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## SELL-OUT GUARANTEED BY NEW WOODWORKERS CONSTITUTION TO 'LUMBERJACKS' IF THEY ACCEPT IT

### Lewisite Unionists Would Stop All Job Action

LEWISTON, Idaho.—Events are disillusioning those workers who sought in the C.I.O. a more progressive union than the kind the A.F.L. would allow them. It is proving more difficult for the organizers of the C.I.O. to convince workers that it is progressive when its every action is evidence to the contrary. The loggers of Idaho have never been enticed by the labor-splitting, official-ridden A.F.L. nor will they be by the same things in the C.I.O. under the banner of "Progress."

The International Woodworkers of America, the CIO lumber workers group, point to their new constitution and proclaim its democratic form. A constitution as roughly and vaguely formulated as is that of the IWA could be interpreted in as many ways as the Bible by its untheological believers. For instance, Article 3, Sec. 10, says, "Between conventions the International President shall interpret the meaning of the constitution but his interpretation shall be subject to rejection by the Board." What use is the Presi-

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## Cleveland Member Dies in Explosion At Ind. Register

Industrial Trolley Takes Life of Fellow Worker Charles Schultze, Jr., Only Strong Organization and Workers' Control Will Provide Adequate Safety Equipment.

CLEVELAND, Ohio.—A typical industrial tragedy hit the local membership during the past week. Fellow Worker Charles Schultze, Jr., employee of the Independent Register Co., was killed last Tuesday by an explosion in the Japan room of the Company. The Wednesday morning edition of the Cleveland Plain Dealer carried the following account of the first killed under the heading: "Workman Killed in Oven Blast at East Side Factory." "One man was killed and damage estimated at \$7,000.00 done when a Japanese oven in the Independent Register Co. plant at 3447 E. 93rd Street exploded late yesterday."

"Charles Schultze, Jr., 25, of 2603 W. 25th St., employed at the plant, was lighting the oven burner when the explosion occurred, according to Ernest C. Fox, president of the company. Schultze died of a fractured skull in Polytechnic Hospital two hours later."

### HELP CLASS WAR VICTIMS, BUILD UP YOUR UNION

While collecting funds for the benefit of our young Fellow Worker, Dalton Gentry—who is a victim of the Weyerhaeuser gun thugs, paralyzed from the hips down since August 2, 1936 as a result of being shot in the spine while on picket duty—I contacted a man who offered to buy me a drink.

I told him that I would not care for a drink but, if he wanted to do something, he could make a donation. I showed him the letter explaining what the collection was for and he donated \$5.00 with the remark, "I would spend it anyhow, and it will do more good that way than if I drank it up."

If the members would spend as much money for the organization as they do for booze, we would have an organization that would get us results. FAR more beneficial than any derived from intoxicating drink.—178-L-7.

### Miners Raise Big Fund for Strike

MEXICO CITY.—Strike preparations reported last week in the Industrial Workers are advancing. The Mexican miners union is determined to call out 17,000 miners in a nationwide strike if wages are not raised. The American Smelting and Refining company claims the union is trying to break its contract which still has a long time to run. A strike fund of \$280,000 has been raised by the union.

## If You Want to Know When A Union Is Not a Union--

The U. M. W. of A. is the model union of all affiliated with the C.I.O. It is the personal property of Lewis and has the CHECK-OFF. And Lewis hopes, eventually, to have the CHECK-OFF in all C.I.O. contracts.

### Here's Another

The furniture strikers in Grand Rapids, Mich., are members of the U.A.W., also a C.I.O. affiliate. One of their demands is for the CHECK-OFF.

Members of the U.A.W. have many times been forced to ignore the rulings of their leaders who say "no strike." But the membership did strike. The employers yelled, "unfair," the labor leaders echoed, "unfair."

So as contracts were renewed a clause was added to the effect that "unauthorized strikes will be resented." But of late members employed at certain plants decided that strike action was needed to stop the chiseling tactics of the boss and to improve conditions quickly.

Strikes pulled in the last couple of weeks have brought a yell from the boss and an answering bark from the leaders: "The strikes were unauthorized." (The workers won their point anyhow.)

### The Leaders Speak

Frankenstein, said the C.I.O. com. said: "There will be no more unauthorized strikes." Which means that class conscious members are to be booked out.

President Martin said in Detroit, "I am going to dictate the international policies." (Come, come, Martin, Lewis might not like it!)

### Mr. Ford Threatens

The Ford plant in Kansas City closed up tight on October 10. It has been the cause of quite some excitement insofar as unionized people are concerned. Some employees have been signed, many laid off, and all threatened with discharge.

According to reports all who had

## Prepare to Start Over Again



Two women in Belchite, Spain, gathering possessions after the battle which ended in a loyalist victory. Shells pierced the wall at the left and demolished the house in the left background.

### It's War to the Knife Against C.I.O. Says President Wm. Green

"No matter what the cost may be," said Wm. Green at the A. F. of L. convention, there's going to be a smashing offensive since war to the knife against the C. I. O. timber workers in the Pacific Northwest. Green went down the line on John L. Lewis and followed with a bitter personal attack. Ford's over. U.A.W. "heads" hold sessions behind locked doors and also try to meet Ford executives in the same way. So far no executives have been met.

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Can't Make a Date With Ford

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What Is News?

Company police (steel pigeons) are eligible for membership in the U.A.W. (remember this is a C.I.O. union). In their respective plants they will act the part of snopes and rats. Ford has about 7,000 of them. Ford loves children—visits school-house goes to church. This is "news" for the brass check. The following is not:

For 300 and more school kids the summer vacation meant working on Ford's farm, doing a man's work for half a man's pay—\$3.20 a day—a Ford Employee.

### Girls Pay \$3 To Work in Sweatshop

TRENTON, N. J.—Exacting tribute from children for the opportunity to exploit them is the racket of the Massaro Dress company, a Trenton sweatshop which manufactures silk dresses.

Many girls have paid \$3. to the company for the opportunity to learn how to operate a sewing machine. At the end of two weeks they were to draw regular wages. But they found that the wages they were able to earn averaged less than \$2.50 a week. A strike has been called at the plant.

## 'HOME STAKE' FOR GENTRY GROWS; MORE IS NEEDED

To date some \$400.00 have been collected by James Whalen and committee for the D. Gentry fund. Fellow Worker Gentry who has been in the hospital ever since the murderous assault of lumber trust gunmen in an I. W. W. picket line in Idaho August 2, 1936, wants to be taken to his Louisiana home. The committee plans to collect \$1,000 before starting Gentry on this long strip. It shouldn't be long now!

### French Co-ops Help Spanish Loyalists

MADRID.—Four trucks filled with foodstuffs from Marseilles cooperative warehouses recently arrived at Madrid, the gift of co-operators beyond the frontier. The Intl. Cooperative Alliance is pushing a drive for assistance to Spanish co-operators.

## Heinrich Bortz, Wobbly Dies in Fight for Freedom

From the Swedish anarchist paper "Storm" we learn that Fellow Worker Heinrich Bortz died on the battlefield of Spain fighting against forces of fascism and for a better world for labor to live in.

Fellow Worker Bortz was a German and belonged to the I. W. W. branch in Sweden and, as a true wobbly, he didn't take up when Hitler came into power, but kept on educating and agitating among his fellow workers. He was arrested and thrown into a concentration camp where he remained confined for many months. Finally, he and some other prisoners escaped one night and fled to Denmark. From there he went to Sweden and at once became active in the labor movement. He soon learned the language and became a brilliant speaker.

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### Southern Gangsters Tamp Up Organizer

DALLAS, Tex. (FP).—Charles D. Elliott, former C.I.O. member in the Texas City Ford plant, was "taken for a ride" and beaten by seven men following an argument over the C.I.O. near the local Ford plant. Elliott has been visiting in Fort Worth and came here to look over the Ford factory. After beating him, his assailants brought him back to the Dallas Ford plant, dumped him out of the car and told him to "keep going."

On the streets are men carrying banners, reading, "Unfair to Our Labor." In the windows are signs, reading, "Old Empire Beer, 100% Union Made, is Unfair to Dave Beck." Men carrying union cards are carrying the banners and other men carrying union cards also, are going past the pickets and drink the beer that is called unfair.

This situation would be comical, if it was not for the tragic part of it. One group of workers trying to boycott the products of another group of workers; both of them organized to fight for more of the good things of life. This, however, is only the result in any organization when the members allow leaders to tell them what they shall or shall not do.

These "Labor Brokers" are just as much parasites as the economic masters, who rob the workers at the point of production and far more despicable because they pretend to be interested in the welfare of the working class. Few of them ever did a real day's work in their whole life, but manage to live of the workers by fooling them into paying them enormous salaries.

