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DEMONSTRATE THRUOUT WEST AGAINST IMPERIALIST WAR: JAPAN MENACES SOVIET UNION

Workers Mobilize in San Francisco on 9th; Prelude to May Day Meets

Japanese Open New Assault on Chinese Masses: Gives Lie to Peace Talk

Joining the nation-wide demonstration against the imperialist war inciters, thousands of workers of the Bay region are expected to gather at Jackson and Kearny Streets, San Francisco, Saturday April 9, at 7 o'clock. Similar demonstrations are announced for Seattle, Portland, Aberdeen, Spokane, Bellingham, Tacoma and other cities of the West.

Workers of San Jose

Nail Lies Spread By

SAN JOSE, April 5.-In an effort

to discredit the Cannery and Agri

cultural Workers' Industrial League,

the bosses of San Jose are spread-

ing slanderous tales that the league

year to the California Packing Cor

VICIOUS LIE

obvious. The bosses know that the

PAYING 25c AN HOUR

Five hig canneries are now nack

ing spinach in San Jose: Califor-

nia Packing Co., No. 3 and No. 4,

According to capitalist press re

Fifty per cent is closer to the truth

CUT OFF RELIEF

Thousands of men and women

throng the cannery offices each

morning, seeking work. To make

matters worse, the "charities" have

Workers are urged to get in

San Francisco police on April 3

and gym, after permission had been

and Recreation. The meet was or-

The purpose of this vicious lie is

poration officials.

on and three off.

will be closed up.

The united front call for the demonstration has been issued jointly by the All-America Anti-Imperialist League and the Friends of the Soviet Union, and is receiving the full support of all militant working-class organizations.

PRELUDE TO MAY DAY

The demonstration will protest the attack upon the Chinese and Manchurian masses, the plans for an imperialist assault upon the Soviet Union, and against the wage- sold the names of the strikers last cutting and terror activities of the bosses of the United States.

At the same time the demonstration will be a prelude to the gigantic May Day demonstrations which are being planned throughout the

CONFERENCE NEXT MAY

The day following the San Fran- cuts. As a matter of fact the bosses cisco demonstration, a United Front | have the names and addresses on Anti-War Conference will be held payroll files, and know precisely under the auspices of the Anti-im- who struck and who scabbed. perialist League and the Friends of (Continued on P. 5, Col. 3)

CALL FOR UNITED FRONT IN FIGHT OF THE PAINTERS

Urge End of Splitting Tactics; Meting in San Francisco on April 13th

Calling upon the rank and file painters of San Francisco and Oakland to organize a sharp fight cut off relief, and there is a rumor against the splitting and disruptive that even the miserable flophouse actions of the Fleming-Green Harris and breadline in West San Jose clique of the National Painters' Union, which prevents an effective struggle against the wage-cutting touch with the Cannery and Agrioffensive of the painter bosses and cultural Workers' Industrial League, the A. F. of L. bureaucrats, the 81 Post Street, San Jose, Calif. Building Trades Workers Industrial League, affiliated with the Trade Union Unity League, has issued a call for a mass meeting on Wednesday evening, April 13, ,at 1507 Eddy Street, corner Fillmore, San Francisco.

UNITY NEEDED

Headed "Painters, Stop Splitting! Let's Get Together for Mili- ganized by the city Counter-Olymtant Struggle!" the calls, which is pics committee, as one of the many endorsed by the United Front Com. primary games in preparation for mittee, says:

"As long as our ranks are split, we will not be able to restore the \$2.00 per day cut from our wages. The new National Painters Union, which promised to undertawe o fight to restore the \$9.00 wage scale is unable to do so because any action by the militant workers in that union is paralyzed by the tactics of Fleming, Green, Harris and other officials who are following the policy of keeping the rank and file of all painters split. The Fleming clique, while speaking noisily about "one big industrial union," now shows its true colors by breaking away from the only real industrial union, the Trade Union Unity League.

"The fight to restore the \$9.00 wage scale is being openly opposed by the A. F. of L. bureaucrats.

"How are we fixed for the struggle now? Some painters are in the A. F. of L. locals. Some painters are in the new National Painters' Union, and most of the painters are unorganized either because they they have left the union since.

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Workers' Candidate



William Z. Foster, nationally known working-class leader, who, with W. J. Ford, Negro worker, are the candidates for President and Vice-President of the Communist Party in the coming election.

DRIVE ON FOREIGN-**BORN WORKERS NOW** Packers About Union ON IN NORTHWEST

Workers

ASTORIA, Or., April 5.—A vicious drive against the foreign-born of this section of the state is anticipated as a result of an announcement just made here that only league is determined to lead the native-born workers are to be used workers in a real fight against hereafter in Clatsop county.

worsening conditions and wage Not only the work be limited to native-born, but only those actually living in the county will be consid ered for employment. This is made clear from an announcement made by Louis Schairer, secretary of the county unemployment committee.

Efforts will be made to have all logging camps in the county hire local labor, he said. At the same Pratt Low, Biceglia Bros. and Richtime he announced that an investimond Chase. The Sutter Packing gation was under way regarding the Co. is operating in Mayfield. The statement that the government is stagger system is used—three days using "outside" labor in a sounding ports, the canneries will only run tion of such practice sought." to 75 per cent capacity of last year.

Jobless of Spokane Force City Bosses to Keep 'Promises'

workers on March 29 be kept.

The first of the two hunger marches was dispersed when the county commissioners promised to open a county commissary for distribution of food to unemployed the last Imperial Valley militant, Stop S. F. Sport Meet families. The commissioners agreed Lawrence Emery on February 18, to this in order to prevent the 1933. Oscar Erickson and Danny prevented the workers' city sport workers from being forced by hunger to take food from the stores meet at Balboa High School field failed to disband the workers. granted by the Boards of Education

Today, the bosses saw that the November. organized jobless workers were determined to force them to give relief. The workers stood their the coming section San Francisco ground, until the demanded action

FIGHT GROWS TO RESCUE INNOCENT SCOTTSBORO BOYS

Alabama High Court Sanctions Legal Lynching

Mass Protest Grows

I. L. D. Fights Imperial Valley Parole Conditions

Angry protests against the upolding by the Alabama state supreme court of the death verdict against the seven young Scottsboro Negro defendants and determination to rouse mass protest of the workers to save the boys, is reported from a large number of cities of the West, including Denver, Salt Lake City, Butte, Portland, Ore., and San Francisco.

Framed up on a fake "rape" charge, with a lynch mob howling outside the courtroom, the case has aroused millions of workers through out the world as a result of the energetic efforts of the International Labor Defense and the Com-Persecution of Loggers and Road munist Party in mobilizing senti ment against the lynch verdict.

MILLIONS PROTEST

The Alabama state court's decision came after months of delay, during which time they were deluged with thousands of cables, telegrams and letters demanding the immediate release of the framedup Negro boys.

The appeal which the I. L. D. is automatically delays the sentence of the 'receivership racket' are not of eexcution set for May 13 by the Alabama court.

Forced by the crudity of the perdecision of the Alabama bosses' had piled up 17,500 votes for Sandcourt, Judge John C. Anderson, ler when he ran for Board of Educhief justice, admitted that the de- cation in the last November elecfendants did not get a fair and im- tion. "Graft and corruption are that the widest participation of While spurring its fight to save

Scottsboro boys, the California I. L. survey conducted at the mouth of D. is placing a vigorous demand be the Columbia River, and "a correctore the State Board of Terms and fore the State Board of Terms and Parols to change the conditions of parole in the cases of Carl Sklar, Tsuji Horiuchi and Eduardo Herrera, three of the six Imperial Valley prisoners.

April 14 marks the second anniversary of the epochal Imperial Valley case, which was an out-SPOKANE, April 1.—More than growth of bitter struggles of the 2000 workers marched upon the Mexican, Filipino and Negro workcourt house here today to demand ers against brutal speed-up and that the promises given the 1500 exploitation in the factory-fields of the valley.

Prison Board has reduced the sentences of the seven Imperial Valley prisoners from 14 years to five years, with paroles that will free Roxas will be released on paroles July 18, 1932. Herrera is scheduled and restaurants. The fake promise | for deportation on April 28, 1932. Orozco was deported to Mexico last

SKLAR AND HORIUCHI VICTIMIZED

The Prison Board decreed that (Continued on P. 5, Col. 5)

Represents Workers



Edward A. Sandler, Communist last year.

IN L. A. DRIVE

ditions of Workers; Offers Program

LOS ANGELES, Calif., April 5 .-"Exposure of graft among Los Anaking to the U.S. Supreme court geles judges and of the corruption sensational," Edward A. Sandler, Communist candidate for mayor said last night in a statement to ured evidence to dissent from the the press. Los Angeles workers

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GANG BACK PLAN FOR CHEAP LABOR

Aim to Recruit Jobless Under Pauper Wage Scheme For Fish Canneries

andidate for Mayor of Los Angeles, Calif. More than 17,000 workers voted for him when he ran for nember of the Board of Education

ACTIVITY GROWS number of the delegates participated, brought out in sharp form the fact that the tempo of the campaign to collect the signatures must be speeded up if the 23,000 signatures are to be obtained by May 1. At

Sandler Reveals Miserable Con-

Forced by mass pressure the | (Special to the Western Worker)

SEATTLE, April 5.—The G. P. Halferty Company of Seattle, which promised to hire 1,000 workers within thirty days, is reported to be dickering with the charity outfits, soup-line managers and flophouse directors to hire workers in workers and farmers would be a Director, Mary Judge, to feed the their famous speed-up fish canneries at the lowest possible wage.

This scheme exposes the complete bankruptcy of the Seattle relief associations. By connecting up activity in the signature drive is promise for an investigation by the with the Halferty bosses they can resulting from the tour of C. J. Mc director, and allowed her one hour cover up ther inability to care for Sklar and Horiuchi "be paroled in- the unmeployed, by sending them (Continued on P. 5, Col. 6)

UNITED FRONT CONFERENCE MAPS OUT NEW PLANS TO SPEED SIGNATURE DRIVE FOR PUTTING COMMUNIST PARTY ON BALLOT

Delegates Tell of Progress of Campaign in Stockton, Los Angeles, Sacramento and Other Cities

Only Three Weeks Left to Achieve Quota of 23,000 Signatures; McKendrick and Branch on State-Wide Tour

72 delegates representing 16 unions, Party units and fraternal organizations met at United Front Election Conference held at 1164 Market Street., San Francisco on March 27, to place the Commun-

Delegates came from San Francisco, Los Angeles, Stockton, Sacramento, Modesto, Petaluma, San Jose, Santa Cruz, Watsonville, Berkeley, Mountain View and other points thruout the state.

WIDE DISCUSSION

keynote of the conference which

was opened by C. J. McKendrick,

election campaign manager of

The discussion in which a large

the same time delegates reported

(Specific directives growing out

of the discussion, will be found in

the Workers' Organization column

from their experiences and made

valuable suggestions for improving

WOULD BE BIG ACHIEVE-

MENT

Sam Darcy, district organizer of

the Party, who pointed out that

during the first three weeks of the

campaign only 5,000 signatures

were gathered. He pointed out

housands of workers must be ob-

tained during the few weeks re-

maining if the required quota is

The placing of the Party on the

ballot, it was pointed out at the

conference, would be one of the

most outstanding achievements of

the organization in this district.

This victory would enable the Com-

munist Party to participate in a

state-wide election campaign, bring-

ing forward the fight against wage

cuts, for improved standard of liv-

ing, against the bosses' terror,

against imperialist war, and for the

VITAL IMPORTANCE

California, it was stated, has this

workers of the state. A powerful

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defense of the Soviet Union.

Party on the ballot.

A warning note was struck by

on page 6 of this issue).

the drive.

to be reached.

District 13.

The task of collecting the 23,000 signatures necessary to place the Party on the ballot was the

New Full-Time Training School Opens June 1

Thirty-three Students From District Is Plan: \$1,000 Needed at Once

A full-time training school to help in the training of Communist funconaries for the California district will begin on June 1 if sufficient support is obtained for it, according to the Agitprop department of District 13, Communist Party.

JOBLESS FRUIT WORKERS SMASH **CAMP EVICTION**

Sacramento Demonstration Forces County to Feed Destitute Families

SACRAMENTO, April 4. - The twenty-five families living in the the 12th and 16th street roads, organized into the Sacramento Unemployed Council when they were miserable "homes" where they have Coast. been trying to keep alive waiting for the fruit season.

About a month ago the local bulls" told them to leave or be thrown out. The workers organized to stop the eviction, 70 joining the Unemployed Council.

The Charities tried to bring pres- ment. sure on the families to leave by re Never before in the history of fusing any relief.

A committee was formed to debeen of such vital importance to the mand immediate relief. It was turned down. A mass meeting was weapon in the fight of the thou- called and it was decided to bring sands of unemployed California mass pressure to force the Charity chieved with the placing of the destitute families.

On March 31, 1000 workers, five At the same time word reaches abreast, marched to the court house the Western Worker that increased to demand relief. They received a Kendrick, election campaign man- and a half to make the trip. The ager of Dist, 13, and James Branch, workers stood their ground en

According to present plans the school will have 33 students from all parts of the district, selected on the basis of nominations submitted by Party units and mass organizations sympathetic to the Party, including the International Workers Order, Trade Union Unity League. Friends of the Soviet Union, workers' clubs, etc. The students will be housed and fed by the school, it is announced.

EXPERIENCED TEACHERS

With a course of studies aimed "camp" north of the city, between to provide new functionaries necessary for the many new party units being organized, the school will have for teachers the leaders of the threatened with eviction from their revolutionary party on the West

> "In order to make the school a reality, \$1000 is necessary," a statement of District 13 says. "The enthusiastic support given to a similar school last year should make it even easier to raise the fund now in view of the growth of our move-

AIDS ELECTION CAMPAIGN .

"Especially with the election campaign and the increasingly leading role of the Party in this district. the school becomes an absolute necessity. A special campaign committee is now conducting a drive to raise the money by May 15. Appeals are being sent to numerous organizations asking them to contribute a minimum of \$25 each, this sum being necessary to maintain one student for the duration of the Rush all donations to the Work-

ers School, 1164 Market Street, San Francisco, Calif.

HETCH HETCHY PROJECT and "DNEPROSTROI"

Graft and Corruption in the United States and Socialist Construction in the U. S. S. R.; Vivid Expose of Hetch Hetchy Steals

collective farms of the Soviet Union. On May 3 the workers of San Francisco will be asked to vote

"yes" for another \$6,500,000 bond issue "for completion of the Hetch Hetchy water project." Dneiprostroi, a far bigger project, will be constructed in four and

A COMPARISON

Let us compare these two as practical examples of the differences between the two social systems.

