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125 Freed in Minneapolis WPA Case

Drop Indictments After Convicting 33 in Framup

MINNEAPOLIS—In a surprise move, the U. S. district court dismissed indictments against 125 WPA workers who took part last July in the protest against reduction of the prevailing scales on WPA. The cases were dropped after five had pleaded nolle contendere, putting themselves at the mercy of the court.

At a hearing for the dismissal U. S. Atty. O. John Rogge said: "The President felt that the duty of the WPA workers had been made clear, that while they may organize for others on the government payroll, they have no right to conduct a strike or engage in acts of violence."

Rogge admitted that the cases had been discussed with the President and former U. S. Atty. Gen. Frank Murphy, but when asked if the President had personally ordered the cases dismissed he said: "That, in the inference, but I don't care to comment beyond the statement I made in court."

Unemployment Blamed For Rise of Crime

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—Unemployment was blamed by Judge G. Fredrick Frost of the superior court for the great wave of crime among youth. The justice was speaking before the Rhode Island Medical-Legal Society.

"Unless we can do something in a large way for these youths, we will have on our hands a considerable criminal class and a lot of people not prepared properly for life," Frost warned. He pointed out that great numbers of children cannot afford to remain in school after 16 but can not find work either.

Law Murder Inquest Postponed

Brutal Killing of Unionist's Wife May Remain Mystery

ABERDEEN, O.—(WNS)—The murder of a woman, known as the Law case, will be postponed indefinitely, it was announced Friday, Feb. 2 by Gray's Harbor County Coroner Stevenson. The inquest had been scheduled to resume hearings on Feb. 5 after a recess since Jan. 18.

Four days of testimony in the case had been heard up until the time of the first recess. In making the announcement, Dr. Stevenson said: "I understand that there are several phases of the investigation on which the officers are working that have not developed sufficiently for presentation to the jury. In addition, it has not been possible for the Federal Bureau of Investigation to complete its report. If the inquiry were resumed at this time there necessarily would have to be another postponement."

And so it appears very likely that the brutal murder of Laura Law will go down in history as an unsolved mystery. For a time it looked like the murdered woman, known as Dick Law, an executive board member of the International Woodworkers of America, was being framed for the murder. The Civil Rights Committee (CRO) has been busy making inquiries for the Gray's Harbor Business Builders which is a laboring job organization composed of professional flag-wavers and sugar businessmen. The Civil Rights Committee had been issuing leaflets and other publicity accusing the Business Builders of building up a laboring hating industry in the Workers (Red-Pin) Hall by a mob in December, and which possibly led to the murder.

Ryan Asks Dismissal of Indictment

NEW YORK—On the ground that organized labor is "expressly exempted and immune" from violating section 1 of the Sherman anti-trust law, a demurrer was filed Feb. 10 to dismiss indictments against P. Ryan and the Intl Longshoremen Assn. (AFL) and nine other union officials.

The indictments were characterized as "vague, indefinite and uncertain." The demurrer will be argued Feb. 19.

At the same time the defendants applied for permission to withdraw pleas of not guilty made on Jan. 27. Ryan and the others were indicted on trust charges for boycotting retail lumber firms under CIO contract.

Strikers 'Turn Cat Loose' By Calling Up Struck Firm

NEW YORK—Advice to strike committees: If the cops annoy your pickets, yell for a punch instead of a placard.

Picketing by telephone made the front pages of local newspapers when strikers at Credit Clearing House, limited to six pickets because of the "war emergency," asked "unionists" throughout the city to call "tickle 6-2000 or Circle 6-0700 and talk to their employer about the strike, the credit business, the weather or any other topic that came to mind."

In Wichita, Kan., members of the Laundry Workers Intl. Union did such an effective job of tying up the lines of nine struck laundries that the employers had their telephone phones discontinued. A temporary injunction failed to block the practice, for the telephone company said that it was legally required to provide service to anyone who paid for it.

The laundries have appealed to their customers to send messengers whenever they want to do a cash job. Cost of messenger service will be borne by

the struck firms if the request is genuine. Who'll pay for the fake messages has not been determined.

Picketing by telephone was used effectively in the recent strike of Western Union messengers in San Francisco. It has also been employed successfully by members of the American Newspaper Guild for years.

The telephone, experienced strikers say, offers a multitude of opportunities to any resourceful person. Each salesman may be requested to call at non-existent addresses, efforts may be persuaded to ransack files for mythical data, executives may be annoyed in a variety of ways.

