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Britain Joins Hitler **Against Soviet Union**

Pact by Treaty with Germany

Great Britain's open support of German rearmament, as marked by Hall to protest the recent persecuthe recent Anglo-German naval tions in the Soviet Union, the latest agreement, has strengthened the evidence of which was the imprisrealignments of imperialist powers in preparation for an impending war the New International, and A. J. is taking place. Peace in Europe has been maintained in the last W. P. were the speakers. few years due to Hitler's failure to obtain a strong ally on the continent and the collaboration of England and France. Both conditions now appear to be destroyed.

England's new policy, a culmination of years of hardly-concealed material support to Hitler's rearmament, has a two-fold purpose: first, to disrupt the Franco-Soviet pact, if possible to win France to an open anti-Soviet policy and second, to collaborate with Hitler so as to insure itself against possible Nazi military adventures at England's expense, for example in Austria.

England has held the balance of power in Europe for the last few years. Now it has openly thrown itself to the side of Germany in Europe. Its agreement with Germany sanctions an increase in the latter's navy to 35 percent of Britain's or a "maximum" of 429,000 tons as compared to France's 650,000 tons. In addition an air agreement between the two countries is now contemplated.

Blow at France

France is bitter over the agreement. Not only does it strengthen Germany, but the fact that it was arrived at without the sanction of the French government makes the French imperialists uneasy. The British, at first, refused to divulge Hitler's naval program to Paris. A few days ago, however, Hitler, under advice of London, informed the French government that his naval program for the next eighteen months calls for the construction of new ships totalling 107,000 tons, inclusive of two battleships of 25,000

The first breach in Anglo-French collaboration over the Italian-Ethiopian dispute, immediately followed the signing of the Anglo-German naval agreement. Until then, despite the friendly relations established between France and Italy last January, Paris and London bun-Jones Engineering Co. of Toleacted concertedly in relation to do has granted a new agreement Italy.

in Abyssinia. He has rejected the offer of Anthony Eden, British Minister for League of Nations Affairs to settle the Italo-Ethiopian dispute ey has won what may well be the correspondents agree that Italy will versed its 18-year-old attitude and branded him as a hopeless, petty go to war with Ethiopia in October. Fear for Colonies

The reaction of the French government to the offer of Eden is not provoked solely by its bitterness over the Anglo-German agreement. France has its own imperialist interests in Africa.

As a Paris dispatch to the New York Times of July 2 states:

"Loyal as France may be to the principles and text of the League of Nations covenant, the leaders and citizens are far from approving the British suggestion to placate Italy and Ethiopia by handing over to the latter the port of Zeila, which might become a direct rival of the French port of Djubuti. If Mr. Mussolini had accepted the suggestion, says the Temps, it would have been to the detriment of France and an open violation of Article IX of the treaty of 1906 by which Britain and Italy undertook to refrain from competing with Djibuti."

However, the realignment of the imperialist powers is far from fixed. Diplomats are making hurried trips from one leading capital of Europe to another. There are rumors of tentative Franco-German parleys Funds have never yet been plenty- the expenses incurred by acquisition Hence the usual reference to Abys- layoff." which if confirmed may mean a ful. As a matter of fact we have of some new printing machinery. sinia when one is in reality speak-

fended by imperialist France. sue, all expences included. At least at \$2,000, together with the building miles. The chief industry is agri- cars a day, with a payroll of 60,000 youths as apprentices during which Colorado mine owner and Asst. Sec-Peace cannot be maintained by the that is the amount we should have, up of a security fund of at least culture with breeding taking second workers, the speedup was bad a "minimum allowance should be retary of the Treasury. In addi-"thieves kitchen," the League of The truth is that we did not get it \$50.00 monthly. Nations. The defense of the Soviet and we were compelled to make up Union depends upon its Red Army, in some other way, most often by the Soviet workers and peasants, reducing the economic rations for and above all on the international all the comrades who carried the modest beginning and we are still about 10,000,000 dollars yearly are tion of Ford cars is around 5,600 while the first proposal establishes working class.

Smashes Versailles Protest Stalin Jailings in N.Y

others. Max Shachtman, editor of Muste, National Secretary of the

The cases in history of persecu tions by the Stalinist bureaucracy Shachtman. Comrade Muste concluded the meeting by stating the position of the Party on events in the Soviet Union and their relation to the movement in this country.

By a unanimous vote the follow ing resolution was adopted by the workers present:

We, the workers assembled at a meeting in Irving Plaza Hall, Sunday, June 30, on the call of the Workers Party, protest most vigorously the new wave of persecution against Bolshevik-Leninists and worker revolutionists in the Soviet Union.

We consider the arrest and imprisonment of Sergel Trotsky, who it is known has not participated in any political activity, as an act of brutal vengeance on the part of Stalin against Leon Trotsky. We endorse the call of Nathalia I. Trotsky for a commission of Andre Gide, Rolland and G. B. Shaw to investigate the matter. We are particularly alarmed by this new wave of terror against revolutionists since it can only weaken the revolutionary forces inside the Soviet Union and undermine the prestige of the S. U. in the eyes of the advanced workers in the capitalist countries. These persecutions are particularly criminal in view of the acute danger of war against the Soviet

We delegate the comrades A. J. Muste and Max Shachtman to bring our protest to the attention of the Soviet embassy in this

TOLEDO, Ohio (FP).-Averting a strike of the Mechanics Educational Society of America, the Rath-lalso began a campaign to oust loca providing pay boosts from 3 to 5 the 40-hour week.

NHW YORK (FP) .-- Tom Moonhas granted Mooney's lawyers a bureaucrat. His statement, widely writ of habeas corpus, which means | featured in the labor paper, came great volume of evidence of per- erty, rubber organizer, dragged the trial or release the famous labor union meetings in an attempt to

The New 'Magna Charta' for Labor

Washington to participate personally in the ballyhoo connected with the attachment of Roosevelt's signature, the much touted Wagner Labor Disputes Bill will have become law. Thus, according to Green, Hillman and the other A.F. of L. bureaucrats who "look to the NEW YORK, June 30.—Over 300 President" to save labor, another Magna workers attended the Irving Plaza | Charta, Charter of liberties, for labor will have ocen established. What will happen then?

The steel barons and other employers who hand of reaction in Europe. New onment of Sergei Trotsky and do regard this bill, which (on paper) "outlaws" company unions and directs employers to bargain collectively with a union which gets the vote of a majority of their employees, as an outrageous concession to labor, have given notice that they will carry the issue of its constiwere ably presented by comrade tutionality to the Supreme Court. The workers have had bitter experience with such delays over section 7a of NRA which was also a Magna Charta of labor according to Green et.

Under this bill a National Labor Relations Board is to be set up to "enforce" collective bargaining, etc. Thus the way is paved for eventual greater control of government over the unions. Apart from that, bitter experience has taught the workers how slowly the machinery of these Boards operates even when "friends of unionism" sit on them, and that the employers have numerous devices for evading their decisions or crippling their operations. Besides, under a capitalist government, which necessarily is concerned about keeping the wheels of industry (i.e. capitalist industry) running smoothly, the basic concern of these government agencies is never that of enforcing the rights of the workers, but that of maintaining industrial peace," in other words, preventing strikes or if they break out somehow, "settling" them, getting the workers back to work as juickly as possible.

AKRON, Ohio, July 1.--Joining

other A. F. of L. bureaucrats in

their latest "anti-red" drive, Frank

Patino, president of the Central

Labor Union here declared he not

only supported Green's move to split

labor through mass expulsions but

Patino, backed by the Summit

meeting of the C.L.U. thus prevent-

to his disruptive tactics.

militants.

As soon as Senator Wagner can get to effect strike-breaking agencies even under th best conditions.

The workers will not get salvation from the Wagner bill. They must now as ever fight the entire system for which it stands. They will get nothing except that which they can take by Jolt for Strikes their organized strength and militancy. They must prepare more rigorously and thoroughly than ever, not for an easy way to improved conditions via labor boards, etc. but for a battle to ers with gloves-"electric gloves." the death against the employer drive against unionism, against the rising cost of living and the accompanying lowering of the standards of which, he guarantees, will paralyze latest figures are now presented in

It is possible that the initial psychological effect of the passage of the Wagner bill on some sections of the workers will be similar to that which occurred when the NRA was first proclaimed—to create the impression, namely, that unionization will get government support and to stimulate organizing campaigns and strikes. It is a fact that capitalism in the U. S. does not yet have to resort to the most extreme repression. A "liberal" administration can seek to allay labor unrest and to buy off points. trade union leaders by concessions, by preventing the most reactionary employers from carrying out immediately their most extreme plans. Militants will take advantage of the situation, and especially of any organization sentiment which may develop among the workers, not in order to strengthen the mistaken and strikers. impression they may have of friendly government support, but precisely in order that in the struggle to get what the government purports to give them, they may learn the true nature and function of all capitalist governments. Police, militia, soldiers, with clubs, tear gas and guns, will meet the workers who and New York police officials have strike for the rights "granted" under the Wag- asked for reduced prices on quantity ner bill, as they met workers who struck for orders. Police in other cities and similar rights under the now defunct NRA. states, as well as companies which 53.3 percent in 1932. Thus these government boards become in And the lesson will sink in deeper and deeper.

Akron C.L.U. Head | Italy Prepares Backs Green Red Drive in the Unions Ethiopia Rape, Really Wage Slash Plant Survey Shows Mussolini Says By JACK WILSON

hands with William Green and Dynamite in Situation May Explode in New World War

By MARTIN A. GLEE

London correspondent of the New County Labor News, announced his York Times, it has been learned would actually increase profits. Mussolini now has a free hand cents an nour and maintenance of policy the day after the monthly that Mussolini has told the British Ford workers envoy, Sir Anthony Eden, that scheme works. ing an immediate reply by militants "nothing could prevent Italy from months there is none now."

well turn out to be the precursor of said. that the state must answer the three weeks after Coleman C. Clah- the next world massacre. Let us called upon to suffer a thousand tortures in a thousand different sections of the globe-when the next world war starts.

To understand more clearly the designs of western imperialism on this primitive kingdom in Africa, it is necessary to go back a bit: to establish the position of Ethiopia on the dark continent and to focus attention on the imperialist powers having a "direct interest" in the matter by virtue of boundaries-Italy, France and England.

Fords Pay Boosts Really Wage Slash

DETROIT (FP) .- Ford's widelyheralded wage increase to \$6 a day has netted Ford thousands of columns of free advertising and boosted his profits, Ford workers say.

On May 21, Ford announced that he was stepping up the minimum wage of his 126,000 employees to From official sources, writes the that the raise would cost the company nothing, but on the contrary the

"In foundry coreroom, Dept. 1, the midnight shift was laid off," a Co. The war against Ethiopia may Ford River Rouge plant worker

recall once again that it was the d partments. "In the foundry in- of the Guaranty Trust Co., has been Those 418 corporations controlled jury committed during Mooney's red herring across rubber workers' Italo-Turkish war of 1911 which take corerom, Dept. 1, before the given charge of the skeleton NRA, 36.5 percent of the cash and equivwas the precursive signal of the increase to \$6, 15 men turned out now little more than a research alent held by 300,000 general indus last world war. Italy's designs on 1,000 cores an hour: after getting agency. O'Neill was formerly astrial corporations in 1927. In 1929 Ethiopia are pregnant with dire the \$6 they were speeded up to sociated for 22 years with Carnegie this percentage had increased to consequences for the world working class. For it is they who will be shift being laid off," a coremaker reported.