Under the capitalist system, private interests predominate. In fact, the municipal, state or national government in the eyes of the law are men involved in the special committees. It came from such sources the same as a private company, dominated by private corporations and as the Spring Valley Water Company, whose only customer was the banks, who, under the guise of public works, sap tremendous profits city of San Francisco, and which naturally wold have to go out of busithru the medium of taxation. This was well illustrated when the city ness as soon as the Hetch Hetchy project began to show results. were never taken into the union or of San Francisco ventured forth to build a water system that would In time, however, contractors that would get the contracts and the secure the city with water. Unquestionably it is necessary, as periodical P. G. and E., that would get the power for a song, balanced the scale the

power from the Dneiprostroi power station to many cities, villages and makes quite an item in the workers' monthly rent. Especially during was always representation from both of these "public interests." The ing their water shut off. NOT ALTRUISTS

Let no one imagine that the "public officials" and "engineers" who initiated the Hetch Hetchy project were influenced by the city's needs. one half years. Hetch Hetchy started in 1909 (plans really started in | They merely took advantage of this need to serve the contractors and 1901), and perhaps capitalism will not live long enough to see it finished. power trusts they represent.

> So in deciding to go into the water business a fight had to be staged in Washington to get permission to obstruct the beautiful view of "Hetch Hetchy," known as one of the natural wonders of Yosemite Park. This was, however, only a smoke screen. Behind the argument, cash was being poured into the pockets of the senators and congress-

droughts put the city in a very serious situation. In addition, the city other way, and by 1909 permission was finally secured. The struggle

On May 1 the first high-tension current will be turned on, sending has, higher water rates than any in the country, so that the water bill | did not end, however. In the San Francisco Board of Supervisors there these times, unable to pay the bill, large numbers of workers are find-plan of the Spring Valley interests now was to delay the whole thing as long as possible to extend its own span of life, or make the city come to terms: that is, when the city would be ready to pay the price they

ROLPH INVOLVED

The properties finally were sold for \$41,000,000, about twice its value This was in 1928, about 27 years after the plans were laid. This incidentally takes the entire period that Rolph was mayor of San Francisco. During that period the construction work was started and stalled a number of times for "lack of funds." The truth of the matter was that the influence of the Spring Valley was decisive, and it would not allow

the project to be finished until its properties were bought. Rolph placed the project under the care of what he considered the 'greatest engineer in the world," M. M. O'Shaughnessey, whose great talent seemed to lay in his ability to engineer about four times the orginal estimates into the pockets of the companies connected with the project. The final total estimate was \$45,000,000. To date, including the six and one-half millions to be issued, \$86,000,000 wil lhave been spent, (Continued on Page 2, Col. 7)

Election Platform In the Next Issue

The next issue of the Western Worker will contain the Draft Platform of the Communist election campaign for the state of California.

The Platform contains a clearcut analysis of the conditions at present facing the workers and farmers of California and presents in an incisive manner the Communist program of struggle. All Party units and sympathetic workers' organizations

are urged to place bundle orders at once to ensure the widest possible distribution of the Plat-

the workers. In the Soviet Union

send a current of inspiration to the

Such great success in Socialist

ers and farmers of California to

rally around their own party, the

Communist Party, to struggle a-

expense of the bosses. The great

ers. In the struggle for the im-

and for the establishment of a

WORKERS DEMAND ROLPH RELEASE MOONEY

4,000 JOIN IN SAN FRANCISCO **DEMONSTRATION**

Mother of Frame-Up Victim Ends Tour pointing out notorious "Reds." The

February 2.—Crowded hallways.

Crowded courtroom. Strange peo-

ple are guardedly whispering and

jury panel appears to be under a

severe strain. The bailiffs are alert

STIRRING EVENTS

explosives were shipped from Los

"peaceful") waters, steamed into

view of our windows again. It was

the entire American fleet. For war?

in trim so that we could lick any

Hynes, who led the raid, held

only 45 defendants and allowed

200 free. He admitted picking those

who would make a bad impression

Throughout the trial the 45 work-

ers made a splendid impression.

in court. He surely got stuck.

After continued postponements, watching for the sudden appeardelays, excuses and general "stall- ance of the "soviets." The whole ing," Gov. Rolph has announced Jergins Trust Building seems to that he would "definitely" give his expect to be blown up. The trial decision on Tom Mooney "by April is in Department 4, eighth floor. 21." Unimpressed by these an- Through any of the spacious winnouncements of Mooney's jailors, dows it was possible that morning workers continue to demonstrate, to see 123 battleships constituting demanding action on Mooney. the Pacific fleet, getting up steam

In San Francisco, on March 26, to participate in the maneuvers four thousand workers took part between Hawaii and the eastern in an auto parade and a series of coast of the U.S.S.R., China and street meetings which culminated Japan. in a demonstration at the home of Governor Rolph, placing before him the demand for the unconditional In the six weeks that followed, pardon of Mooney. The demonstra- the movement against imperialist tion, organized by the I, L. D., at war showed growing signs of life, the same time called for the release especially in street demonstrations. of Billings, the Imperial Valley Four unemployed workers were prisoners, the Scottsboro defend- murdered by Ford police. Thaelthe Ford unemployed in Detroit. many. A bitter hunger fight was

Six large open-air meetings in staged in San Diego. As each day of various parts of the city preceded the trial passed and the argument the auto parade to Rolph's home, between the prosecution and the dewhere about 1,200 heard Frank fense grew hotter we were supplied Spector, I. L. D. organizer, and with facts out of the daily news re-James Branch, representing the ports. A million bales of cotton for Communist Party.

The speakers called for support | Angeles harbor to Japan. The day of the Communist election cam- before the trial closed, 220 batpaign as one of the most effective tleships, the largest war armada means of compelling the release of ever gathered in Pacific (meaning Mooney and all class-war prisoners.

MOTHER MOONEY RETURNS

Mother Mary Mooney has returned to San Francisco, having ended a successful speaking tour organized by the International La- navy in the world." bor Defense on behalf of her son, Tom. the Scottsboro defendants and all class-war prisoners, during which time she addressed more than 50,000 workers.

STIRRED BY WORKERS' SUPPORT

Crossing, the continent alone, Discipline, manliness, and clarity Mooney's 84-year-old mother arrived of argument characterized their in New York City on March 24, bearing throughout. At the end of speaking to 15,000 workers which the second week they were in concrowded the Bronx Coliseum. This tinual earnest discussion with the meeting was one of the scores held "home guard." By the end of the throughout the country in connec- trial, local inhabitants stopped detion with "National Mooney Day," fendants on the streets to wish proclaimed by the I. L. D. on the them well. Hynes had especially sixteenth anniversary of the sen- picked foreign born workers: 11 tencing of Mooney to death by the Japanese, 1 Hindu, 3 Mexicans, 1 state of California. Upon her ar- Filipino and a good number of rival here, Mother Mooney spoke Russians and others of European enthusiastically of the large num- birth. There wasn't a single deber of meetings she addressed in fendant who took the stand who, Washington, Toledo, Detroit, Phil- despite the handicap of language adelphia and other cities of the East, and told of the tremendous | DARCY SPEAKS IN OAKLAND sentiment for Mooney and all classwar prisoners. She also told of having called upon President Hoover, the subject of a talk by Sam Darcy, who refused an interview. Hoover, one of the defendants, at Odd Felhowever, a little later, found time lows' Hall, Oakland, Friday eveto extend a warm welcome to Billie ning, April 22. Admission 25 cents. Dove, a movie queen.

San Francisco

SATURDAY, APRIL 9—Dance and

Entertainment by Building Trades

Workers League, Finnish Work-ers Center, 20 Flint St, near 16th

and Market Sts. Music, Refresh-

ments. Admission 25c in advance,

FRACTION MEETING of the Food

SUNDAY, APRIL 10-Dinner and

Installation Party, given by Inter-

national Women's Council, Labor

Lyceum, 1749 O'Farrell St., at 6

FRIDAY, APRIL 15, 8 P. M., Labor

Lyceum, 1740 O'Farrell St .-- Mor-

ris Vinchevsky Memorial Meet-

ing. M. Epstein, associate editor

of the Morning Freiheit, will

speak in Yiddish. Adm. 25c. Ausp.:

Freiheit Jubilee Conference.

SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 8:30 P.M.

-Dance, Workers Center, 1164

Olympics Committee and Work-

ers' Sports Club. Special attrac-

tion: Boxing. Adm. 35c.

SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 8 P. M.-

Youth Shorts Hop and Basketball

Game, Burke's Gymnasium, 2350

Geary St. Peppy music! Dancing till 1 o'clock. Adm. 25c. Ausp.:

City CoCnter-Olympics Commit

SATURDAY, MAY 7, 8 Polymer Pro-

Worker. Ausp.: Unit 7, C. P.

letarian Cabaret—lots of fun and

good things to eat-1740 O'Far-

rell St. Proceeds to go to Western

Workers, Friday, March 25, at 8

p.m., Room 201, 1161 Market St.

35c at the door.

p. m. Dinner 40c.

WHERE TO GO

Workers' Industrial Union.

Workers School

Forum

1164 Market St.

Sunday Evenings at 8 O'Clock

"Spies in the Ranks of Labor."

"What Is the Second Five-Year

SATURDAY, APRIL 23, 8 P.M.-

Entertainment, Dance, 1164 Mar

ket St., given by Unemployed Councils of S. F. and United

Workers on City Charity Jobs.

SATURDAY, APRIL 9, 8 P.M .-

Banquet, Reception for Jack Be-

rolla, North Beach Workers' Cen-

ter, 1529 Powell St. Adm. 15c.

Ausp.; Orozco-Herrera Branch I.

EVERY SUNDAY, 8:00 P.M.

Union Hall, 81 Post Street

SUNDAY, April 10-Frank Spector:

"War Developments on the Pa-

cific." Questions and discussion

follow each forum. Admission

free. Working-class literature

on sale at Workers Book Shop, 81 Post Street, San Jose.

SUNDAY, MAY 1-Picnic by Slav-

onian Workers Educational Club,

Naprada Park, Cupertino (near

Mt. View). Admission 35c. Bar-

becue, dancing, games, speakers.

Proceeds go to the Workers

Press, 25 per cent to the Western

Paul Orr

Sunday, April 17

Market St. Given by Counter- San Jose Open Forum

Sidelights On and Around Long Beach Trial

Long Beach Defendants Freed By Fighting Policy



Defendants of the Long Beach trial, whom the Southern California bosses tried to railroad to prison on charges of "attempting to commit criminal syndicalism." Ten of the workers are still in jail, held under ants and against the massacre of mann got 5 million votes in Ger- prohibitive bail, facing deportation to fascist countries.

> didn't shine in comparison to the; miserable liars introduced as witnesses and "experts" by the prosecution.

The local press, the immigration officials, some of the court attendants and the prosecutor worked like Trojans to make the people look upon the prisoners as "dangerous criminals." It was futile. The immigration officials went as far as to order Comrade Arispe deported in order to show the attitude of "Washington." But the The bailiff says, "No-just keeping defense took the offensive and exposed this contemptible action in court. Arispe was a world war veteran, having served in the Am-American born children; he was tubercular; yet he was being deported to Acupulco, a swamp-infested region of Mexico. The move defeated itself. Arispe's brave showing in the face of such persecution won him the sympathy of everyone in hearing. One day they printed the "criminal" records of the defendants in the local press-not to prejudice the jury, mind you, but just as a matter "news." "Our policy," said the reporter, "is just to remain neutral." The "news" was a boomerang to them. Here is the "criminal record" of a characteristic defendant:

> A. Feinberg, was arrested in Los Angeles in 1927 for violation of the C. S. Law and released, the report shows, and again in 1928 he was found not guilty of two misdemeanor

charges. In 1930 he was sentenced to pay a \$500 fine or serve 90 days in jail in Los Angeles for interfering with an officer and later arrested for alleged illegal entry and under suspicion of viciaion of the syndicalism act.

The attempt to create a "criminal" atmosphere fell flat.

OLD GLORY WEEK

For seven days the prosecutor labored to prove that we were guilty of the charges of being Communists. At the end of the seventh day he relaxed, wiped the sweat erican army; he was father of four from his brow and rested. He turned to the defense table with eyes that challenged, "Now fry to improve it." The first defense witness took the stand and on the very first question calmly and proudly "admitted" that he was a Communist. The prosecutor almost dropped with surprise at such an open admission of "guilt."

> The first week might be called "Old Glory week" in Department 4. Hynes, an enemy of society if ever one lived, draped the flag about himself with patriotic fervor. Abbott and all the other little Hynneses imitated with pathetic amateurishness. The prosecutor, with tion (entirely feigned), wept for the "old stars and stripes." Even several jurors applauded a patriotic outburst of oratory from the pro-

secution. Of course the prosecution witnesses were put on to testify as to the theory and practice of Communists. And of course they proved to be completely ignorant on that question. But no matter, arly big stupidity they dragged the flag out and that saved the day.

* * * *, CONTRADICT EACH OTHER

The prosecution witnesses could not even remember the story they were coached to tell. Just a few

Hynes brought in a FULL STA-TEMENT alleged to have been made by Ida Rothstein. Pfeiffer, Hynes' lieutenant took the stand and said she REFUSED to answer all questions.

Hynes swore that the Profintern is a section of the Communist International of Russia.

Abbott claimed that he positlively saw Fukunaga at a membership meeting ON WALL STREET, LOS ANGELES, IN DECEMBER 1930. It turned out that FUKUNAGA WAS IN JAIL for activity in a demonstration at that time.

Phelps said that Darcy was struck and an abrasion appeared. Murphy said that Darcy Hynes said that there was a scuffle but no hitting. Dungan claimed that Darcy was never touched. Hynes said he left

one paper on the desk which Darcy tried to grab. Dungan said Hynes left all his papers. Pfieffer said there was no paper but some torn scraps. And in the end it came out that there was no paper at all but that Darcy was beaten up for refusing to give an address which he was accused of know-

Abbott, an "expert," was called on to give testimony as to the "bad ideals of Communism." He was able to name two-Community Kitchens and Hatred of God. At which point Judge Wallace asked, "How can they hate God if they don't believe in

Leo Gallagher, the attorney for cution and exposing it. He certainly proved them to be a bunch thing will become junked. of liars. Well, as a matter of fact,

The ignorance of the prosecution and their witnesses concerning every time they pulled a particul- al questions was amazing. At one point, after two days of explana-De Vries the prosecutor said, "Well we can accept that, that's the same as all economic theory. There is no difference between anybody on economics."

