Heights comrades agreed that the singers deserve credit and special thanks in the form of a donation.

LOST—Socialist Park, Sunday,

July 28, a brown Manila envelope containing papers belonging to Bob Cullum. Finder please return to Advocate office.

NOT SHELLERS STRIKE FOR HIGHER WAGES

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (FP)—"We won't work any longer for 14c a day." With these words, Mexican workers of the V. Coronado pecan plant at San Antonio walked out on the job. Several hundred pickets bar the entrance of the building.

Roger Busfield, secretary of the Regional Labor Board, who was active in negotiations in the longshoremen's strike in May, is busy trying to reassure the frightened members of the Southern Pecan Shellers Assn. that "there is no strike."

But the 10,000 pecan workers, men and women, are rallying together at the call of the Pecan Shellers Union. Two of their leaders, who had been arrested, were released by the police as a result of organization protest.

At a hearing called by Busfield, the strikers, undaunted by threats, put forth their demands for an increase from 2c to 3c a lb. for shellers to 5c and 6c, and from 25c and 30c a lb. for crackers. Such an increase would ruin them, operators objected. Busfield adjourned the meeting on the ground that the union spokesmen did not represent the majority of the workers.

The strike continues as a blank et code for the industry is being promulgated. Under its provision, a forth of the workers will be displaced by machinery.

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Free Delivery of All Purchases Within Fifty Miles : Freight Prepaid to Any Point Within 100 Miles

NO SUBSTITUTE FOR PARTY DECLARATION

CHICAGO — The national executive committee of the Socialist party has voted not to allow the request of the state executive committee of New York to postpone the membership referendum on the declaration of principles, proposed by the recent national convention of the party held in Detroit, until a substitute document could be drawn up for consideration.

The party's executives have also decided to exercise their right of editorial correction of the declaration before rather than after the submission of the document to a membership vote. One editorial change already approved in the phrase, "not in contravention of Socialist principles," into one of the hotly disputed sentences of the document as considered by the convention, making the sentence read:

Oppose Individual Terrorism

"They will loyally support, in the tragic event of war, any of their comrades who for anti-war activities not in contravention of Socialist principles, or for refusal to perform war service, come into conflict with public opinion or the law."

A sub-committee consisting of Clarence Senior, executive secretary of the party, and Maynard C. Krueger and James Oneal of the executive committee, has been chosen to draft for presentation to the full executive committee a declaration reiterating the historic party position against physical force, anarchy or terrorism of individuals whether in time of war or peace.

Hear Various Viewpoints

A separately organized sub-committee, consisting of Norman Thomas, and James Oneal of New York and Maynard C. Krueger of Illinois last week met in New York to hear opponents of the declaration present suggestions as to the manner of taking a referendum vote. Representatives of the two inner-party groups, the "Committee for the Preservation of Socialist Policy in the Socialist Party" and the "Socialist Unity Conference," were given a chance to present their opinions on "anything whatever which had anything to do with the referendum."

A report of this sub-committee is now being considered by the full executive committee, and it

is expected that ballots for members voting on the declaration will be mailed from the party's headquarters by July 28.

DuPont Munitions

Profits Up 80%

WILMINGTON, Del. (FP)—A gain of 83c a share was shown in the net income of the E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co. for the first six months of this year over the same period in 1933. Net income was equal to \$1.86 a share on the common stock as compared with \$1.03 a share in 1933.

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Labor Board Head Quits

WASHINGTON — Resignation of Dr. Wm. M. Leiserson, chairman of the Petroleum Labor Policy Board, was announced July 21 by the Oil Administration. It takes effect August 1, when Dr. Leiserson will return to his work as professor at Antioch College.

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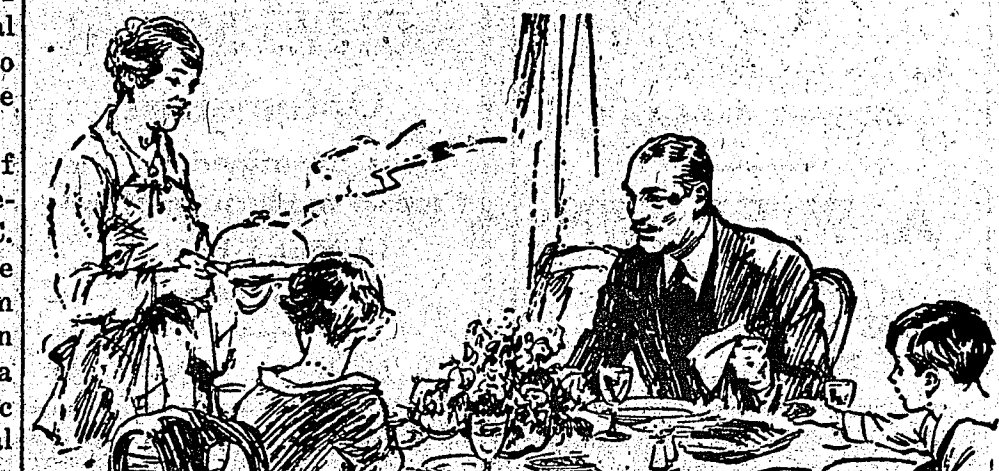
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Home Dressed, From Milk-Fed Veal 10^c LB