During a strike in Newark, N. J., several years ago, the picket lines were unopposed on the dispatch of an ambulance, a hearse and a non-union wagon to the residence of the boss. It was also reported that an explosive charge of orchids had been offered to one of the better known ladies of the town, in the name of the employer.

Cleveland Boss Checks Off AFL Dues; Slaves Get No Union Card or Receipt

PUBLIC OPINION MANUFACTURERS ARE WELL PAID

That the more skillful manufacturers of public opinion get a substantial reward for their services is shown by the size of the personal earnings of the top-notchers in the newspaper business for the fiscal year ending in 1939. The figures taken from a Treasury Department report issued January 22, are for salaries, commissions, and bonuses; they do not include income from dividends.

At the head of the list is Joseph Pulitzer, who drew \$180,461.44 from the Pulitzer Publishing Co., publishers of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. The year before, he drew down \$255,000.

Writing Randolph Hearst's earnings dropped last year to \$100,000 from \$500,000 in the preceding year.

King Features' artists did pretty well too. E. C. Seger, collected \$77,187.32; R. L. Ripley, \$145,048.03; George McManus, \$99,800.

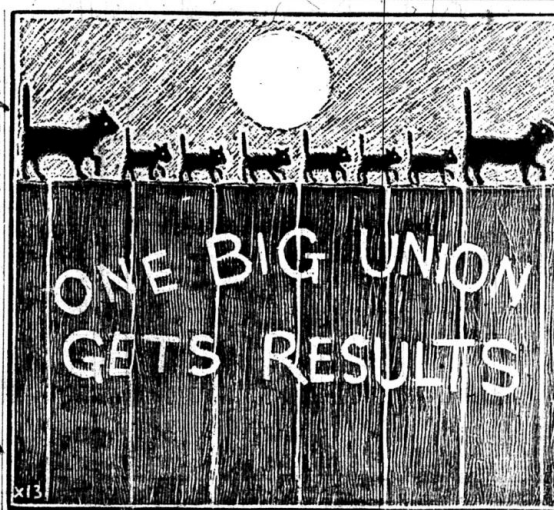
Rodney E. Boone, general manager of Hearst Enterprises was paid off with \$102,625.21.

News Syndicate Company (New York Daily News): Each \$114,597.50 for Max Annenberg, circulation director; J. W. Barnhart, secretary; H. V. Doherty, managing editor; R. C. Hollis, general manager; R. T. Wilken, advertising manager.

Tribune Company (Chicago): I. H. Row, circulation manager, \$100,000; W. E. MacFarlane, business manager, \$92,500.

Plain Dealer Company (Cleveland): John S. McCarens, \$153,655.72.

The minimum above may make salaries public is \$75,000 a year.



Heir to Old 4L Is Declared Illegal as Lumber Barons Get Service from CIO-AFL

Industrial Employees Union, Inc. Ordered Dissolved by Labor Board; Three Northwest Companies Affected

ABERDEEN, Wash.—(WNS)—Ain't it awful to be unlawful? How times have changed! During the hectic days from 1917 to 1923 it was considered almost a capital crime for a logger to carry an IWW membership card, and to enlist in the "Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen" was rated "as doing your bit" to win the war to save the world for democracy and was as patriotic a devotion to duty as knitting socks for the "boys over there."

The members of the 4L did noble work in helping the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen (LLLM) to carry on its fight against the lumber trust and IWW halls and took part in lynchings, deporting and shooting on IWW members whenever the opportunity presented itself. For their heroism the 4Ls received nice squibs of praise from the Kept Press and at times were presented with White Owl cigars by the boss who, by the way, was also a member in good standing.

Now it is the 4L that is on the spot. The 4L went underground a few years ago in typical Communist style in order to circumvent the federal government's "drive" on company unions. The name was changed to the Industrial Employees Union, Inc., and, believe it or not, "checked the boss out of the Union, Inc., thus making it, as they hoped, a "legitimate union."

But competition was keen in the lumber union business and the IEU, Inc. was underbid by the AFL and CIO, so the lumber barons decided that the two "legitimate unions" would better serve their interests than the unlawful and discredited IEU, Inc.

Labor Board Hops

Now the NLRB has cracked down on the IEU, Inc. in the case of workers employed by the Metropolitan Lumber Co. of Spokane, Potlatch Stables, Inc., of Lewiston, Idaho; and of the C. D. Johnson Lumber Corp. of Toledo, Oregon.