POLICE THUGS "INVESTIGATE" SELVES

In the course of the trial the Ministerial Association, the Municipal League and the Civil Liberties Union demanded that the police department conduct an investigation of the police brutality used against the prisoners. The request was granted. Several days passed and the Police Commission announced that the investigation was completed and the findings are hief investigator? Hynes!

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S. F. Cooks, Waiters Fight Pay Cut; Men Warned On Sell-Out

Strike sentiment is growing among the 900 San Francisco cooks and waiters who have indignantly rejected the bosses' demand that they submit to a new wage cut, the third \$2,000,000 needed to continue givduring the past year.

Wage slashes of 10 per cent for the cooks and cuts varying from employees have to be cut for that wealthy Fillmore district bootfighting for us and the other starv- and children, fought the police to 121/2 to 331/2 per cent for the waiters ing unemployed, take us to jail too." free their leaders after a riot call is the program of the Bureau of leading the offensive against the she fought with police to free the ABMIT "SITUATION TERRIBLE" workers on behalf of the larger ho-However, only the three leaders tels and restaurants of San Fran-

Danger that the wage-cut may be successfully put over is seen by militant workers, who point out that the officials of Cooks Union 44 and Waiters' Union 30 have been entrusted to deal with the bosses These workers are demanding the formation of rank and file Commit-Felton, head of the Associated Char- the organized unemployed and the tees of Action representing all

Bay Cities Party Picnic, April 17, East Shore Park ned estimate, the work does not

Workers from the Bay Cities are expected to crowd East Shore Park, Richmond, Sunday, April 17, at the picnic of the Communist Party, Dis-

Outstanding features of the picnic-which will begin about noon and continue during the entire afternoon and evening—include Labor Sports field meets, concert numbers, dancing and refreshments. Well known leaders in the militant labor movement will speak briefly

point in preparation for May Day \$100,000,000 altho a far bigger pro- family. and the election campaign.

HETCH HETCHY PROJECT REVEALS UNBRIDGED GRAFT, CORRUPTION

Contrasted With Socialist Construction in the U.S.S.R.

(Continued from Page One) , growing standard of living - in \$23,000,000 interest was paid to the sharp contrast to the dirty, isolated bankers This, together with the construction camps and the star-\$41,000,000 paid to the Spring Val- vation prevailing in the United ley Co. and the interest still to be project or Boulder City. paid, will easily bring the total In capitalist countries public cost much closer to \$200,000,000. projects mean graft to the politic-That is, of course, assuming that ians, millions into the pockets of it will actually be finished with the corporations, and misery to the last bond issue of X

But judging from 31 years of it means electric power to the experience, it seems doubtful. Tak- many cities, villages and collective ing note of what came out at the farms, bringing more production. recent supervisors' meeting, where higher standards and greater hapit was stated that in ease the pro- piness to millions of workers and he defense, spent two hours going ject is stalled now, The would take peasants. over the testimony of the prose-\$5,000 a day to keep the work so When the switch is turned on far in condition; otherwise every- at Dneiprostroi on May 1, it will

The Hetch Hetchy project, need- workers and farmers thruout the that's what they are. Gallagher, less to say, carries with it a sad world and sharpen their fight aincidentally, made a fine impression | story for the workers engaged on | gainst the bankrupt capitalist sysas a splendid, uncompromising it. Even in these days when work- tem. It will reach out to Califfighter. At the end of his summary ers are so desperate to hold on to ornia and should be a means of speech where he traced the decay any job, many can work only three moving the workers and farmers of American liberties, one of the months, generally getting rheum into a most intense strggle against jurors—an old native, openly wept. atism by that time. The wages the Rossis and Rolphs. The workpaid are among the lowest, with ers on the Hetch Hetchy and Hoovthe sanction of the A. F. of L. er Dam construction should organunions who are working hand in ize on the job, to demand human political, economic and philosophic. hand with the Rossi administration working conditions, more wages they endorsed. Then, too, news and in cash, and for the right to slip out from time to time of work- organize. tion of Marxist economic theory, ers getting killed or crippled, but of course that need not be figured | Construction should stir the workin the cost.

SPILLS THE BEANS

The 1,400 workers on the job gainst starvation, to demand that now are getting paid in bonds. all funds go to unemployed and Speaking for the approval of the not to grafters and corporations \$6,500,000 bond issue, L. F Bying That unemployed relief be at the ton, president of the Utilities Commission and a tool of the power task at this moment is to place trust, stated at the supervisors' the Communist Party on the ballot meeting that "the only way we in California, and defeat the agents have been able to keep the work of the power trust who are doing going is by making the men buy everything in their power to keep bonds."

the Party off. That means collect-Many may have the illusion that ing 23,000 signatures by May 1 there will be a reduction in the The Party on the ballot would water rates when the Hetch Het- mean a great victory for the workchy is finished. But the supervisors' meeting of March 21 definitely provement of our immediate conthat charges of brutality have no established that there will be no ditions, in the struggle against war foundations. Rev. Taft of the Civ- reduction for at least five years to il Liberties Union made a personal come—if at that time. Many others workers and farmers government effort to find out who were the have the idea that Mayor Rossi's in the U.S. soussan at making police investigators. At last he campaign slogan of lower taxes got hold of the official written report of the "investigation" to the considered that the city's borrow-Police Commission. And who do ing capacity of \$165,000,000 is pracyou think signed the report as tically exhausted, and that San Francisco may soon go the way of Chicago, then the fraudulent nature of the whole campaign becomes clear. A further illustration of this is found in the fact that the \$6. 500,000 bond issue is offered for Ex-Service Men Offer to Aid in 6%, higher than any previous

PROFITS AND WAGE CUTS

the cut is announced the financial

reports inform us that the P. G.

and E. made a \$27,000,000 profit.

value and one-eleventh of what the

Let us compare the above with

there are no private interests. All

and engineered by the central eco-

nomic organs of the government.

There is no lobbying around Mos-

cow. There are no companies and

plans are made the work begins.

Instead of stalling construction

pending bond issues that eventually

amount to several times the plan-

stop but continually gains momen-

tum, especially due to the enthu-

siastic socialist competition on the

part of the workers, who help to

lower the cost. That is why the

Five-Year Plan is almost completed,

with more accomplished in four

years than the task originally set

DNEIPROSTROI-A CONTRAST

Dneiprostroi stands out as a typ-

ical example. It is the mightiest

hydro-electric station in the world.

ject than Hetch Hetchy. The pow-

for five years.

consumer pays.

Also, while many more millions

BY MASS ACTION

Fight for Relief of Jobless

An ex-service man, Adams, father of a family, was evicted from his home on March 29 at Fillmore and of the public funds may be "en Eddy Streets, as the San Francisco gineered" to the contractors and Associated Charities had refused to banks—when it comes to getting pay his rent, gas or light.

An angry crowd estimated at 500 ing the miserable groceries to the gathered shouting protests against unemployed, the wages of the city the landlord, who is said to be a purpose. At about the same time | legger.

Hogardy, secretary of the Unemployed Council, addressed the crowd and exposed the Charities. This is the same company that and calling on the workers to see gets power from the Hetch Hetchy the owner and force him to take plant for one fourth the market the family back into the house.

LEAVE? MAYBE!

A large committee volunteered. and in spite of the police protection Dneiprostroi. In the Soviet Union the landlord of the apartment house was forced to take the Adams famconstruction is planned, financed ily back. While the police stood powerless, the crowd pubilantly cheered the action of the Unemployed Council as they assisted in moving the furniture back in the therefore no graft. As soon as house.

> Another committee was formed on the spot to see the Associated Charities and forced them to pay the rent, gas and light. Again the police were powerless before the workers.

DEFY ORDER TO LEAVE

Four automobile-loads of ex-service men came to the place to move their comrade back into the house. The evicted worker told them action was in the hands of the Unemployed Council, and called upon the war veterans to support the workers of the Unemployed Council in the fight against the abuses, intimidation, and red tape policies of the Associated Charities. The veterans It was started in March, 1927 in the promised to take action at their midst of the bare steppes of the respective posts, and left, making The picnic will be a mobilization Dneiper River. The cost is only a collection of \$11 for the evicted

As a result of this fight, the As-The final meeting in preparation er of the station is 560,000 kilowats. sociated Charities hastily called a for the picnic will be held at Work-ers Center, 1164 Market Street, hour day schedule), the majority Chest and city officials and reached Monday, April 10, and all labor of them one-time massints, are a decision that no families with two unions, fraternal, Party units and now living in a new modern city, children or more under six will be youth organizations are asked to enjoying the theatres, clubs, evisted, but their rent, gas and schools, libraries, a continually light will be paid.

"The Long Beach Trial" will be Jobless Conference To Pick Delegates For State 'Hearing' Unemployed free with U. C. cards.

For the purpose of selecting a delegation to appear at the hearings called by the California State Unemployed Commission on April 27 and 28 in San Francisco, the Unemployed Councils of the city SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 5:30 P.M .have issued a call for a united Send-off Banquet for Delegates front conference of all labor and to World Unity Congress, Interfraternal organizations of the city. national Seamen and Harbor .Th ecall states that more than Workers, at Hamburg, Germany, May 20. Good dinner! Entertain-100,000 workers are unemployed in ment! Adm. 50c. Ausp.: Marine San Francisco alone, with thousands of families facing evictions, electric and water shut-offs and living on "semi-starvation rations provided by the 'charity' organiza-

The conference will be held Friday, April 15, at 8 p.m., at 530 Val-Sunday, April 10 Sender Garlin encia Street.

> Organizations are urged to send four delegates, mailing credentials at once to City Committee, Unemployed Councils, 1507 Eddy Street, San Francisco.

James Branch Dates For Election Tour

San BernardinoApril 8
Santa BarbaraApril 9
BakersfieldApril 10
Fresno April 11, 12
MaderaApril 13
Merced
ModestoApril 15
StocktonApril 16, 17
SacramentoApril 18, 19
Jackson
Marysville
ChicoApril 22
EurekaApril 24, 25
Ft. BraggApril 26, 27
FetalumaApril 29
PittsburghApril 30
Richmond
Oakland
Berkeley
San Jose
Watsonville May 8
Santa Cruz May 9

'Jail Us Too,' Mothers Say At Charity Demonstration

San Francisco Jobless Win Demands; Situation 'Desperate,' Officials Admit

who held a baby in her arms as cluding Chief Quinn, himself. committee of the Unemployed San Francisco, April 1. WWIN MOST DEMANDS

conduct," as a result of a tie-up agains tstarvation. between the police and Katherine Miss Felton betrayed her fear of families. The three were later freed turn." on bail. In spite of the arrests, most of the demands were granted, how-

"If you take the men who are | lief, consisting of 75 men, women These were the words of a woman brought out an army of police, in | Hotels and Restaurants, which is

Council that was attempting to get were arrested, proving that an at-cisco. relief for 14 destitute families in tempt was being made to break the mass pressure tactics of the U. C. in favor of the "individual treat-Jeremiah Feingold, B. F. Dan- ment" which the Charities favor forth and Albert Hogarty were ar- and which leaves the worker powrested, charged with "disorderly erless and intimidated in his fight

ities at Gough and Eddy Street, in bankrupt condition of the fake locals involved. an effort to stop the continuous Charities outfit when she stated victories of the U. C. in forcing that "the situation is a terrible one food, clothing and rent for jobless and we scarcely know where to The trial of the three leaders i

scheduled for April 26. All workers are urged by the Unemployed Coun-

Frisco Plenum of I. L. D., April 24th

The San Francisco International Labor Defense has issued a call to all its functionaries, as well as delegates from fraternal organizations. for an enlarged District Committee meeting to take place Sunday, April 24, 10 a.m., at 1164 Market Street, at which the I. L. D. will examine its work and devise means to strengthen the organization.

Every workers' organization not yet affiliated with the I. L. D. is urgently requested to do so by sending two delegates to this plenum who will become permanent delegates to the San Francisco City Committee, I. L. D.

McKendrick Dates For Election Tour

The 14 families that came for re- cil to attend the trial.

1	Santa Cruz
	WatsonvilleApril 11, 1
	CastrovilleApril 1
١	SalinasApril 1
	San Luis ObispoApril 1
	Santa Barbara : April 17, 1
1	VenturaApril 19, 2
-	Los AngelesApril 21-May
	BakersfieldMay 2,
	FresnoMay 4,
	MaderaMay 6,
	MercedMay 8,
	Modesto May 10, 1
	Stockton May 12, 13, 1
	SacramentoMay 15, 16, 1
1	Jackson May 1
1	Marysville
	Chico
1	

British Budget Estimates Show Feverish War Preparations

PEACE TALK ONLY HIDES WAR PLANS OF IMPERIALISTS

Tariff Sharpens Rivalries But All Unite Against USSR; Service Men Wages Cut

LONDON.—Feverish war prepajust been made public.

At the same time loud boasts nearly \$250,000,000, ostensibly a martial law. reduction of about \$7,000,000; the Air Force estimate is about \$85, population culminated in a battle grain, and weeds. 000,000. In each case practically the whole of the saving has been town when mothers demanded obtained by means of the reduc- bread and relief from taxes. Retions made in pay and in food and fused aid, and attacked by police, clothing allowances to the workers they burned the City Hall to the

As a matter of fact, as regards rested are still in jail. the Navy, the cost of new armaments exceeds last year by \$13, the State Employment Agency was 500,000, which means that naval broken up only when three hundred wages, etc., have been cut by nearly police re-inforcements arrived to \$20,000,000 and would have been end a battle in which a score wer cut by nearly \$40,000,000 more, but injured and ten arrested. for the mutiny at Invergordon which compelled the Admirality to make concessions to that amount.

True to form, the representatives of British imperialism at Geneva talk of their desire for peace, while at home the capitalist politicians of all parties unite to tell the workers that "Britain has disarmed to the limit." The truth is that the new year work is to start on the construction of three new cruisers. in the recent statement of Col. ganda." Pile, Assistant Director of Mecha-Aization, who stated:

"Britain is undoubtedly ahead of all other nations as regards the quality of armored fighting vehicles and also the ideas underlying their use. The new British 16-ton tank is easily the soldier has been given to

With the support of the "Labor" Party, Britain is planning to spend more than \$500,000,000 in the coming year on war preparations. But more significant than these figures is the steady, relentless research being carried on with ever more eadly and efficient arms, gases,

UNITE AGAINST U. S. S. R.

the tariff war inaugurated by the munist Party.