The unthinking worker follows their dictates just like the working class soldier who shoots down another worker, not for his own benefit, but for the benefit of a class of parasites who will not put a class at a useful occupation.—641312.

## FACTS ABOUT UNIONS THAT ALL WORKERS SHOULD KNOW

### Autocracy

The C.I.O. held a "convention" in Atlantic City. Those attending were C.I.O. appointees, executives and presidents of the unions affiliated with the C.I.O.

These delegates decide on policies and plans of action in regard to the boss, the A. F. of L., and the C.I.O.

But the members of the affiliate unions did not elect these participants but they must accept their decisions as binding.

The A. F. of L. held their convention at Denver. Those attending were delegates elected by members of the affiliate unions, delegates elected by delegates to central bodies as the Central Labor Councils, and officials elected by the delegates at the last convention.

The I.W.W. holds a convention in Chicago. Those attending are delegates elected by the rank and file members. These delegates decide on policies and plans of action in regard to the boss, the A. F. of L., and the C.I.O.

But these decisions are not binding on the rank and file membership until they express through a referendum ballot their agreement to these policies.

## SOLIDARITY OF LABOR MURDERED AS PORTLAND SAWMILL WORKERS WAR IN BITTER AFL-CIO DISPUTE

### Police Escort Union Men Past Rival's Picketline

PORTLAND, Ore., Oct. 15, 1937.—Solidarity of labor which should be the guiding principle in all of labor's conflicts with employers is of no import to the A. F. of L. strategists in Portland, Oregon. On the contrary, the whole labor controversy between the C.I.O. and A. F. of L. bears all the earmarks of a carefully planned campaign to completely destroy all labor solidarity. If this plan succeeds—but let us hope it will not—labor will soon find itself disorganized and delivered to the ways of a confused lot of helpless wage slaves.

### Furnish Saboteurs

Yesterday morning, Oct. 14, a small crew of A. F. of L. workers was reported going back to work under police protection at the Plyklock corporation mill at St. John. Seventy city police were on hand to give the scabs all possible assurance of safety. Governor Martin had previously hinted that he would make use of the state police to force the mill workers by this means of organized violence to return to work under A. F. of L. union control.

The majority of the mill crew which went C.I.O., has been locked.

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## Beer War Is On In Port Angeles

PORT ANGELES, Wash.—This town is witnessing a condition that to many is a comedy. Three bars ordered a shipment of Old Empire beer. This beer is produced by members of the Brewery Workers union. This organization has had an industrial form within the A. F. of L. for 40 years; but Dave Beck decided that the teamsters' union was under his jurisdiction. But it seems that the men in this brewery refused to be split up into different crafts, so Dave Beck, with the aid of Mayor Dore of Seattle, has kept their product off the market in all places he could by declaring it UNFAIR to organized labor. Evidently Beck and Dore are profiting by it. One group of workers trying to boycott the products of another group of workers; both of them organized to fight for more of the good things of life. This, however, is only the result in any organization when the members allow leaders to tell them what they shall or shall not do.

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## Peace Dove Hovers Over Union War As AFL Gabfest Ends

DENVER (FP).—Possibility of a unity conference of American Federation of Labor and Committee for Industrial Organization leaders soared here at the 57th annual convention of the A. F. of L. as a second proposal was received from the C.I.O.

Replying to the A. F. of L. message that was sent to the meeting with a C.I.O. group but that committees of 100 as first proposed were "impractical," the C.I.O. countered with an offer to have 10 representatives from each group meet in Washington on October 25 to talk peace.

Pres. George M. Harrison of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks said: "It looks like there is a possibility of getting together." He observed, however, that it was up to the executive council to take the next step. The main thing is to get together, he said, urging that no impossible stipulations be made.

Winding up its closing sessions, the delegates unanimously re-elected William Green president for the 45th year, and Frank Morrison secretary for his 41st year at the post. All members of the executive council were re-elected. "I hope and pray for peace," declared Green after his re-election.

Earlier the convention rejected a proposed amendment to the constitution giving the executive council the right to issue general union charters. Proposed by the Amalgamated Assn. of Street & Electric Railway Employees, its rejection was attacked by Isidore Laderman of the pocketbook workers union, who expressed "amazement" at the opposition after many speakers had declared the federation believed in industrial unionism. "The action destroyed the A. F. of L.'s contention that the C.I.O.-F. A. of L. fight was that of 'democracy versus minority rule' and meant that the federation had no intention of chartering industrial unions," said Frank Morrison, J. Tobin of the Intl. Brotherhood of Teamsters opposed the amendment.

Houston, Tex., was chosen for the 1938 convention.

## New York Transit System Contracts With Four Unions

NEW YORK.—The Brooklyn-Manhattan Transit System has agreed to a closed shop and a 40 percent increase to 9,000 workers, thus averting a threatened strike of the Transport Workers Union.

The contract, which runs from Oct. 31 to Dec. 31, 1938, involves a total payroll increase over this period of \$2,000,000. In addition the pact provides for a minimum wage of \$25 and a second week's vacation with pay for workers with more than five years' service.

On the heels of this agreement with the C. I. O. affiliate, the company signed similar contracts with the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, representing between 800 and 900 employees, the Brotherhood of Signalmen of America, 400 men, and the Independent Teamsters Workers Union, 1,100 ticket agents.

The B. M. T. agreement gives the T. W. U. a closed shop on every new train line in the city with the exception of the city-owned Independent System, whose workers, already organized into the union, will demand a contract in the near future.

### CHIVALRY

Japanese bombs, as they burst, roar: "Women and children first."

ABOLITION OF THE  
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## THE UPPER CRUST



## An Industrial Trend

One of the characteristic tendencies of developing capitalism is showing distinct signs of trying to go into reverse. It is the centralization of production in larger and larger plants located in a comparatively few industrial centers.

This movement, which has been going on without interruption ever since the beginning of machine production and which in the last century has been one of the most potent influences in the molding of modern proletarian existence, has at last reached a point where its further growth threatens to be not an advantage, but rather a danger to the owning class.

It is an accepted rule that the larger the plant the more profitably it can be operated. This follows from the fact that the division of labor can be more efficiently carried out where there are thousands of workers exploited under one management than where there are only hundreds. There is, ordinarily, less waste of effort where operations can be carried on in one big plant than there is in dozens of smaller plants with a combined capacity as great as that of the large one. But there is a limit beyond which plant size becomes a disadvantage to the capitalist owners, and in our time many have reached, and even passed, that limit.

## The "Bottleneck"

More and more of the modern economic masters are learning that where the country's productive capacity of important necessities has been highly centralized in one or a few large cities the risk of unwanted stoppages of production through the operation of some disturbing influence becomes greater in the same proportion as the centralization.

The decentralization trend has been evident for some years; Henry Ford has long been an advocate of it. Undoubtedly the most compelling reason for it is to take away from labor the tremendous advantage a high degree of centralization gives it. It is easier to tie up one large plant in a strike than a number of smaller ones scattered throughout the country. A good example is the rubber industry which flourishes now almost exclusively in and around Akron, Ohio. It's a "bottleneck" in the chain of auto production which, if it should come under the control of a strong and energetic labor movement, could be stopped by the workers in the dismay of profit-greedy capitalists all along the line. There are similar vulnerable points in many other lines of production. Transportation, of course, is a "bottleneck" through which practically all production must flow.

## Migrating Industries

Stimulating the decentralization movement is the urge of industrial capitalists to build plants in every market area, since that eliminates much long distance shipping. But a more compelling reason for plant expansion into new territory is the search for labor power with a lower standard of living than that which prevails in the older industrial centers.

Says the New York Times, the construction and modernization of industrial plants in the United States is "proceeding this year at the fastest pace since 1929." The Times calls attention to the fact also that there is an unprecedented movement of capital to the South-eastern and Southwestern states, where labor costs are lower and to the establishment of new automobile/factory branches in New Jersey, for example, "in the hope of finding less troublesome labor conditions."

For years shoe factories have been leaving the Boston area, where the present generation of shoe workers has inherited a tradition of unionism from its forebears, to go to other New England states where farmers' sons and daughters are anxious to find factory jobs. From dress manufacturers to steel barons, capitalists are experiencing a desire to get away from the older manufacturing centers and take advantage of it where they can.

It has become quite a common procedure for large corporations, when they want to expand capacity, to build branch plants in new terri-

tory, sometimes as far away as Europe or Asia. One example given in the Times article referred to, is U. S. Steel's decision to spend \$229,000,000 for expansion of capacity in Birmingham, Ala., "where labor problems, so far, have been less complex."