To quote from the Portland Morning Oregonian:

"The IEU, the board found, was a continuation of a former organization known as the Loyal Legion of

Typographical Union Finally Ousted by AFL

CHICAGO—The International Typographical Union was finally expelled last week from the AFL by the (re)organization's executive council meeting in Miami, Florida, for failure to pay about \$20,000 in assessments that were due three years ago to fight the CIO. The expulsion order called for the ousting of all typographical delegates in city and state central bodies of the federation.

Ore Loading To Start In April

Banner Year for Lake Shipping Depends on War

CLEVELAND (WNS)—Latest reports here are that 212 lake ships will be outfitted and ready to sail in April. The steel trust, Hanna, Clegg and other large operators will attempt to load ore by April 15, if ice conditions permit.

Self-landers will start the coal trade moving in March on Lake Erie, if possible.

Stocks of ore on hand-January 1, totaled 35,000,000 tons and if steel operations continue at present levels the ore pile will be down to about 20,000,000 on hand in April. A 60,000,000 ton movement is predicted for 1940.

The best spot in an anticipated so-called banner year to come on the lakes is that it is based on a war time economy. Peace in Europe will undoubtedly cause a business collapse and the lakes will bear the brunt of it as usual because the steel is tied to the steel industry.

Needless to say, the lake ship owners are in high gear, as well they might be, since their profits will be enormous if the war continues.

As for the seamen who man the ships, they have the opportunity of a lifetime to organize and to get some of the cream off the milk of the shipowner profits.

The IWW will be on the job with a real program of action for the lake seamen and it will be seen whether these seamen are aware of their importance in the scheme of things on the lakes.

They Invite IWW to Take Hold

I. U. 440 Ready To Step in with Real Union Action

CLEVELAND, O.—(WNS)—"My name is Mr. Doe. My address is so and so, Cleveland, Ohio. I work at Mitchell Metal Products, 65th St. and Cedar Ave."

Further remarks by Mr. Doe are as follows:

"You soddamn cheap. It is a sweat shop—he is taking money out of our pay checks for a union (?) which does not give book or stamps. I think we're getting mad. There are many of us fellows which will gladly help to put your union (IWW) in. Please hurry, the owner has a bunch of men for his strength as strength."

And this is the picture of the conditions at the Mitchell Metal Products company of Cleveland, Ohio, organized by the American Federation of Labor a year ago last November.

An unemployed member of the IWW seeking employment at this plant was told by the working men in the shop when he asked, "have you boys a union in this shop?" "Yes, we have a company union."

Street Organization Meets

In its endeavor to smash all company unions or company controlled unions, the Metal and Machinery Workers Industrial Union of the IWW introduced itself with a handbill stating in part:

"Today, workers are on the organized workers in America. Not marching in the uniform of the soldier to die in dubious glory, but preparing forward to happy victory in the great economic army of organized labor. Everywhere they are working a labor is spelling out the doom of low wages, speedup and insecurity."

"The militant organization of labor on a wide scale has indirectly benefited the workers in unorganized industries by a gradual lifting up of their wage levels and a relative improvement in their working conditions. This has been the result of a 'unionist effort' to 'bribe' workers from joining unions and thus obtaining more money."

"The fundamental point to remember is: That any lettering any group of workers obtain any job directly due to the 'winning efforts' of organized workers."

"Organized labor in America owes a debt of gratitude to the organized workers. The only payment that this gallant trail-blazer in American fellow worker and solidarity asks is that you join your hands with his in a greater concerted endeavor for the betterment of all."

"Individually you are the hapless victim of economic circumstances. Unemployed, you are invincible. So that we get a poll of your opinion on this important broad and better problem—we are attaching a self-addressed reply envelope with a form slip inside. Just fill it out and drop in the mail. Through arrangement with the United States government, we do not need a stamp."

Information—Please

After receiving a large response from these AFL-company employed workers, you are invited to the company dominated "racket union" staff by the IWW organization to make a second attack on the old AFL racket style by Coman Clabberly, a great labor-faker and friend of Wm. Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, also a friend and close collaborator

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LEAVE IT TO LEWIS, SAY UMW MINERS

COLUMBUS, O.—After 90 minutes of debate, the annual convention of the United Mine Workers (U. M. W.) adopted a resolution endorsing the position taken by CIO leader John L. Lewis on the third term issue. The declaration read:

"Be it resolved that we hold and believe the only sensible, sane and proper course is to refer the entire subject matter to the international executive board for appropriate action and such reasonable financial support as circumstances may warrant at the proper time."