FRESH PORK HEARTS 9^c LB

Small, Lean Sugar-Cured HAM 21^c LB

Pressed Ham Bologna 18^c lb

MINCED HAM 16^c LB

HICKORY BAC BOLONA 17^c LB

Weaver's Lebanon Beef & Pork BOLOGNA 15^c LB

Our Own Make RING BOLOGNA 15^c LB

Sugar-Cured Smoked Shoulders 12½^c LB

Fresh Spare Ribs 7c lb

Rib End PORK LOINS 12½^c LB

Our Own Cooked and Pressed TENDER TRIPE 15^c LB

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We are starting on the second week of our Executor's Sale and are offering item after item at special prices that enable you to save plenty of money in all kinds of men's and boys' wear. Our quantities of all items make the selection of whatever you want an easy matter. Don't miss our specials listed below.

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Group 1—\$15.00 Values

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This includes New Summer Suits, Sizes 34 to 38 only. Odd garments. Light shades mostly. Hurry for best selection.

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Spring Patterns—Sturdy Fabrics. Sizes 34 to 42.

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\$12.90

Spring models, including sport styles. All wool. Variety of colors. Sizes to fit every build.

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\$2.25 Lightweight Gray Flannel Work Shirts **\$1.54**

The kind for Policemen, Mail Carriers, etc.

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Dark Stripes

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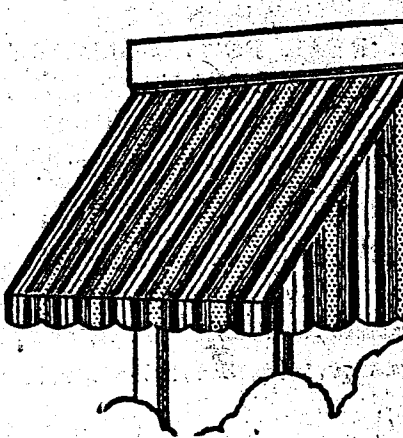
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WILL ROGERS IN "HANDY ANDY"—EMBASSY TODAY

Will Rogers keeps the laughs rolling right along in his latest picture, "Handy Andy," which opens Friday at the Embassy Theatre. Without doubt, it's his funniest picture. Dialogue and situations combine to maintain a steadily mounting crescendo of mirth—just a whirlwind of belly

laughs. He keeps the audience in stitches most of the time.

Rogers portrays a druggist who wants to work in peace. But his wife, expertly played by Peggy Wood, nags him to sell out and learn to play. And he does!

First he becomes a pigeon fancier, and lets his pets fly all over the house. Then he takes up golf with excruciatingly funny results.

The climax comes, however, when his wife persuades him to take a trip to the Mardi Gras in New Orleans. There Rogers reels violently when his wife tries to make him dress in a fancy costume to attend the Comus ball.

She attends with a gigolo and leaves Rogers at home. Lonesome, he meets a druggist and the latter's girl friend, Conchita Montenegro. After a few cock-aids with his new friends, Rogers is persuaded to attend the ball after all.

Rogers appears in a Tarzan costume and causes a sensation with his rough and tumble dance with Conchita. The dance ends in a

free-for-all fight that lands Rogers in jail. Of course his wife is completely cured and pleads with him to return home to his old, quiet life.

Another way to keep from growing old is to have another smoke when you are reading your

self to sleep.

Dancing was enjoyed until a late hour.

In addition to a band concert, there were a number of vaudeville and specialty acts which drew repeated applause.

Crowd Appreciated the Program

Throughout the afternoon the huge crowd, the largest of the year, demonstrated its approval of the program of entertainment provided by the committee of women in charge.

Immediate Demands

To relieve the sufferings of the great mass of people and to awaken in workers a realization of their real power pending the realization of the Socialist Cooperative Commonwealth, and not to bolster up and perpetuate a

Capitalist private profit system, we pledge ourselves to work to mobilize the workers in support of the following immediate demands:

1. "Provision of incomes in cash consistent with the great productive resources of the state to those who are unable to work, wither by reason of sickness, injury, old age, or unemployment to be financed by progressively graduated taxes upon large inheritances, the larger incomes and corporate surpluses; the administration to be under workers' control.

2. "Complete stoppage of foreclosures and evictions for all workers of farm and city.

3. "Outlawry of company unions.

4. "A minimum wage for unskilled labor of \$1.00 an hour.