Fascist Members in Province Refuse to Attack Food Fight

MILAN, Italy, April 3.-The struggle against the Mussolini Hunger Government took on greater strength when Fascist organizations, recently called upon to put down a demonstration in Brianza refused to come

Shouting "Down With Taxes!" rations on the part of Great Britain | and "Work or Wages!" multitudes are revealed in budget estimates of peasants with their working for the coming year which have tools in their hands joined with women textile workers who labor two days a week for twenty-five of "savings" on the budget are an- cents a day, before the City Hall. nounced by the various depart- When they tried to enter they were ments of the government, including assaulted by police, who called for \$30,000,000 by the civil department re-inforcements from nearby towns. and \$20,000,000 on the estimate of But these former allies were too the Army, Navy and Air forces. busy. They themselves were demon-The Army estimate is for \$182,000, strating against the government. 000, said to be a decrease of about For a week Brianza and the neigh-\$15,000,000; the Navy estimate is boring towns were in a state of

> between the police and the entire ground. The hundred and eighty ar

> In San Vittore Olona a parade to

Noted Revolutionary French Poet Sent to Prison for 5 Years

Word has just come to the John Reed Club of San Francisco that Louis Aragon, French delegate to estimates show that in the coming the Charkov (USSR) Conference of Revolutionary Writers and Artists, and one of the most militant fight nine destroyers, three submarines ers on the proletarian cultural front and a number of depot ships, gun- in France, has been sentenced to boats, etc. At the same time the five years' imprisonment for "in-Army estimates reveal that the citement of militaries to disobemechanization of the Army is pro- dience and provocating to murder ceeding apace. This is clearly seen with a view to anarchist propa-

The ridiculous charge, a fit example of the frenzy of the French courts, is based on Aragon's poems. "Red Front," which appeared in "Literature of the World Revolution," the organ of the International Union of Revolutionary Writers.

All workers' cultural groups are rged to forward protests thru the Room 603, San Francisco.

National Government. The latter has speeded up the tempo with which the imperialists are hastening to armed warfare on a worldwide scale. And above all else, the one thing upon which the world imperialists are united is in their common hatred for the U.S.S.R.

The imperialist antagonisms are class must be accomplished by the sharpening daily, accentuated by workers themselves. Join the Com-

FAMINE, DISEASE SWEEP SHANGHAI REFUGEE CAMPS

Virulent Epidemic of Smallpox Kills Thousands of Workers

SHANGHAI.—Famine and pestilence are sweeping through the crowded refugee camps in Shanghai, as an aftermath of the slaughter and destruction wrought by the Japanese armies.

ulent that more than half of those stricken die, has broken out, killing thousands of workers and peasants made homeless by the destruction of Chapei.

Famine is so acute that even Sir John Hope-Simpson, director of The China Famine Commission, was forced to admit that the people had been driven to eat the bark of In Sinese the desperation of the the trees, the chaff of trashed

Admitting that the commission was helpless in the face of this mass starvation, Simon stated that unless the dykes, on which nearly 500,000 flood victims are employed, are rebuilt within three months. new disastrous floods, similar, to those of last year, are certain.

Nothing more clearly shows the corruption and rottenness of the Kuomintang regime than the fact that these dykes on the Yanztee River have been allowed to fall into such a state that millions of peasants are in imminent danger of death by flood.

FLOODS KILL MILLIONS

It is reputed that last year milions of peasants lost their lives in the disastrous floods, and whole sections of fertile agricultural land were ruined.

valiantly against the bloody Kuomintang and the foreign imperialist attended two meetings recently robber powers. The tremendous success of the Chinese Red Armies and the rapid spread of the Soviet power in the country side is proof that the rule of the oppressors will be short-lived.

Soviet Air Society Reorganized to Aid Defense of U.S.S.R.

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., April 5. The Red Star, newspaper of the Soviet Red Army, today announces John Reed Club, 1179 Market St., that defense of the U. S. S. R., will asked to get in touch with the F. S. -and what he hadn't seen was be materially strengthened if plans U., 912 Twelfth Street, Sacramento. even more stupendous. to reorganize the "Osoaviakhim," the Soviet air league, are carried

More than 12,000,000 members open under direct auspices of the nounced later. The emancipation of the working reorganize the work of the Soviet group in 1923. She returned to the allied statesmen that everything fighting in China was obtained beoperation with the Red Army."

Soviet Union Opens Up Largest Canning Factory in World

STANITZIA KRINSKAYA, U. S. S. R., April 4.—The largest canning factory of its kind has just been pened in the Soviet Union.

Located in the heart of the rich Caucasus region, the local factory began the large-scale vegetable pro duction in this country late last summer, but only recently has it begun turning out products of export quality. Besides pork and beans it cans corn, beans, tomatoes, An epidemic of smallpox, so vir- tomato paste, pumpkins, beets and

With a capacity of 100,000,000 cans yearly, it is surrounded by 35,000 acres planted to truck crops especialy to fed it. More than 1000 workers are employed during its eleven months of operation each year. During the last three months it has produced about 11,000,000 tins for home consumption alone.

The plant, which cost \$5,000,000 o build, is constructed of brick and is the first of sixteen planned by the Soviet Government.

Marine Workers of Stockton Elect F.S.U. May First Delegate

The May Day workers' delegaion to the Soviet Union will include two Californians, C. Ausmas of the Wiremen's Local, A. F. of L., Sacramento, and Kelsey Cottle, Stockton marine worker.

Cottle, 27, is a native of Stock on, and is a laborer and deckhand on river boats handling agricultural produce of the San Joaquin Valley. He participated in the recent river strike against wage cuts and was The Chinese masses are fighting Friends of the Soviet Union has elected by his shipmates. The endorsed his election. One thousand held in connection with the deledelegate, is a member in good standing in his union.

> the delegation to the Soviet Union everything in general. and return. \$350 is needed for each delegate.

interested are sending questions to the statements made by all the the delegates, to be answered by capitalist statesmen, etc. What the Soviet workers. Readers inter- that boy had seen thru his highsted in submitting questions are

MEHLMAN TO TOUR

Elza Mehlman, who recently returned from the Soviet Union, will Gibberish to questions put to him of the "Osoaviakhim" council will the same week. Dates will be an- keen insight into the situation in

Red Army in the Red Banner Hall, A former Oakland teacher, Elza the central army house. The Red | Mehlman went to Kuzbas, Siberia, | A.-I have conclusive proof in the | admitted before rupturing the in-Star declares that its purpose is "to with the American colonization form of affidavits made out by 17 terview, that his best view of the air league from top to bottom so Soviet Union in 1928 after a year was peaceful until a group of dest tween drinks and pinochle and from more years.

THE RETURN OF FLOYD GIBBERISH

By STEPHEN PEACOCK

With a megaphone in one hand, ese warship with paper wads and microphone in the other, and a pea-blowers. broadcast strapped to his back. Floyd Gibberish, the human chatwhile the gang shouted, "What's the matter with Gibberish? He is allright! Who's allright? Gibber-

Even while the S. S. Coolidge (named after the wit, silent Cal., whose most humorous remark was I do not choose to run"), was still two miles from its dock, the brasslined vocal chords of Gibberish, at an open porthole, had been plainly heard in San Francisco, shouting: "Hello, Mr. Brisbunk! Hello Sunny Jim! Hello, Herbie! Hello, Rudy Vallee! Hello, everybody Hello! Hello!!

INTERVIEW BY WESTERN WORKER

When interviewed by the repre sentative of the Western Worker who scored a scoop on the capitalist reporters by boarding the S. S.



Coolidge at Hawaii, disguised as gation. Ausmas, the Sacramento a telephone booth, Gibberish proved with his patter that he was remarkably well informed about A campaign is now under way to the situation at Shanghai, the war raise money for the financing of in the Far East in particular and

For example, he knew the address of every joint in the Inter In order to popularize the delega- national Settlement, the names of ion, union members and all others all the battleships and generals,

PROFOUND STUDENT

The following answers of Mr. belong to this organization at pres- speak in Sacramento April 22, and by the Western Worker represenent. Tomorrow the plenary session in Fair Oaks, Jackson, and Chico tative proved beyond all doubt his

> Q.—Who started the war? fierce assault on a peaceful Japan- at Shanghai).

Q.—How was the fight? A.—Boy! Boy! Boy! What a ter-box, rompled playfully down the wow! It was the funniest thing gangplank of the S. S. Coolidge, you ever saw. And the noise!



Sounded like the Hotsy-Totsy Boys playing "Red Hot Mamma, You're Burning Down."

Q-What was your most excit ng experience during the war? A.—We were playing poker, one guy had a flush, another bozo had four kings, and I sat there with four aces!

Q.-Were you in personal dan-

PAINFULLY MODEST

A.-Now really, I don't like to talk about myself. But do you see this? (pointing to the well-worn seat of his checkered pants, with the checks worn off), that is where I was scraped by a 'Big Bertha.' And where d'ye think I got this cold? The bullets whizzed by my ears so fast, I almost got pne monia from the draft Q.—What is happening in Japan?

A.—I sure got the low-down on Japan. I heard it from a friend of a friend of traveling salesman. They are getting ready for a revolution! Yes, sir-ee-ee! The fascisti are having their black shirts washed right now. They are liable to be in the saddle any day now. Q.—Have not the fascisti in Jap an been in control for a long time already?

A .- Say, kid, you're all wet. What the hell do you know about it, anyways? Didn't I see the whole business thru a porthole?

(At this juncture Gibberish had to do some more broadcasting. He



FOREIGN NEWS • BRIEFS •

U. S. S. R. Opens New Ball Bearing Plant

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R. April 1.—A gigantic ball-bearing factory, with a capacity of 24,0000,000 bearings a year has just been opened here. It is designed ultimately to be the largest plant of its kind in the entire world. The factory is equipped with the latest foreign machinery.

Big Soviet Orders to Germany

ESSEN, Germany, April 2.—Soviet industries have just placed new orders for 300,000 tons of iron bars and sheets with a possibility of an additional order for 200,000 tons soon. Russian orders in the Ruhr industries so far this year were estimated at between \$75,000,000 and \$100,000,000.

Wage Cut for Canadian R. R. Men

MONTREAL, Canada, April 5.—With the full blessings of the reformist trade union officials who worked hand in glove with the employers, a ten per cent wage cut has been put over on 30,0000 railway mechanics in the Canadian Federated Shop trade.

Afglian Tribesmen and British Clash

NEW DELHI, India, April 2.—Five soldiers were wounded tolay in a clash between Afghan tribesmen and a militia post in the northwest frontier province. Reinforcements dispersed the Afghans who were being pursued by British planes.

"Absurd," Soviet Says of Boss Press Massacre Tales

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., April 2.—A dispatch received here from the Moscow correspondent of the Associated Press declares that Soviet officials characterized reports of bloodshed on the Ukranian frontier, emanating from Bucharest yesterday, as "too absurd to warrant a formal denial."

Republican Army Celebrates Easter Rising

DUBLIN, Ireland, April 1.—For the first time since the formation of the Irish Free State, the Republican Army publicly paraded in celebration of the heroic Irish Rebellion of Easter Week, 1916. More than 30,000 people witnessed the parade in which five battalions of the Army, nearly half of them war veterans, participated. The De Valera authorities, fearing an uprising, confined the Irish Free State Army to their barracks during the parade.

Fascists Give Workers Empty Promises

ROME, Italy, April 3.—With unemployment growing steadily and wages being slashed in every industry, the fascist regime finds it necessary to open a campaign of propaganda intended to stem the growing discontent of the masses. "I promise that next winter more work and assistance will be given," Mussolini declared in a

Spanish Rairoad Strike Militant

BARCELONA, Spain, March 31.—A general strike against suspension of work on railroads, which is assuming a revolutionary character has spread throughout the province of Galicia, resulting n many clashes between the workers and the police and civil guards. Soldiers with fixed bayonets guard the streets and public buildings t Fonterverda. All stores are closed and milk is being distributed from the city halls of the towns affected.

A bomb was exploded in front of the Bishop's palace and a train was derailed but no casualties were reported.

British Build Airport in Singapore

LONDON, Eng., April 5.-A serious development in the war preparations of the British Empire is seen in the fact that an order has just been placed for 480 tipping wagons "for use in the construction of a new air base in Singapore." This has been learned through a casual reference to it in the current issue of the "British Export Gazette." Outside of high military and governmental circles that it can work in the closest co- in the U. S. A., and stayed two perate Chinese schoolboys made a the balcony of the American Club the matter had apparently been kept secret.

Refuse to Fire on San Salvador Rebels

SAN SALVADOR, April 3.—The success of Communist influence penetrating in San Salvador is confirmed by a New York dispatch which states, "One regiment of government troops refused to fire on stampede. More organization, great- the revolutionists until their officers seized machine guns and shot er struggle and agitation will lead down twenty or thirty men for disobeying orders." Since the revoluus towards our goal. This requires tion was put down with the aid of imperialist battle-ships, whole determination and courage. The regiments have been disbanded for being disloyal. The dispatch also reports that the Communist influence is very strong in the Ecuador

Germans Denounce Scottsboro Verdict

BERLIN, Germany, Ap. 5.—More than 300 German intellectuals ncluding Prof. Albert Einstein, Thomas Mann, famous author, and others today cabled to President Hoover denouncing the lynch verdict againts the seven Scottsboro defendants by the Alabama state su-

"Radicals" Phrases to Back Empire

LONDON, Eng., April 4.—Fearing the growing influence of the Communist Party, Fenner Brockway, in opening the Independent Labor Party conference, called for a "more revolutionary policy." Brockway's speech exemplified the program of the I. L. P. to cover up their service to British imperialism by "radical" phrases.

Anti-War Demonstration in Belgium

BRUSSELS, April 3.—Belgian revolutionary working class oranizations have organized more than 30 meetings and demonstrations against the imperialist war in the Rar East and in defense of the Soviet Union.

Ruegg and Wife Still in Nanking Dungeon

SHANGHAI, April 4.—Paul Ruegg, secretary of the Pan-Pacific Trade Union secretariat, and his wife, will learn momentarily the verdict" of the bloody Knomintang government which may condemn week several months ago about We owe a revolutionary duty to them to death. Charged with revolutionary activities, they were of thousands. But it was more 30 bodies were fished out of the our Guatemalan comrades. We urge turned over to the Kuomintang hangmen by the British officials of the International Settlement, and are now confined in a dungeon in Revolutionary workers and farm to join in the demand for the re- Nanking. Protests against their continued imprisonment are continuing to come from all parts of the world.