The delegates voted opposition to any U. S. loan to Finland on the ground that it would be a step toward involvement in the present war.

"The members of the UMW fully sympathize with heroic Finland and other victims of aggression, yet we must declare that the U. S. must not become involved in foreign wars," the resolution said.

Other resolutions called for a reduction in the workweek from 35 to 30 hours in the coal mining industry, support of a federal public health program, and participation of labor in administration of the social security act.

1-MAN STRIKE ENDS, 150 RETURN TO WORK

PITTSBURGH—A 1-man strike which tied up operations at Clark Bros. Chemical Co. for a week ended Feb. 2 when the firm agreed to pay the man until he finds another job.

The worker, a member of the Intl. Workers of Teamsters, Charles Stahlen and Hesters, was laid off by the company adopted a new distribution system. He started picketing and the plant's 150 workers refused to cross the picket line.

Federal and state mediators and union officials took part in the settlement conference.

To Fight Decision

The IEU has announced that it will carry on a finish fight against the decision.

"An employer," said A. D. Chislev, executive secretary of the IEU, "is powerless to disestablish a union in which he has no voice or control. The IEU claims to have about 50,000 in the Northwest, and claims that six months ago employees of the three firms voted unanimously in union meeting to 'carry on the IEU. The case will be appealed to the circuit court of appeals, and the companies hope that congress will change the national labor relations act.—X225614.

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ABOLITION OF THE WAGE SYSTEM

EDITORIAL

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LOVE-FAEST

From its inception the IWW has held that the interests of the employing class are always in conflict with the interests of the working class.

"We do not hate employers. We are not hostile to them. We want to cooperate with them.

"Let it be said here that we of the IWW are not particularly concerned with promoting hatred of the employers...

"We hate the capitalist system and we see no way of cooperating with capitalists through which we can improve our lot as workers.

"Green himself probably knows that improvement in wages and working conditions are the result of struggle on the part of workers against employers...

"Occasionally one hears a response to this 'peace and good will' spirit of boss-friendly unionism from employers who have accepted mistle labor's olive branch.

"No matter how bad I've been," he said, "there's no use fighting any more. We can't. I'm glad to see you enjoying a luncheon the bosses can no longer afford."

"To which a 'labor' correspondent of a 'labor' paper added as dressing to this remark set in bold type by a 'labor' editor: 'Of course he was kidding about the bosses' financial condition. They are more prosperous now than they were when they fought the unions.'"

"And 'everybody is happy. Everybody, that is, except the workers who pay the dues and assessments to make such little love feasts where union leaders entertain employer representatives.

"No IWW union entertains the fantastic notion that it can dispense the employers while the great mass of workers remain unorganized, while most of those organized belong to unions that are dominated by employers or by reactionary leaders, and while the capitalist system still carries on with substantial vigor.

"Where industry reaches near-monopoly status, it is possible for the owners of the good things of life to cut off production on short notice and to store away surpluses to such an extent that even a whole class, depression doesn't bring down the cost of living as used to be the case in earlier stages of economic upset.

"The capitalist class finds it possible to keep prices up in the face of an over supply of goods. It means they can't do much about holding them down when there is a threatened scarcity.

"All economic and legal arguments aside, how can those who believe in inherent human goodness of the employing class account for the fact that there are millions in want of even proper food, sufficient clothing, and decent homes? Most people dislike to see a dumb animal suffer.

"Yes, it's the system that's all wrong, but let us not waste too much thought or sympathy on what will happen to the capitalists when capitalism finally gives way to the workers commonwealth. Particularly wince the worst that can happen to them is that they will have to go to work at some useful occupation which they are able to handle.

"The politicians in office didn't deliver the goods. Kick them out and get a new set. Appoint a new guardian for labor, make the government a sort of 'commissioner for the poor' but don't put anything above the fundamental problems that lie at the root of our economic evils. That's poli-

tical philosophy, yesterday, today, and forever. The IWW is not among those that get along at the government because it fails to do something for labor. The IWW knows that labor has it within its power to set up its own machinery for removing the obstacles that stand in the way of progress towards a more satisfactory life.

To date nobody has attempted, as far as we know, to prove that labor's share of the wealth produced varies according to the party in power.

It seems just about everyone agrees that unemployment is still the No. 1 problem in America. Let us remark, however, as we have before in these columns, that there is a way of abolishing unemployment that doesn't appeal to us at all. We don't believe in the Nazi way or the Russian way.