5. "A six-hour day and a five-day week.

6. "Abolition of use of courts, police, and the military in workers' disputes.

7. "Abolition of National Guard, constabulary and private police.

8. "Sufficient funds from the state to enable workers' organizations to provide modern housing for workers through municipalities or non-profit-making organizations.

9. "Proportional representation, the initiative, referendum, and recall."

Women Plan Activities

At the women's conference, which was attended by more than 100 women from all parts of the state, a committee to form a permanent organization was formed, consisting of Anna G. Van Essen, Allegheny Co.; Mrs. Robert T. Jarvis, Bradford Co.; Mabel Cooper, Delaware Co.; Martha Crumshorn, Fayette Co.; Marie Widdison, Indiana Co.; Florence Young, Lehigh Co.; Rose Metzger, Bucks Co.; Mrs. Charles Sandwick, Northampton Co.; Jennie Libros, Philadelphia Co.; Sarah Brown, Schuylkill Co.; Mrs. Emma Sands, Reading, was made chairman of the committee and Mrs. George Hartman, of State College, secretary.

Plans For Campaign

On the recommendations of the Campaign Committee the convention laid plans for a vigorous congressional campaign through the formation of action committees in each congressional district who will plan not less than two big meetings during the coming campaign.

The endorsement of labor unions will be sought and the press and radio will be used as a means of publicizing the Socialist point of view.

The gathering decided upon a monthly distribution of literature, to be prepared by an educational committee in every district to the full extent of their financial ability.

Every branch was urged to lay plans to secure a full registration of Socialist voters. "As no poll tax is required, there is no reason why every potential voter

should not vote," the Campaign Committee's report points out.

Speakers Address Delegates

During the course of the convention the delegates were addressed by James H. Maurer, James O'Neal and Norman Thomas of New York, Leo Krzycki, National Party chairman, and Jesse Holmes, the party's candidate for governor.

W. J. Van Essen, Pittsburgh, presided at the Saturday session and Simon Libros, Philadelphia, was chairman on Sunday.

There is nothing as depressing as a cold fried egg unless you count the mosquito net in a cheap resort hotel.

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WASHINGTON—The National Labor Board, whose chairman was Senator Robert F. Wagner of New York, passed out of existence on July 9. It was succeeded by the new National Labor Relations Board.

The old board has made public the story of its activities since its inception on July 1, 1933. It is a story of more than 2,000-

000 workers directly involved in labor dispute cases, of whom 1,800,000 were kept at work or their cases otherwise adjusted by the Labor Board.

In the year the board functioned it passed on 4,277 labor dispute cases, of which 3,532, or 83 per cent, were settled by the National Board and its regional units. The cases still pending number 416.

Strikes mediated by the board numbered 1,496, involving 1,070,000 workers, and 1,019 of them were settled. In addition 498 threatened strikes were averted.

More than 50 per cent of the cases alleged violations of the collective bargaining provisions of the National Recovery Act.

Of the strikes which came within the jurisdiction of the board, 529 were in New York City and involved 190,900 workers. Of these 382, affecting 177,533 workers, were settled. Strikes averted in New York City numbered 120 and involved 182,352 workers.

Not including in the strikes mediated were 4,001 labor dispute cases, which involved 1,075,139 persons. Of these 3,344 were settled by the board, 2,002 of them by agreement, 744 by board decisions and 331 in other ways.

J. B. McNamara in Trouble
SAN QUENTIN, Cal.—James B. McNamara, one of the Los Angeles Times explosion defendants, has been demoted from his prison job of condemned row tender to that of sweeper in the west wing, in consequence of an attempt by a condemned prisoner to smuggle the special meat served condemned men, through McNamara, to other prisoners.

WINGS OVER WASHINGTON

By LEN DE CAUX
Federated Press

Those who pooh-pooh the idea of Fascism in the United States are avoiding arguments in Washington these days. For almost overnight the alignment of forces against the San Francisco general strike produced all the elements of an American variety of Fascism except a one-and-only Hitler or Mussolini with an American name.

The first letter in Fascism is taken from Fear. So long as labor is docile and easily managed, Fascism makes little headway. But when workers show a disposition to unite for a fuller use of their economic and political power—even for moderate demands—exploiters and oppressors of labor begin to tremble. Subconsciously perhaps, they are aware that labor's is a great and rising power, while their's is on the wane. At the first sign therefore of labor uniting to use its power, they become panic-stricken, throw all democratic pretenses to the winds and call for violence to smash the movement before it can gain headway.

When Hitler and his Nazis seized power in Germany, they did not have to fight the existing "democratic" government. On the contrary, preceding governments prepared the way for them by suppressing labor militancy—the only force that could have smashed Fascism before it grew to power. German industrialists financed Hitler's gunmen and rowdies to break up all forms of labor organization, but particularly to destroy the militant elements in labor's ranks. Meanwhile "liberal" German governments winked at Fascist violence or openly encouraged it, while they suppressed workers' attempts to fight off the Nazi terrorists. While militants were shot down by storm troopers and "democratic" police, docility and conservatism in labor leadership was rewarded with the sweets of office. And then came Hitler!