## The Effect

There is no question but that this scattering of industries into hitherto undeveloped portions of the country tends to depress workers' living standards in the older industrial sections. But the most important consequence is that sectional barriers are being broken down. A sure consequence will be that all differences in social outlook that now exist among workers in the different sections of the country will be wiped out. The time when opinions, attitudes, and demands of southern workers, for instance, will be the same as those of the North is actually in sight. This means that there will be one less difficulty the movement toward one big union has to overcome.

Experience has shown that soon after share croppers, etc., become wage workers they learn to think and act like others of their class.

## The Outlook for Organization

As capitalists seek out every avenue of expansion open to them and in the process impose almost uniform conditions of existence on the working class, the opportunities for real organization will be immensely improved.

In trying to eliminate the narrow channels that plug up easily in the productive process and in their search for cheaper labor, either by moving plants to or importing workers from backward rural sections, they are creating a demand for unionism, making rebels, manufacturing agitators.

There are two by-products of every modern industry that the employers don't know what to do with and would gladly eliminate. They are the spirit of revolt bred in the workers by the conditions and the opportunity to give expression to it through organization in the W. U.

THE PREAMBLE  
OF THE INDUSTRIAL WORKERS OF THE WORLD

The working class and the employing class have nothing in common. There can be no peace so long as hunger and want are found among millions of working people and the few who make up the employing class, have all the good things of life.

Between these two classes a struggle must go on until the workers of the world organize as a class, take possession of the earth and the machinery of production, and abolish the wage system.

We find that the centering of management of the industries into fewer and fewer hands makes the trade unions, in all industries, if they are to be of any use, unable to cope with the ever growing power of the employing class. The trade unions foster a state of affairs which allows one set of workers to be pitted against another set of workers in the same industry, thereby helping defeat the employment class to mislead the workers into the belief that the working class have interests in common with their employers.

These conditions can be changed and the interest of the working class upheld only by an organization formed in such a way that all its members in any one industry, or in all industries if necessary, cease work whenever a strike or lockout is on in any department thereof, thus making an injury to one an injury to all.

Instead of the conservative motto, "A fair day's wage for a fair day's work," we must inscribe on our banner the revolutionary watchword, "Abolition of the wage system."

It is the historic mission of the working class to do away with all industries if necessary, cease work whenever a strike or lockout is on in any department thereof, thus making an injury to one an injury to all.

OFFICIAL  
NOTICESTo the General Membership  
of the L. W. I. U.  
No. 120

A General Membership Convention of Lumber Workers Industrial Union No. 120 will be held in Seattle, Wash., November 26, 1937. It will be called to order at 10 a. m. by G. O. C. Chairman of L. W. I. U. No. 120. Any member of L. W. I. U. No. 120 in good standing is eligible to attend, and should attend.

There are questions of vital importance to be taken up at this convention. Questions of differing interpretations and dues of the entire organization, and matters of policy for our 1938 committee and functionaries are to be discussed. It's up to the members of 120 to get their thinking caps on and get busy.—J. Whalen.

I. U. No. 319-330  
Official Notice

Nominations are now open for the election of G. E. B. member, Alternate G. E. B. members, General Organization Committee and Alternates for the G. O. C. for the coming term of office, starting March 1, 1938.

Nominations may be made by conference or any meeting of seven or more members. All nominees with their acceptances must be in Headquarters not later than December 31, 1937 to allow time for the make up of the ballot which must be in the field by December 15.

For eligibility for the G. O. C. members and their Alternates, see Article 3, Section 1 and 2 of the L. W. I. U. No. 319-330 By-Laws and for eligibility for G. E. B. member and his Alternate see Article 3, Section 2A of the General Constitution.

Pao Monaldi, Chairman G. O. C.  
W. H. Westman, Sec.-Treas.

## I. U. 110 NOMINATIONS

Nominations for General Organization Committee Members: Mike Capelik, Morris Sorenson, J. Burke, F. H. Binger, Nels Peterson, John K. Peterson, Chester Cook, C. F. Bales, William Unger, Ernest Morley, James Anderson, George Randell, Bill Rapp, Wm. Henry, The Story, James Grafton, Chris George, Frank Lawless, James Schultz, Aron Rice, Wayne Rinder, Kirby Bender and Yer Ali.

Nominations for G. E. B. Member: Geo. Sward, declines, Mike Capelik, Chester Cook, Joe Jarvis, Bill Rapp, John K. Peterson, A. P. Johnson, Wm. Unger, Fred Christensen, Ed Story, George Fox and C. F. Bales.

## I. U. 510 NOMINATIONS

Following are the names of those nominated for G. O. C. and G. E. B. who have not declined to date:

For G. O. C.: John J. Bagley, J. P. Wojnarowski, Frank Natunewski, William Patton, J. B. Childs, Philip Longstone, Sim Johnson, A. Martin, For G. E. B.: Stanley Sawicki, Louis Perry, Wilmer Fox, William Patton.

## SPANISH LEAFLETS

Free leaflets about the situation in Spain are available at Headquarters. Send in your order.

## ST. MARIES, IDAHO

Harold Johnson, Delegate No. 176 of L. W. I. is the traveling delegate in the St. Maries district. He will be in St. Maries, Idaho, on Saturday, December 12, 1937. He will be in St. Maries, Idaho, on Saturday, December 12, 1937. He will be in St. Maries, Idaho, on Saturday, December 12, 1937.

## GIBNEY, CHRISTOPHER NOTICE

John Gibney and Jim Christopher are asked to communicate with the undersigned by November 6, 1937.—A. J. Trussell, Sec'y Spokane Wash. branch, 225 N. Bernard St.

## LOS ANGELES

Fellow Worker C. E. Setzer has been elected branch secretary. He succeeded Fellow Worker Ed. Anderson. Address all mail intended for the branch accordingly: 280 Lang Bldg., 215 S. Spring St., Los Angeles, Calif.

Nominations Open For  
General Sec'y-Treas.

To All Branches, etc. of the I. W. W.

Fellow Workers: Nominations for General Secretary-Treasurer of the Industrial Workers of the World, are now open. In the Industrial Union Conventions, General Membership, Industrial Union, G. R. U. Branches and meetings of seven or more members, where no Branch exists, can make nominations.

Each meeting or Convention will be allowed to select three persons as their choice for General Secretary-Treasurer. It is very important that the number of votes each nominee receives is recorded in the minutes.

Eligibility of candidates for this office is defined in Article III, Section 3, (a) of the General Constitution.

Nominations must be in the Main Office at 2422 N. Halsted St., Chicago, Illinois, on or before November 15th, 1937, to be accepted.

Yours for the I. W. W.  
Charles Veleck  
General Executive Board Chairman  
Industrial Workers of the World.

## CHICAGO

A special G. R. U. Branch No. 1 meeting is called for Friday, October 22, 8 p. m. at the I. W. W. Hall, 2422 Lincoln Ave. There is important business to be taken up. All members asked to attend.

## I. U. No. 440 Members Notice

Due to an error in making up the ballot committee's report on the question of when the I. U. No. 440 should hold its regular convention this year. It was erroneously reported that the vote was for no convention, when in reality the vote, by a large majority, was for a convention.

Therefore, Metal Machinery Workers I. U. No. 440 will hold its regular yearly convention as per their By-Laws.

W. H. Westman,  
Secretary-Treasurer.

## G. R. U. BULLETIN

The General Recruiting Union Bulletin will appear November 1. Members desiring to send in articles are requested to get them in early so there will be time enough to prepare them for publication. Address: G. R. U. Bulletin, 2422 N. Halsted St., Chicago, Illinois, Markas Dahl, Chairman of the G. R. U.

## MINNEAPOLIS

Fellow Workers take notice: Send all communications for the Minneapolis branch to the new secretary, John Hoyer, 224 35th Ave. S.

## SACRAMENTO

A general membership meeting is called for October 21 at 2081 Eye St., Sacramento, Calif. All full-time members are urged to attend.

## MANHATTAN BRANCH

On and after October 4 the address of the Manhattan branch of I. U. No. 510 will be P. O. Box 808, Church St. Annex, New York City, N. Y.

## CLEVELAND NEWS STAND

The One Big Union Monthly may be bought at the Cut Rate Drug Store, 79th and St. Clair.

Commercial Magazine  
Shows Labor Pictures

DES MOINES, Ia.—For the first time the cause of human rights gets a break in one of the big commercial magazines with the publication, in the Sept. 28 and Oct. 12 issues, of the magazine Look, of a picture story on civil liberties in America.