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND THE WESTERN WORKERS

Japanese Strengthen Forces in Shanghai Despite Truce Negotiations-Kuomintang

Angeles Holds Record with 13 Reported in One Day—150 Militant

Workers Face Long Prison Sentences in Guatemala

Betrays Mass Resistance to Japan—Wave of Suicides Sweeps Country—Los

News about China is being sent to the back pages of the capitalist newspapers. But that's not because there is a lack of important ma

The general impression is being carefully cultivated that the war in China is over and everything is being settled peacefully. Nothing could be further from the truth. An Associated Press dispatch re ports under date of March 20 that

"Neutral observers assert that despite reduction the Japanese army is stronger that it has been heretofore because it is better equipped. In the past few days new equipment, including heavy guns and airplanes arrived from Japan."

These facts are buried on back pages. Featured, are the alleged "talks" in the office of the British Consulate which are aimed to put everybody to sleep while the imperialists work.

KUOMINTANG TREACHERY

Each day brings news of fresh treacheries by the Nationalist clique. In connection with the defense of the Chapei area, for example, the Chinese people raised subscriptions to equip new volunteer regiments to hold the front. Chiang-Kai-Shek with all the cowardliness which characterizes the Kuo-Min-Tang betrayers followed the policy of disarmaming the soldiers and workers and peasants, as

cent of the Russian czarists uniting enemy troops. with their traditional enemy, the Japanese imperialists, against the Bolsheviks in 1918? Is it not a fact precisely with the greatest

riers to our own emancipation. HEROISM OF THE 19th ROUTE ARMY

he did when the Japanese invaded | bore the greatest part of the fight- | second instance they were defend- | are however part of the same pro-Manchuria, and "appealing" to Am- ing in the Chapei area has an in- ing the masses fighting for liberty cess. erican imperialism and the League teresting history. Only a few and against a foreign invader. This weeks before going to the Shang- gave them support of the people, He even had the leaders of some hai front these troops were engaged and made possible so brave a showof the volunteer regiments, which in the "major offensive" under ing. refused to disband, arrested. His taken by the Nanking government fear of any spontaneous organiza- against the Red Army of Soviet however be nullified by the deals tion of the people far exceeds his China. Despite its superior military with the imperialists now being fear of a foreign imperialist power. equipment they made no headway. negatiated by Chiang Kai Shek. The ers and peasants of the Soviet This is a repitition of all historic The Red Army showed a high unonly real guarantee for national derstanding of revolutionary war as well as class liberty is the over-Doesn't it parallel the attempts strategy. Instead of making a con- throw of the Nanking and the Canof Thiers to disarm the Paris pro- certed stand in any one place it ton cliques and the extension of letariat in the face of the Prussian carried on a semi-guerrilla warfare; the Soviet power over all China. troops in 1871? And isn't it reminis- retreating, and always agitating the

The peasants were all on the side of the Red Army. The objectives of the much advertised antichauvinists, class ties were always Red offensive were never gained. This same 19th Army when transstronger than national ties. The working class must learn that. Only ferred to fight the Japanese, a foreign imperialist power made a by learning that will we know our showing which must indeed comenemies and thereby break the barmand admiration from every ob-

was fighting for reaction against than to watch the plaster as it fell

The heroism of the people will

MATCH KING KILLS HIMSELF

Ivar Kreuger committed suicide Kreuger was one of the "pillars of ways boasts about. His suicide, capitalism, is only one in hundreds

The workers, the farmers and

have no reason to commit suicide. The crumbling of the capitalist a new, better and more beautiful building must be built. The workers Union are showing the way.

WAVE OF SUICIDES

and driven to despair.

at the crumbling of the edifice of to the Bay cities area where in one class war prisoners.

The 19th Cantonese army which the people and liberty. In the from the walls bit by bit. Both ers will not be involved in this lease of these 150 workers.

teachings of Marx and Lenin contain in them these necessary at-

THE WHITE TERROR IN GUATAMELA

Guatemala City is nearer to San

Francisco than San Francisco is

workers do not pay much attention to what is happening there revolutionaries from other classes | Last week 150 Communists were arrested, and are now being held for court-martial. The only excuse structure only means for us that a the government gave was that unemployment has brought the masthat they feared a repetition of the El Salvador events. At best our Guatemala comrades can expect long prison terms. That is, unless Yet many workers who do not the workers of the United States understand Communism are also act through demonstrations and bewildered by the creaks and meetings, for the release of the groans of the crumbling structure prisoners. The heroism of the Latin-American workers and peasants A wave of suicide has hit the is hardly paralleled on the North U. S. such as we have never before American continent. Against unexperienced. Los Angeles, has the believable odds they have at varrecord for Western cities when on lous times taken up the struggle finance" which the boss press al- March 18, a total of 13 suicides for freedom. They always found was reported for that one day. Up it possible to aid us in our fight admittedly brought on by his panic to that time the record belonged for Sacco and Vanzetti and other

In the one case the 19th Army dramatic to see a "pillar" collapse, waters of the "Golden Gate." all workers, especially in the West

PEDRO LUMBER KINGS IN NEW

WORKERS CORRESPONDENCE

Coast Fishermen Impoverished by Trusts' Huge Surplus Stock San Jose is Scene of Latest Racket

Crew Must Stay On . Board Minus Pay

SAN PEDRO, Calif.—A wage cut of an unheard variety is being instituted by the Hammond Lumber Company, who now deduct from wages for the time steam schooners are harbored in lumber ports.

It is reported that on one Hammond steam schooner the entire crew, with the exception of the steward department, were cut for the nine days that they were harbored in Grays Harbor. The boat was anchored out, but the workers were forced to remain aboard with

This new cut comes on top of the old ones. The scale ranges from \$55 on the Schaeffer boats, up to \$62.50, the old scale was \$75 a month and 75c per hour overtime.

The Hammond bosses still live in style which they protect by wage cuts. We must protect our families from starvation by struggle. The Marine Workers Industrial Union is issuing a call to all steamschooner men to organize and fight against the wage-slashing campaign of the lumber barons.

Shut Off Water in Homes of 75 Unemployed in Phoenix

PHOENIX, Ariz.—A committee of the Unemployed Council of this owned it cooperatively. But the city, after a throrough investigation, reports that more than 75 families had their water shut off during the past few weeks. This situation is especially serious of late in the East Lake Park section.

"Create-A-Job" outfit has been a complete flop as far as the unemployed are concerned. You must be a resident of the city for one year or more before they can even register in order to get work mowing lawns and other odd jobs. So you see when they "create a job" they are only taking the job away from the man who had it before and giving it to another at lower wages, thus putting more men on the soup lines.

SAN DIEGO JOBLESS

Militant Demonstration is Staged in Office of the County Commissioner

SAN DIEGO, Calif.-After the San Diego County Welfare refused to grant food to A. M. Codwell and his family, a committee from the Unemployed Council attempted to get to the welfare commission, but were kept off.

About one hundred members of the Unemployed Council then went down to the county supervisors chambers to demand that they in struct the welfare commission to feed the hungry family. The supervisors attempted to evade taking action, and closed the meeting abruptly. Then the crowd became militant.

The U. C. members then march ed to the county welfare building and forced their way into the office of J. C. Pendleton, executive secretary of the association. The organizer of the council pounded on the desk and demanded food for those in need and stated that the workers would not leave until then not only gave a grocery order for the Codwell family, but also for other families who were in need of groceries.

Police were called to the Welfare Building, but due to the militant mood of the workers no arrests were made.

Curfew in Spokane Gives Jobless More Time to Fight Lice

SPOKANE.—The local flop-house has been able to break up our workers mass meetings to some extent, by setting a curfew hour. The bosses of "Hotel de Gink' keep us "out of mischief" during late hours by locking the door sc that all good boys should be in bed fighting the man-eating bugs that

infest this place. However, the bosses are al wrong. When a worker goes to bet to scratch lice, he gets a chance to do some thinking of his owr

FRESNO "BEE" IN 'GIVE JOB DRIVE' BUT IT FIRES 100

Associated Charities Try to Keep Workers from Getting More than 121/2 cents Hour

FRESNO, Calif.—The hypocritical "Fresno Bee' that has been ballyhooing the "give a job campaign." just fired 100 men when it bought out the Fresno "Republican" and merged the two papers.

The Fresno Associated Charities, while its over-stuffed sponsors pat each other on the back for the odd job, but will not allow the an hour. In this way the bosses Long Beach meeting raided by the get their work done cheaply by taking full advantage of starving men, women and children. One man worked four hours cleaning up a awn. He refused to take more than 50c saying that if he took more the charities would not give him any more work.

CUT FORCE 75%

The Sun Maid Packing Plant, largest fruit packing plant in the world, used to employ six to seven thousand men when the farmers big bankers forced the co-op into bankruptev.

The workers and farmers here inderstand the hypocrisy of the press and the racketeering charcapitalists have made of the Sun of the bosses and tell other work-Maid Co-Op, and are interested listening to the Communist program to abolish capitalism. No wonder one finds such a great res pense to the Communist election campaign meetings.

Baseball for Hungry

baseball park was constructed here for the purpose of drawing the -Unemployed Worker. dwindling tourist trade. The grafting manner in which the workers who built the ball park were gypped is interesting. They were given half their pay in money and the WIN IN FOOD FIGHT rest in baseball tickets! In one instance a poor Mexican worker received \$1.50 in wages and \$1.50 in baseball tickets. He has a large family who, needing food, are provided with baseball tickets!

'Charge It to Boss,' Say Canada Jobless After a Good Meal

VANCOUVER, B. C., April 2.seems to have been the slogan of at any price!" the 300 unemployed workers of Ashcroft, nearby, who moved into vacant rooms which were available and ordered meals from local restaurants-and walked out.

Responding to frantic appeals of local businessmen, the government sent a detachment of 35 provincial police from Vancouver to reinforce local police.

WATSONVILLE, Crlif.-Wages the Bank of Italy here have been cut 20 per cent.

the demands were met. Pendleton San Jose Union Has 87; 73 Unemployed

SAN JOSE, Calif. - In the machinists local of the A. F. of L. here, heads it clubs. there are about 87 members. Seventy-three of them are unemployed.

Arispe, L. A. Militant, Deported to Mexico; Fight to Save 12 Held

LOS ANGELES, Calif.-Jose Arispe, organizer of the Los Angeles Spanish section of the Unemployed Council and an ex-service man, has been deported to Mexico as an 'undesirable alien.'

Thus, as a result of the activity

of the local Chamber of Commerce Arisne's wife and five young children—all born in the U. S.—are left helpless. Arispe has worked on California farms and in shops for thousands of Spanish - speaking workers for his militant activity. The fate of Arispe is spurring "godly" work they are doing, oc- the campaign to prevent the decasionally gets the unemployed an portation of the 12 workers held without bail, following their arrest worker to take more than 121/2c with scores of others during the

Astoria F. S. U. Growing Rapidly

"Red Squad."

ASTORIA, Ore.—The Friends of the Soviet Union mass meeting held in this town last Sunday at Youngs' Bay Hall, 249 Taylor Avenue, was and farmers' government of Russia.

Fred Walker of Portland exposed the war plans of the imperialists, workers took the floor and exposed the role of the capitalist newspapers in laving the basis for an attack on the U.S.S.R. It was explained that workers must see They look at the mess the through the lies of the "kept" press ers how to defeat the bosses' plans. A strong Friends of the Soviet Union organization in this country will hinder the war plans of Wall Street and mobilize the workers to defend the Soviet Union, it was pointed out.

SANTA CRUZ, Calif. — A large L. A. NEEDLE TRADE **GETS NEW PAY CU**

Boss Invites Police Chief and "Times" Owner for Wild Celebration Party

another attack against the already low living standard in the needle

No reasons were given other than, "You should be glad that you are working. There are thousands of workers walking the streets of-

BOSSES FIND WEAKNESS The bosses always attack at the point of least resistance. The workers cannot fight successfully as individuals because there is no opportunity to find jobs. And collectively we are weak as we are unorganized and unable to make

our will respected. One of the leading merchants had "party" in his home on the day Cut Bank Help Wages the wage cut was announced. The best food and drinks were served. police force represents, and whose

But, workers, how long? -Worker Correspondent.

ASTORIA CORRESPONDENTS SHOW WAY

Special attention by all worker correspondent clubs should be given to the article on this page concerning the fishing industry. This article represents a special effort of the Astoria workers correst ready for some real socialist compondence club. Your club should make an analysis of some other industry for future issue.

The Astoria club, which meets weekly, and is made up of some of the most active workers in Astoria, is to be congratulated on this

Further evidence of the club's correct functioning comes in a letter from its leader containing ten subscriptions to the Western Worker.

ORGANIZING BASE

Every member of the club is an active organizer. When an Astoria story appears it is immediately used as a base for approaching workers to join the Party, write for the paper, subscribe and come to Have you workers in other cities and towns organized your cor-

respondence club? The initiative must come from you. Every reader of the Western Worker should act as a worker corabout the necessity to organize in respondent regardless of whether it is possible to form a club. Write to the Unemployed Council to de f n your experiences regarding conditions in the shops, mines, farms mand Unemployment Insurance at and ships. Urge others to write. Send stories to Worker Correspondence Editor, WESTERN WORKER, 1164 Market St., S. F.

Bury Victims of Ford-Murphy Murder



Part of the great mass funeral for the four jobless workers who were murdered by gunmen of Henry Ford and Mayor Murphy of Detroit when demonstration of unemployed were attacked before Ford's Rouge

packed to the top by the workers eager to hear about the workers' NEW SEATTLE PENNEY STORE HIRES "HOME GIRLS" AT \$9 WEEK

SEATTLE, Wash.-Working girls in Seattle are having their wages cut far below the so-called minimum wage of \$13.20 a week. Practically none except the laundry workers and some office girls are getting above that amount nowa-

opened here they wanted girls and it is well known that in most to live. places they don't keep a girl after her "appenticeship" period is over if she wants more wages.

bosses have announced a new cut have to work twice as fast as they rough handling by the police. did before.

The Y. W. C. A., has an employ ment office that occasionally gets in a job (usually house-work for \$5 a month and board)—and in the 'Charge it up to the bosses." This fering themselves to take the job afternoon they serve tea to keep up the morale, as they say, of the unemployed girls.

Youth Defender News

A District Youth Committee of the International Labor Defense for Southern California has been established, and we are now making plans to spread youth defender activities thruout the district. We have one Youth Branch in Los ploits the agricultural workers. Angeles, named after Danny Roxas, young Filipino Imperial Valley Among the guests were the owner fighter, now in San Quentin. There of the white collared workers in of the "Los Angeles Times" and are also two affiliated youth clubs, the chief of Police—the two faith- the "Sospeds" and "Ses" clubs. ful watchdogs of the bosses. This Recently a general membership is additional proof on which side drive was held, and a great enthe press stands, what class in thusiasm was shown. The SES terests it represents and what club was presented with a red banclass rule it tries to perpetuate. ner, being the winning club in our Also it shows whose interests the last two months plan of action. Good results in obtaining Criminal Syndicalism signatures, selling Labor Defenders and getting new mem bers were reported. The Scottsboro case was discussed and all efforts were made to push the petition drive.