Lay-off, Speed-up

A vivid description of what happened following Ford's announcement of the wage increase is given by another worker, who said: "In foundry coreroom 540, crank shaft cores, men on each table before the increase turned out 17 cores a minute, three shifts working. With of the United States. "I have de- adult workers. workers getting \$6, men on each table have to turn out 20 a minute, an increase of 180 an hour, or 1,440 tion's unemployed youth because we students whose families are eligin eight hours. The midnight shift can ill afford to lose the skill and | ble for relief at "\$6 per month avhas been laid off, and two shifts energy of these young men and wo- erage," and for college students up In eastern Africa lies the king- are now turning out almost as much men. . . The yield on this invest- to 12 percent of the college enrolwill require an outlay of \$222.00 dom of Ethiopia, popularly but er- as the three shifts did before. The roneously referred to as Abyssinia. Ford Motor Co. has more than made project proposes, in one of its four month. The latter proposal is a is our job, and we are almost (Of the many tribes that go to up for any increase in wages by points, to provide jobs for about continuation of the FERA system make up the empire of Haile Selasie reducing its total payroll. This is 150,000 youths at \$15 a month, which has now operated for a year, easy if that were all. But it is not. I, the Abyssinians are the most the usual occurrence whenever "limited to unemployed youths in transfering supervision from col-It has never been easy to produce In addition we have a heavy present culturally compact, unified and po- there is a general wage increase. It families that are certified for re- lege hands to government authority. the New Militant week by week. deficit to wipe out, not to speak of litically and socially advanced. is a definite sign of a wholesale lief."

The situation at the Ford plant noxious feature of the project, prodisruption of Franco-Soviet rela- managed on a shorestring basis. Our readers will therefore under- ing of all of Ethiopia). It has a is tersely summed up by another poses to "find employment in pri- is to be administered by the Na-To produce the New Militant today stand that we have good grounds population of about 11,000,000 in an worker: "With three shifts going vate industry for employed youth." tional Youth Administration, over Workers' Russia cannot be de- requires an outlay of \$162.00 per is- for setting the goal of our campaign area approximating 350,000 square and production at its peak of 6,500 Employers will be urged to accept which will preside Josephine Roche, place. The exports, the chief ar- enough; yet at the present time given." In other words, employers, tion the president is to appoint a ticles of which are wax, ivory and with the midnight shift almost eli- who will probably require little urg- National Advisory Committee, "to animal skins, do not amount to very minated and many workers laid off ing, are offered labor at cheaper consist of representatives of labor, much. Imports which amount to on the other two shifts, the product than full-scale adult wages. Thus, cars a day.'

100 Companies Grab 14 of Nation's Wealth

NEW YORK (FP).-Police can follow orders now and handle strik-

Construction Supt. Cirilo H. Diaz of Frederick Snare Co., Havana, Cuba, has invented an electric glove strike pickets temporarily.

In his office in the heart of the Wall Street district, the ingenious Diaz demonstrated his invention to Federated Press reporter. Diaz explained that the battery

supplying power to the glove is tions control well over a quarter of hung on the policeman's belt. An the general industrial wealth of the clectric cord, cleverly hidden inside country; that the big corporations the coat sleeve, runs from the battery to the glove, from which electricity is sent through the striker's body by means of four contact son to believe the concentration of

The patent, as issued by the U. S Patent Office, claims the glove is intended for use by police against drunken and insane people, often hard to handle peaceably.

Diaz himself exploded this idea when he told this reporter: "Police of all corporate wealth in the Unitcan use my glove against radicals ed States. In 1931 the percentage

Diaz claims the glove can't kill be stepped up to 5,000 volts, enough to shock or paralyze any person, and to cause the more jumpy to lose consciousness

already praised the weapons and trolled 52.2 percent of the corporhire their own private guards to break strikes and stop unionization. are expected to buy huge quantities of these electric gloves. They will shows that the percentage of the insupplement clubs, guns, horses, tear gas and vomit gas in dispersng strikers.

This invention may bring fame and fortune to Diaz; it means only a new kind of hell to American workers. But it may galvanize the American workers into abrupt action unforeseen by the inventor, or

BEET WORKERS ORGANIZE

The newly-elected officers have been instructed to confer with growers for a wage agreement.

tract giving them \$10 an acre for unharmed. With some exceptions blocking, thinning and hoeing beets, going to war with Ethiopia in Octo- 56 men turned out 4,800 cores in and 80c a ton for harvesting. They It was the first open admission ber." Arnaldo Cortesi, writing from eight hours and three shifts were demand \$19 an acre flat guarantee by giving Ethiopia a strip of British battle that is the turning point in of Patino that he is with the A. F. Rome, says: "If there was any employed before the increase. Af- —the rate given in the Blissfield, his long fight for freedom. The of L. bureaucracy, although his doubt that hostilities (against Eth- ter the increase, they were speeded Mich., area. Both areas are conricans for concessions to Italy. All California supreme court has re- previous actions in strikes had topia) would begin in a couple of up to 5,400 cores in eight hours, and trolled by the Great Lakes Sugar corporations tabulated by Standard

The same thing occurred in other | York banker, Vice-Pres. J. L. O'Neil | they had in 1927."

Invent Electric Plutocrats Squeeze Out Small **Business**

WASHINGTON (FP)-Fewer and fewer people are coming to control more and more of American industry. This tendency has been going on for some time, of course, but the a report on the "Concentration of Corporate Control in American Industry," prepared by the old Research and Planning Division of

It shows that 100 large corporaare coming through the crisis years with their relative position strengthened; and that there is every reacorporate control is continuing.

The report quotes A. A. Berle and Gardiner Means, authors of "The Modern Corporation and Private Property," to the effect that the 200 largest non-banking corporations on Jan. 1, 1930, controlled 49.2 percent of non-financial corporate wealth controlled by the 200 largest corporanyone, although the current can ations had increased to 55 percent.

"A study of income tax data for 1931 and 1932 shows that the tendency toward concentration continued," the NRA report states. It as-A complete outfit sells for \$10 sembles figures showing that 16.55 percent of the corporations conate wealth in 1931, and 15.75 percent of the corporations controlled

Fewer and Fewer Hands

Taking statistics on 100 large industrial corporations, the study dustrial wealth of the country controlled by them rose from 23.5 percent in 1929 to 26.0 percent in 1932. "There is every reason for believing that 1933 figures, when available, will show a continuation of this tendency," the report states.

In regard to the record-breaking number of business failures in 1931 police and thug users of the gloves, and 1932, the report points out that these were mostly small firms. "How many others were forced to FINDLAY, Ohio (FP). - Sugar | the wall, no one knows," it declares. beet field workers in the Findlay "The passing of small businessmen \$6 a day, adding \$2,000,000 a month area have organized a local of the did not ripple the pages of the financial press, and But while small and mediumsized corporations perished by the thousands, the leading corporations Beet workers are offered a con- as a group came through virtually

the relative position of the large corporations was "strengthened because of the holocaust of lesser competitors during 1931-32. Four hundred and eighteen industrial Statistics had more cash and United States government securities at WASHINGTON (FP). - A New the bottom of the depression than

43.7 percent.

RooseveltThrowsYouthaBone **But Slams Labor at Same Time**

Roosevelt has dished out a new | bor, the second is designed to tear termined," said the President, "that we shall do something for the na- ing, and assistance for high-school

A second, and perhaps more oba miserable standard for youth la-

sop (slop), this time to the youth down the wage standards of the

Other proposals include job-trainment should be high." The new ment, by providing jobs at \$15 a Only One-Sixth "Benefits"

All told, the project is estimated

to cost about \$50,000,000. This sum business, agriculture and youth."

Some 500,000 youth are expected (Continued on Page 4)

scare progressives. New York Pledges \$1000 in **Drive for 8-Page New Militant**

One of the first responses to our campaign for the eight-page weekly came from S. Harrison, New York City (\$5.00 contribution listed in last issue) and carried this message: "Read about the eightpage New Militant while in Philadelphia last week. It truly gladdened my heart to hear the good news. There are great perspectives ahead of us-the enlarged issue may and will contribute a whole lot in the case. . . . Wishing you once more all the success required for such an undertaking."

This is encouraging, and wes igree, there are great perspectives ahead of us. We have undertaken a big job as behooves a revolutionary movement, but we set out with the per issue. To cover this difference conviction that we can carry it

burden of the active work.

To produce the eight-page weekly tempted to say, that it would be

New York Pledges \$1,000

So far we have made only a very (Continued on Page 3)

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RALLY SUPPORT FOR EIGHT-PAGE NEW MILITANT!

Comments AOn Life, Liberty and Pursuit of Happiness

By BILL REICH.

Great Minds... "If there were no aliens in this country there would be no unemployment problem," asserts Repreto all intents and purposes, withof over eight million square miles in extent, with a population of 165,000,000 from the usual economic intercourse with the world. This has upset the delicate economic balance of Europe," proclaims Rear Admiral Yates Stirling, Jr., commandant of the Brooklyn Navy Yard, in the Hearst press. He adopening up the fertile lands of Russ'a to a crowded and industrially hungry Europe." . . .

Safety...

\$150,000 was appropriated for machine guns, floodlights, electrical devices and tear gas for the defense of United States Mints. "Evidently you're looking for an attack by the regular army," remarked Chairman Buchanan of the Appropriations Committee. "You can't tell what sort of an attack will be made," replied W. C. Cram, technical advisor of the Treasury, "We might be attacked by a mob"... The New York City Police Dept. requested quotations on a new "electrical strikers. The apparatus consists of a battery and induction coil carried on the hip with wires running to the glove. Voltages up to 5,000 can be obtained. . . . Twenty-five 12-year old New York boys were arrested, jailed, shown the electric chair and fingerprinted as part of their instruction in the suppression of rrime. After finishing the course they were presented with badges bearing the slogan "Crime Can't

Blue Eagle...

The National Association of Cotton Manufacturers reports that mills continue to operate in compliance with NRA codes and that its policing unit has had practically nothing to do. One mill was reported to have increased hourly rates. . . . Textile mills in Macon. Ga., have gone back to the 50 hour week with no increase in pay (one back increases granted under the mill requiring employees to pay NRA); millinery manufacturers in Buffalo, N. Y., announce an increase were killed by deputies in a dispute over wage cutting at the Monarch Textile Mill, Union, S. C. . . . Investigators for the Labor Department found "home work" rampant. Visiting 179 listed employees of the Rhode Island lace industry they found 279 other persons working on the same production, more than a sixth being children. In 75 percent of the cases weekly earnings were less than \$10. . . . Anna Schlorer Smith, Philadelphia mayonnaise manufacturer and owner of Blue Eagle No. 13, slashed her throat when her employees struck in protest to an increase in hours to 50 and a cut in wages from \$13 to \$10 turn again. per week. . . .