The magazine points to the disappearance of personal liberty in many European countries and warns Americans to be on their guard lest the same thing happen here. It is the first time that such a crusade has been launched outside the labor press.

## WHAT IS PRACTICABLE?

"It is my determination to pursue a policy of peace and to adopt every possible measure to avoid involvement in war."—Felix Roosevelt.

Finds Jobs for  
Morgans After  
the Revolution

By T-BONE SLIM

Many of the working class would be satisfied if they could get Morgan to push a wheelbarrow. I heard the debate over this delightful subject in a gang of longshoremen. I must say a great enlightenment unfolded before my glistening orb.

There I sat on a timberhead in open-mouthed wonder at the profound wisdom of the am of the revolution opinion that only the presence of a liberal squad of Mayor La Guardia's gendarme prevented a free-for-all.

Where the longshoremen got the wheelbarrow (monocle) instrument of torture) is beside the point and beyond my comprehension but it was there in all its pristine glory. It was some of the boys were not satisfied to just let Mr. Morgan barge in between the handles of the wheelbarrow; they wanted to load it down with sacks of cement—as high as six sacks.

T-Bone Thinks it Wrong  
Can you imagine? Why it's scandalous! Six sacks of cement weigh 600 pounds and Mr. Morgan weighs but a short 300. Why it's an outrage, and when you think of the skin, skin, and spongy muscles, never having turned a wheel in his life. (That shows how much longshoremen know about gyroscopes).

Nessie! I want to have I want Mr. Morgan to trot around with an empty wheelbarrow the first day and touch his muscles, flex his heart and arteries and soften his heart and arteries—that's honor enough for one day.

That's just the trouble with the working class they don't know the first think about hiring help; after all these years of intermittent, intermittent, feathering the employers' nests... and here, a minute now, the dawn of industrial civilization may shoot across the skies of NIGHT and it is up to them to find suitable employment for their masters.

Six sacks of cement? Why, any supposition would declare it UN-REASONABLE without further investigation or hefting of the handles to find out if the sacks actually contained cement instead of aristotle. The longshoremen would further insist for it and risk rupture of the dignity of the court. There you are didn't I tell you; there you load down that wheelbarrow beyond the point of human endurance and you've got the courts against you.

You can't do that you've got to break 'em in easy, same as you would a young dog or a confirm. You must not permit the full force of industrial madmen strike him before he is caloused to it. That's the way we were broke in ourselves. The employer, raised the alarm and found us jolting our fingers and he knew he was at our spot. Then he looked over his establishment and discovered the lightest yoke he could find, and tossed it around our necks.

That doesn't sound like six sacks of cement or a barrel of red-lax does it? We've got to be reasonably sure.

A Better Job  
But some of the boys and girls would be satisfied to see the industrial captains doing the two-step behind a wheelbarrow. Not me. I want every man that shows the slightest sign of Nervism chipping hot castings. They are chiselers, that's what they are and the mere fact that they knock off doesn't change the nature of their graftsmanship. "Every man to his trade." That's my motto and if the working class will take my modest proposal to heart they will find no rough-hewn casting coming out of the hothouse, for our great republic houses the best chiselers the world has ever known.

In fact our fair land is overpopulated with chiselers and it begins to look like none of us rough carpenters need go to the next war.

The only machine that I know of that has lightened the labors of mankind is the electric office grinder. The clerk cannot rush off and wait another customer; he must stand there perfectly still till the machine gets through grinding—for if he did not the machine might grind away at nothing and waste juice. So the light and power company stands guard selflessly to see to it that the clerk doesn't desecrate that big moment by the grabbing and arm-load of yellow soap, 6 for 19 cents, but that he keeps his hands off labor, empty coffee sack in hand.

Ben Mussolini breaks up plot Against his Picard.  
"Russia sends saboteurs on One Way Ride."  
I. O. Cane Seventeen Organizers.  
Just one thing after another in the latter purge the "commies" bonfire and spurious, will be next. The gun the wailing wail! Leadership! High bid, huh!

Let me tell you something: If those seventeen organizers had done that much organization work that would not have been a mistake. Oh, well, mistakes will happen and a man may be trotting around with a married woman. That was A. F. of L.'s wife, didn't you know, huh?

One day CIO denounces AF of L and AF of L bawls CIO AF; next day CIO offers olive branch to AF of L and AF of L offers CIO a pipe of peace.

One day Italy denounces England and England howls out Italy; next day England offers Italy an olive branch and Italy praises England.

They think they are on a high tide. Or do they think they are fooling some body?

SELF OPERATING  
COTTON PLANTER

By HENRY GOLLOMB

George Hider of Louisiana has gone the mechanical cotton picker one better. He has invented a robotic cotton planter and cultivator which does all the work without any human help at all. Hider grows the cotton on a 4-acre lot in the shape of a spiral with a tremendous outer circumference and a gradually dwindling down to a small circle in the center. This makes a cotton row of about eighty miles. The robot tractor is attached to a strongly set-in center post. As the tractor moves in the spiral, the planter sets the tractor on the outer rim of the spiral, starts the mechanism and leaves it to itself. As the machine travels around the first of the spiral, it winds about the post, just shortens its range and gnabbling it to follow the 80-mile spiral to the last foot.

Building a 38-mile tunnel is not much of an achievement for the layers. Much longer ones have been constructed for aqueduct purposes. But the Soviet government has already prepared a complete plan to connect Asia with America. It involves boring through 38 miles of solid rock under the Bering sea to the coast of Alaska. Imagine the possibility of traveling a mile from New York to Moscow and so into Europe!

After you've given yourself a good shave with a fresh blade you'll find that the razor is the reason is that you have really shaved away a good portion of your old scurfy face-worn skin. The Mellon Institute is responsible for the statement, that you have you have removed almost as much skin as you do hair. They discovered this by making numerous analyses of the contents of the razor retrieved from the razor. They also stated that the man with a sensitive skin usually develops that condition by scraping away too vigorously.

Nature originally intended that the proper place for a root was at the bottom of a tree or a plant. But man long ago decided that nature was only an amateur, and in the case of root growing he proceeded to prove that he could grow one on any part of the plant he wanted to. Even on the petal of a flower! A plant hormone called auxin is the magic word. When auxin is applied to the growth of flowers without fertilization and the propagation of seedless tomatoes.

## NO USE FOR WOMEN

Hitler was angered because some glads as Grecian dancers were sent out to greet him and his dictator, Mussolini.

Der Fuehrer never did find women necessary part of his life, but he might at least let Benito have a little fun.

## Pharmacists Win Eight-Hour Day

SAN FRANCISCO (FP)—The Pharmacists Union has signed an agreement with 104 San Francisco druggists, including major chains, providing an 8-hour day, 48-hour week, time-and-a-half for overtime, union recognition and the union shop (new employees must join the union within 15 days), one to two weeks' vacation with pay, and a wage scale of \$165 a month for registered pharmacists. Druggists are to go to an arbitration board.

Twelve plants manufacturing wooden furniture have signed closed shop agreements with the Furniture Workers Union. In hotel negotiations, 168 additional hotels have joined the original 55 in agreeing to be bound by the decision of the arbitration board, instead of setting up a separate arbitration board for their own.

## It's Hard Work And Little Pay On Fruit Farms

WENATCHEE, Wash.—The American Fruit Company has cut this fall throughout the country this fall that 5,000 apple pickers could get work in the Wenatchee valley, this year at five cents a box and claimed that it was easy for a man to pick 180 boxes a day. But the real thing is very different from the advertisements.

What these workers, mostly unorganized, are really up against is something like this:

They tell the pickers when they start to work that the rate per box is four cents and that an additional one-half cent per box will be paid as bonus to those who can stand it through the season. Pickers are offered four and one-half cents per box with a one-half cent bonus for "good" picking. The American Fruit Company has cut even this wholly inadequate pay. Dawson, the manager, has been making out time sheets for four and one-half cents per box with an additional one-fourth cent for a "good" pack. It is almost unnecessary to add that the inspector finds only inferior packs that do not merit the higher rate. The average pay is 35 cents and hour for picking.

Pickers come and go. Some have been fired because they would not eat at the company boarding house at the rate of \$1.20 a day for poor board. There is discrimination against outsiders and the pets recommended by big shots and the vigilante leaders are given such breaks as there are in the way of better.

Never was organization in Agricultural Workers Industrial Union of the I. W. W. so badly needed as here and now in the Wenatchee valley.—W. D. Rainbolt.

## DIPLOMACY A LA NIPPON

Clever people, those Japanese. They have an international lawyer to tell them what they have a "right" to bomb—and then proceed to blow up the whole works anyway.