Let's have some challenge from other Youth Defender groups on the Coast. We, in Los Angeles are petition. Send all challenges to 120 Winston Street, Los Angeles California.

San Jose Readers!

Come to 81 Post Street, Wed nesday, April 13, at 8 p.m., where a meeting of Western Worker readers will take place. An Editor of the Western Worker will speak. You are asked to come and give your criticism and suggestions on how to make the Western Worker better able to fulfill its role as a mass organizer for our struggles, and to build its circulation.

Help to build your own paper!

200 in Los Angeles Make Stiff Fight to

LOS ANGELES, Calif. - More than 200 workers, housewives and When the new Penney store children of the Boyle Heights section, participated in a fight to stop with no experience who live at an eviction of an unemployed wohome because they could pay them man and her small child. Altho only \$9 a week. Rhodes' ten cent the furniture was not put back in stores have laid off many girls, and the house, the workers put up such have paid \$9 and \$11 a week to a stiff fight that they forced the girls that they call "apprentices"- fake charities to get her a place

When the Unemployed Council appeared to put back the furniture. the landlord locked himself up in While this wage cutting is going the house and called the police. on, girls are made to work much Twenty police and prainclothes faster, both those on piece work men responded and immediately or commission work and those paid | proceeded to beat up men, women by the hour. In some of the small and children. They succeeded in dress shops here the girls make breaking up the demonstration by Chamber of Commerce has made from \$5 to \$10 a week and then arresting the militant leaders of their fish on the government for a the "scientific" state "veterinartake work home at night to do the Unemployed Council, Lillian big profit. So they are in favor of lans" work hand in glove with the hand work or pressing in order to Dinkin, Meyer Baylin and Bertha war. They want the workers killed milk trust to maintain high prices get done. Those who still make Goldstein. Dinkin was badly bruis- by the millions fighting other work- while babies on nearby farms and After repeated wage cuts, the the "minimum" or above usually ed about the knees as a result of ers so they can sell their fish at a

-L. A. Worker.

Bank of Am. Farms Pay 17c an Hr.; No Board: 15 Hour Day

BIOLA, Calif.-I am writing to you about conditions on a 350-acre alfalfa ranch 15 miles northwest of Fresno, Calif. That octopus of squeezed the farmers out of their land and now, under the guise of the "California Lands Incorporated." operates the farms and ex-

A state of misery prevails among the workers. Seventeen cents an working day is ten hours. The steady workers live in shacks that ters in which the men live are without showers and adequate sanitary equipment. When I say "seventeen cents an hour." remember that is without board. The workers must feed themselves on the few miserable pennies which are thrown to them for a day's work.

The ranch hands are gloomy. They eat only potatoes and macaroni. They cannot afford to buy the meats and vegetables which are necessary to keep themselves in good health.

Alfalfa is harvested from five to ix times a year. When hay-baling men. Even though the wage is seventeen cents an hour and the general conditions are terrible, men such things." gaunt from hunger and long periods of unemployment, are daily turned away by those everlasting words, "No Help Wanted."

-Farm Worker

Western Worker In Need of Typewriter

The Western Worker needs an additional typewriter, preferably an Underwood. Anyone willing to lend, or contribute, a machine, please write to Western Worker, 1164 Market St., San Francisco.

CANNERY BOSSES REFUSE TO PAY MEN ENOUGH FOR CATCH TO LIVE ON; GIVE ANALYSIS OF INDUSTRY

While Millions Go Hungry, Bosses Wait for War to Make Profit

ASTORIA, Ore.—As there are thousands of workers in the fishing industry who believe it is still possible to make a decent living "when times pick up," we are making this study of the industry to show that before times pick up we must do some real agitation work.

The Pacific Coast Fisheries Association holds over 3,000,000 cases of salmon in their warehouses DAIRY FARMERS while workers all over the world are starving. This huge store of fish makes it unnecessary for the canneries and fish trusts to buy fish from fishermen. So the low prices we receive mean unemployment and starvation. Only by organizing can we open the warehouses and distribute this fish to hungry workers. Until then we must face misery.

FACTS ON OVERPRODUCTION

The Pacific Coast Fisheries Assoess concerns, 148 canneries and 85% of the entire Pacific Coast Fishing industry. The Association's report shows the following accumulation of unsold fish:

Aug. 31, 1929, 884,458 cases of

Aug. 31, 1930, 2,157,239 cases. Aug. 31, 1931, 3,440,411 cases. Each case contains 48 one-pound

Last August, the average price in Seattle market was \$7 a case. Prevent an Eviction At this rate the fish trust had on But now they will not bring us hand over \$24,000,000 worth of fish. Until this surplus is liquidated and sold at a profit to the cows and just finished paying for wealthy owners of the trust, the fishermen's situation will become inemployment and starvation.

MACHINERY OUSTS WORKERS

Modern machines have been installed in the trust's canneries that workers who are supposed to find outlandish prices. jobs some place else. As there ers must live on fishheads and from us.

SURPLUS INSPIRES WAR

The big trust owners realize that

It is obvious that under capitalism the position of the fisherman for much longer the eyes of the and cannery worker becomes in dairy men will open. They will creasingly unbearable. The cap- organize, expose this robber sysitalists starve us, then they shoot tem, and prepare to fight capitalus. That is why the Communist ism and establish a Workers' and Party is organizing all workers to Farmers' government like they have

OBTAIN LITTLE

Cows Worth \$150 in 1928 Will Now Bring \$25 Each and Less: Organize, Writer Says

FOR HARD WORK

FRESNO COUNTY, Calif.-The dairy situation in Madera and Fresno counties, as well as other parts of California, is in a terrible shape. ciation controls 69 different busin- There sure is lots of work-once you get a job! One is busy all day long on a dairy job, on your feet from morning till midnight, milking, washing, sterilizing, cleaning the barns, cutting alfalfa hay, and feeding the stock.

The price we receive for butterfat is not enough to pay us to live decently. Also, the power compank keeps robbing us continually.

COWS WORTH \$25 NOW

In 1928, 1929, and 1930 the cows were worth from \$100 to \$150 each \$25 a head.

Many of us dairy slaves bought them at exhorbitant prices. No sooner did we get them than the worse and worse: less pay, more prices dropped. We same lost out, The cows can't be soul as nobody wants them except the butchers; and they want them for a song the medical science is almost as When we go to the butchers and big as Lenin's contribution to social buy back our former milk cows in science. take the place of thousands of the form of meat, we must pay

We barely exist. What little we are no jobs to be found these work- do make the power thieves take

> round that all milk cows will be vigorously tested to kill off the surplus cattle and boost the price in cities go hungry for the good nourishing qualities of milk!

It things keep on at this pace

in Soviet Russia! Our Shop Papers

Here are some facts given in letters from shop workers to our shop papers:

"THE WHISTLE," March 1932 issue. Southern Pacific Shops, Oakland.

"The Community Chest paid us a visit in the shop, not to see how we are getting along but to force us to pay at least \$1 or more out of our starvation wages."

"We want to thank you all for your kindness and support to the | shine. 'WHISTLE." \$1.55 was contributed (at the gate) when the Feb. issue came out. This helps make the present issue possible."

"A Pullman woman was fired on the pretense of insanity. She worked for the Co. for 12-14 years and gave the best of her young energy to the Co. Now, instead of giving her a pension she is fired and told that she is mentally unfit."

"Four S. P. workers have subscribed to the 'WHISTLE!' That's be used for the common good only the way to make the paper grow."

> "HEADLIGHT," March 1932 issue Southern Pacific Shops, San Francisco

"We workers in the Bay Shore shops have every day news, but very bad news. Only a little while ago a worker from the plane mill cut his hand. He is only a helper and was doing a job of a skilled worker. He is working for half the price; that is why the boss gave him a mechanic's job. The bosses are using every method to exploit the worker. We must have our own, a workers' union to fight against

"Headlight" received the following in a letter from the workers in the Locomotive Association, Charkov, in the Ukraine (Soviet Russia). "Our plant has greatly grown during the existence of the Soviet Power. The number of workers employed in the plant increased from 5,000 to 22,000. Production increased five times. We are all given a chance to study at the Workers' Faculties (workers' colleges). -Headlight's answer will appear in its next issue.

When these letters are received, our shop papers not only prin them as "news." They point out what the workers should do; how to organize to fight for their grievances.

Although the "C & H Scrapper," "Pittsburg Steel-Worker," and the Sacramento "R. R. Worker" have been issued for March, w haven't received copies. Send them in. Still no word from Districts 12 and 19.

LEGION DRIVE FOR JOBS JUST ONE MORE DUD

Latest Racket

SAN JOSE, Calif.—Recently the American Legion hired 30 men to go from house to house painting numerals. They were to charge 50c a job, and get 15c, the balance

went for "expenses" (rackets) One worker managed to make 50c in twelve hours of this organized begging, which is the first "big gun" of the much heralded drive of the American Legion to batter down unemployment.

TRY TO FOOL WORKERS

As far as the workers are concerned the "first big gun" is only a cheap firecracker. The newspapers and the rich bosses still have faith in the American Legion brand of wholesale fakery, but the workers no longer have any illusions about this scheme to divert them from organizing and demand-

ing unemployment insurance. We want jobs, no fakery. And if the bosses can't give us jobs, we want food and rent for our families. We demand unemployment insurance, and we are organizing to get it. .

WORKERS HEALTH

DR. ROBERT KOCH

By S, E. KELY "benevolent" President of the U.S. has sent out a call that everybody should pay a tribute to Dr. Robert Koch, German physician, who in 1882 after many years of investigation, succeeded in isolating the tuberculosis bacilli which killed and still kills many millions of human beings yearly-and makes

earn the necessities of life. Yes, we workers can pay tribute to that man, because he was a great man and his contribution to

more millions of people unable to

In 1882 when he isolated the B. bacilli, the medical world, did not know the cause of tuberculosis. but started to study the peculiarities of the bacilli, and investigate

ways of destroying the bacilli. After 8 years of study, in 1890, he discovered a material which he investigation convinced him that this was not the case; but that if he injected it in a human being, it gave a different reaction to persons having T. B. than to persons not having T. B. With this he gave to the medical science a method by which we can detect the T. B.; there are very few other signs by

which to detect the disease. This is very important at the present time. We can now cure T. B. almost 100 percent if it is not very far advanced, or better. we could cure it if the present capitalist system enabled us to.

And the question presents itself, inder the present system, can we exploit Dr. Koch's contribution to the world? Did this great discovery benefit humanity? Some say, "Yes," but if we think a little, we must say, "Not much."

Those capitalists who own large commercial sanatoriums will say, 'Yes," because if this would not be, how could they charge \$35 to \$100 a week for rest, food and sun-

Superintendents of charity instiutions will say, ".Yes" For where could they get their \$300-\$600 monthly salaries for doing almost nothing, except by exploiting the workers, and nurses, etc. for \$20-\$50 a month and a little food?

Robert Kech's contribution will. under a system where the workers will not be driven to kill each other, but will help one another to build the future world. Koch's contribution will be appreciated by mothers who will be happy that their children are cured from T. B. and will be secure (will not be slaughtered by imperialist robbers). Yes, the masses will be happy that a Robert Koch lived because they will get help in a workers' society and not be dependent upon charity. The billions of dollars which are now spent for killing will be spent for workers' and farmers' sanatoriums and vacation homes.

We should organize and fight in order to abolish this rotten system. Then the new society will know Robert Koch's T. B. bacilli and that collective society will not raise T. B. bacilli for imperialist war purposes, but will kill the bacilli and will keep Robert Koch's name

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Unemployed Form Communist Unit to Fight Starvation

REDWOOD CITY, Calif.-The unemployed workers of this city presented demands for jobs to the Board of Supervisors in the form of a petition signed by 400 unemployed workers demanding the appropriation of money for jobs.

The local politicians were so frightened by the rising protest that they called a special session on Monday and passed an appropriation for \$6000 for "Social Service Purposes," a polite name for starvation charity rations.

THIS IS NOT ENOUGH

All winter the various commit tees have been fooling around with unemployment relief. The American Legion has added to the general smoke-screen to prevent the workers from organizing and getting relief with their new penny ante "give a job" campaign. Even Captain Macauley has admitted that there are 1403 unemployed in this county: 1090 married men, 91 single men and 22 women. These figures do not include South San Francisco, Colma, Daly City and several other towns. Besides these figures are probably minimized to hide the truth from the workers.

the capitalist press that many children are undernourished, which means starvation in polite capital

The workers have shown their disgust for the capitalist tools that daily dally while workers' families are starying by forming a Communist Party Unit to further or ganize the workers in their struggle for existence. An Unemployed Council is being formed to force the bosses to give us jobs, immediate relief and unemployment insurance

Sacramento Jobless Fruit Workers Beat Camp Eviction Plan

(Continued from Page 1) masse until the decision to feed the families was received

Later the campers were told to pack up and leave in three days. The Charities offered to pay gas to make it seem they were "considerate." A few families fell for this. The others sent a committee to see the city manager, forcing him to give an extension of time to four weeks before they would decide whether they would leave or not.

Capitalism breeds wars. To abol-Ish wars we must abolish capital-Captain Macauley has admitted to Ism-Join the Communist Party.

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FIGHT WAR PLANS AT BIG WESTERN DEMONSTRATIONS

Japan Menaces Soviet Union; Opens New Assault On Chinese Masses

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the Soviet Union. The conference will be held on Sunday morning, April 10, at 10:30, at Equity Hall, 141 Albion Street (near 16th and Valencia).

In a call sent to all trade union groups of the A. F. of L., fraternal, language and other organizations the purpose of the conference is stated as:

(1) To confront the American working-class organizations with the imminence of war; (2) with the danger of intervention against the Soviet Union: (3) with the actual attack on the Chinese Soviet districts; (4) to organize a permanent body to call together and mobilize the masses of workers of San

MOBILIZE TROOPS AGAINST U. S. S. R.

HARBIN, April 5.—Continued FOR WOMEN: nobilization of Japanese troops on the Soviet frontier is giving the lie to Japanese-inspired foreign office dispatches denying these activities.