Gen. Johnson's speech at the University of California on the second day of the general strike was almost word for word the sort of speech that prepared the way for German Fascism. The general's stomach may have felt sick, as he said, when Fascists killed Fascists, but he showed no qualms at the shooting of striking workers on the Pacific Coast. On the contrary, he launched into a violent attack on the general strike, calling it "bloody insurrection" (but not saying whose blood was shed by whom). Like the German Nazis and their fore-runners, Johnson centered his main attack on labor militants, suggesting that "the people" should wipe out this subversive element, if the government failed to do so.

When this provocative speech was reported in Washington, the first reaction was that Johnson had "put his foot in it again," and stories were repeated about the different administration politicians seeking re-election who had asked that Johnson be kept out of their states. When after this speech Johnson was actually made the chief of Fascism in the whole situation were not surprised.

The bands of rowdies, or so-called "vigilantes," organized by the San Francisco employers, offer the closest possible parallel to the first organization of German Storm Troopers and Italian Fascist gangs. They were formed for exactly the same immediate purpose—to intimidate labor by lawless terrorism, by raiding and smashing workers' halls, beating up leaders, breaking up meetings. And as in Europe, the police followed close behind to arrest, not the employers' thugs but the generally defenseless workers whom they attacked. Of course, the radicals were picked on first, as in Italy and Germany, but labor men who think their "moderation" will save them once Fascism gets going will get small comfort if they look abroad.

Before the raids were made, Vice Pres. Charles Wheeler of the McCormick Steamship Line was

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quoted in the press as telling San Francisco Rotarians that these raids would be made "with government consent." And certainly the California authorities did nothing to disprove this statement. The federal authorities, too, provided "liberals" with their customary disappointment. Not a word was uttered in Washington against employer-instigated and government-sanctioned Fascist rowdism; not a finger was lifted to protect the off-reiterated "right to strike" against legal and illegal violence. On the contrary, Johnson swept this right aside by calling it "civil war," army and navy stood by to smash the strike—if police, National Guard and employers' gunmen should fail—and immigration authorities took an active part in intimidating strikers and sympathizers unfortunate enough to have chosen America for their country instead of being born into it.

Against the worst wave of "red raids" since Mitchell Palmer's days, Sec. of Labor Perkins had nothing to say. On the contrary, when Gov. Merriam asked for a deportation drive against radicals or alleged radicals involved in the strike, she declared that "the Dept. of Labor will cooperate with California officials to the full extent authorized by law," and that immigration authorities in California had been instructed "to act with promptness" in any deportable cases arising at this time.

BOYCOTT GERMAN WORKERS DESTROYS NAZI COOPERATIVES

NEW YORK (TIS)—The determined manner in which the German workers are resisting all attempts to convert them to the Nazi cause, is described in a letter to the TIS from Frankfurt a/M. The correspondent points to the decay of the powerful German workers' cooperatives and consumers' societies, whose capital and resources formerly totaled more than 250 million Mark (\$100,000,000 at present course). Shortly after the seizure of control by the Nazis, the socialists and trade unionists decided to boycott their former organizations with the result that the latter are now completely wrecked. All Nazi attempts to ward off the impending disaster, including even the recall of the ousted managers and sales representatives, have been unsuccessful. The workers in Frankfurt a/M. are buying ostentatiously in the Jewish-owned food store chain Schade & Fulgrabe which has fifty branches in the city alone.

Indicative of the spirit prevailing in the workers ranks was a recent meeting of consumers' representatives which was addressed by the Nazi commissioner. At the end of his speech the commissioner called for a "Heil Hitler" to which only six out of 300 present responded. The chairman of the meeting was arrested but later freed.

SCHILLER—AN ENEMY OF THE NAZI STATE

SAARBRUECKEN (TIS)—The daily "Deutsche Freiheit" reports from Hamburg a characteristic example of the growing restlessness of the German people. During a recent performance of Schiller's great historical drama "Don Carlos," the public turned the display on the stage into a remarkable demonstration against Nazi oppression. When Marquis de Posa knelt before King Philipp and uttered the famous remark "Sire, give us freedom of thought," the overflowing audience broke into spontaneous applause and wild demonstrations which lasted several minutes. Further performances of the drama have been forbidden by the authorities.

Mrs. Berger Completes 25 Years Of Service

MILWAUKEE—Mrs. Meta Berger, widow of the late Socialist congressman, Victor L. Berger, has completed a quarter of a century of service to the children of Milwaukee as a member of the city's board of school directors. She was first elected a member of the school board in 1903, and has served all but two of the intervening three-year terms of office.