"Japanese troops massed thousands of Chinese in front of the former Imperial Palace at Peking and commanded them at the point of guns to applaud the announcement of the fall of Peking"—news item. Such popularity must be deserved.

Ignoring the long list of schools and universities destroyed by bombardment, the Japanese command announced it is attacking "only military" objectives.

But after all, we suppose the whole of China is a military objective.

## The I.W.W. In Theory and Practice

The new I. W. W. in Theory and Practice by Justus Ebert will be ready in a few weeks. It's a fine book, fully up to the high standard of earlier editions and as up-to-the-minute as American unionism itself.

Send in your orders now. Fifteen cents for single copies and nine cents a copy in bundles of ten or more. Remittances with orders will be appreciated. When cash accompanies the order books will be shipped post paid.

Industrial Workers of the World, 2423 N. Halsted St., Chicago, Ill. 2

## THE WORLD AS IT IS

"Lies, Treason, Oppression"  
by Art Hopkins

Next to a scab and stool-pigeon the most loathsome of human animal life is a deliberate, malicious, malignant, lying reader of "The Worker" in a review of a pamphlet entitled "History of Anarchism in Russia" written by a "Comrade E. Yaroslavsky. Anyway he finds elegant confusion that Comrade Harrison longs in that category.

He writes with a vicious bitterness; more dogmatic, more fanatical and more bitter than a repentant atheist. The thing that hurts most is that a time I. W. W. could stoop to sit on a board, instead of setting up a separate arbitration board for their own.

It's a pet communist tactic to slander anyone who disagrees with them. It was their tactic of "social fascism" which helped lead to the death of Hitler. It is their tactic that is butchering the Spanish revolution. And it is just their principles and action that have been the greatest hindrance to the labor movement throughout the world.

But let's not get oratorical. Let's look at facts. What does Mr. Harrison say? "...anarchism... We have seen it at a distance—influencing great masses of Spanish workers and the death of Spain in their struggle against fascism. And an influence of aid to fascism, of deep and dangerous injury to Spanish labor." To answer such a charge would be unnecessary for those who have read the reports in the Industrial Worker.

But to those who may not have, let it be said that the anarchists and anarcho-syndicalists of Spain are the gliding struggle in the war against those who have read the reports in the Industrial Worker. The struggle in Spain is of greater significance than that of Democracy versus Fascism. It's struggle for social revolution. And the CNT and FAI have, in territories where they are strong, begun the work of reconstructing society on a socialist basis. The communists on the other hand have done everything in their power, with the help of Russia which has been kind as to give some aid to Spain, to halt the socialization of life.

Harrison takes up an old communist theme: Bakunin, a "repentant anarcho-syndicalist," Nestor Makino, a "pogromist."

"Yes, it was not until 1866, when Bakunin was 52 years of age, that he became an anarchist, terms, a revolutionary." That may be true, but Bakunin, by 52, but it takes longer than that for a Bolshevik to become a revolutionary. And speaking about repentant anarcho-syndicalists, what about your old Bolshevik?

As to Makino, where did you get your information? We refer you to a statement in the English "Russian Press Review" of October 29, 1937. (published by the government at Moscow). It states: "The War Communist has published the following correction: 'The French press has, as is probably known, written a good deal about Makino joining the French. The Soviet press, in its turn, has also published documents which have shown that a formal alliance existed between Wrangel and Makino. But it has now been ascertained that this information was not correct. All documents published about formal alliance between Makino and Wrangel were forged by Wrangel.' (Our emphasis).

You speak of Makino as a "pogromist." Where is your proof? Or is it merely the wild imagination of you and your bolshevik friends? You have been making that same assertion ever since Makino helped defeat the Wrangel forces, and when your bolshevik friends saw his service was no longer needed.

Makino to his very last day demanded a Jewish tribunal be called together where anyone who dared incriminate him or his movements, should pay no one among the Jewish people made any move to convene such a tribunal. One of the staunchest supporters of Makino in Sholem Schwartzbard, the man who shot General Otrubla, White Russian general and infamous pogrom maker, and who was later acquitted by a Parisian Court.

And for the benefit of our anarcho-syndicalist friends, let me mention a gem of wisdom coming from the pen of Comrade Harrison. In case you don't know it "Anarchism... is inter-related to all current anti-fascist movements. Hence, the movement is merged with Trotskyism." This I am certain will be a surprise to many. What I know of

## LOOKING THE WORLD OVER

International Notes of Concern to Labor

British Isles

According to Angus, a British journalist who seems to be the mouthpiece of British diplomats, Russia and France are to blame for the impasse in the world today. They are to blame for Gen. Franco's advances in Spain and also for Japan's attack on China. Russia failed to declare war on Japan, he says. British diplomats are given a coat of whitewash in Angus's dispatch to the N. Y. Times, dated Oct. 3.

British labor is staidier than American, said one correspondent. Despite a \$12 weekly average wage and a 40-hour average workweek, British workers have made more advances than American, he claimed. The direction he left in mind.

Mosley tried to speak in Liverpool, but they thought very little of him. So little, in fact, that they sent him to the hospital.

### Russia

Six put to death—8 executed—21 sentenced to die—soviet army relieved of duties—817 executed in Russian purge. So say the headlines. Russian "liberty" is costly.

The elections, first in Russia, will be held Dec. 12, and everything is set for a victory for Stalin and his associates.

About 14,000 coal miners, included with Stalinism, called for a scheduled output in all the mines. Coal mining has been lagging in some districts. A system of flying inspection was inaugurated and old time managers have been reappointed with younger men with more technical training.

### Germany

Seven miners died near Gelsenkirchen. A fireproof explosion was responsible. A number of German miners working in France lost their passports, because they would not obey regulations meant changing their wages from French francs to German marks.

German labor service was lengthened by a half year. A German court ruled against holding the Rev. Martin Niemöller, former supreme commander, in jail for religious beliefs. Rebellious workers don't get even that benefit.

A drive against Jews is on in Danzig. Hitler says Germany will protect Belgium, which is also protected by England, which is also protected by the Japanese.

Television was successfully demonstrated over an ordinary telephone wire for a distance of 25 miles.

### France

Ballooning in municipal elections aroused that "Poppy and Front" was still getting the support of the voters, with Socialists and Communists.

## Stay Out of 5 & 10 Stores if You Want To Boycott Japan

TACOMA, Wash.—A fleet of steamships owned by the Chicago Milwaukee & St. Paul and Pacific R.R. operating between Tacoma and Japan, said under the Japanese flag and are manned by Japanese seamen. This is done to avoid the payment of the American scale of wages which are considerably higher than the Japanese scale. Cargoes are mostly raw materials going to Japan and merchandise which is sold mostly in U. S. & 10 cent stores.

You may be well to mention that F. W. Woolworth & Co. own large blocks of shares in the Milwaukee Road and with its cooperation is helping to beat down wages and working conditions in the United States. When buying anything, the above should be remembered.—X120795.

"The German attitude toward the Far East crisis is one of non-interference." —German Ambassador Dieckhoff.

Anarchism and the anarchist movement, they are just as violently opposed to Trotskyism as they are to Stalinism. Harrison George who must be suffering from some kind of hallucination!

Yes, and there will come a time when the revolutionary labor movement will put in a card for posterity to see two papers and describe the words: Here are two examples of reactionary newspapers. One an overseas fascist paper, the property of the Trotskyist movement. The other claiming to be a revolutionary paper, but just as reactionary: The Daily Worker.

Italy slightly gaining but the Radical Socialists slightly losing. Some Frenchmen demonstrated against sending Spaniards back to their country. The ambassador to Valencia was found to be pro-Franco and replaced. Some fights took place between rightists and leftists, especially before the elections.

France "wants to help Spain." No body stopping it, some to be the cause of opinion, except the French themselves.

A meeting of experts from England, France, Germany, Russia, Italy and a dozen other countries discussed planning of underground work to protect civil populations against air raids and gas warfare. Quite a "civilized" theme.

### Italy

Mussolini sent over 50,000 soldiers to Libya, not to play ping-pong either.

The Italian hotly denied backing Nippon against China but does not deny helping Franco in the mass murder of Spanish workers.

At least 17 leftists were imprisoned for from six months to 18 years for "activity against the state."

Italians killed—admitted it—5,000 Ethiopians lately. Since that number of dead represents one huge battle and many smaller ones, we are left to believe that the "common lawyer" game, did the work for Il Duce. Italy admitted losing 102.

### Poland

Anti-Jewish activities still continue. 70 Poles were arrested as terrorists. The government said it would grant certain concessions to striking teachers to avert a general strike.

Ignace Paderewski joined the new Labor Party, which has nothing to do with labor.