Housing...

About one third of America's dwellings "are of a character to injure the health, endanger the safety and morals and interfere with the normal life of their inhabitants." reports Edith Wood of the PWA Housing Division after an extensive survey of homes in New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania. . .

"Housing, public works and other projects on which material costs are relatively high will have to take a secondary place," states the Advisory Committee on Allotments President Roosevelt's four billion a revolutionary group who under- owes. dollar relief fund. . . .

Unemployment...

Two thousand hunger marchers from the Canadian west coast are coralled in a concentration camp at as far as possible in the short per-Regina, Saskatchewan, to prevent iod of time at their command. them from marching on Ottawa. Prime Minister Bennett stated to members of the group that there which settled the strike, this group A few unions like 574 and it would to the dictatorial powers which he thing that Local 574 stands for my being "discarded" by the C. P. would be no recognition of "Soviet agitators and Soviet committees." "You don't want work." he continued. "You want adventure and hope this organization you are drive out of the union all the henchbuilding may overawe the government and break down law and or- for, that only thus could they build forward the same program which tion of 574. Wachter was unable every front and defeat his Citizens This "garbage" is composed of der." . . . FERA colonists at Manatuska, Alaska, complain that they have no houses to live in, food is exhorbitantly expensive, schools are not ready, and mosquitoes are un-suicidal policy of the Communist ing during the 1934 strikes. In

bearable. . . . President Roosevelt announces: "Harry Hopkins and I are considering offering a medal to trained auto workers at the mercy he deny that the inside workers held a telephone conversation with struggle with the Citizens Alliance. read the New Militant, organ of the the State Administrator who causes of the "labor lieutenants," com- have a right to belong to the union, Green in Washington and that us the fewest headaches." . . .

Survey of the Automobile Industry

bile front.

A few stray shots are still being fired on the field of battle, but bar ring the possibility of the tool and dye makers repeating their spectacular strike struggles of two years ago, the real battle will not begin again until the fall. Factory schedules are sharply tapering off and the mass lay-offs have started the great exodus out of Detroit and the sentative Dies who is forming an other automobile centers. Obviousorganization to be called "The Am- ly this is the time for the trade ericans" for the purpose of carrying union militants to consolidate their on a national campaign to deport position, to entrench themselves 6,000,000 aliens. . . . "Russia has, more firmly inside the existing unions and to prepare for the inevitdrawn a fertile and populous land able struggles of the near future.

To do this effectively, the militants must have a clear perspective. The Toledo strike demonstrated again the surprising vitality of the auto worker; his devotion and class solidarity when he engages in battle. The strike also revealed the present weakness of the federal unions: the fact that even in so provocates aligning ourselves with Nazi gressive a local as 18384 of Toledo, Germany "not only for laying for- the machine of the unscrupulous ever the ghost of Bolshevism but for bureaucracy was powerful enough to push through the agreement that ended the strike. The machine succeeded in isolating the strike and prevented the Buick workers at Flint from joining Toledo in soli-

Detroit Doesn't Budge

The bureaucracy succeeded in keeping the Flint Buick workers at work throughout the Toledo strike, but only after a hard and bitter battle. The bureaucrats had to threaten and plead and cajole the men into submission. In Detroit, however, the Dillon office faced no problem at all None of the federal locals there insisted on striking in solidarity with their Toledo brothers. The flying squadron sent up glove" to be worn in subduing from Toledo to picket the Chevrolet Gear and Axle plant at Detroit did not even produce a ripple. The pickets were arrested by the efficient Hamtramck police, and the plant continued work as usual. Observers all ask the question: How is it that this strike in Toledo, which has aroused auto-workers in almost every automobile city in the country, produced no effect at all in Detroit? Doesn't that prove that it will be many long years before the auto workers actually begin to

What actually happened to Detroit a city which seethed with revolt only a year ago, where 100,000 men were ready to man the picket lines at a moment's notice, and to- J. Tobin which outline the basis on day not even a corporals' guard which General Drivers Local 574 could be found to strike in sympathy with Toledo?

ered from the shock of March 25, ing desire to get revenge for an im- ferred to the Teamsters Joint Coun- be willing to step aside as Tobin 1934. The shameful sell-out, signed by the A. F. of L. leadership, legalizing the company union and creat-Buffalo, N. Y., announce an increase in weekly hours from 35 to 40; workers of the Menzies Shoe Co. in Tennessee are on strike against increasing the shift from 8 to 10 hours; employees of the Ideal Hosiery Co. are striking against a 10 percent wage reduction; two men were killed by deputies in a dispute It deepened their understanding of ers be in a separate union. the difficulties of the tasks ahead of them and the necessity, in order separate union. to ensure victory to prepare to carry the battle forward on three different fronts: against the govern- any union. ment mediators, the bosses and the bureaucrats of the American Federation of Labor.

In Detroit, however, the shameful role of Collins produced a directly opposite result: huge bon-fires were built with the union membership cards. They left the federal unions in disgust, by the hundreds and by the thousands, vowing never to re-

Toledo and Detroit—a Contrast Why is it that in one case the traitorous role of the A. F. of L. leadership was but a signal for more thorough preparation and heightened enthusiasm and in the other it produced complete demoralization and pulverized the whole movement? Are the Toledo workers, by any chance, more intelligent than the workers of Detroit?

No! As a matter of fact, they are much the same type, with more or The difference is to be explained the General Executive Board and tion and could not be voted on. and can only be explained on the to be not less than 50 percent of stood the game of Dillon and the government mediators, who knew the moves of the chessboard ahead of time, and prepared and armed the men against Dillon and his agents,

union, build it up more strongly, stantly strangles unionization of expand their progressive group and the truck drivers of the nation. men of Dillon and what they stand a genuine democratic union to pro-

tect their interests, etc. Role of the C. P. Detroit and Toledo-Striking Contrast In Organization Methods

auto-workers protested in the only locals themselves. way they knew how-with their

After that betrayal, the A. F. of L bureaucrats left the auto workers to the tender mercies of the Automobile Labor Board. When after Wolman at last got around to holdplants and the results showed some and Dillon got terribly indignant bution. Fearing that the ground feet they promised to start a giant its promised campaign. organization drive to organize the whole automobile industry.

Dillon Blocks the Road The organization drive, if it can e honored with that name, just evaporated into thin air. Because the auto workers wouldn't respond? 'spontaneous" outburst of the auto ions. workers at Murray Body, at Hupp,

ly sabotaging all attempts. The influx of thousands of new young workers of the basic industries in the the A. F. of L. and the

ganize the men and was deliberate-

moment the "left wing" was no-; contrary, heralded their downfall where to be found. When the blow and disappearance from the trade came, the men were simply bewild- union scene. Apparently the burered and stunned. Nobody was on eaucrats know this very well, and of the industry, the tool and dye the spot to give them the necessary that is why they so assiduously and makers, led brilliant, spectacular advice and point the road. The carefully sabotage every step of the battles in almost every plant in De-

Good Opportunities Missed

formed of auto, rubber and steel. mense. The men would have reious offensive could have been organize. The direct opposite is true. Every launched against the company un-

These are all the things that brutally squelched.

in the industry, had another center with the workers inside the federal of attraction existed. At first that unions, to help them "arm" themof attraction existed. At first that unions, to help them "arm" themeemed to be the direction.

The Mechanics Educational Soci-

M.E.S.A. Stagnates

ety, which organized the key men troit and apparently were destined to sweep the whole field. But after After a year and a half of such the sell-out of March 25, 1934, inexperience, the period of easy un- stead of pushing on and taking over something more than small initia- tion campaign, it began stagnating. tion fees and dues are necessary to No serious attempts were made to some nine months meditation, Dr. attract the automobile worker. Still get in production men, its member-1935 was an excellent year to start ship slumped and the union was curs, the Toledo strike will look ing "elections" in the automobile a serious organization drive. For torn by an internal cancer of fac-like a tea-party in comparison. one, 1935 was a "boom" year. More tional struggle between the various 4 percent for the A. F. of L., Green men employed in the industry than cliques, which paralyzed its activity experience with the Auto Labor at any time since 1929. Undoubt- and rendered it helpless. Unless the Board. Some 200,000 of them parbelligerent. They threatened retri- edly the A. F. of L. would have re- M.E.S.A. can cleanse itself—and tipicated in the A. L. B.'s "elecgained major positions in the indus- that in short order, and begin an tions" and while it was a bitter was just slipping underneath their try, had it seriously proceeded with earnest drive for the production pill that Green and Collins forced A triple alliance would have been tant factor in the industry. All in- dence: it was not in vain! They The confidence, such a move would to the fact that for the immediate months of "collective bargaining" have inspired, would have been im- future, the A. F. of L. federal un- than the previous five years put toturned to the firing line, and a ser- within which the auto workers will bers of the bargaining agencies have

Kelsey Wheel, the wet sanders in might have been done, were the L. bureaucracy. We can even add: extend. If their demands were not Lansing, was sidetracked by Dillon present A. F. of L. leadership ser-Dillon and Green are deliberately acceded to, they of course had the and referred to some governmental lously concerned about organizing delaying the formation of an Inter-opportunity of appealing to Dr. agency. Everyone in Detroit ac-the automobile workers. Instead it national in the automobile indus- Wolman! Now, their only recourse quainted with the situation knew did nothing—and when the workers try, for fear that they cannot yet that the Dillon office feared to or- here and there timidly attempted to control it; they intend moreover to must have an organization. start organization on their own ac- exclude from such an International count, they were ruthlessly and the tool and dye makers, the maintenance men and other workers That is why trade unionism is at claimed by the various Internationlow ebb in Detroit today. These al unions. All this is true, but axiogrowth of mighty organizations in are the "objective conditions" which matic to a revolutionist engaged in the nerve centers of American in-made it so difficult to stir up the trade union work. If we wish, howdustry did not signify the corres- Detroit Chevrolet workers and in- ever, to do more than just "expose" ponding growth and importance of terest them in the strike in Toledo. the bureaucracy, if we would actuthe present leadership, but, on the After a year of such sterling labor ally do battle with it and destroy the workers and help them in their

it, we must do more than propagandize; we must extend our organizadize; we must extend our organizadize. tional base in the auto industry be-"activity," the A. F. of L. federal locals might have lost all standing in the industry, had another center center with the restaurant of the standard with the restaurant to the standard cause events have proved, we in the W. P. are the only ones who can do the job. We must fuse our ideas selves against their enemies and to organize "pressure" for the calling of a democratically controlled convention to establish an International union and to begin an organization drive by September in preparation for a general strike.