We are sure that we are able to find a way to employ everyone at reasonable hours and with an abundant income, and at the same time guarantee a wider and deeper reaching democracy than man has ever enjoyed before. It will take a rank and file industrial union movement to usher in the new day.

After all, there is little or no unemployment in most penitentiaries and work houses. That's the fascist method of putting people to work. They boast about it, too.

American capitalists also probably have some solution in mind but they'll never put it into effect if labor shows good judgement and organizes right from now on.

The Department of Agriculture reports hired hands in New England, Middle Atlantic, and Midwestern states worked on an average of about 10 hours a day. A workday of more than 10 hours is reported for hired farm workers in Wisconsin and Vermont, while in a few other, and far western states the average workday was less than 9 hours a day.

The survey was for the month of November when the sun rises late and sets early. The investigators ought to stick around in cotton chopping time.

The American public school system is on the up and up never before in recent years; and this time its critics are bigger businessmen, not workers who tired of having their children filled with distorted history and a phony concept of economic and social questions.

Business is on an economy and doesn't care much what it hits. Strange though that it should pick on schools, for they have served the system well.

Many cities report a shortening of the school year and the elimination of certain "cultural" courses in public schools everywhere. Along with that there is a reduction in teaching staffs and a cutting of salaries. Schoolhouse building is far behind increased needs throughout by population growth and the aging of present accommodations.

Besides the economy motive, business is probably picking on the schools because of the oversupply of white collar slaves and it is possible our masters figure the moving picture industry can take care of the 100 per cent propaganda.

Let's try no shortcuts in this business of striving for a better life for one and all blind alleys. In order to reach the only worthwhile ultimate goal, we must have one mighty organization of labor which is controlled by labor itself.

We may be making slow progress in building in this direction and toward this goal, but a little progress is better than a slip backward. And even if we seem sometimes to lose ground, still there is no other sensible thing to do but face forward and to keep on fighting for the kind of industrial union organization that holds promise of power for labor.

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OFFICIAL NOTICES

BUFFALO Fellow Worker E. Scriber has been elected secretary of the Buffalo MTW branch to succeed Fellow Worker Sheehan. Address communications to P. O. Box 298.

MAIL TO SPOKANE There is mail at the Spokane hall for the "Everett Massacre" (closed-bound) and wishing to see it please get in touch with the Seattle IWW branch, stating price, asked. Write Branch Secretary, Box 365, Seattle, Wash.

WANTED: EVERETT MASSACRE Anyone having an extra copy of "The Everett Massacre" (closed-bound) and wishing to see it please get in touch with the Seattle IWW branch, stating price, asked. Write Branch Secretary, Box 365, Seattle, Wash.

CHICAGO Report Chicago general membership meeting held by the IWW on February 9, 8 p. m. at 2422 N. Halsted St.—Bt. Sec'y.

MANHATTAN IU 510 Address all communications for the Manhattan IU 510 branch to A. Lewis, who is the incoming secretary and acting GOC chairman pending outcome of the IU 510 referendum.

IU 510 BALLOT The period of nomination for GOC members is now closed. All members are advised to consult branch minutes or the GOC Bulletin because the names of nominees will not be made public.

The balloting for the GOC will commence February 15, 1940. The ballot remains in the field for a period of 60 days as per the IU 510 by-laws.—A. Ignatz, Incoming Secretary.

IU No. 116 GOC I am functioning as GOC member for IU No. 116. Anyone wishing to get in touch with me on organizational business, may do so by writing to Box 445, Suite 307, Chicago, Ill. Lily Ashford, GOC Member.

DO YOU ACCEPT? Fellow workers whose names appeared on the IU No. 116 referendum ballot for GOC member are urged to write to the IU No. 116 Secretary-Treasurer stating whether or not they accept.—IG.G.

IMPORTANT! ENOUGH TO NOTE Spoken in Bayonne, N. J., Secretary of Labor Eugene N. Dennis, replying to remarks by John L. Lewis to the effect that he might be an excellent housekeeper but was "too busy" to lead considering the unions, disclaimed interest in labor questions, and said her job in labor work was to care for the millions of laboring people who are being exploited.

One wonders if Ms Perkins would be the choice of the "millions of working people" as the guardian of their interests if they had the power to choose. Probably not, considering people, like children, are not supposed to know what's good for them, according to boss class views.