Jewish students struck against the practice of segregating them in school rooms.

Elsewhere in Europe Spain is making large purchases of Danube and Russian wheat. With the whole world aligned against them, with Communist forces creating internal turmoil, Spanish workers are putting up a splendid fight against fascism.

Turks test defenses in secret maneuvers—Portugal has war games for first time in years—Belgians have war games—Rhine-Elbe build forts on frontier. These are samples of headlines.

The admirable blood-letter Admiral Horthy has suggested three League of Nations, one for America, one for Asia and one for Europe. How about one League of Humanity?

Some Nazi leaders were arrested in Praha, one of them charged with a crime under the criminal code paragraph dealing with homosexuality. Czechoslovakia designated airlines for flights from both Germany and Austria.

## Food For Stay-Down Strikers

VISITORS WELCOME

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## THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS

The new bridge was opened over the Danube at Vienna. It was a huge job, being 4,635 feet long and having six lanes for traffic and broad sidewalks. It is one of the world's longest suspension bridges. Beginning of construction was delayed many years because it was feared by Vienna's Socialist municipality, which owned a building built on an island in the Danube. Quite an original excuse, which was not used during the reign of Socialists in Vienna.

Hungarian agrarian party leaders are in the Haspburg camp now.

American Countries

The Mexican government will force its land plan (a form of communal collectivization) on the state of San Luis Potosi, which is ruled by Gen. Saturno Cedillo, former secretary of agriculture and a "would-be-Hitler." In a political fight one general shot and killed the other one's chauffeur, shot the first one and then himself. This happened at Vera Cruz and the reason was a threatened investigation into political affairs.

Locusts are so thick that traffic is stopped and all crops are ruined in Nicaragua. Germany informed Nicaragua that prices on German goods have gone up by 40 per cent to them.

## The Far East

Poison gas and dum-dum bullets. That's the latest dose against the Japs. Japan charges Russia with mobilizing troops in Outer Mongolia, but admits its own intention to occupy Nanking and a Japanese out of all North China.

China is willing to follow the Japs in peace, said the finance minister of China, H. H. Kung. The workers of both countries are working day and night to keep their armies in the field. Chinese leaders who don't lead their troops to victory are not heroes. They get the death verdict from Nanking.

## Here and There

A Chicago Tribune writer asserts that Socialists are linked in the attempt to beat the economic slump in New Zealand. We don't know that McCormick had investments in New Zealand also—as in Mexico.

Banishment of Arab leaders didn't stop terrorism in Palestine. One third of deaths have occurred and others have been wounded.

Egypt also doubled its fund for defense, adding 5,070,000 dollars to it.

An American shot the American consul general Gen. James T. Mariner, thinking he had been denied permission to re-enter the United States. The permission had been granted but had gone astray.

## COMING EVENTS

### LOS ANGELES

Every Sunday—Open Forum at the I. W. W. Hall, 224 1/2 Spring St., 8 p. m. Admission 15 cents.

Saturday, October 30, 1937: A Hall-Johnson's "Dance in the I. W. W. Hall, 224 1/2 Spring St. Good music, refreshments; starts at 8 p. m. Admission 15 cents.

### OAKLAND, CALIF.

Every Sunday, 8 p. m. Open Forum at the I. W. W. Hall, 438 10th St., Oakland. Good speakers.

### CHICAGO, ILL.

Every Thursday, 8:30 P. M.: The International United Church meets at the I. W. W. Hall for singing practice. Men and women who like to sing are invited to apply for admission to the group.

### NEWARK, N. J.

Friday, October 22: Jack Walsh, veteran of the I. W. W., will speak at the History of the Marine Transport Workers.

Saturday night, November 6: A Bingo Party and Dance will be given by the Industrial Workers of the World at 294 Market St. One free bingo. Admission 25c, Wardrobe included.

Saturday, October 30, 8 p. m.: A dramatic performance of three acts and a dance will be given at Bohemian Hall, 18th Ave., corner of S. 17th St., Newark, will be given by the Hungarian members of the I. W. W. Other attraction: Party proceeds for suffering Spanish families. Directions: Take Bus No. 25 or 26 to S. 17th St. get off and walk one block north to the hall—Admission 40 cents.

### SEATTLE, WASH.

Sunday, November 14, 8 p. m. Entertainment and dance for the benefit of Work Peoples College to be given at Finnish Hall, 1239 Washington St. Admission 25c.

### CHICAGO, ILL.

Saturday, October 30, 8 p. m.: A Halloween Party and Dance will be held at the I. W. W. Hall, 2412 Lincoln Ave. This party will be under the direction of the hall committee; proceeds are to be applied to local organization needs.—Hall Committee.

### O. B. U. Monthly Benefit to Open Oakland Season

OAKLAND, Cal.—The Bay District Wobblers and their friends will try to win a supper with a supper to be given at the Carpenters' Hall, 783—12th Street, Oakland, Saturday night, October 23rd, at 6:30 o'clock. The supper given by the Oakland Branch last winter brought the talk of all the guys and gals around this neck of the woods who know a swell time when it's before 'em. And the committee in charge of arranging this season's initial affair swear up and down that it's going to be some feast and that the old wobbly slogan of "If you're hungry you come, the better we like it" still holds good.

No and no! in the price either—the same old four bits.

The proceeds will go for the benefit of the One Big Union Monthly. The supper given by the Oakland Branch last winter brought the talk of all the guys and gals around this neck of the woods who know a swell time when it's before 'em. And the committee in charge of arranging this season's initial affair swear up and down that it's going to be some feast and that the old wobbly slogan of "If you're hungry you come, the better we like it" still holds good.

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## Frisco Labor Still Boosting Pay Scale

SAN FRANCISCO.—(FP)—The Machine Production Workers (A. F. L.) have reached an agreement with the famous Frisco manufacturing firms giving a 40-hour week for production workers and a 44-hour week for shipping department employees from Jan. 1, 1938, and a scale from 77¢ an hour. The Frisco District, which has 10,000 members, signed up two of the largest department stores in the Mission district for a 48-hour week to Dec. 24, 44 hours from then to April, and thereafter a 40-hour week.

## AGREEMENTS

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## Tampa Flagg Victims of Southern Justice

BARTON, Fla. (FP)—Southern justice of the kind that attempted to send Angelo Flagg to the chair for 20 years and the Scottsboro boys to their death, released from second degree murder charges five years ago, Tampa politicians charged with the failure of Joseph Flagg, sheriff on November 30, 1935.

Flagg was "flogged" because he refused to leave town at the order of the Klan. Two other men, Dr. S. G. Rogers and Eugene P. Poulton, were flogged at the same time. All had aroused the enmity of the Klan for political activity in a group called the "Democratic Club" which opposed the two dominant political organizations of the city.

Justice through Judge Robert T. Devell first ruled out two-thirds of the prosecution's testimony and then directed a bewildered jury of farmers and small merchants to acquit the defendants. The trial followed an earlier case called upon the law of the defendants for kidnapping. The conviction was reversed by a decision of the Florida supreme court.

The acquitted included C. A. Williams, who was shot by the sergeant in charge of the Tampa police motorcycle squad was identified by witnesses in the first trial as the one who led the raid made on the Fl

# WARS WILL BE STOPPED ONLY BY THE POWER OF LABOR!

## AMERICAN OIL PROVIDES FUEL FOR PLANES BOMBING CHINESE

While Politicians Talk About Embargoes and Liberals Threaten to Boycott Japanese Silk Underwear, Big Corporations Reap Extra Profits From Jap Murder Spree

Amid a great deal of mystery, Japan shipped nearly \$15,000,000 worth of oil to the United States between March and September. Then, abruptly, and with only the explanation that such shipments were not to be "misunderstood" by the American people, these gold shipments were diverted from the United States to European financial centers.

Reports received each week from west coast oil centers now help to explain why Japan has sent so much of her precious and limited oil to this country. These reports also shed light on Japanese fears of being "misunderstood."

During the first week in September, a group of American oil companies active in the west coast market combined to sell fully 25,000,000 gallons of high-grade aviation fuel to Japan. In no other oil market could Japan have obtained so much bombing plane fuel in one transaction.

All through September, Japanese purchases of every type of oil and oil product continued. To accommodate the unusually heavy volume of oil she is importing, she has leased 32 oil tankers from the same oil companies which are selling her oil and which control the oil tanker market on the coast. As a result of these arrangements, the legitimate, peace-time oil trade is now being interfered with by a shortage of tankers.

The reason is clearly that Japan has attempted to concentrate most of her oil purchases in the United States. Who are the interests cooperating with her?