Workers Must Prepare to Strike All the elemental forces of the industry are again turned loose full force, and are inexorably driving ionization is definitely ended. Now, the leadership in a great organiza- the men onward towards the path of unionism. Bitterness and re-

sentment are accumulating so rapidly, that when the explosion oc-The workers have had a year's

men—it will cease to be an impor- them to swallow we say with confidications point at the present time have learned more in these last few ions are destined to be the shell gether. In plant after plant, memclashed with the management and We have spoken previously and have found that beyond getting a we are ready to repeat again the light bulb replaced or a water bubstory of the perfidy of the A. F. of bler repaired—their power did not is . . . strike, and for that they

> So, having passed through the glorious run around of Roosevelt. Wolman, Green, Collins and Dillon, they are back at the starting point, more experienced, more steeled and

better prepared for the battle. It is now the duty of the conscious revolutionists not to lag behind, but to be prepared to guide coming struggle. This task, of organizing this key industry, the 'nerve center" of American economy is the most important and significant one since post-war days, ganizing the key industries, the opening up a completely new phase in American unionism and the labor movement of this country. If we succeed, our position in the American labor movement is secure and we shall be prepared to lead the workers forward to victory.

A Letter the Daily

To the Editor of Daily Worker, 50 East 13th Street. New York City

Gentlemen : June 17, 1935, we read:

"Joseph Zack and Jack Taylor, the two choice morsels which the Trotskyites fished out of the garbage discarded by the C. P., have been expelled and are now publishing a paper of their own. . . . Any honest worker may be for-

This section of the above dated the Socialist Party can carry out Daily Worker editorial runs true to the implications of their position Stalinist form and method of "dis- only when they break with the recarding garbage" in the form of formists and social patriots and Daily Worker editorials for the unite with the Workers Party and consumption of "honest workers" the New International." who "hold their nose". . . .

You hold it is the policy of the and C.L.A., after more than a dec-Daily Worker to give the "honest ade of splits and disintegration in workers" the truth and nothing but the revolutionary movement, was in the truth - yet you deliberately our opinion an historic turning print a trumped up account of my point. The founding of the new "expulsion" from the Workers Party party on the basis of the Declara-

count of Jack Taylor's "expul-

Need I say that this "expulsion" Council reorganize the local gun to appear quite hopeless to the ing delegates are well informed as is the brain child of the Daily with reformism and centrism and Worker editor? . . . Need it be said that Stalinist brain fever (perhaps the basis of revolutionary internaclairvoyancy with Stalinism as the . That all actions of the union had by now become very heated, a will carry their opinions back to medium) has produced a picture of the Fourth International. Jack Taylor "expelled" from the Workers' Party of the U.S.A. and

For the "honest workers" who "hold their nose" against the Stal-Delegate Crowl, business agent of inist stench known as Daily Working:

> Jack Taylor has not been expelled from the Workers Party of the U.S. and he is not publishing or helping to publish an independent paper.

Finally let me remind you—although you cannot have forgotten Stalinism has now been "discard

decision to the convention of the rage. They recognize the Tobin ing" what you call "garbage" for Drivers International and that in demands as a twin sister to the years. Thousands of "discarded" th: meantime the whole matter be vicious propaganda of the bosses. revolutionaries are exiled to Siberia Local 574 will fight Tobin on and others held in Stalin's jails. those Marxists who can see the Every union, every liberal and difference between the Menshevism of Stalin and the Bolshevism of

This, gentlemen, is the truth-Party and their ill-fated Auto fact he attempts to go even further told the assembly that, while he spond in the same splendid manner but to get the truth it is necessary Workers Union, left the green, un- than the bosses did. Not only does was in Tobin's office, Tobin had that they did last summer in the to discard the Daily Worker and to

Workers Party of the U.S.

because it is so persistent. Solely on this ground, the Plenum hereby states that all such reports are absolutely without foundation, that no leaders or members of the W. P. advocate or have advocated any such program. The position of the W. P. on the Socialist Party and the Second In-

The June Plenum of the National

Committee of the W. P. took note

of rumors to the effect that there

are leaders and members of the W.

P. who advocate that the W. P.

should join or merge with the So-

cialist Party. Occasionally it is

necessary to take account of rumos

and gossip, no matter how absurd

and irresponsible it may be, simply

ternational has been clearly and explicitly set forth in the Declaration of Principles adopted at the merger convention last December of the former Communist League of America and the American Workers Party. We repeat it here both because of the intrinsic soundness of the analysis there set forth and because it is the best and simplest way to indicate how incompatible with the basic Declaration of the W. P. is advocacy of a proposal that it should join or merge with a party of reformism and pacifism: "The Socialist Party is not a party of revolution but of reform and pacifism. The fundamental er-

ror of all wings of the party is

their false conception of the nature of the state and of the colonial question. From this flow its parliamentary illusions, its notion that the workers can achieve power within the framework of existing state forms, its fetishism of capitalist democracy, its policies of class collaboration, and betrayal of colonial revolts and revolutions. It is affiliated and gives allegiance to the bankrupt Second International, which bears the responsibility for supporting the last imperialist war, and whose leading section, the German Social-Democracy, openly aided the capitalists to suppress revolutionary uprisings of the workers and made possible the triumph of Fascism in Germany. The Socialist Party conducts no struggle against the reactionaries in the trade union movement and important sections of the Party are directly associated with these elements. Though now, as at other periods in its history, the Party contains many militant and left-

ward moving workers, the powerful right wing elements in the Party openly spurn and combat all revolutionary tendencies. The radical phrases of the centrist wing repre-In a Daily Worker editorial of sented by the 'Militant' leaders serve as a cover for an essentially reformist attitude and a policy of capitulation to the right wing. The Party and the Second International with which it is affiliated therefore serve the purpose of hindering the consistent development of the workers to a revolutionary position. The enuinely revolutionary workers in

The merger of the former A.W.P. tion of Principles was the one pos-The New York Times gives "all sible step toward revolutionary parties and groups or have no political allegiance will realize with us the crucial importance of breaking unifying the revolutionary forces on tionalism and under the banner of

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Tobin's Union-Busting Drive Against 574—and their Reply

tral Labor Union committee has rea set of written demands from D. can be reinstated in the Drivers International. These demands bear The truth of the matter is that witness to the ruthless tactics to spokesman for the C.L.U. commit-once. He stated further that the Detroit has to this day not recov- which Tobin will stoop in his burn- tee, moved that the report be re- present officers of Local 574 should aginary grievance. Here are his demands:

1. That all inside workers be

4. That the taxi drivers be in a 5. That all independent truck owners be denied membership in

6. That a new charter be issued on the following basis:

a. All present officers and active members in Local 574 be denied membership under the new charter. b. All applications for member-

ship be subject to the approval of Tobin. (This would mean that any worker who is even suspected of having taken an active part in the union would be unable to remain a mem-

ber.) That the Teamsters Joint under the direct supervision building trades unions. of a special representative of

Tobin. be subject to the approval of Tobin.

7. That Tobin receive the delinamount involved.)

Tobin Program Worse than Rosses

In this desperate attempt to prothe Citizens Alliance put forward to obtain a vote on his proposal. last summer. Once again he plays into the hands of the employers In Detroit, on the contrary, the as he did through his editorial writ-

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.-The Cen- | bership of the General Drivers to | tion to Tobin. Speilman then careworkers who spend at least 51 per- fully explained that this would turned from Indianapolis bearing cent of their time on trucks, and mean that if the C.L.U. or any unthen they can be members only if ion attempted to defend 574 that the truck is used to haul certain their charter would be immedately Tobin-approved commodities.

After reading the Tobin manifescil for action. Slander Used in Election Campaign

At this point several delegates took the floor demanding to know devote at least 51 percent of his garding the Local 574 charter fight the Speilman motion was railroaded 3. That the ice drivers be in a the third ward. Brown, the president of the present leaders of 574 will separate union. That the coal driv- dent of 574, played a militant role not satisfy the lust of D. J. Tobin.

> floor when he attempted to speak of the union. on the tactics employed against Brown in the campaign.

importance to his union.

New England construction job badly defeated. where the truck drivers threw their strength into a fight which had be- defined, and the progressive think-

Travesty on Union Democracy less similar habits and background, the amount to be determined by grounds that it was a negative mo-

basis of the presence in Toledo of what Tobin estimates the local clearly and completely what a that on the armory job, and every (Tobin's estimate, by the travesty of trade union democracy other union construction job where way, is almost double the actual Tobin's policies represent. He pic- the ironworkers are employed, if jority of the delegates were in com- 574 men deliver their materials, the This program was planned delib- plete sympathy with Local 574 and ironworkers will tie up the job. erately to cut the union up into showed that the differences of opinsmall helpless units and to strip it on in the matter lay principally in gains it has made through the bitof its fighting ability. Tobin does the relative courage of the delegates ter struggles of 1934. The sacri-this fact-my resignation from the After the shameful speech of Dil- not want a union in his Interna- in determining a course of action. fices made were too great to permit Communist Party was published in lon on the fateful Monday night tional which has the power of 574. Questioning sharply Tobin's right Tobin to so lightly cast aside every- the Militant two months prior to convinced the union militants that be impossible for him to maintain assumes, Wachter proposed that the The membership of the General bureaucrats. it was their job to go back into the his bureaucratic control which con-Central Labor Union appeal Tobin's Drivers is up in arms over this outtect his pie-card, Tobin is putting left pending with complete recogni-

Threaten Charter Revocations Speaking for his motion to refer Tobin's demands to the Teamsters Joint Council for action, Speilman pletely disarmed. At the crucial but he attempts to confine the mem-Green had promised full co-opera-

revoked. He then predicted that if his motion was not passed the C.L. Worker Dared Not Print to to the assembly, Jean Speilman, U. charter would be revoked at demands.

Attempting to get the floor to an swer Speilman's statements, Farrell Dobbs, secretary-treasurer of Local why and how intimate details re- 574, was denied that privilege, and

An analysis of Tobin's demands Brown in the aldermanic race in shows that the voluntary withdrawin the 1934 strikes and, in keeping | He clearly states that he will be with his fighting ability and in- satisfied with nothing short of the stincts, waged a splendid and clean complete disorganization of the fight in the election campaign. But local, the sacrifice of all the gains despite this fine record he was not for which Henry Ness and Jack invited to speak to the assembly Belor died, and the expulsion of on this issue which is of such vital scores of militant members from the union. Tobin demands more Moe Hork, a member of the 574 than the heads of the leaders—he executive board, was denied the demands the complete strangulation

Reactionaries Meet Defeat

With the matter now in their Many delegates took the floor to hands, the Teamsters Joint Council of the U.S. speak of the great gains which the will attempt to carry out the Tobin General Drivers have brought to program. But despite the action the news that's fit to print" provid- unity. We believe that in ever inthe entire labor movement. Specific railroaded through the assembly, ing they do their own "fitting"; the creasing numbers the vanguard instances were cited, such as the the reactionary bureaucracy was Daily Worker prints a "fitting" ac- workers who are today in other The issues in the fight are clearly sion"

to the real meaning of this program to the movement. Their sympathies At this point in the debate, which are completely with 574, and they substitute motion was made to their unions with a recommendation throw the Tobin demands in the that they continue to support the waste basket. This motion was drivers. The standing of Local 574 publishing his own paper? . . . quent per capita tax of Local 574, later ruled out of brder on the will continue to be very high among union men.