For that matter, Ms Perkins can defend her right to the position as labor's caretaker about as well as Pa Lewis can defend his own. "A child can only have a limited responsibility" are the exact words Lewis used at the current EWMA convention when he dismissed a request by several delegates from Illinois, Ohio, and West Virginia that their respective districts be given the right to elect their own officers and to elect their own leaders without their every move being supervised by Lewis henchmen.

George Sealie, president of the Building Service Employees Intl. Union offered to resign following the attack on him by Westborough, R.I., Scripps-Howard columnist. The union's executive board refused to accept the offer.

The "Pillar" stack dealt with something that happened 27 years ago—the conviction of the union official on a "wild" charge. Sealie said he had done everything possible to erase the blot which is a boy dropped on the character of my life. He was 17 years off at the time.

Workers know there is more than one way of pimping. AFL labor has been sold out many times by its leaders to the employers. Regular "solid" strike considering the kind of pandering highly respectable.

After more than two years of court action, four members of teamsters' Local No. 544 have been ordered to return to work. The books of the local and to secure an accounting of funds. Strange procedure that, and on both sides. Why should any decent union member drag his organization into court? Why should the books of any member be closed to its membership?

Workers should learn about the rights and duties of union members and officials from the IWW. Chicago has added an "industrial squad" to its police force. According to Police Commissioner James Allen the squad was created to handle strikes. Another attempt of the die-hard openshoppers.

The Dies Committee gets \$75,000 more from Congress to continue its investigation of "un-American activities." Eat Carrots. If you want to see better in the dark, eat carrots. Carrots are rich in Vitamin A, and one of the things Vitamin A does is to improve vision in the dark.

This bit of information is relayed from Germany by the Evening Star (Washington). German night workers are urged to get in touch on carrots, tomatoes, and fish oil as a means of stepping up their efficiency on the job.

Should these workers begin to see through the Nazi propaganda, no doubt Hitler will order their carrot rations cut down. "We are learning that men are not wild angels who have lost their wings, but rising apes who, having lost their tails, wear their tongues."—Prof. Nathaniel Center.

PULLMAN CO. MAKES BETTER BOX CARS

CHICAGO—The Pullman-Standard Car Manufacturing Company is starting delivery of new light weight box cars to several eastern railroads. The new cars weigh 35,000 pounds as compared with the 45,000 pounds of the conventional box car. This lighter weight, it is explained, will enable trains to haul more cars.

By next harvest time, we expect to learn how the new cars shape up for hauling quality.

COMING EVENTS

NEW YORK Friday, February 16: Friends of the Proletariat will hold a grand festival for the benefit of the Italian language organ of the IWW at Irving Plaza hall, Irving Place and 13th St., New York City. The MTW, IU 310-330, the Finnish and Hungarian groups plan to cooperate. Admission: 49 cents.

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BUFFALO Saturday, Feb. 24: A social, supper, and entertainment will be given at the MTW hall, 146 Seneca St., Buffalo, N. Y. Supper, 7:30 to 7 p. m. Admission: 25 cents. Includes supper. Everybody invited. Proceeds for organization purposes.

OAKLAND Every Sunday afternoon, 2:30. Open Forum at the IWW hall, 428 10th Street.

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Slim Reveals Origin of Quip About Women

By T-BONE SLIM Water is getting so scarce in New York City that some of the boys are drinking whiskey without chopers.

Those new Swedish guns can kill a guy 60 times a minute. In an hour a guy can die almost a half-thousand deaths.

No choice for Movie Queen this year. So, Bette Davis, guess you'll have to make do. Luckily they showed Lionel Barrymore in the lineup or we'd be without a king, too. What is the reason W. C. Fields was left out in the cold? Looks like sabotage.

Generally, when a Russian commander is transferred we don't hear of his great deeds of valor thereafter. What's the matter? Have they no good lies over there?

Janpanese Nobuyuki Abe resigned and is now staying so sweetly at the shore. I. Horobishia fell overboard and lives.

A few remarks Charley Lindbergh had to make upon the relative merit of armed forces in Europe seem to stick like dung to a blanket.

No, it wasn't the first department it wasn't the police—they all came to late.

A woman had fallen overboard and a man after her—both age 60. No romance was there. No jumbohead, but she swam the hero.

The Swedish ship at anchor lay moored to the docks at Brooklyn.

The Bronx Sandcock improperly loaded, without sufficient care to terms, is, even, even, even overturned. Three drowned.

"Wind, Water and Tide," is press copy.