YORK, Pa.—York county cigar manufacturers were forced to close their plants when 4,000 members of the Cigarmakers' International Union of America went on strike to defend the closed shop.

CONGRESSIONAL COM. UNCOVERS GERMAN PROPAGANDA CHANNELS

NEW YORK (TIS)—Disclosing that the well-known New York publicity promoter, Ivy Lee, receives \$25,000 a year from Nazi Germany for his advice and other services, the Congressional Committee investigating Nazi and other un-American activities moved one step farther in its startling revelations of a well-organized and highly paid Nazi propaganda system in the United States. Mr. Lee's statements were preceded by the testimony of George S. Viereck, high pressure German propagandist during war days, who confirmed that he received \$1,750 a month in return of his propaganda services to the Nazi cause. He also received \$500 a month for the period of four months from the then German Consul General in New York, Dr. Otto Kiep. The latter sums were not entered in his books.

According to M. Lee, the money is paid to him by the German dye trust which in turn hands all advice and data received to the German authorities. Lee was retained in spring 1933, shortly after a brief visit to Berlin where he had opportunity to "size up Adolf Hitler" and to impress the leading men with the necessity of retaining his services for the guidance of the German government. The testimony brought out that Lee supplied information and advice on questions of German rearmament, debts and other matters of national policy. Lee also suggested to Berlin that Hitler's personal armament representative, Joachim von Ribbentrop, should visit the United States for the purpose of explaining German policies to President Roosevelt and the American public. Mr. Lee's contact man in Berlin is his son, James W. Lee, who receives an annual salary of \$33,000.

Mr. Ivy Lee stated, however, that his arrangements with the German dye trust call for no dissemination whatsoever of Nazi propaganda in the United States and that he considers Nazi propaganda abroad and especially its anti-Semitic policy harmful.

RELIEF

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ting of relief payments has been done there. Despite an increase of about a half in the number on relief rolls in Greenville, S. C., textile center, following the NRA order to cut cotton goods production and payrolls 25 per cent, relief payments were actually cut 26 per cent there. Other cities in the state cut their payments a third. The reason was not lack of need but lack of funds.

Similar excuses were given at Little Rock, Ark., Louisville, Ky., Baltimore, Md., where the need is as great as ever but relief is cut because funds are short. Port Smith, Ark., had an increase of 10 per cent in the number on relief and a decrease of 20 per cent in payments, for example.

Work Program Stopped
The work program which followed the CWA has been stopped entirely in Omaha, Neb., as has the giving of clothing and household necessities to families on relief, however great their needs.

A possible explanation of Sen. Borah's shots at the NRA is seen in the fact that Boise, Ida., his home town, cut relief 64 per cent in June. Perhaps the homefolks growled before the senator barked. This is the worst cut known in the country, although Waterbury, Conn., with a cut of 40 per cent, was close behind. In fact, in four surveyed Connecticut cities there was an increase of 4 per cent in the number on relief rolls and a decrease of more than 20 per cent on the amounts paid out.

Up In Chicago

Chicago reversed the usual, possibly because of the aggressive organization of the unemployed there. The number on relief rolls decreased 6 per cent but there was an actual increase in the amount paid of 2 per cent.

New York, with more than a million on its list of those in need, spent less than 14 million dollars. New York faces one of the most serious situations in the country, despite its great wealth, because

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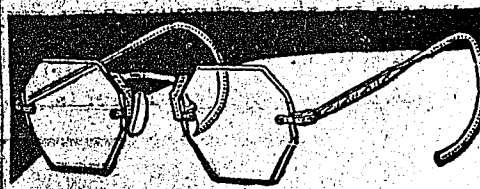
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CHILE FEARS WORKERS MAY LEARN FROM FRISCO

WASHINGTON (FP)—Chile's fear of serious labor troubles was shown when its government forbade the papers to print stories on the San Francisco general strike. Some of the economic conditions which made the government so fearful and that the Chilean workers will take courage from the militancy of their United States fellow workers are shown in a U. S. Department of Commerce report released July 17.

Assistant Commercial Attache H. M. Randall, who has just completed an official tour through northern Chile, has told the department that "while some improvement has occurred... the general feeling existing is still far from optimistic," it reports. The economic life of northern Chile, according to Randall, was built around the production and export of nitrate and copper, the world demand for which has declined to extremely low levels. Nitrate production is about 20 per cent of capacity and copper output between 25 per cent and 30 per cent, he says.

OMAHA, Neb.—Rejecting a report of an arbitration board, Omaha street car men have voted 359 to 1 to strike for a 16c-an-hour wage increase for all employees.