First and foremost is the great Standard Oil Co. of California, whose interests carry it all over the world.

Then there is the huge Texas Corp., whose foreign enterprises are conducted in partnership with Standard of California. Texas Corp. is in good part controlled by the very in-

terests which control the cotton export and shipping business with Japan.

Not far behind are such giants as Union Oil of California, Shell Union Oil and Tidewater Associated Oil. Significant is the connection of both Tidewater and the Shell group with the international banking house of Kuhn, Loeb, which itself has conducted important banking transactions for Japanese interests, and many of whose other industrial connections, such as Westinghouse, are prominent in the Japanese picture.

None of these great oil companies needs the Japanese business. They are making more than satisfactory profits. Standard of California is running at twice the profit rate of 1936. Tidewater's sales have risen 24 per cent above 1936, and dividends already paid this year amount to \$2,000,000, against only \$2,700,000 last year. Union Oil of California is earning more than twice as much as it did in 1936.

Yet this small and select circle of American oil companies, well able to afford to stand aside, and the Japanese orders, are deliberately supplying the Japanese bombing planes and battle cruisers with the fuel which is carrying them on their crusade against the United States in the Pacific. The oil traffic can be stopped, and the boycott is to be halted, oil sales must be stopped. An embargo on oil shipments to Japan is at least as urgent and vital to the cause of peace and American neutrality as the boycott. Without an oil embargo, American oil companies will continue to intervene in the Far East on the side of Japan.

There can be no misunderstanding as to the nature of the Japanese gold shipments to this country. This gold has been financing the purchases of strategic war materials like oil, upon which Japan relies if her war is to continue.—Eliot Janeway.

## Charges Profits of Patriot Committee Not Fairly Divided

NEW YORK.—(AP)—Gerald L. K. Smith, who had it figured out last spring how he and his Committee of One Million would save America from "these grafting unions, the Women's Intl. League for Peace and Freedom, the Y. M. C. A. and 600 other organizations," must be sitting up late wondering if this "mighty task" can be tackled by only 999,999.

The big burly 210-lb. ex-Huy Long lieutenant, who has his own private system of calculation, now admits that his organization has one less, for one committeeman has been dropped from good standing.

The black-sheep, says Gerald, is Edward L. Powers, who complains that the committee is really a partnership and that he (Powers) can't get his share of the profits from their joint patriotism. Powers filed suit in supreme court to compel an accounting.

Denying hotly there ever was a partnership agreement, Smith took sole credit for being in charge of "this mighty crusade to save America from destruction." He is in charge, also, of the "crusade" treasury. Smith identifies himself as a "Bible-readin', apple-piein', baby-havin', wood-splittin', average American."

Admitting Smith's talents as a rabble rouser. Powers nevertheless charges that he himself has been eased out as the head of the business department, and that Smith has taken exclusive possession of the partnership books and assets, thus making it impossible for him to determine the amount due him in the dissolution of the partnership.

Smith, who claims to finance his "crusade" with the nickel-and-dime offerings collected at public meetings, was challenged also by Powers' revelation that "one of the principal items of income was the subsidies of certain prominent persons in New York and elsewhere," who were of the opinion that the Committee of One Million would be to their benefit.—Eliot Janeway.

## IN BRIEF

NEW YORK.—The American Newspaper Guild, by a vote of 277 to 84, was chosen in a National Labor Relations Board poll as the collective bargaining agent for United Press editorial employees.

NEW YORK.—The Industrial Union of Marine and Shipbuilding Workers (C. I. O.) won a National Labor Relations Board election over the Intl. Longshoremen's Assn. (A.F.L.) as repatriated employee by the International Mercantile Marine and the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks. The union will be extended to other steamship lines.

GALVESTON, Tex.—Clerical employees of the Morgan line, affiliate of the Southern Pacific railway, have organized a local of the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks. The union will be extended to other steamship lines.

GALVESTON, Tex.—Banana handlers and compress and warehouse workers, organized into a local of the Intl. Longshoremen's Assn., have extended their agreement with employers until July 31, 1938, with pay increases from 35c to 50c an hour, a 9-hour day and time-and-a-half for overtime.

OAKLAND, Calif.—By written stipulation of both sides, injunction suits brought here by the Walker Drug Co. against the C. I. O. Labor Union and the East Bay Labor Journal were dismissed. Differences between the Oakland store and the union were settled by recognition of the union as bargaining agent, while negotiations proceeded in San Francisco.

NEW YORK.—Convention of the CIO Transport Workers union came to an end with some achievement. Wages of international officers were held down to \$2600 a year. The program outlined includes active "progressive" political action.

NEW YORK.—(FP)—One-third of all maritime workers in the United States have been enrolled in the C. I. O. Maritime Committee, Sec. Merwyn Rathbone reports.

WASHINGTON.—Enactment of a power planning program, passage of a wages and hours bill and enactment of a working farm program will be asked of the special session of Congress called for Nov. 15 by Pres. Roosevelt, he indicated here.

WASHINGTON.—An appeal to the C. I. O. for a boycott of Japanese goods and to prevent the loading of ships destined for Japan was received here from Madam Sun Yat-sen, widow of China's "George Washington."

NEW YORK (FP)—Popeye and Betty Boop will henceforth be Union-made products. Seventy artists who had been out on strike since August returned to work after winning a contract providing them with wage increases, shorter hours, improved working conditions and recognition of the Commercial Artists' and Designers Union (A. F. of L.).

## SOCIETY NOTE

Canine hotels, where ritzy apartment dwellers can keep their dogs, are being seriously contemplated in New York City.

## Syndicalism Cases Still Unsettled

SAN RAFAEL, Cal.—(FP)—To hasten removal of the three Sacramento criminal syndicalism defendants still in San Quentin, George R. Anderson has filed habeas corpus petitions in the Marin county superior court. Hearing is set for Oct. 16, and prison officials promised to have Pat Chambers, Martin Wilson and Jack Crane in court on that date "if we still have them." Otherwise, they will be released. Anderson says that this indicates the attorney-general's office may give up the fight against reversal of the convictions, and release them before then.

The northern California branch of the American Civil Liberties Union points out that while the reversal of the verdict is to be commended, the appellate court's decision defended the principle of the criminal syndicalism law and is not, therefore, to be regarded as a triumph for civil liberties.

## Strike Is Banned But Printers Win In 6-Day Meeting

COLUMBUS, O.—(FP)—The longest union meeting ever held in this locality has been concluded. It began September 22 and lasted until October 4.

The prolonged union session was brought about when members of the Columbus Typographical Union, employed in 28 commercial establishments, tired of stalling tactics on the part of employers.

For five months the union had waged a campaign for increased wages with practically no results. Refusal of employers to arbitrate resulted in a militant aggressiveness on the part of the printers, that started temporary union pickets.

Under the leadership of T. Ralph Ellis, the composers laid down their composing sticks, shut off their linotype machines and assembled in the lengthy meeting until demand for \$5 weekly wage increases was met. The cessation of work was not sanctioned by the international union, and employers threatened to invoke the aid of the parent organization. The international union suspended all members involved, but the situation was not altered. Pro-McCarton of the Akron Typographical Union, present to offer assistance from his organization, told the Columbus printers that if the suspension lasted, they "could join with the C.I.O. and Charles F. Howard (international union president) would have to sign the C.I.O. charter." Howard is secretary of the C.I.O.

However, employers quickly came to terms when the men displayed 100 percent solidarity in the face of all obstacles. It is believed that the militancy displayed by the printers will aid in activating less aggressive unions in this notorious manufacturers' association stronghold.

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—It's raining here now and jobs are scarce. As the starvation wage ordinarily paid. The agricultural workers are still standing around discussing and discussing.

## WITH WAGES TIED TO PRICE OF COPPER BY CONTRACTS, ARIZONA MINERS FACE A HUNGRY WINTER

PHOENIX, Ariz.—The recent decline in the price of domestic and foreign copper is already having its effect on the lives of metal miners. In that great copper belt of Arizona workers are being laid off. In Bisbee 300 miners got the gate, at Miami Copper 200 were turned loose to face another winter of waiting for prosperity.

In all of the large mining camps of Utah production is being curtailed. The outlook for employment in the metal mines of the west this winter is anything but bright.

With a horde of miners rustling, more rock in the box will be required from the diggers attached to a muck stick in the workings down below.

Although the miners in the west are largely organized in the Mill, Mine and Smelter Workers, a C.I.O. affiliate, nothing can be done to adjust the lay-offs and wage reductions that are to go into effect in the next 30 days. The contract in effect in Butte, Montana, and in Utah fixes wages to the price of copper. With every drop in the price of copper, wages drop also. The general policy in effect in the organization, as may be described in two words: DON'T STRIKE. This is preached continually by the inter-

national and district officials. Despite the fact that wages are on the downward trend, living costs are headed in the other direction. Thus the problem of making the ends meet is becoming more complicated every day.