Delegate Wachter pointed out the iron workers, told the assembly er editorials, let me say the followtured how the overwhelming malany union refuses to demand that

Local 574 will not give up the

Alliance program. radical organization must take a clear cut position in this fight. The Lenin and Trotsky. workers of Minneapolis must re-

Smash all union-smashers! Make Minneapolis a union town!

MARCH OF EVENTS

<u>-By Jack Weber -</u>

England Ends Versailles engaged in erasing every trace of one to review some of the revolu-Treaty

Hardly one week after the Tories took over the British government the new foreign minster, Hoare, resorted to direct action to resolve the contradiction between the reality of German rearmoment and the fiction Tready. The tripling of the German navy is "legalized" by the ternal and internal. Faced with the possible danger of a new naval race in the North Sea with a resurgent German militarism, Britisn capitalism preferred to make concessions relatively harmless to her- cess" in blocking the road to power tionary traditions may deny this; self, even if a menace to her former of the proletariat of Western Eu- but the past itself is the greatest allies. England thus takes one rope. That force, still small but living proof of the class battles in step further in encouraging Ger- growing in influence through the American society. many to seek the salvation of its power of its correct Marxist apcapitalism by expansion to the East, proach to the revolutionary tasks at the expense of the U.S.S.R. A of the working class, is the nucleus letariat of today a rich legacy. Rev- face of the civil war was, of course, list who will truly complete the first German navy of the size permitted of the Fourth International, the in- olutionary actions of previous gen-Seas, hence the possibility of at- of the Second and the Third Inter- of revolutionary methods today in hampering the development of the torship. tacking Leningrad safely.

ruling class serves notice to France | The next wave of revolution, or- | was born and matured in violence that the latter had better come to ganized under the banner of the -that those who struck out for terms also with Hitler and abandon new international, will sweep out their rights relied not upon "Eternthe Soviet Union to its fate. This of power and into utter oblivion the al Truths," but upon the more subbe released from its operation in ifested by Stalin for the "Trotsky- permitted to expand and the basis case England and Italy refuse to ists," the attempt to confuse the laid for a social change. define the aggressor in the coming workers by slanders and by lumping ate the military alliance with Stal- vik-Leninist vanguard—the two ex- the largest colonies, Virginia and ests clashed—civil war was the rein. Internally the British tories tremes of the class struggle—are New York, were plunged into the sult. are preparing for the coming gen- themselves the recognition that the throes of a civil war. These were eral elections. They can point to Stalinists will have to pay for their the Bacon and Leisler uprisings, the naval agreement as being one crimes the moment the workers be- taking their names from the leadstep in the direction of limitation come aware of them. of armaments, which adds nothing

Stalinism Grovels Before *Imperialism*

tion, the more desperately the Stal- lileged clique, to fasten more firmly inists grovel before world imperial on the necks of the workers the ism to prove that the Soviets are voke of capitalism. The Stalinist not really a menace to the bour- Defenders of the Soviet Union are geois ruling class. Ambassador ready to become also the Defenders Troyanovsky, former Menshevik of the Allies of the Soviet Union, and fit representative of the corrupt the upholders of French militarism. Stalinist bureaucracy, assures Am- With England already openly tosserica that the Soviet Union under ing aside the Versailles Treaty, the Stalin is merely the continuator of Stalinists are becoming the chamthe policies of the Kerensky Provi- pions of this treaty insofar as it sional Government. And in this he aids Stalin in his reactionary allitells the truth. The Stalinists are ances with capitalist imperialism.

perialism. As the preliminary to 1776. Nor d'd the first American further concessions to reaction, the Revolution solve the contradictions Stalinists are proceeding to anni- in American society. hilate physically all Bolshevik oppositionists, past or present. This plete with class conflicts. From the of the maintenance of the Versailles can only mean a further attack on time of the first indentured and the working class in the Soviet Un-chattel slave down to the modern ion, an added preparation for the wage carner an unceasing struggle betrayal of this working class as has taken place between the con-Anglo-German agreement. In this will as the world proletariat to tending classes. Nor is this strange. fashion British imperialism tries to bourgeois reaction, solely for the For America, almost from the day purpose of maintaining in power the colonies were founded, has been the reactionary Stalinist bureau-

nationals. To the Stalinists the order to abolish the ills and ail-Fourth International is a greater ments of present day society. The At the same time the English menace than capitalist imperialism. lesson they teach is that America

preparation for the next war. The rebels in New York. justifiers of the Franco-Soviet Pact. the lackers of Soviet diplomacy, are The nearer the war of interven- working, in the interests of a priv-

The Manager's Corner largest local of the American Fed. sions, to red-baiting, to violations

(Continued from Page 1)

some good news. The New York and more extensive bundle sales beparty district has pledged itself to comes an important feature. All known as the Organized Union Ma- Opposition from the union. The raise not less than half of the funds received for new subscribers jority, and the minority opposition amount stipulated. And, while at the new rate, whether they be these comrades were a bit slow in regular subscribers, or whether getting started, they are leaving no these are obtained by the club plan pebbles unturned now. Very ex- system, together with amounts for tensive preparations have been greetings obtained are recorded as made to make good on the pledge. part of the campaign. On this basis We shall render regular accounts we have received during the last so that every reader may watch week the following amounts: how well this district puts its words into action.

The Boston branch made a preliminary pledge of \$53.50 and in accord with the habit it has already established it proceeded to make good right away. Last week we reported \$25.00 from Konikow. There was a slight error. It should have been listed to the credit of the Boston branch. In this issue we can report an additional sum of \$14.00 for this branch. In other words \$39.00 on its account made good already. Of course, the pledge was only a preliminary one.

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Total\$53.78 ship and followed at the tail end of Total reported last week. \$54.00 the conservative and treacherous tion fears that the influx of new Subscriptions (Club Plans): Center Br., N.Y.C. (8 subs).. 3.00

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Of course, these are subscriptions for the eight-page issue only. We shall keep an exact account of all the opposition groups ran candisubs received and make sure that dates in the annual elections, and the prizes are awarded properly and in the May elections of this year only to those who reach the goal succeeded in polling over 40 percent be stripped of its present powers to union employees. set during the period stipulated. | of the vote for officers and members | review decisions of the Executive

In each case we will also change of the executive board. They would Board; its policy-making powers the prizes for an equivalent of any have elected delegates to the na- would be taken from it. set of books from the Pioneer Book tional convention had not the Ad-Shop if so desired.

From The Very Beginning Bolshevik Speaks for Fourth

The week of July 4th is a fitting the October Revolution in order to tionary traditions of the American prove their worthiness to exist side working class. Class struggles in by side with reactionary world im- America did not begin with July 4,

The history of this country is resubject to the laws of the class struggle. Those who are ignorant Only one force stands in the way of the past, or who deliberately of Stalin and endangers his "suc- seek to hide and distort its revolu-

A Legacy of Force

The past has bequeathed the pro-

A century before the armed con-

The Rebels of Yesterday

two articles on the present situa-

tion in the Teachers Union.—Ed.

Mass activity: The Administra-

the policy desired by the member-

Work of the Opposition Groups

groups (Rank and File, Progres-

sives. Committee for Democracy.

mass activity. Consequently they

seek the widest possible basis for

support among the teachers through

which the Administration neglects,

ship through its democratic control

in the determination of union poli-

To accomplish these objectives

cies.

In opposition to this the minority

ences, place the main emphasis on form:

consistent organization activities ganized" union.

Joint Committee.

groups are:

Administration Split Policy

In Teachers Union Threatens

Progressives in A. F. of L.

For the past five years a struggle gaining a majority, the Adminis-

has been going on in the Teachers tration has resorted to anti-demo-

Union of New York, Local 5, the cratic practices, to arbitrary deci-

policy. The basic differences be stated by Dr. Lefkowitz, a leader

tween the administration, now of the Administration, is to oust the

tion believes in confining its chief sisting of representatives elected

activities to lobbying at Albany, from the schools, in the coming elec-

City Hall and at the Board of Ed- tion in October. In order to pre-

ucation. (59th St., N.Y.) It relies vent this it has resorted to two

upon the support of the teachers main measures: It has secured the

in the upper salary brackets. It "investigation" in order to cut off

1935, the Administration abandoned question. This arbitrary command

Heritage of Class Struggle in U.S. **History**

ple, whose conditions are such as by a change could not admit of worse, with these began to stand in Defyance against the government. . . . These are the men that are sett up for the good of ye

Country; who for ye ease of the Poore will have no taxes paied . Would have all magistracie and government taken away & set up one themselves & to make their good intentions more manifest stick not to talk openly of shareing men's estates among

How familiar is this cry from the lips of a colonial master, to us to-

day?

The American Revolution of 1776 a clash of economic interests. Engcolonies. The mercantilists (who were the ruling class in England) prevented the establishment of American industries so that their own factories would have a market. They succeeded in passing laws forbidding the colonists to expand

Suppressing the Poor

For us the heritage of 1776 lies not in the eloquent phrases of the ers of the oppressed who headed Declaration of Independence or the The Fourth International alone these revolts. Both met with tem- revolutionary fathers. The Declar- of the 19th on European society. to the British naval budget at the can accomplish this necessary task porary successes but were later ation of Independence is violated by The first influenced the course of gress on February 29, 1920: moment. If the tories are success- of ridding the working class of the suppressed with the utmost cruelty, the capitalist class whenever their the Great French Revolution and ful in the elections there will be an poison and treachery of Stalinism. The reasons for the rebellions and interests clash with those of the brought in its train a spread of fin-Dugens, has so correctly obentirely different aspect of tnings It is the builders of the Fourth In- the severity with which they were working class. As for the leaders democratic ideas through Europe. after the elections. The naval race ternational who alone can forewarn put down is given by a member of of the revolution, they were almost The second helped bring about a will then be resumed full speed the advanced workers against the the existing Virginia Council, entirely motivated by personal in- series of important reforms in the betrayers who are already sowing While his description refers speci- terests and not idealistic concep- old world. Who can say that the the seeds of social patriotism in fically to Bacon it fits perfectly the tions. The revolution did not live revolutionary events which will

contested at the national conven-

To prevent the opposition from

Administration also fears that it

the Delegate Assembly, a body con-

to suspend the functioning of the

union shows that the Administra-

members means the end of its rule.