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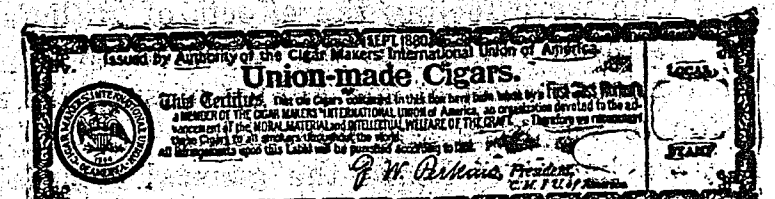
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OH, WHAT IS LOST TIME?

The Associated Press, news agency of the master class, has figured it out that 2,276,000 working days have been lost by the workers' strike in California.

The reason for calling this to the public's attention is to disgust other workers with the idea of strikes as a means of winning what the "New Deal" promised but is not giving.

Lost time is always a terrible thing when caused by the action of workers. However, what about the time and wages and living standards and self-respect which have been lost as a result of the strike of the owning class? By "strike of the owning class" we mean the action of the employers in shutting millions of workers out of the mills, mines and industries.

It would take an astronomer to figure that loss out, but little is said about it. Why...?

Because of the viewpoint of the masters that workers are here solely to work when wanted and to be cast aside like old tools when not wanted.

That is the Capitalist viewpoint. The Socialist viewpoint, on the contrary, is that the industries are here for the benefit of people. Socialists propose to use those industries, not for the profit of a few, but for the welfare of everybody. Socialists would plan production in such a way that everybody would perform their proper share of the world's work and have, not lost time, but leisure and the security which is necessary if leisure is to be enjoyed.

We hope the workers will not be fooled by the Associated Press. The real lost time is the time which workers work in the interest and for the profit of the bosses. Save that time. Work for yourselves. Socialism points the way.

THE "WHY" OF RELIEF

News that grants totalling \$20,261,077 have been given to five states by Aubrey Williams, acting Federal Relief Administrator, will be received with mixed emotions. Many of the unemployed will be grateful. On the other hand, Socialists who take a broad view of Capitalism's economic collapse will see this announcement as proof that the system is still working contrary to the best interests of the great mass of people.

It's funny about this relief business. Somehow, workers get used to getting doles and become grateful for them. Many, unfortunately and ignorantly, measure the "goodness" of an administration by the size of their food vouchers when, if they were alive to conditions, they would deplore the fact that they must accept vouchers as a substitute for wages.

If people were to read in the paper that a thousand smashed heads had been treated after a police attack they would not be so likely to comment upon the kindness of the doctors and nurses as upon the brutality of the police force. Likewise, instead of thinking of relief grants as generosity, they should remember that there is something fundamentally wrong with a system which, for almost five years has been forcing people to live on doles.

We advance this viewpoint because it is so important to keep everybody from believing that relief is a good thing in a nation as resourceful as ours. Relief is bad. It should stop. People should start producing the things they need—AND ALSO START USING THE THINGS THEY PRODUCE.

The only reason people aren't permitted to produce and use abundantly is because there is no way under Capitalism of letting them do it and, at the same time, safeguarding the profit privileges of the owning class.

It is to keep the jobless quiet and satisfied that doles are handed out, quiet in the face of injustice and satisfied to wait and starve while the would-be saviours of Capitalism dicker around in their quest for some way of making the old slave system work once more.

Socialism is against relief and for the full product of labor to the producers.

JOHNSON'S MORNING SICKNESS

Knowing workers are still smiling ironically about General Hugh S. Johnson's speech in which he declared that the news of Hitler's killings made him "sick, physically sick."

There is some cause to believe that Johnson was speaking the truth. After all it was generals and petty dictators who were feeling the effects of Hitler's sadism. General Johnson could not be expected to be jubilant about a demonstration of the ability of such ilk to die as a reaction to terrorism and oppression.

But we have not heard the general complain about pains in the guts as a result of the shootings and gassings on the western coast. Nor has he confessed to discomfort from the news that more than 50 persons were shot in a truck drivers' strike in Minneapolis. In the latter cases it

was only workers who felt the impact of the violence of the master class.

Workers will do well to discount any utterances which indicate that the servants of Capitalism are guided by humane motives. To safeguard the profit system any necessary number of workers' lives will be sacrificed. This is not merely a harsh statement, but the bald truth; those who doubt it have forgotten the lesson of the world war in which millions of workers were lead to the shambles in a commercial and industrial conflict.

It makes a difference whose ox is gored and whose life is taken. When the people began killing kings in the French revolution all of monarchial Europe formed a ring of steel around the revolting French workers. It would be nothing new if the Capitalist countries of today would use their every effort to see to it that only workers are shot and that generals continue to die in bed.

A NEW ATTITUDE

If we were to take seriously the figures on unemployment among young people submitted by U. S. Commissioner of Education Zook it will be necessary to revise all estimates of unemployment in the U. S. A., decidedly upward. The commissioner points out that there are 20,000,000 young people between the ages of 16 and 25. Subtracting from this total the 2,000,000 in high schools, the 1,000,000 in colleges and a quarter million in CCC camps, there are still sixteen million and a half to be accounted for.