During the past few years, or ever since the government pegged the price of newly mined silver and decreased the value of the dollar until it took 35 to 1 to buy one ounce of gold, that formerly was worth only 122, the mine owners have reaped a golden harvest. But the workers who produced the profit received only the ordinary living wages.

No effort was made to take advantage of the demand for miners to shorten the working day in preparation for the slump which was bound to come. Since the miners were not organized in a scientific organization this was too much to expect.

Whether these workers will ever learn from experience remains to be seen. Perhaps after a few years of hunger for the out-of-work and the hill-bill for those in the job they will be stimulated to organize in a real industrial union based on class lines and which challenges the right of the exploiters to live, let alone to rule.—W. L.

## Woodworkers Constitution

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dent's interpretation if it's going to be subject only to rejection by the Board as provided?

A Cliché for the Leaders

"Likewise," the Executive Board shall act as a Credentials Committee in advance of a convention and shall meet at least three (3) days prior to the convention and make a report of the first day thereof, upon the status of the delegates thereto. If the delegates thereto were known to be opposed to the policy of the ruling clique how far do you suppose such a clique would get? It would get the first day thereof when the committee with this authority ruled on his eligibility thereto. No further provision is made for the assembled delegates to reject the Committee's decision.

Aside from this vagueness, that may be blanketing a sixteen-inch point against the members of the IWA, just what does their democracy amount to when their charter from the CIO stipulates that the IWA must act in accordance with the aims and policy of the CIO? The membership have no control and on all questions but only if they vote in accord with the policy and aims laid down by a small autocratic clique that runs the CIO, ever when the membership have no control and who have as yet not called a convention to fully outline what their policies and aims are, German workers have the right to say yes or no, but they have to say it, in union with Herr Hitler.

Just what kind of policy could this ruling clique adopt and force on the members? Agreements in accord with their policies give one an idea. Homer Martin, President of the Automobile Workers, is one of the CIO and look at the clause in the contract forced on the automobile workers:

## Sell-out for the Workers

"The union recognizes and agrees that unauthorized strikes, stoppages of work, and deliberate reduction in rate of production below standards established according to Section C of this agreement, before all steps set forth in the grievance procedure have been complied with, is indefensible, and for a violation of this provision by the union, its officials or members, the company will discharge or otherwise discipline the employee or employees known to be guilty thereof, and the union shall take effective disciplinary action against the member or members of the union responsible therefor."

Harry Bridges is another of the CIO members (there is only one hand-out union where which Bridges is accredited the authorship, in the longshoremen's agreement, covering both the CIO and AFL longshoremen at present).

"Any ILA member who is guilty of deliberate bad conduct in connection with his work as a longshoreman, or through illegal stoppage of work, shall cause the delay of any vessel, shall upon trial and conviction by the ILA be fined, suspended, or for deliberate repeated offenses be expelled from the union. Any part. Admission 15 cents.

employer may file with the union a complaint against any member of the ILA and the ILA shall act on and notify the employer of its decision."

A logger might just as well join the company union, the IEU, which is openly opposed to strikes and action taken to better conditions, as belong to a union where they are dictated to by persons who favor such contracts as these.

No Power to Act

No provisions are made for meetings in camps in the CIO and even if they would get it, they could be taken to correct grievances. The officials could be contacted to give it their seal of approval. How would you like to work on a flume or handle all day with a bulldog's pet who was endangering your life just because you couldn't contact your union guardian? And then if you did decide that it was better to tie up the IWA, just what chance would you have of getting killed, what would you think of a union that agreed to fine or suspend you for doing it?

The IWA has these provisions in its constitution yet, but what guarantee have better conditions? The CIO clique will not include these stipulations in their policy and aims! None at all! The members of the IWA have no voice in the matter, or could all day with a bulldog's pet who was endangering your life just because you couldn't contact your union guardian? And then if you did decide that it was better to tie up the IWA, just what chance would you have of getting killed, what would you think of a union that agreed to fine or suspend you for doing it?

Join a Real Union

How much better it is to have the decisions and votes to out their own policies and aims as the I.W.W. "There is one person wiser than anybody and that is Everybody," is an old saying but age does not detract from its truth. "Everybody," of a union by putting their heads together and discussing matter before them will come to a better decision than the wisest and most publicized. "Anybody" who in Washington at the round table of the CIO.

Study the characters that are run off the line and trying to organize the loggers into the CIO. Work for you trust them to outline a plan of action and policy for you? Or do you think that you and the other workers on the job could do better by deciding for yourself? The CIO lets him tell you what to do. The IWW allows you to tell yourself and him what to do.—X226183.

## In Memory of the Haymarket Martyrs

Fiftieth commemoration / services in memory of Chicago's Haymarket Martyrs will be held Thursday, November 11, 1937, at the American Legion, 333 S. Ashland Blvd., Chicago. The meeting begins at 7:30 p. m. Many organizations are taking part. Admission 15 cents.

## Solidarity--

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out the company. The company regards itself as an innocent victim of union jurisdictional wars. It is, however, oblivious to the most casual observation that the employers here are not so innocent as they seem in the present union controversy. Eager to destroy labor unionism they take sides, in this case with the old reliable A. F. of L. labor fakery.

Employers Promote Disunity. The employers in the lumber industry, as elsewhere, would, of course, rather have no union at all, not even a conservative one. Thus when the union is fighting for the control of the dues-payers the employers can always be counted upon to help the fight along. The operators of six Portland saw mills recently sent letters to 2,500 saw mill workers begging them to please settle the union dispute so that the public need no longer suffer from this unjust shut down in the lumber industry.

Great stuff for the public. However, it has been shown that no jurisdictional disputes exists the employers are not so hesitant about stirring up some. Moreover, the employers in the lumber industry find this time opportune to engage in a little union smashing since there has been a definite slackening in the lumber industry due largely to the oriental situation.

The victim as usual is the worker. Yours for solidarity of labor—X14732.

## Many Jobs But Short Pay at Sacramento

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—Farmers in the Sacramento Valley are hollering for men and there are lots of jobs to be had, but it is the low wages and not a shortage of work that is responsible for this condition. These wages are such as to make a peon hide his face in shame. There are no living quarters for workers on the ranches, and on some they won't even let the slaves camp on the property where the work.

Many workers think they are helping the situation by cursing and discussing the workers who choose to work for the prevailing wages. But C. I. O. is still telling the agricultural workers what it is going to be in the future—but they have been doing that all summer here.

Workers! Wake up! Don't be content to sit back and wait for what the future is going to be. Organize YOURSELVES in the I. W. W. and you'll get the things you want and need.—26-CW-7.

## MESA Gives Up In Toledo Strike

TOLEDO.—The Mechanics Educational Society ended its month-old strike here against the Spicer Mfg. Co. This strike was marked by the clash between the M.E.S.A. pickets and members of the United Automobile Workers union who barged in mass through the picket line to break the strike.

## Ranch Cook Feeds Spider Poison To Hands, Three Die

WOODLAND, Cal.—Two cooks from the Don L. Taylor tomato ranch were held in jail after three ranch hands died and 13 were stricken critically ill from eating poisoned pancakes.

The poison was kept to kill black widow spiders. Apparently the cooks mistook it for flour. The poison was served to 30 workers. Most of them didn't like the taste but some of them ate 3 to 5 cakes.

Both cooks insisted it was just an accident. Such accidents could hardly happen on a well organized job where workers are esteemed to good food well prepared by competent cooks.

## Bridge and Tunnel Destroyed To Stop Invaders



A railroad tunnel, on the Santander-Gijon line, after being blown up by a trainload of dynamite set off by Asturian miners to halt the Fascist advance on Gijon. The bridge in the foreground was also destroyed.

Out this Week!

Don't Miss It!

## The November 'One Big Union Monthly'

This issue of the MONTHLY offers many features of timely interest to the student of the labor movement as well as to the active worker in the fight for genuine industrial unionism as only the I.W.W. teaches it.

Among the article are:

Another fine discussion of the situation in Spain by Joseph Wagner; the second and final installment of W. E. Trautmann's interesting reminiscences, dealing this time with the early struggles of the Industrial Workers of the World in which he played an important part; and a most appropriate article for the 50th anniversary of the Haymarket affair by Lucy Parsons, widow of one of the martyrs.

There are many other worthwhile articles. Don't miss this number. Become a booster.