Butter a Lion's Den Earl Browder would rather be elected to congress in New York than the vice president of the United States.

I'd rather step into a lion's cage than go to congress. And I wouldn't be a lion's mate. One who thinks he can reform congress better than the lions. (Not Lion of Idaho.)

Borah's chief claim to fame was coming-out party—second best to Clarence Darrow. They say "Borah could have been elected President if he lived in a more populated state."

Clarence Darrow lived in the middle of the Indian Empire and I do not remember him being President—lots of people all around him.

Be it that. Clarence did waiting—50 did Borah and so will I. Give the freaks first chance.

Dewey blows the New Deal for keeping nine million unemployed from the point of production. He wants private enterprise freed to take up the slack. Him. Private enterprise if it will employ 11 million unemployed, and Prof. Dewey no doubt thinks P. (private enterprise), if it can make 'em, can also break 'em.

Nothing stands in the way of private enterprise today except they

are raking in the shekels by the barrelful—even whacking up with glimmer girls and Mr. Roosevelt's government. But it's not a conspiracy; it's just one of those things that happen.

In the meantime we poor, unorganized workers ain't eating or drinking, and wassil is at a very low ebb indeed.

Armies are ruing several nations. Don't point—you might bend the finger.

Two dollars eighty-five cents for lunch in Berlin—soup, appetizer, bread and butter. Seems unreasonably at first blush, but when you consider the Germans are among the world's best super-upters, we must concede the lunch a favorable light alongside the famous Jackson Day \$100 plates.

Why, the soup alone may have had in it half of a Polish horse, and you can't buy horses for \$5.70 a ton.

The price we have to pay is the great cry. The change we have to make is never heard.

The most beautiful term in the English language: "Keep it change."

I once used that term thinking the change from dollar to nickel bill is a nice tip. It was later (a year later) I discovered I had handed the waiter a ten spot.

I couldn't sleep for a week. Lost flesh—what with the landlady pounding at the door.

It was a woman (trying to escape from a wheelchair) that invented the saying: "Woman's place is in the home."

Some men fell for it like a ton of bricks and the cents went singing down the ages of history. It worked!

Sayeth Sally Rand: "It's no disgrace to be broke; it's only a disgrace to stay broke."

Up go the wages!

It's no disgrace to get licked; it's only a disgrace to stay licked.

We'll be broke so long as we entertain slave drivers and dish out them \$1,000 a day spending money.

The nation that countenances slave driving is not democratic in any essential.

Grand Opening ENTERTAINMENT, DANCE to be held at the NEW IWW HALL 116 INDUSTRIAL PLACE (COR. E. 73 ST.) Saturday, February 24 8 p. m. MUSIC BY THE PORT CHESTER BOYS Admission 25 cents Come and bring your friends. Good time for all. Refreshments Served

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 the goods 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 industrial into fewer and fewer hands makes the trade unions 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 end which all workers of an industry have in view. The employing class has interests in common with the employees.

These conditions can be changed and the interest of the working class upheld only by an organization formed on such a basis that all members in any one industry, 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 struggle for 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."

The historic mission of the working class to do away with capitalism. The army of production must be organized not only for the everyday struggle with capitalists, but also for an organized production when capitalism shall have been overthrown. By organizing industrially we are forming the structure of the new society within the shell of the old.

★ ★ ★ FOR THE FOUR HOUR DAY AND THE FOUR DAY WEEK ★ ★ ★

Industrial Mobilization Plan: Twenty Year Conspiracy Against Workers

By Labor Anti-War Council

Many people remember the powers vested in President Wilson during the war. These powers were mild in comparison with the powers that will be vested in the President if the United States goes into the world war again. If the War Department has its way and the American people accept the INDUSTRIAL MOBILIZATION DAY PLANS.

Immediately after the World War, the War and Navy Department set to work to draft a series of proposals for the mobilization of the United States in the event of another war. Each year these plans have been elaborated within the confines of the military department, with the aid of the War Department and in consultation with business. Each year these plans have grown in their scope and at the same time have been kept hidden from the general public.

Labor Conscripted
Non of these plans have been enacted into legislation—yet the War Department goes merrily ahead with plans to conscript an army of 1,300,000 men and place labor under a military dictatorship. For twenty years there has been a program to defend the American people of their civil liberties in the event of another war.

Recently Senator Pat McCarran secured a copy of the current "M" Day plans and had it made a Public Document. Normally all Public Documents can be secured by the public. In the case of the "M" Day plans, the Printing Department was given mysterious orders to limit their printing. The War Department does not want American labor to know what is being plotted in the capital.