There are 4,000,000 youngsters from 14 to 18 not enrolled in school. The commissioner further declared definitely that not less than 3,000,000 in the age group from 18 to 20 are not only out of school but out of work. Mr. Zook concludes that "the fortunes of 12,000,000 young men and women who are not in school or college are at stake, due to unemployment."

He can add the names of those in high school and college to the list as every high school or college graduate knows who has sought a place of usefulness for his talents and training. Each year two and a half million American young people reach the age of employability. They find increasingly that there is no place for them in America or any other nation under Capitalism.

Through Europe as well as the United States and up from Bombay, India, greatest textile center of Asia, comes the same cry, there is no place for our young people or any use for newly educated and trained youth. Under a political and social system which is trying to chain the new power machinery of plenty to the old class system of profit and privilege and scarcity, the only bidders for youth on the side of the present system are beggary, hopelessness, fascism and war.

On the other side, the side of hope, there is but one bidder, the Socialist movement of the world with the one aim, SOCIALISM IN OUR TIME.—The Challenge.

YOUNG AMERICA IS UNEMPLOYED

It can be taken for granted that not all of the facts about the San Francisco and Pacific coast strike of longshoremen are being broadcast by the press. The probability is that the masses of the people of the San Francisco area are in sympathy with the dock strikers, as the masses of the people of Milwaukee were in sympathy with the street car strikers.

Talk of Communists being back of the dock strike is slush—why give them so much free advertising and so much credit which they do not in the least deserve? One paper even traces all the recent strikes to the recognition of Russia by the United States government! You can't argue with such cockeyed observers.

Some outsiders have a more accurate concept—they sense a new attitude on the part of labor.

The slumbering desire of the workers for release from utter slavery to capital was awakened a little by Section 7A of the National Industrial Recovery Act. They expected the law to be enforced and they awaited eagerly the chance to have a little something to say about the conditions in the industries in which they work. When the administration failed to enforce the law, they decided to try to enforce it themselves, and some of them are gassed by the authorities, while trying to compel employers to obey the law.

This, in brief, is the situation. The workers are likely to awaken still more completely, and to demand still more, before they get through.—Milwaukee Leader.

DEATH BEAMS

Gentle reader, how do you prefer to die? Would you like a bayonet treatment, poison gas, or a shell to reduce you to a heap of bloody pulp? Or perhaps a hail of lead from a machine gun?

Well, Nikola Tesla, the inventor, may have a new way for you to die for American dollars. It is claimed that he has invented a "death beam" that will destroy an army of a million men. The beam is so powerful that it will bring down a fleet of 10,000 airplanes at a distance of 250 miles. One flash and millions of people simply drop dead. There is no warning, it is invisible.

It sounds fantastic and yet we are living in an age of marvelous inventions and this one may be true. That death ray is not for our ruling imperialists; it is intended for workers who fight their battles. Perhaps capitalism in this way is preparing for the suicide of its "civilization." —The New Leader.

UNCLE SAM GOES INTO THE MATTRESS BUSINESS

NEW ORLEANS (FP).—Mattress factories, operated by the U. S. government, will open in 19 Louisiana cities in the near future.

Surplus cotton will be sewed into surplus ticking, by surplus workers in surplus factories (which had been closed) so that the surplus sleeping on floors can be stopped. The total product

will be given to the unemployed, not sold in competition with privately-produced goods.

The Federal Surplus Corporation has bought some 800,000 yards of ticking, all that could be obtained in the market for delivery within 30 days, and wants to buy 2,200,000 yards more, if the NRA will allow the closed cotton mills to operate at 40 hours a week so that the ticking will be available. It will also buy about 250,000 bales of cotton.

The workers will be hired from relief lists and paid for their work.

THE WORLD IN REVIEW

By J. I. S.

Unemployment Increasing

All the ballyhoo of the Roosevelt administration cannot hide the fact that unemployment is once again on the increase. In the month of June, for example, about 119,000 people lost their jobs. Nor is it very comforting to be told by the Department of Labor that a seasonal move of that nature occurs in most years. The bald fact is that, after sixteen months of the New Deal, the number of jobless remains at about the 11,000,000 figure, and shows no signs of materially decreasing for a long time to come.

The truth is, of course, that no fundamental change has been attempted by the Roosevelt regime. The experimentation that is taking place is wholly within the confines of the existing economic system, and even within that system there has been no attempt to change the balance of power between classes. There has not been an increase in the purchasing power of the individual workingman, though that was one of the professed aims of the New Deal. In the last year, according to the figures of the federal government itself, average industrial wages increased 7% while the cost of living rose 6.3%. A rise in living standards of less than one percentage point is too negligible for serious mention.