At the same time these Japanese nperialists are attempting to cover up their hostile movements in the direction of the Soviet Union by 'unofficial" stories being circulated that the U.S.S.R. was "erecting semi-permanent entrenched fortifications' 'along the Siberian bor-

ADMIT ATTACK PLANS

The American capitalist press continues to carry numerous frank admissions that the Japanese are planning to attack the Soviet Union Dispatches received from their correspondents carry brazen statements by various Japanese military eaders calling for an assault upon ment has made no secret of the the close of the summary speeches fact that it has strengthened its of the defense it was impossible deported there. frontier garrisons to meet the Japa- to restrain the applause. Altogether nese threats, at the same time ex- there were about 125 exhibits inposing the provocations of the im- cluding several basic Communist

JAPAN IN NEW ATTACK

SHANGHAI, April 3. - Sharp fighting broke out in the vicinity of Chia Wang Miao on Soochow Creek vesterday as a result of a new attack which the Japanese launched against the Chinese forces which were driven out of Shanghai.

The attack was carried out in order to enforce Japanese demands calling for occupation of Chapei and the countrysid eadjacent, Hong- was the misquotations and false kew, Kiangwan, Woosung, Paoshan reports published by friendly news and a strip of territory along the papers and even our own press Whangpoo River.

It is pointed out that this would This is especially true of quotagive Japan control of the mouth of tions concerning parliamentary acthe Yangtze River and aid in establition, force and violence, etc. The lishing a military base from which Open Forum, organ of the Civil to attack the growing Chinese Soviet districts in the interior.

While the Japanese have been ly throughout and did much to help forced to admit that they still have publicize the trial, in which artmore than 50,000 troops in Shang- icle there is reported some "quotahai, the number is said to be closer tions" from Darcy's speech. Dr.

Call for a United Front in Paointers' Fight on Pay Cuts be a catastrophe to call together

(Continued from Page 1) HINDER UNITED FRONT

"Can we win our fight if our ranks continue to be split. We can- it is useless to try to correct each not. Only if we rank and file painters, irrespective of whether we are affiliated or unorganized, get together in a real united front will we be able to carry through any militant action to improve condi-

"Who stands in the way of this deportation charges, two of them united front? The bureaucratic offi- having been just freed on bail, and cials of the A. F. of L., who are one, Arispe, having been deported opposed to militant action. The to Mexico. They have already united front is also hindered by the spent three and one half months Fleming clique, who are continuing in jail. Thruout the trial they cartheir splitting tactics and opposing | ried on with splendid militancy. The the policy of uniting all workers for | Western Worker is justly proud common struggle.

"The Trade Union Unity League | such fine working-class fighters. is out to unite all painters for a But we must take them out of jail militant fight against the wage and put them back on the firing cut. We propose that rank and file line. Every worker and sympathidelegations from the A. F. of L. zer can help. Send a donation at locals as well as the National Paint-once to the International Labor ers' Local get together in a real Defense, 120 Winston St., Los Anunited front committee.

CALL MASS MEETING

"We are calling a mass meeting on Wednesday, April 13, at 1507 Eddy Street, corner Fillmore, San Francisco, to discuss this question.
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Workers Sports

Richmond Field Day

Labor Sports Field Day will be held on Sunday, April 17, at East Shore Park, Richmond

This year the Labor Sports field day will be a feature of the Com- the International Workers' Athletmunist Party annual picnic to be held April 17, all day, at East Shore Park, Richmond.

the Workers' Sports organizations of San Francisco and Oakland. Those eager to take part in the following events are asked to com-letic Meet in Chicago, must get municate with the Workers' Sports | their support from the workers all Club, Tuesdays, 8 P. M., at 20 over the country. All are there-Flint Street, or the Workers Cent- fore urged to come to this dance er, 1164 Market Street-in Oakland, at 1020 Broadway, 2nd Floor, FOR MEN:

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s practiced by the capitalists?

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ism-Leninism. Despite any previous

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ERRORS IN REPORTING

TRIAL

One difficult feature of the trial

Shoaf was unfortunately not pre-

sent at the closing sessions and got

the quotations second hand. They

are wrong. Even the DailyWorker

quoted. "The reason that it would

the California Legislature is be-

cause it is a working class legis-

lature." This is obviously hope-

lessly garbled thru a technical err-

or. There were so many such that

one separately. In the near future

we hope to print the speech in full,

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ic Meet in Chicago in July, 1932

While the capitalist officials ar-

ranging the Olympic Games in Los

government to carry on their act

ivities, the workers' organizations

A special attraction is a boxing

bout, held by members of the Work-

Basketball

Playing the first game of the

season at San Pablo Park in Ber-

keley, the Hi-D "Casaba Tossers"

trounced the Berkeley "Clucks."

An important factor of the "Clucks"

defeat was their lack of substitutes,

as they held their foes to an 8 to

score at half-time, but from then

were able to get one point the

remainder of the game. The score

at the final whistle was 25 to 9.

music and lots of eats.

ers' Sports Club.

April 16 at 1164 Market Street

(Continued from Page One) to the custody of the immigration officials for deportation."

The I. L. D. is now waging a fight against this victimization which, in Horiuchi's case, it is cer tain death at the hands of the bloody Japanese fascists if he is

TO EXPOSE FRAME-UP

Bringing the story of the attempted judicial murder of the Scottsboro text books. At least 5,000 different defendants to workers and farmers people heard various parts or all of Southern California, Frank Specof the trial personally. The whole for district organizer of the L.L.D. town was discussing our platform is now on tour addressing meetings by the time the trial was over. It on "The Mooney and Scottsboro is estimated that altogether it cost Frame-ups. the city of Long Beach between

> Meetings have been arranged in he following cities: Santa Barbara, April 7, 8; Los Angeles, April 9, 10; San Diego, Woodbine Hall, April 11, 12; Long Beach, April 13; Bakersfield, April 14, 15.

MEETINGS CALLED

campaign in behalf of the Scotts- tence wages. largely because of bad reporting. boro boys, which is to result in Liberties Union published an article national United Front to save the by Dr. Shoaf, who was very friend-Scottsboro boys from the electric Berkeley Advertisers

On Tuesday, April 5, three meetngs will be held in the San Francsico Negro neighborhood - openair on Fillmore and Ellis and Fillmore and O'Farrell, at 7 p.m.; indoor at 1740 O'Farrell Street, at 8 p.m., under the auspices of the I. L. D. and Provisional Committee of League of Struggle for Negro

An I. L. D. branch bearing the name of Roy Peterson (one of the Scottsboro boys) has been recently organized in that territory. A drive will be made to swell the ranks of this new branch as a result of these activities

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funds to carry on the campaign for with graft."

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> ing of workers of Los Angeles with the luxury in which the graft-fattened public officials live, Sandler pointed to "Hoovertown," a barren tract of land on the edge of the industrial section of Los Angeles. where about one hundred and fifty families live in crude tents and shacks. "These workers, all unemployed, have lost all their possessions, have been evicted from their homes and are forced to grub for food as best they can. They have no water and no sanitation of any sort. The men make the rounds of the fruit and vegetable markets and pick up whatever stuff has been discarded as unfit to sell. This is a picture of prosperity for the workers. A vote for a workingclass candidate—one nominated by the Communist Party -is a protest aganist such miserable conditions."

April 6th.

Workers of Los Angeles are rallying around the Sandler-for-Mayor campaign as an effective protest against hunger and wage cuts, a gainst police brutality, the flophouse and the breadline. Sandler himself has a long record of struggle against capitalist class oppres sion and has been active for many years in Los Angeles in workers fights for a higher standard of living.

For G. P. Halferty and Company recruitment of Negro workers into the scheme is a desirable one, as the I. L. D., cement the solidarity he will make super-profits by pay-

of the black and white workers and ing low wages and receive adverstrengthen the national and inter- tising as having "solved" the crisis.

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(Continued from Page 1) inevitable not only under the Porter administration, but under any administration when those in office represent the interests of the rul-

"Thousands of workers are facing starvation, families are being evicted for non-payment of rent and fake relief agencies plead lack of funds-and at the same time thousands of dollars are being juggled by our judges," Sandler continued. Breadlines grow longer, Flophouses are filled to overflowing. And our public officials line their pockets

Sandler, who is running on the regular Communist Party election platform, calls for unemployment nsurance and immediate cash relief for all unemployed workers. and demands the immediate dissolution of the Los Angeles "Red Squad," which has been used by the Cossack Porter administration to club men, women and children Contrasting the standard of liv-

Sufficient signatures have aller on the ballot in the special recall election. Five hundred are are pushing the Sandler-for-Mayor signature drive with the aim of getting the maximum number of signatures which may be submitted, 1,000. These will be field by

(Continued from Page 1) The I. L. D. has now launched a into slave jobs at less than subsis-

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IN DRIVE; SHOP UNIT IN ABERDEEN

The Seattle district of the Young Communist League came into the

recruiting drive with unlimited enthusiasm. Of the two Leagues on

the West Coast, California is the larger district. However, this did

not bother the Seattle comrades. They issued a challenge for the

With the Young Workers

SEATTLE NEARLY DOUBLES MEMBERSHIP

fulfillment of the recruiting and accepted the challenge of California to build two shop units before Seattle build their five, and also get 1,000 members into the Labor Sports Union. Seattle started with a membership of 62 and is working to obtain 168 new members up to April 22. So far they have made 51, about

30% of their quota. But Scattle has nearly doubled its membership.

FIRST Y, C. L. SHOP UNIT IN ABERDEEN

ABERDEEN, Wash., is building its first Y. C. L. shop unit. This is not a mere accident. It is the result of years of day-to-day work. Back in 1928 they started with a contacts inside, and kept it up for some time. Because they failed to get immediate results they dropped the shop paper, which, of course,

was wrong. The mill is now working part time, and is threatened with a wage cut almost any time. The task is to organize the young workers and to prepare them for the coming struggles against this wage cut and on their immediate demands.

EUREKA LEAGUE UNIT EX-POSES WHITE GUARDIST OUTFIT

The League unit is exposing the Finnish Brotherhood Society, by revealing the fact that they were sending money to the White Guards in Finland. This organization poses as "non-political," but in their ready been collected to put Sand- paper, "The Industrialist," they spread slanderous lies about the U. S. S. R. Every unit and Youth required. Workers of Los Angeles | Club should follow this example by exposing these activities of bosscontrolled organizations.

Delegates Map Out Plans to Advance Signature Drive

(Continued from Page 1) shop paper at the company, with managing editor of the Western

ENTHUSIASM GROWS

Reports arriving in campaign headquarters tell of growing activity in the places where campaign meetings have already been held. including Petaluma, Santa Rosa, Eureka and Ft. Bragg. Groups of workers are systematically canvassing workingclass sections everywhere and redoubling their efforts as the time approaches when the 23,000 signatures must be in. Mc Kendrick is well known in the west and particularly along the Coast, having been active for many years among the boilermakers of Seattle, Tacoma and other cities.

Workers in the towns to be visited during the next few weeks are planning to mobilize to collect thousands of signatures.

(Full list of tour dates of Mc-Kendrick and Branch will be found elsewhere in this issue).

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EDITORIAL COLUMN

MATERIAL FOR NEW FRAME-UP!

A character calling himself John Shara announced that he overheard a conversation in a San Francisco movie theatre of four men who were planning to kill Mayor Rossi. That the man is a lunatic is obvious from his statements that the Mayor of Seattle in 1924 hired him to "shoot bugs with a shotgun." But the city officials saw a chance to play heroes. So the police, to the tune of grinding movie cameras "protected" the Mayor, his wife, children, etc.

The whole thing seemed rather ridiculous so a good excuse for it had to be found. Rossi therefore issued a statement that "he recalled that he had been annoyed by Communists importuning him for permission to use the Civic Auditorium for meetings and that the situation had become increasingly difficult," and, continued the

"In these times it is wise to take precautions—especially with my four grandchildren in the house. It is possible that some fanatic might actually try to plant a bomb."

Of all the miserable and contemptible things which have been done by the San Francisco City Administration this is without doubt the prize.

THEY PASS THE BUCK

The Unemployed Councils, fighting to get food, clothing and decent houses to sleep in for tens of thousands of starving women and children demanded the use of the Civic Auditorium for a meeting where the Governor would be asked to hear the appalling conditions existing. Rossi and other city officials kept passing the buck until the unemployed workers were thoroughly convinced nothing would be done. The mayor's conscience must be bothering him for he tries to blame upon these workers the ravings of a lunatic to which only a degenerate and thoroughly frightened capitalist politician would

The whole thing would be laughable were it not that U. S. working class history is replete with frame-ups of militant mass leaders based on just such stories as the above. Tom Mooney, convicted on the evidence of a dope fiend, a diseased prostitute and similar characters is still in jail, framed when the anti-war movement was reaching great volume and militancy. Sacco and Vanzetti, Moyer, Pettibone and Haywood, and a host of others were victims of similar frame-ups.

WORKERS MURDERED

That the bosses are again trying such methods is evidence of their panic in the face of the rising tide of working class revolt. Murders of workers by government officials have increased in the past three years to studied practice. Levy, Gonzales, Katovis; then the Chicago killings; the Cleveland shootings; Harry Simms in the South; the most recent murders at the Ford factory in Detroit are some outstanding examples. To excuse the wanton massacring of workers the capitalists cry "the Communists are using terror."

Just because we are faced with such a situation, revolutionary workers must take greater measures than ever to strengthen our ranks for mass struggle. The method of individual terror, against capitalist terror, can only destroy the growing ranks of revolutionary workers. Only some petty-bourgeois elements, driven to despair by their own ignorance and lack of courage in the face of great difficulties, will advocate or resort to such methods. These will only aid the stool-pigeons of the police to ply their filthy trade in our ranks. They must be driven from our movement without hesitation.

FOR MASS REVOLUTIONARY STRUGGLE

In the face of the greatest provocations we must increase our determination to mass revolutionary struggle; to the main task before tions and in defiance of the terror us of winning the majority of the working class through day to day struggle for partial economic and political demands; to winning the this year May Day will be marked allies of the workers—the poor farmers, the lower and uncorrupted by gigantic and spirited demonstra- 1877 are good examples of this usually celebrate the day in army parched desert and demand the restrata of the intellectuals and even the pauperized middle class elements; we must, in a word, keep to the Leninist line and avoid in the West and throughout the the pitfalls of anarchism.

We must strengthen our leader, the Communist Party, winning more recruits, through getting more subscribers to the Western Worker and Daily Worker, and through avoiding loose talk about organization affairs. This last is a disease especially common to socials centers for militants such as cooperative restaurants, summer camps, etc. In the February 1st issue of the "Communist International" this question is put very sharply in an article called "The Struggle against the Provocateur.'

"An irreconcilable struggle must be waged against talkativeness. It is important that all Party members and this applies equally to so-called legal as well as illegal parties, should realize that talkativeness is the most dangerous enemy to the revolutionary cause, bordering on downright treachery. An incorrigible chatterbox has no place in a revolutionary Party."