The "Investigation" Maneuvers

pelled or excluded from the "reor-

2) The minority groups will be

meetings, issuing literature and ap-

motions and resolutions in the name

wise be prohibited from putting up

meetings with power to decide pol-

4) The Delegate Assembly would

eing, at any rate.

icies would be continued.

will lose its present majority in

and poor farmers the promises made to them. Shay and those with him were defeated by an army, especially raised for that purpose. But that action destroyed the myth that the revolution was fought for the inalienable rights of man. Wherein then are the revolutionary tradi-

ation of the mother country and gates to the Second International. liberated the colonies. It opened the west for expansion and made is not the question of approving possible the unleashing of the pro- some points of opposition of the the former president of the Internaductive forces in American society. French delegation but of posing tional presides at the imprisonment Besides it set up a republican form here briefly the International probof government and gave an impul- lem in all its amplitude. sion to the progress of revolution in Europe. As such, it was pro- determines all others, which delingressive and we salute it. The eates the political evolution of the said: heritage of the inalienable rights of tendencies: the crossroad where man and the heroic suffering of the they meet or divide, a problem soldiers in the colonial armies be- which determines their will to carlong not to the American bourgeoiwas the class struggle breaking out | sie who are only too anxious to for- | It is on the international scale what | principles? into the open and taking place by get the revolutionary actions of the armed means. Underneath the sur- past, but to the American proletar-American Revolution by the estabmeans the control of the Baltic heritors of the militant traditions erations hammer home the necessity land by a series of decrees was lishment of a working class dicta-

between classes and the necessity development" or coordinated inter- | tuations of the foreign policy of of strife. But the whole history of national revolutionary action. America since then is a history of | This difference crops up in all the placing the official seal upon the violent clashes between exploiter debates. and exploited. From Shay's Rebelact makes of the Franco-Soviet corrupt bureaucracy that exists stantial method of force. It was westward. They prevented the ship-lion down to the present day a red list phrases if you are organizing pact virtually a scrap of paper, for only so long as the workers suffer in this way that the progressive ping of American raw materials to thread of revolt runs through Am- for nationalism? At this time only in that pact France can "legally" defeats. The venomous hatred man- factors in American society were other nations and imposed restric- erican society. Nat Turner's revolt, the bourgeoiste acts in concert in "It is only natural that you defend tions upon the colonists purchasing John Brown, the civil war, the the world and when the socialist Stalin after he has sunk to your goods from other countries. In strike years of 1877-78, May 1, delegates go to these conferences level." short the domination of England Homestead, the large and fierce they act there as hirelings of their war. England is doing everything together the counter-revolutionary flict between the colonies and the was becoming a fetter on the strikes of the present period, all bourgeoisie. possible to force France to repudi- imperialist robbers and the Bolshe- mother country, England, two of growth of the colonies. The inter- bear witness to the class conflict raging in the United States.

century and the American Civil War ity of this Congress? up to its fine promises once it suc- take place in American society in ceeded. Witness for instance, the the 20th century will liberate not "Bacon gathers about him a revolt of Daniel Shay, an army col- onl the American proletariat but rabble of the basest sort of peo- onel, and those he led in an at- that of the entire world?

hands of the Executive Board including the power to suspend and expel members. The present very limited democracy would be succeeded by a bureaucratic dictatorship of the officers and the Executive Board. The road would be clear for further expulsions of members if they raised any organized objections to these measures or This is the first of a series of | constitutional ruling which will be | to any policies which the clique

sought to pursue. Effect on Other Unions

If the Administration succeeds in carrying through its program it will give the Green-Woll leadership encouragement in their present cameration of Teachers, over the fun- of the union's policies, and now to the unions—which is their device French Socialist party leave the applauded lustily by a small minorpaign to expel the communists from for labelling and getting rid of the progressives. If minority groups can be sup-

> pressed in one union, then they can be suppressed in other unions as well. It is to be expected that the reactionaries in other A. F. of L. unions will not be slow in seizing upon similar "reorganization" measures. The demagogical cry will be raised that progressive groups based upon a simple trade union program are taking orders from 'outside organizations," meaning by that the working class political parties. The pretext for the suppression of progressive minority the precedent set in the case of the Teachers Union. Thus the investigation of Local 5 acquires signifi-

of the progressive forces. organize the Teachers Union, the against the Administration splitresults will probably take this ters. The progressives should discuss this question in their own 1) Leaders and many prominent groups. They should raise this members of the union will be ex- question in their unions and try if possible to have them pass resolutions condemning the investigation and defending the right of organdissolved and illegalized. They will ized minorities to exist in the be prohibited from holding group Teachers Union. Protests of this kind should be sent to:

> The Executive Council, American Federation of Teachers 506 N. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.

FORT WORTH, Tex. (FP). -Though the Texas Electric Service paign in behalf of their candidates. Co. at Eastland, Tex., denies that The growth of the Opposition would a strike is in progress, about 40 probably be checked for the time union and non-union men have walked out, according to Interna-3) The policy of no membership tional Vice-Pres. W. L. Ingram of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. The men struck in protest against the firing of three

Protest Meeting Friday, July 12, 8 P.M.—A.J. Muste 5) All power to determine poli-speaks on "Recent Events in Soviet ministration blocked it by an uncies would be concentrated in the Union" at 1776 Pitkin Ave., B'klyn.

tempt to garner for the workers International at SFIO Congress

the speech of Molinier, for the Bolshevik-Leninist group, at the Mulhouse Congress of the Socialist Farty of France:

He explains why some of the members in various sections will The revolution broke the domin- vote against the report of the dele-

What is involved here at this time

This is the key question which ry on a real struggle against war. armament is on the plane of the struggle for power.

And this question of the Interna- has seen its death certificate signed tional poses itself again and again by Stalin. every time the question of war or The bourgeoisie claims that the sharp form. The dilemma: Either coming the means of national de-Revolution abolished the difference "gradual national and international fense in conformity with the fluc-

Of what value are international- entire world.

Have we an international? That is, have we a coordinated political Marx, in the introduction to the organization of international strugfirst volume of Capital speaks of gle? What do those think of the the same germs of difference to exthe stimulating influences of the Second International who still have ist? American Revolution of the 18th authority in the eyes of the major-

Lebas said at the National Con-

"... The war, as comrade Rafserved, has killed not only men and destroyed wealth . . . one of its corpses, one of its victims was the International. . . .

.. One must examine the situation created in the Party in all countries and observe moreover if we can agree on saying how we can reconstitute it, this International, whatever number we give it.

". . . These, of course, are the reasons why the Federation of the North has decided in almost complete unanimity to propose to the Party to withdraw from the Second International. This, of course is not because we are throwing mud at it but because we very sincerely believe that we can work more effectively for the reconstitution of the new International outside of the old and decadent one rather than by remaining inside it."

Paule Faure at the National Congress, February 29, 1920:

"I listened to Renaudel and vainly sought in his speech for decisive reasons which to my mind he did not produce for maintaining our adherence to this organiz-

ation.

"Our resolution remains un-

The following is a summary of | shakable. We became more and more impatient, understanding that from the socialist standpoint the atmosphere of the Second International became absolutely unlivable. . . ."

Since when has it come back to

Defeat in Italy, in Germany, in Austria, in Spain, in Belgium, where of striking miners! The corpses are rotting.

The Third International?

Let us consider it. It must be It bore the banner of revolution

throughout the world. Did it organize the split? Does it mean to split when one fights for

It degenerated with the degeneration of the Russian revolution; it

It is now the International whose the seizure of power appears in a parties after many zig-zags are be-Russia; such a betrayal means

> (Molinier retorted to Dormoy who interrupts him at this point:)

ombstone of the oppressed of the

WHAT IS TO BE DONE? Unity of the Second and the Third Internationals?

On what basis? The basis which allows the same class influences.

Or our basis? Concerted, joint, action against capitalism, which is concentrated and spirited action driven forward. Never class peace! No theory of socialism in one coun-

In the present state of things one must base himself on experience to rebuild the International.

WE MUST BUILD THE FOURTH INTERNATIONAL which means to take into account the life and the death of the others. In many countries: Holland (R.

S.P.-O.S.P.), America (C.L,A,-A,W, P.) unity was achieved on this All the living forces of the two

internationals must be organized on this basis! What about the big parties? Win over the decisive elements. For that: without subordinating

daily action to the creation of the Fourth International, we will group around us on the principles of revolutionary action all the active forces of the Party, and with them pave the way for the Fourth International.

Molinier's speech was for the most part heard in intense silence. ity of the Congress.

The defense of the Stalinist policy fell upon citizen Grumbach, one of the most active defamers of the Communist International in its best

READ THE NEW MILITANT

Zack Expelled from which has for one of its slogans: **Workers Party**

from the Workers Party of the U. announcing himself as speaker at groups will have been obtained by S. for gross violations of discipline. a public meeting at which he prom-He wrote to a leading comrade in ises to "expose" alleged controver-Minneapolis advising him to violate ditional confirmation of the correctcanie for the progressive forces in an N. C. decision on a grave trade ness of the action taken some weeks the entire labor movement. It is union matter in action. He further ago by the Political Committee not an exaggeration that these ma- openly violated party discipline by meeting jointly with the N. Y. Dischinations endanger the existence contradicting and challenging to a trict Committee in expelling him debate the Party speaker presenting from the Party-not for his views It thus becomes the duty of the the Party point of view at an open which he was given every opportunprogressives in other unions to mass meeting in New York. He has lity to set forth in the regular chancome to the assistance of the large been participating, without any con- nels within the Party but for flagmilitant membership of the Teach- sultation even with the Party, in rant and persistent disregard and If the Lefkowitz-Linville faction ers Union in their efforts to pre- efforts to launch a paper to be violation of the elements of revolusucceeds in its present move to re- serve the unity of the organization called "Independent Unionist" tionary discipline.

"For A New Progressive Federation of Labor." The W. P. has never issued any such slogan; it is contrary to the Party's trade union Joseph Zack has been expelled line. The fact that Zack is now

LECTURE

The Truth About "Trotskyism"

A REPLY TO OLGIN'S PAMPHLET AGAINST "TROTSKYISM" What is the connection between the new slanderous attack and -Stalin's Campaign Against the Bolsheviks in Russla?

-The Social-Patriotic Policy of the French Communist Party? -The Right Wing Swing of the American Communist Party? -The growth of the movement for the Fourth International in

France, Holland and the United States?

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thrown upon the entire Marxist-

revolutionary movement of the

tion with the signing of a pact be-

tween the S. U. and the imperialist

French government, it is officially

stated that "M. Stalin understands

and fully approves the national de-

her armed forces at the level re-

rice Thorez, leader of the Central

Committee of the Communist Party

of France flatly declares: "Now I

S.R., would you apply your slogan:

"There goes your boast that the

Workers' State brings a new force

tween states, your claim that the

Liberals of all shades who had

International were making a clear-

opportunity to confuse the workers

them. Into the hearts of many of

the advanced workers strikes an

icy blast of disillusionment and

Stalin Sows Illusions

that is understandable. From such

an experience the working class can

cynicism.

into diplomacy, into relations be-

Nathalie Trotsky has

sire to reestablish capitalism, and

so on. The acts against which we

"dictatorships," we are told, regard-

less of "the kind of dictatorship"

which may exist. Only "democra-

cy" such as we have in the United

States provides any insurance

Liberals Find a Moral

Thus the most liberal daily in

editorial columns of June 24, 1935,

reasons: "The appeal of Mrs. Nath-

alie Trotsky in Saturday's Post is

recommended to the attention of

parlor pinks and Communist 'sym-

pathizers'. It illustrates the evil

effects sure to flow from dictator-

ship, no matter what its alibi-whe-

ther on the plea of 'halting Com-

munism' as in Germany or the plea

the power of a Tory King and to

prevent the recurrence of similar

against them.

