The International who were not present

By Frederica Montjoy

Barcelona gave a rousing send-off to the volunteers of the International Brigade. Along the streets of Barcelona men of all races and from every corner of the earth who came to offer their all for the cause for which the Spanish people is fighting, marched past upright and sad.

And alongside those who marched past, I remember those who were not among them.

The “Internationals” who were not present . . . those whom no one remembered. Those who . . . I think of Albert Bastard, the young Belgian socialist, who enlisted in the Madrid front.

And I think of Camillo Berneri, one of the Internationals who died in action.

The State rests on the slavery of labour. If labour becomes free, the State is lost—MAU SWENNER

(Tom Mooney and his wife)

The State is always a conserva­tive power that authorizes, regulates and organizes the conquerors of peace; but never does it inaugurate them.—SYMONIUS

(Viwe of the Italian Republic)

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The Government plans to introduce conscription. The working classes must fight back. This is not a question of a single weapon in the hands of reaction—a weapon which the ruling class would not be hesitant to use, if necessary. The first step in our appear, “Defense of Factories” is only a cover for attacks against the freedom of workers. Wind is being used as a method of blackmail. It is not the Fascist blackmail of the “democracies”, but the co-ordinated blackmail of Hitler, Chamberlain, Mussolini, Stalin and their agents, who are using the people’s natural horror of warfare to intimidate them into accepting tyranny under the cover of defence.

While Communists, Liberals and democrats stand ready to betray the workers into a new Imperialist slaughter, Anarchism upholds the true tradition of their class—the tradition based on the fact that in the world there are no slaves, only the wage-slaves of capitalist exploitation and the enemies of their exploiters.

On the elevend of November millions of sincere British “subjects” remain in silence to respect the dead. Those are not the feelings of the organisers of the ceremony—for according to their ruling-class beliefs, have not they been killed for the cause for which those people died? Have they not, by their own standards, become martyrs to those same ideas?

For the ruling classes it is nothing more than an excuse for using the frailty of human sentiment to cultivate the psychology of mass-hysteria and servitude. Do not accept the usual pro-militarist ballyhoo. They will tell you about the so-called peace they have gained, will tell you that the war is over, and will say “Peace, and no more wars.”

Don’t be fooled by politicians, bosses, warmongers or state officials. Use the opportunity to build a movement for workers’ direct action, workers’ direct control, and freedom, while their rulers are fighting Britain, etc., etc., fights Germany again, Britain, etc., etc., will win.

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Spanish Goldman in Spain

Our correspondent E.G., has returned from a seven weeks' stay in Spain, and although his impressions of the Spanish situation are not of such a hopeful nature as those of the comrades of the C.N.T., in particular the Mayoress of Barcelona, one may well be curious in regard to the report of the C. N.T. and the jealousy of the imprisoned leaders of the organization. Our correspondent was detained in the prison of the C. N. T. for two weeks before being released with a fine. The republican movement in Spain is suffering from an acute hunger. Food is very much in demand, and there is a general strike going on at the moment. The strikes are supported by the government, and the working class is making considerable progress. The government has taken some steps to alleviate the suffering of the people, but the situation is still very critical.

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French Policies After the Crisis

(From our Paris Correspondent)

The disturbances arising by the final development of the international crisis is still not over, although they are no longer making any special proposals or sensations. The true values are, or absolute values in relation to humanity. But considered, and by the method of dialectics against the type of Collectives just

EYE WITNESS ACCOUNT OF P.O.U.M. TRIALS

Comrade Emma Goldman attended the trial of the P.O.U.M. prisoners recently held in Barcelona and it is interesting to note how important an event—especially as she was grossly misremembered at the time of his trial. On the 23rd of June, 1936, she as "spies" but as political opponents of the powers

The laws which regulated the state made no attempt to support its charges. The P.O.U.M. prisoners were defended by a member of the C.N.T. who had been with respect and he who had
called for the revolution of 1848, I have gained a tremendous respect for the genius of these men, who had

We have taken no action against whatever remains of the victims gained by the workers in June, 1936.

HERBERT READ'S ADDRESS

Herbert Read's address, which was: "But what is true in his (Stirner's) principle, we, too, must accept. And what is true that before we can be active in any case we must make our own coercive cause—and that in this sense, quite aside from any material expectations, we are communists in virtue of our being, and that out of that spirit we want to be human beings and not merely individuals. (Letter of November 19, 1844. Trans. Sidney Hoede)

But if Marx could learn from Stirner, we can learn from Marx. I venture to think that I have passed through a phase of philosophy and now I am simply faced to ignore his work. We have to build on the basis of that work; we have to conceive socialist organisation on the lines of the General Union of Workers (Socialist and Communist)

U.G.T. & C.N.T. COLLECTIVES A Comparison

The METHOD OF REVOLUTION

I welcome T. Michelson's very acute criticism of my article, and on some points I willingly accept his correction. In particular I admit that my contrast between a Marxian revolution which can only be achieved over a period of years and an anarchist revolution which is a question of a few months, is the in
motive was to argue against the "ideology of gradualism." A policy of revolution by planned stages leads to a paralysis of the revolutionary action. The revolution is left to leaders, whose only thought is to organise their followers in a well-disciplined army.

But much more important is the question of principle involved in the discussion of Stirner and Marx. On this point I have always found that the conflict is directed against the anarchical (idealist) posture of special functions to realise these values. It can only do so by remaining a coherent, independent force, and it can only maintain itself by refusing to do anything with bourgeois culture and bourgeois "society." I grant

that bourgeois culture contains many of the human values which we seek to establish, and which will eventually be taken over by a new order of society. But to take them over on bourgeois terms (a seat in the state)—"the more reactionary, for

In the General Union of Workers (Socialist and Communist)

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be remained by each worker. Hence the mem

Prensa, 1928) (eded by the "Indispensable sacrifice,"

their testimony amply proved that the members of the C.N.T. were not being tried as "spies" but as political opponents of the powers

be domiciled, seeds, technicians, supplies them with fertilizer, farm

up to the present. The C.N.T.-U.G.T. farm

"Rambala" was a violent attack on the prisoners and their ideology on the evening before the verdict, an attempt to inflame public opinion as much as possible.

Even in the face of a possible death sentence by the Court of Trial, General Comrade Goldman reports that all the prisoners were not unfailingty brave and defended their principles without any of the lamentable cowering which has been so much in evidence in similar trials in Russia.

Even the appalling bloody sentences were met with raised heads and hands clenched in the Workers' salute.

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the Collective.

In spite of every discouraging element the workers' collectives will continue and some new ones have been started. The collective movement has been formed—almost entirely spontaneously—by the workers themselves who operate at night, since more electric current is available in the early morning hours, and during the day, most workers are employed. The unemployed are obliged to walk long distances to make ends meet.

The dairy collectives are still thriving—indeed, in spite of the restrictions demanded upon them by the agrarian reform, and the objection of the fascist government to the working-class candidate, they have been able to work actively.

A very good Catholic girl educated at the Catholic Times.

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