Communists have nothing to hide. Our Marxist-Leninist views are our greatest public asset. But the boss class aim to victimize individuals, members, especially leaders, either through sheer gang- have been the work of an agent- cept as a catspaw of the capitalist ster methods or frame-up. In either case their aids are scraps of information, gathered up in conversation frequently overheard.

We answer the terror with greater determination to mass struggle Nothing must take us off the path of Leninism!

ON GOING TO THE SOVIET UNION!

The WESTERN WORKER is deluged with requests for information by workers, disgusted with capitalism, who want to go to the U S. S. R. to stay. Many of these requests are made without any thought of personal gain. They are made by workers who want to serve the Soviet Union, no matter what hardship or personal sacrifice may be required.

Such workers are often surprised at the attitude of the WESTERN Worker, which discourages emigrating.

There are important tasks to be accomplished here in the United States. Not to run away from our problems, but to face them and conquer-that's the revolutionary spirit in the tradition of Marx and Lenin. Not to be overwhelmed with disgust for capitalism but to expose its evils and be strong in the revolutionary struggle against them; not to be crushed by the insecurity of life, but to mobilize our fellow workers and oppressed peoples generally in the fight for a workers' and farmers' government which will mean security.

Certainly there is no worker anywhere who isn't thrilled at the thought of seeing Socialist construction in the workers' fatherland. But if every militant worker who can gather sufficient money for one-way fare goes to the U.S.S.R., the struggle of those remaining is weakened. This only hurts the Soviet Union. In organized fashion, working class delegations should be elected to go to the U. S. S. R. to watch the 5-year plan in operation and bring back reports. We all want to see the First Workers' Republic, but if it is to weaken the fight here by so much as a shade we should stay here and see the Soviet Union thru the eyes of a workers' delegation.

One delegation is leaving for the May 1st celebration. Watch it closely through the militant labor press. Learn of the achievements of collectivization and socialization through this delegation. But hold your posts in the struggle here. If you haven't a post join the revolutionary ranks and have one assigned to you. Defend the the form to be followed: Soviet Union by fighting to overthrow capitalism and establish a workers' and farmers' government in this country.

The Signature Drive—A Smashing Blow Against Hunger and War



May 1st and Traditions of the West

workers and farmers of the U.S. in the fourth year of crisis. For them and for the workers of the whole country this has been the most serous crisis in the history of the U. S. During the past two years, in the state of California alone, one worker out of every two has lost his job. Hunger, evictions and suicide increase each day.

state in the face of these condi-

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

What is the significance and the historical background of May 1? May Day became an international fighting day for the working class as a result of the struggle for the character. It was forced into action eight-hour day in the United States, as a class and with the eight-hour which culminated in the general day as its central demand, entered strike on May 1, 1886, centering in the struggle on a national scale. At Chicago, the arrest of eight leaders the same time it must be rememof the workers and the judicial murder of five of them following ger implications than the mere dethe bomb explosion in Haymarket mand for the eight-hour day. Square while a huge mass meeting was being held.

explosion is commonly believed to by the trade union movement ex-

May Day, 1932, is finding the Early Struggles for the Eight-Hour Day; the of the working class under the Present Fight Against Hunger, War

PERIOD OF STRIKES

The two decades from 1866 to that time.

were at the time, practically dis- it is allowed among those who still appeared during the Civil War. have jobs. ing in powerful combines, the trade union movement was becoming more and more decentralized in bered that the struggle had far lar-

Using as a pretext the Haymarket bomb explosion, Samuel Gom-As in the Mooney frame-up—the pers had spurned political action

EIGHT-HOUR STRUGGLE

And May Day, which originated 1886 were a period of rapid capital- with the struggle for the eight-hour ist consolidation carried on at the day, has long since been betrayed expense of the working class—a by the misleaders of American period of concentration in which labor. Working together with the bribery and thievery on a large Wall Street government, the A. F. Struggle, more intense struggle, scale played a tremendous role. of L substituted Labor Day in Sepis the answer of the workers of the Strikes were breaking out with in tember for the revolutionary work- will recall the fiendish murder of creasing numbers and were grow- ers' holiday, May 1. To this time, Frank Little and show their fighting in militancy and strength. The however, the chief observers of ing spirit. of the capitalist government. And Pennsylvania railway strike and Labor Day are the bankers, manuthe struggle in Homestead, Pa., in facturers and the labor fakers who tions, parades and mass meetings fighting temper of the workers at camps and millionaire hotels. To lease of the leaders of the 1930 The trade unions, such as they merely "a day off"—that is, where Quentin and Folsom prisons!

WORKERS ORGANIZATION

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SPEEDING CALIFORNIA SIGNATURE DRIVE

The capitalist class of the U.S. through its government, has made a long series of attempts to take May 1 away from the workers as a day of militant struggle. When this generation was still young, May 1 was declared to be "Dewey Day" in commemoration of the butcher of colonial workers during the war of 1898. More recently May 1 has been declared Child Health Day in a land where one out of every four children is admitted by government statistics to be under-nourished

Every May Day now sees increasshowed the growth of the strength imperialist war!

leadership of the Communist Party. TRADITIONS OF WEST

their determination to fight wageemployment insurance, against im- the goal of common good. perialist war and for the defense of the Soviet Union.

In "Bloody Butte" the miners be frightened because of it. The no stratification of social classes.

Imperial Valley toilers! Down tools on May Day! Leave the sunthe great mass of workers it is struggle now buried alive in San

> San Pedro dock workers! Show your bosses you have not forgotten boiling coffee urns by Hammon's hired thugs, and crippled for life!

> judicial murder of Joe Hill, singer of revolutionary songs, who said, 'Don't mourn for me, organize," before the bosses' firing squad.

> west, remember the diabolical lynching of Wesley Everett - remember the wasted years spent by the Centralia boys in Walla Walla penitentiary, and those yet remain-

Demonstrate under the red baning millions, led by the workers of ner of the revolutionary working provocateur and was used as an parties, who at that time began a the Soviet Union, thundering along class on May 1! Down tools! On excuse by the boss class and its systematic corruption of the trade the streets demonstrating internation to the streets demanding unemagents to revenge themselves upon unions which has made them into tional revolutionary solidarity. In ployment insurance, for a relentthe workers and check the growing such servile tools of American im the U.S., similarly, each year less fight against wage-cuts and

Workers of Utah, remember the

Lumber workers of the North-

BY KIRBY.

"The Soviet Union Stands for Peace" is the title of the new pamphlet just published by the Workers' Library Publishers, giving the electrifying speech delivered by Maxim Litvinov, Soviet Commissar Disarmament Conference in Feb bert Spencer that was so welcomed ruary. This 16-page pamphlet sells for one cent per copy.

Union at the conference clearly ments are not striving for peace, but are conducting a war for partition of China and laying plans ese Soviets and the U.S.S.R.

Publishing Society, Moscow).

This important book reviews present accomplishments and traces olems of constructing and reconstructing socialist cities in their ture, man was helping her better Party resolution on Kaganovich's lands." Lester Adams was weak material and cultural require in frantic search for an existence of city and county must be, and is farm drudgery. That was nature being broken down, as Marx, En. | weeding the weak from the wheat-And in the West hundreds of gels, and Lenin pointed out, by housands of workers will demon- identifying the interests of rural strate their growing power, and and urban populations, through the fundamental aspect in Jones' social medium of cooperative labor effort philosophy. He fails to orient the cuts, for better conditions, for un- by city worker and peasant toward wheat farmer toward any economic

THE SOVIET UNION STANDS | capacity of the liberated working FOR PEACE-Workers Library masses, under the sound leadership Publishers. For sale at all of the Party has already accomworkers' bookshops at one cent plished so much, that success in the future is guaranteed.

OREGON DETOUR. - (Payson & Clark). By Nard Jones.

In this novel of the wheat country, the author, Nard Jones, exhibits of Foreign affairs at the Geneva the defective materialism of Herby English nineteenth century industrialism, because his distortion Litvinov, representing the Soviet of Darwinism afforded the industrialist a "scientifically moral" jusdemonstrated that the Soviet Union | tification of a capitalist rapacity. wants peace, clearly demonstrated | The victim of disease and starvathat the workers of the world want | tion thus had no one to blame but peace, and just as clearly demon- himself, because his exploitation strated that the capitalist govern- and ultimate death proved him one who must fall by the rule of the survival of the fittest. This whitewashing philosophy Jones applied for intervention against the Chin- to economic struggle in the wheat country by attempting to demonstrate that the individual's inability, THE SOCIALIST RECONSTRUC- to survive proves his innate un-TION OF MOSCOW and OTHER | fitness to live. To particularize: CITIES IN THE U. S. S. R.—By Rotten meat that would kill a man L. M. Kaganovich (Co-operative will fatten a maggot: ergo, the maggot is superior to man. Such is the reasoning of this magnificent. "scientific" morality. This whole both the broad and specific pro- thing is epitomized in Jones' declaration that "In conquering narelation to the whole of Soviet than he knew. He was helping her economy. The city, as stated in the to weed the wheat from the wheatreport, is to be transformed "from then; he made himself unfit for supplementary means of exploit. Creston by seeking knowledge at ing the laboring masses into an the state university. Peg Nettleorganization for satisfying their ship was weak; she lost her life ments." To do this, the antagonism more complete than offered by lands.

The novel illustrates another. situation other than his immediate To bring all this about is a tre- own. Creston is an isolated fragmendous task, but no one need to ment within which the author sees

MOVIE REVIEWS

THE LOST SQUADRON—Orpheum Theater.

This is a picture of "stunt flyng." As such, it is drawing thrillhungry crowds to the Orpheum. But it has, interwoven in spectacular "shots" of aviators plunging to fiery deaths, a definite propaganda

Firstly, it tells its audience, "You can't keep a good man down." Down on your luck? Out of a job? Starving? Well, take a look at these exarmy flyers, without a dime in their and instructive document on wild to glory and a bank account.

Secondly, it suggests-and not imperialist butchery known as the gallantry, heroism and self-sacrifice of a mongoose crunching the snake (and where do you suppose?) among in its strong jaws, of a field rat the officers! "Not a war picture," dying of thirst in a parched fieldthe theater. BUT THEY LIE. Conscious of the growing disil-

millions, the picture makes a feeble of nature. attempt at "social criticism," but it is weak and misleading. Example: and life again, copulation and An ex-war aviator is swindled—not birth, summer and winter, the isolby the American imperialist gov-ated scenes take on a profound ernment, however, but by a crook- actuality by their mounting, and

fliers to take terrific risks in old, films in general, and quite diffeupon a few crashes and three or SPEAKS, no scenes become too four deaths as "all in a day's work." real for the director to show.

But Hollywood is careful to make its point: Von Furst, the villaindirector, with his ridiculous pomposity, his fiendish treatment of his stunt-fliers, is not one of Hollywood's "reputable" directors, but is a hireling of an INDEPENDENT film concern.

KILLING TO LIVE .- Soviet Sound Film-Reviewed by Philip Mason John Reed Club of Hollywood.

"Killing to Live" is a valuable pockets, but soon to bust through animal life. Its stark and simple theme is the survival of the fittest and the struggle for existence. Naoo subtly at that—that the recent ture is the scene, and the camera records faithfully. While the vivid "Great War," resulted in unlimited realities of a snake eating a frog. says the publicity blurbs in front of land, of a thousand animals trapped by fire, pass before your eyes. the narrator in somber style emusionment with capitalism among phasizes the cold inflexible laws

Flux and reflux, life and death the spectator becomes aware of the There's a pot-shot, too, at the very essence of reality. Unlike the movie directors who force stunt evasive unrealities of American inefficient planes, and who look rent from such frauds as AFRICA

Lenin On Workers' Press

But the role of a (Communist) paper is not confined solely to the preading of ideas, to political education and procuring political allies. A paper is not merely a collective propagandist and collective agitator. It is also a collective organizer. In that respect it must be compared with the scaffolding that is constructed around a building, which makes the contours of the future structure and facilitates communication between the builders, permitting them to distribute the work and to view the common results achieved by their organized

With the aid, and around a paper, there will automatically develop an organization which will be concerned not only with local activities, but also in regular general work; which will teach its members carefully to watch political events, to estimate their importance and their influence on the various sections of the population, and to devise suitable methods for influencing these events thru the revolutionary party.

From "Where to Begin?" published in "Iskara" (May, 1901).

Resulting from the general dis-| 5. Territories to be divided into sussion at the recent United Front precincts and a thorough canvass upon workers to sign petitions of lic buildings during the campaign, Election Conference held in San to be made. Francisco, the following recommendations have been issued to speed | canvass for signatures at all street, up the task of collecting 23,000 signatures necessary to place the Com-7. Each organization to establish

IMMEDIATE TASKS

1. Weekly conferences to be held in each city, consisting of representatives of trade unions, mass the purpose of checking up on the some means of subsistence.

organizations and individual workers participating in the drive, for number of signatures collected and to map out further plans.

than 40 signatures to be turned over in all farm centers. to local campaign manager.

collection of signatures.

8. Committee to be assigned to mass and factory meetings.

munist Party of California on the a special committee to check up on istered. the number of signatures collected, and to involve all its members in

> 8. Unemployed workers to be assigned to collect signatures in the early issue of the Western Worker. The delegates were confident that streets, parks and union halls, for which they should be supplied with of the signatures, it must be under-available forces and increased en-

9. In farming districts, comrades portance. Not only will it make the Let us hear from you. to be assigned to visit from farm 2. All petitions containing more to farm. Signatures to be collected

10. Placards and signs with slo-3. Mass organizations and trade gans urging that Party be put on mions to be visited in each town. the ballot be displayed at all street, 4. A systematic house to house mass meetings and in all available halls.

FOLLOW THIS FORM!

It has been found that many of the lists have not been signed in accordance with the strict requirements of the law. The following is

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petitions exactly as they have reg- fornia. The Conference decided to draw

will be printed for wide distribu-The campaign for the collection

11. All leaflets issued by organ- Party a legal party, entitling us to ed partner. izations to be blocked out, calling the use of public schools and pubbut will help to place our program THE PETITION MUST BE of struggle before thousands of ex-SIGNED WITH INDELIBLE PEN- ploited and unemployed workers CIL OR INK. All signers must sign and farmers of the state of Cali-

> WOULD BE ACHIEVEMENT The instructions of the confer-

up a State Election Platform, which ence must be put into life at once. There is less than one month to tion and will also appear in an collect nearly 20,000 signatures. with the widest participation of all stood, is a task of the foremost im- thusiasm we can achieve our aim.

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