That social patriotism fastening of 'establishing Socialism' as in

them to a ghastly slaughter, before founders of this country knew them

they realized what was happening, under other forms. It was to break

profit and therefore recover. But if despotism in this country that the

cumbs to social-patriotism, calls safeguards of the American Consti-

upon the worker under whatever tution, the world's oldest and still

specious plea to defend the (imper- the world's best. . . . Communists

ialist) "fatherland," doubt may well oppose the Hitler dictatorship but

arise as to whether there is any they condone the Soviet dictator-

called public attention.

fense policy of France in keeping

Doubt and discredit are being

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Labor Party Confusion

As the Workers Party predicted from the outset, the Communist Party gets into hotter water all the time with its mass-class-not-reformist-not revolutionary but class-struggle

There is quite a flurry of Labor Party talk these days among the Old Guard of the Socialist Party and certain trade union leaders, as well as among some sections of the workers. Typical of a good deal of this talk was Sidney Hillman's speech at the Taminent Economic and Social Institute of the S. P. Old Guard recently. "Labor is now looking to the president for leadership," says Brother Hillman. But if "the conservatives in both old parties will not permit the president to carry through the New Deal program" then workers, farmers, etc. will be turning to a new party.

Fervently Brother Hillman prays that such a Party "will not go along the lines of the share-the-wealth groups and advocates of overnight panaceas." He was "particularly bitter," the papers report, in his criticism of liberal and radical critics of the New Deal, Senator Borah, Clarence Darrow, "the left wingers, radicals and college boys."

Thereupon the Daily Worker bursts forth in editorial and cartoon. "But what kind of a Labor Party, Mr. Waldman?" We charge that "the Old Guard of the S. P. and the top bureaucracy of the A. F. of L. are planning a Labor Party in name only." What did the C. P., Browder, Stalin and Co. expect to happen when they came forth with their Labor Party slogan? What could happen other than what has actually occurred—confusion among the workers, a golden opportunity for the bureaucrats and fakers to practice their mislead-

ership, to divert the growing discontent among the workers into the safe channels of a Labor

Yes, editors and cartoonists of the Daily Worker, an "anti-capitalist," not a pro-New Deal party is what the workers need. That can only mean in this period, a revolutionary Marxian party, not an attempt to lead the masses in this country into some replica of the British Labor Party or the German Social Democracy. But the C. P. is no longer a revolutionary Marxian party. It lacks consequently the intelligence and the courage to call the Leninist philosophy and upon the workers to rally under the revolutionary banner. It joins with Hillman and Waldman and working class by the policies of the others of that ilk in singing the Labor Party the Soviet Union. When in connecchorus. Only it protests that it is singing out of another book!

For a Fighting Auto Union

The announcement by the American Federation of Labor that a convention of Federal au- quired for security" and when Mautomobile locals is to be held on August 29 indicates a triumph for the militants in the industry and at the same time means that they must answer a question that has been work more quickly and seriously than ever to put to me: In case of such a war organize their forces for a decisive battle with launched by Hitler against the U.S. the reactionary bureaucrats of the A. F. of L. transformation of the imperialist The latter would never have consented to a war into the civil war?' (against convention at this time had not the conduct of French imperialism, that is). Well, the progressives during the recent Chevrolet- no! because in such a war it is not General Motors strike in Toledo and elsewhere, a war between two imperialist and subsequent to the strike, demonstrated that gangs, it is a war against the Soviet ly expect to get serious attention. the latter meant business and would not toler- Union"—then the enemies of the ate further delay in setting up an internation- working class utter the taunt: the proletarian dictatorship, that al. But the bureaucrats will now seek to control the convention and through it the new organization.

The progressives must work to send honest working class revolution will put and militant delegates to the convention and an end to imperialist wars." to establish at the convention an organization come to have a measure of sympabased on democratic control by the member- thy for the revolutionary movement ship, not bossed by Green, Dillon, Collins and as perhaps the one practical instru-Co.; an industrial union with jurisdiction over ment for the realization of their protest are bound to occur under all workers employed in the automobile and ideals are alienated; many of them auto parts industry; with no discrimination humanitarianism and religion to against members or prospective members be- usher in the reign of peace. Reaccause of religion, nationality, race, color, or tionary and conservative trade unpolitical affiliation; relying not on favors from ionists and Social Democrats who the bosses or government boards but on the Soviet regime and the Communist militancy and solidarity of the workers.

The Workers Party now, as for many cut revolutionary attack on capitalmonths past, calls for the most loyal and en- ism, imperialism and war, take thusiastic support of the militant forces in the fresh courage and obtain a fresh automobile unions seeking to realize this pro- and to strengthen their hold upon

Italy Prepares Ethiopia Rape

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made up chiefly of cotton, sugar, oil, etc. Recently it has been discovered that Ethiopia is probably rich in important natural resources such as gold, silver, iron, etc.

But that which has led to conflict in the past and which is most likely a great contributing factor to the present turmoil is the fact that ent conflict is the result of a series Ethiopia is completely surrounded of border incidents along Eritrea by "neighbors" without an outlet some months ago. Some Italian of its own to the sea and that in soldiers were found dead, killed its interior lies Lake Tsana from perhaps by Ethiopian soldiers. But if it starts thus, it will not end so. wherewith shall it be salted?" Blue Nile that water the fertile that these Italian soldiers were their fingers in the pudding. The ists of the Workers Party in the any kind of a dictatorship—wheth- these days, we may quote from the cotton regions of the British con- killed sixty miles within the Ethi- liberal jittering that Mussolini, as United States and the parties and er Left or Right. . . . the use of leading article in the June issue of trolled Anglo-Egyptian Sudan. As opian boundaries, which if one were usual, is only blustering are false groups in other countries which suppression necessitates ever more Harper's Magazine by Johan J. old age, and sickness;" that there close as is possible to give boundary to go in for this aggression and and disarming. It may well prove have likewise raised the banner of suppression until rising resentment, Smertenko: "John Howard Lawson lines without a map, Ethiopia is aggressed business, would certainly to be a test of how secure is the the Fourth International, have the deprived of peaceful vent, over-finds Alabama in the grip of a bounded on the North by Eritrea prove Italy the aggressor. (Italian); on the East by French and British Somalland; on the as the nub around which to start of the Third International. France's ment today have an answer. It is plies to Germany, Austria and Italy Defense were placed momentarily South by Italian Somaliland and long desired operations. Anyhow, backing of Italy, in light of the not, however, with this phase of under Fascism. Democracy will yet the west by the Anglo-Egyptian- Il Duce argued, Abyssinia needs Franco-Soviet pact, will compromise the degeneration of the Soviet re- survive them all." Sudan. France permits the use of civilizing, Italy needs room for its the Soviet Union in the eyes of the gime and the Third International its railroad which is Ethiopia's only people to expand, a modern power world proletariat unless a resound- that we are primarily concerned "Russia's Iron Age," the much dis- whipping, torture, and possible connecting link with the sea, run- needs colonies and the Italian peo- ing call-which is highly improbning from Addis Ababa to Djibuti, a French possession.

ready to grant Haile Selasie an entlet to the sea through its Somal- least for any length of time. Britain iland, in an effort to arbitrate the and France are directly involved. Italo-Ethiopian differences, but From a little distance so are Japan may soon take on fearful reality. Italy balked.

Britain's Stake

England's concern in the matter, its offer for an outlet to the sea and gratuitous grants of land in Ethiopia proper to Italy-besides its game on the European continent— at armitration have so keep provided with "heavy casualties" reported. tegic importance of imperialist hegemony over the Lake Tsana region is taken into consideration. As war on a real scale cannot start More than ever must we reaffirm stated before, it is from this region until after the rainy season (fall), the revolutionary slogans: "Turn that rises the waters which makes of British-controlled territory in Eastern Africa so economically valuable a possession. Pacts and thousands of troops and tons of try." agreements have been in existence for decades and only recently it has been reaffirmed that no dams be constructed in the Lake region which might impair the flow of water to its neighboring territory. The gobbling up of Ethiopia by any of the imperialist powers involved would give it a strategic importance in the entire of eastern Africa.

strategic importance, no power has spoken up in behalf of the impov-creased hours from 40 to 44. With ion was found. The striking work- Labor Department. How many have seen fit to conquer this territory? erished little nation in colonial Af- the increase of hours workers paid ers at both plants are signing up become unemployed since? How and ingenuities of its youth to be insurance; the right to vote at the First, it can be answered, it is not rica—the voice of Maxim Litvinoff by the week received no increase with this union. so easily conquerable. Or rather who represents the Soviet Union in in pay and to show the "fairness" it wasn't. Probably with ultra- the League. But not a peep out of of the company rates for piece cellent. New to labor unions, they Bureau of Labor Statistics in the the task of regimenting the youth wastes "the minds and ingenuities" modern instruments of warfare, him, except to so profusely and workers were reduced 10 percent. Ethiopia could be licked. It must slavishly congratulate Sir Anthony be remembered that Italy has al. Eden for his wise decision to post-supposed to work an extra four ed picket captains, arranged a reg-tween the ages of 16 and 24, 34 were war is coming. That then is the Youth League. ready suffered a shameful defeat at pone the matter until "after the hours a week for the glory of god, ular hourly relief of pickets, etc. the hands of these backward tribes rainy season" as even to make Sir the good of their health, and the men at the close of the century.

keeping a black Christian buffer off by Mr. Williams, assistant secstate to counteract the sentiments retary of the National Association just this fact that scotched the ambitions of the Mad Mullah, a number of decades ago, who started a movement to drive the Christian imperialists out of Africa. This undoubtedly the powers, particularly that power which has had the most experience in imperialist conquest, Great Britain, has well understood.

Mussolini's Alibi The so-called cause for the pres-

Italy used this incident, however, insult to national pride. All of ing class to demand hands off Ethi-Only the other day England was which means Italy wants Ethiopia, opia. But Italy cannot go it alone. At has been driven even still closer as against the Soviet Union. While the result of the Anglo-German occupied in writing this, a late evenaval treaty which France consid- ning paper brings the news that at arbitration have so far proved ing Place on the Ethiopian front which Ethiopia has been constantly The next world war looms large on appealing has merely put the mat- the horizon. More than ever must ter off, arguing benignly, that since the working class be prepared.

supplies to Africa. In the past few months Italian troops have been laying roads in Eritrea and Italian Somaliland in preparation for war. Spring Makers France, standing by Italy, has barred ammunition from reaching Strike in N.Y. Addis Ababa, which as we have

shown above she could well do.