Average weekly wages in the United States, about \$18.50 when the NIRA was passed, are still less than \$20.00. The facilities for production in the country, by way of contrast, are such that every family could receive an income of \$100 per week or more at the present level of prices. Every workingman who, by his support of either of the old parties, helps to perpetuate the Capitalist system is simply robbing himself and his family of four-fifths of the income that a socialized state would give him.

Impending German Collapse

Signs are increasing daily that the German economic system is heading for a complete collapse. The barbarities of the Nazis have caused a world boycott of German goods, while Hitler's belligerent foreign policy and his refusal to meet German obligations abroad left Germany friendless and deprived of her credit. The importation of raw materials and the sale of manufactured products abroad is the base upon which the German economic system has been built. That system is not collapsing because of the almost complete end of foreign trade.

Already hours—and therefore weekly wages—have been sharply reduced in the textile industry because of shortage of raw materials, and every indication is that other industries will shortly follow suit. The standard of living of the German workers, already appreciably below its level when Hitler assumed power, will sink even more rapidly in the next few months. Mass starvation faces Germany next winter if the Nazi madmen continue in power.

Signs are multiplying that Nazism is losing its hold upon the German people, and that, barring an unexpected improvement in economic conditions, some sort of overturn will take place. Unfortunately the most powerful force in Germany, if Hitler falls, appears to be the regular army, which is reactionary in its economic sympathies and friendly to the Junkers and the monarchy. Control by the army would be a tragedy equal to the rise of Hitler, for it would possibly lead to the return of the Hohenzollerns.

The only hope for Germany is that the working masses, aided by the now disillusioned peasantry and lower middle classes, will seize upon the growing discontent to establish a revolutionary Socialist government. The first act of such a government should be to destroy forever the economic power of the individualists, the bankers and the Junkers.

In that effort it should be possible for the members of the old Social Democratic and Communist parties to work together, and end the fatal division in working class ranks that made Hitler's triumph easy. The Communist International, unfortunately, has learned nothing, and still repeats the stupid and vicious doctrine that its first task is to destroy the Socialist movement. A Communist movement that can propose a non-aggressive pact to the Nazi and promise to aid them if their borders are invaded should find it possible to cooperate with Socialist workers against the Nazi terror.

California Lawlessness

One of the most alarming de-

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LOUISVILLE, KY.—THE BROWN & WILLIAMSON TOBACCO CORPORATION ANNOUNCES THAT IT HAS SIGNED AN AGREEMENT WITH THE TOBACCO WORKERS' UNION WHEREBY THE TOBACCO FACTORIES (LOCATED AT LOUISVILLE, KY., PETERSBURG, VA., AND WINSTON-SALEM, N.C.) BECOME UNION PLANTS, AND SIR WALTER RALEIGH CIGARETTES, SIR WALTER RALEIGH SMOKING TOBACCO AND OTHER B&W PRODUCTS WILL CARRY THE UNION LABEL AS SOON AS NECESSARY LABELING EQUIPMENT CAN BE INSTALLED.

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ALL B&W BRANDS ARE UNION MADE

velopments in California in connection with the San Francisco general strike has been the illegal raids on Communist and other radical headquarters by mobs of so-called "vigilantes," working in perfect harmony with police and reactionary judges. Civil liberties, never too secure in California, must be protected at all costs. Reactionary employers, as in the agricultural regions, are taking advantage of the situation to increase their reign of terror against union organizers and sympathizers. Events have amply demonstrated that they will stop at nothing to prevent unionism.

IT'S A GREAT SYSTEM

By JOHN PAINE

The "Crash and Carry" slogan of San Franciscans did not last long.

The number of stores to be crashed and the amount of groceries to be carried soon ran out.

Hitler has ordered the "plague of homosexuality" stamped out. Premier Goering of Prussia has just designed a new aviation suit for himself, made of white taffeta silk.

Gen. Johnson, NRA chief, said recently that if all aliens were deported, unemployment problems would be reduced one-third. On the same day Pres. Roosevelt appointed an alien, Dr. William M. Leiserson, as one-third of the new railway labor board. Want a job, general?

By the San Francisco general strike labor "drove local government forces to the side of employers," according to one New York newspaper.

We'd say the local government forces needed about as much driving as a horse headin' for the barn.

Life at the White House seems to be so trying that none of the Roosevelts will go back home until the elevator is fixed, it is reported.

"In this sad hour (the burial of

the prince consort of Holland), Dolfus of Australia and all the little Dolfusses, together with Frau Dolfus, to spend a vacation with him."

See of the Interior Ickes spent a day checking up on his clerks recently.

He found, among other things, a young man sitting with his feet on a desk reading a newspaper. "Is that the way you work?" he said. "I don't do that myself." "And who in the hell are you?" came the reply.

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