No Help from Litvinoff Anthony blush, In this connection, bosses' profits. And secondly, and probably most too, the world is still awaiting the

you as Foreign Minister and mained silent Italian-Ethiopian situation? Has Russia abandoned its alleged opposition to imperialfense of weaker peoples? Does your anti-imperialism stop at

will not be a purely African affair. ment from corruption and defeat. ship of Stalin but he would like to delude the masses."
or an Italo-Ethiopian affair. Even "If the salt has lost its savor. substitute for it the dictatorship of For good measure." ple need to satisfy a long standing able—be issued to the world work-

England has been drawn closer and closer to Germany in recent days. Hitler's "drang nach osten" and Germany. So far France is Japan is consciously contriving one men and women, old and young, did ers' delegation. pretty well lined up with Italy and act of provocation after another ered an affront. England's efforts serious skirmishes are already tak-

it would table the matter till then, the imperialist war into civil war. Meanwhile Italy has shipped "The enemy is in our own coun-

of the rest of the native Africans for the Advancement of Colored who are Mohammedans. It was People. The telegram reads as fol- itself upon the Second International Soviet Russia. . . . Communism and

"Why has Soviet Russia, though President League Council, reism and its much publicized deblack nations? Await your re-

secretary of the Council, was mildly interested. The strikers, still determined, Employees of the Kay Mfg. Co. sent a delegation to the Bronx In this connection it might have of 22 Warren Street, Brooklyn are where the Kay family has another The question might well be been expected that one voice in the on strike. The company did not factory. Here a representative of tween the ages of 18 and 29 were asked: how is it that, granting its | League of Nations would have think profits large enough so it in- the International Upholsterers Un- unemployed in July, 1934," says the this rising discontent against a

heart of the boss.

closely related to it.

up tight as a drum.

his good wishes and referred them

to the Industrial Relations Board.

Only one thing was wrong with a scab truck driver. His release 1935.) important of all, is the need of answer to the telegram sent Litvin- this proposition—the 350 workers, was immediately secured by a strik- Why Roosevelt should have pro- discontent of the youth.

not like it and they walked out on The plants manufacture springs tion's unemployed youth" is somestrike 100 percent. They placed a and spring mattresses. Wages are what answered in Senate Resolution picket line in front of the plant and miserably low and the workers are No. 67, January 30, 1935: the rest of the strikers camped on determined to go back on a 40-hour the street nearby. The plant is tied week with previous rates of pay and a union to back them up.

In one of the closing chapters of

The need for a trade union which previously had been agitated for by some was now apparent to all. The Bone to Youth strikers sent a committee to see Wm. Collins, eastern representative Blow to Labor of the A. F. of L. Collins gave them

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The Board sent a representative to "benefit" from this new scheme. who appealed to the non-existent According to Labor Department statistics, there are, however, 3,000,-The workers committee called up | 000 unemployed youth, which estithe Central Council of Federal La- mate is "considered conservative" bor Unions. That was 15 cents lost by the New York Times. Using this in phone calls, though Mr. Ravitch, figure, which actually must fall several million short of reality. 2.500.000 youth are automatically obliged to shift for themselves.

"More than one third of the highschool and college graduates bemany non-graduates are unemploy- wasted." The National Youth Ad- age of eighteen. The next step is The spirit of the strikers is ex-ed? A canvass conducted by the ministration was therefor assigned to destroy that system which were able to get themselves organ- spring of 1934 "found that out of into channels of patriotic devotion. of its youth," to join the "radical-In other words all workers were | ized, established a picket line, elect- | every 100 employable persons be- | Moreover, election time and maybe | minded | elements — the Spartacus unemployed, as compared with an yield Roosevelt expects. Unfortun-One worker was arrested in con- average of 21 for all age groups." ately for the system and those who nection with an injury received by (Labor Information Bulletin, May, starve because of it the sop is hard-

those who are the enemies of the sentation of the same point of view! Vorkers' State or those who can with some measure of plausibility common to apologists of Communiless industrial system of America be regarded as such, but also ism and of Fascism is an overweenagainst revolutionists who are po-ing contempt for civil liberties, litical opponents of Stalin and his which are represented as unneceshenchmen. It is not necessary here sary and inconvenient barnacles on to produce detailed evidence of the the ship of progress. The longer I fact. The Soviet press itself car- have lived in the Soviet Union, ies daily reports of severe measures where civil liberties-freedom of taken against old Bolsheviks, inspeech, press, assembly, and eleccluding recently those who have tion-are most conspicuously lacknever had any connection with the ing, the more I have become con-Trotskyist opposition, for example, as well as against relatives of the men who have never participated in any political activity at all, as a test as any of the quality of a witness the case of Trotsky's son, a chemist who was permitted to go on with his work for many years after his father's exile, to which recently ly similar) talks of civil liberties the capitalists are the dead or ex-When organizations such as ours are unable to rise to the necessary Merejkowski, Tolstoy, and, protest against such repressive acts, vision of the high and noble charve are met, and with increasing acter and purpose of the Communist frequency in recent months, with the argument that protests from us observation in Russia has led me come with poor grace and can hardto believe that a great deal more with Lenin's treatment of the 'opis at stake then the freedom of We are told that we also believe in thought of the educated classes, allabout the oubliette imprisonment we justified acts of terrorism in the period when Lenin and Trotsky were the dominant figures in the of the past, the author must give protests against Kentucky violence Soviet Union, that in our opinion a prescribed coloring to his characthe workers, when they take power in the United States, should take can be cut off by the will of an allwhatever measures may be neces sary against those who would de-

A Reply to Liberal Critics of Bolshevism

The Position of the Workers Party on Proletarion Dictatorship

and Worker's Democracy in Light of Recent Events

In the Ukraine "It was during my trip through the famine regions of Ukraine and

the North Caucasus that I became utterly and definitely convinced that democracy, with all its faults. weaknesses and imperfections, is enormously superior to dictatorship as a method of government, simply from the standpoint of the common man. Is there any recorded case New York, the N. Y. Post, in its in history where famine—not poverty or hardship or destitution, but stark famine, with a toll of millions cratically governed country? Is it conceivable that the famine of 1932-33 could have taken place if civil liberties had prevailed in the and liberals between them, making Soviet Union, if newspapers had use of Stalinist policies and actions been free to report the facts, if can make the American workers bespeakers could have appealed for lieve that, as over against capitalrelief, if the government in power ism, Communism means repression, had been obliged to submit its pol- regimentation, less freedom, personshould betray the workers and lead Fascism are new labels, but the icy of letting vast numbers of the al dictatorship, etc., a formidable peasants starve to death to the barrier against revolutionary proverdict of a free election? The countless graves of the humble and of the Workers Party have to deobscure famine victims, the peasants of Ukraina and the North tion of Principles: that the policies now the International of Lenin suc- founders of this country set up the Caucasus, of the Volga and Central of "socialization of the means of Asia, are to me the final grim, unanswerable refutation of the specious Communist contention that jures only the small handful of finfreedom of speech and press and anciers, landlords and industrialists political agitation is only humbug whose private control of the re-A war against Ethiopia by Italy way to save the revolutionary move- ship. Trotsky opposes the dictator- by which the bourgeoisie tries to sources of the country is the source

Trotsky. The case of Trotsky's son to emphasize the frequency with people," that every willing worker which rises the headwaters of the the facts already brought out prove Too many imperialist powers have The revolutionary international- demonstrates what happens under which the same tune is heard in inner regime of a modern imperial- answer to this problem; and they throws the regime. That applies to fascist 'terror' because he and a ist power since the abject collapse alone in the working class move- Russia under Communism as it ap- lawyer of the International Labor under 'illegal arrest' and six Communists, also freed after trial, 'are in daily and hourly danger of here; but rather with a problem cussed book by the brilliant foreign death.' But he is unmoved by the correspondent, William Henry thousands, slaving in the timber The present regime in the Soviet Chamberlin, long regarded as one camps of the Arctic region because Union is employing repression and of the most devoted and effective they will not forswear their reliterrorism on a large scale and of a journalistic "friends of the Soviet gion, who pray for death as a rebrutal character, not only against Union," there is a very moving pre- lease from their torture.

posed to "do something for the na-

"One of the most tragic results

of the depression is the effect it

has upon the lives of young men

and women emerging from our

educational institutions. There

are several million young people

between the ages of 18 and 30

who have graduated from our

schools and colleges and entered

into a work-world where no on-

portunities have been open to

them to obtain a start in business

or to commence the practice of

their profession. This large group

may become demoralized and dis-

heartened and thus constitute a

dangerous addition to the discon-

tented and radical-minded ele-

ments and also offer a challenge

to the system which permits the

minds and ingenuities of its youth

The National Youth Administra-

tion was therefor created to stem

ly enough to assuage the needs or

to be wasted."

"Elmer Rice and Paul Sifton cry "One among many points of faith out dramatically against the souland glory in the industrialization of the mulik. The bread-lines of disorganized capitalism stir Edmund Wilson to eloquent rage, but the bread lines of bureaucratic communism are accepted as a necessary expedient in technological developchey deplores from some thirty lythat 'freedom of speech is abused vinced that they are of vital and by capitalists in this country, tremendous importance, and that whereas in Russia it is merely intheir existence or absence is as good complete, since the inviolate censorship and ruthless suppression nation's civilization. The Commulare exercised only against 'the remnist (or the Fascist; their trend of nant of capitalists who wish to see thought in this question is striking- the return of their system.' (Among as of the outworn fetish of a hand- iled authors: Andreyev, Artzibashful of disgruntled intellectuals who ev, Bunin, Korolenko, Kuprin, course, Trotsky.) "Thus too Walter Duranty, whose (or Fascist) state. But my own complacent dispatches in the Times

contrasted the Nazi blood-purge position,' has been eloquently silent though it seems rather obvious that and summary executions of the culture becomes impoverished when Trotsky-Zinoviev-Kamenev faction. the historian must alter his record And Waldo Frank, whose burning almost scorched the pages of the ters, and free research in any field liberal weeklies, does indeed 'speak in a monstrous little voice' of these official murders: 'I realize that the peoples of Russia have their own background and that it is utopian to expect them, because of their heroic prosecution of a great social cause, to behave in every instance according to our own rules and ideals. . .. In so far as it (Russia) appears, even to contradict justice at home, it is harming the cause of justice abroad. From the standpoint of this high strategy, if from no other, I deplore the recent exe-

Answer of Workers Party

Whether or not they are personally disturbed by such questions revolutionists in the U.S. will have to meet them. If the reactionaries gress will have been erected. We fend the assertions of our Declarathe Workers' State will pursue "inof hunger, unemployment and inse-For good measure, and in order curity for the great bulk of the can be assured of "a well-paid job," security against unemployment, and insurance against industrial risks, State to impose arbitrary and repressive measures upon small individual proprietors and farmers:' that the Workers' State while functioning as a dictatorship of the working class against its enemies will assure and continually extend "far more genuine and substantial democratic rights to the masses than ever accorded to them under

> capitalism." (Continued in next issue)

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A Blow at Labor

The millions of youth, the few who have been offered a starvation nittance and the many more who have been completely ignored, have been presented a challenge that can only be met with further "dangerous addition to the discontented and radical-minded elements." Their problem is more than a youth struggle. The essence of the Roosevelt plan strikes a blow at the wages and jobs of all workers. It aims to reduce the American working class to a lower standard of living. and further penury. It must therefore be met, not as a youth affair, but as the concern of the whole laboring mass.

With the support of the adult workers behind them, the youth of the United States must demand, in united ranks: trade union wagescales: regular jobs with a five-day week and six hour day; adequate provision for support while attending academic and training schools: settlement houses in the cities for homeless youth under civil and "system which permits the minds youth supervision; unemployment

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