What are these "M" Day plans? What will they mean to American labor?
Drew Pearson and Robert Allen, authors of the Washington Column Washington Merry-Go-Round write: "Under this plan, Roosevelt will have fought New Deal reforms will be pretty much scrapped. Instead all powerful controls are to be established which will constitute a dictatorial form of government."
"Heart of the new mobilization machine is eight mighty emergency agencies which will be the real rulers of the country. The cabinet members sit on the sidelines. It will function only as the President's 'Advisory' body for normal activities. His Cabinet officers... cooperate with the war agencies." In other words, the Cabinet will give way to an "Advisory Defense Council" which will nominate the Administration.
"Under this Advisory Defense Council come eight potent agencies as follows:
"War Resources Administration, which will direct the productive machinery of the country. The present War Resources Board, headed by Edward R. Stearns, Jr., of the United States Steel Corp. is a training school for the W. R. A.
"Federal Labor Board
"War Trade Administration, which will control all exports and imports and do everything necessary to "further the economic isolation of the enemy."
"War Labor Administration, which will control labor relations and labor measures to provide the essential war industries with adequate and peaceful labor supplies.
"Public Relations Administration, (in other words censorship) will coordinate and direct the national public activities so as to insure that the purposes, views and progress of the government in prosecution of the war are properly and adequately presented to the people.
"Selective Service Administration, will direct conscription of man-power for the army force.
"Price Control Commission, will be a quasi-judicial body with power to fix prices, regulate profits, and establish wage scales. Its decisions will be issued in the name of the President and will have the effect of law.
"War Finance Control Commission will have power to control stock and bond issues.
"Reform" Laws Shelved
The Labor Board, Wage-Infra-Administration and Labor Department would be shelved, while strikes and jurisdictional fights would be outlawed. Appendix III of the current plan outlines the duties of the war labor administration and an Advisory Board of 10 members as follows:
1. Measures to prevent grievances of employers and employees, whether actual or imaginary, from interfering with war production.

1. The effect of organizations of employers in trade associations and of labor in trade unions and the effect of the maintenance of the right of collective bargaining between such organizations on industry's ability to meet the material requirements of the armed forces.
2. Standards of wages, hours of work, and working conditions.
3. Equality of work for identical pay.
4. The necessity for the modification of the statutory workday, with due regard for the national necessity and the welfare of labor.
5. Maintenance of maximum production in all war work and the suspension for the period of the actual emergency and a reasonable adjustment thereafter of restrictive regulations not having the force of war which unreasonably limit production.

The implication of these duties is clear. Actually, the Board will take over these activities which have been performed by the trade unions. The labor movement will be stripped of its power to represent workers in bargaining with employers. Their only function will be to carry out the orders of the military administration.
Indicative of what the plans of the War Department will mean in terms of wages is a report that came recently from New England. A member of a New England Democratic State Committee reported that they had been given to understand that wage scales are already worked out in detail. Example: A paper box machinery factory in Nashua, N. H. now pays skilled mechanics \$1.80 an hour—the war time wage will be 80 cents an hour.

Power to Break Strikes
The Senate Committee that investigated the munitions traffic a few years ago reported:
"The proposal to register all labor under the draft can... be used to force a draft of labor and to remove the right of any worker to refuse employment in private industry under conditions or at wages which do not satisfy his needs."
"The power to call into military service any union or other representative of labor... is the power to force a draft of labor and to remove the right of any worker to refuse employment in private industry under conditions or at wages which do not satisfy his needs."
"There is nothing to prevent the War Department from inducting all the workers in any plant in the country into military service, forcing them to work under military orders."

Charles M. Kelley, writing in Labor Unity, a Chicago paper of the Industrial Brotherhoods closed an article in the "M" day plans by saying:
"When it comes to dealing with industry from the standpoint of the employer the situation is radically different. It should not be forgotten that those who control industry will be drawn exclusively from 'outstanding industrialists'."
Every trade unionist must be mobilized against this attempt to put labor in a military dictatorship. No labor representation will be allowed for even if labor is represented by the boards they still will be "controlled" by "outstanding industrialists."

Dubinsky Calls Lewis Ungrateful
NEW YORK—David Dubinsky, of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, who is still on the lips with his former pal, John Lewis, says the latter is "ungrateful" because of his attacks on President Roosevelt. Dubinsky says conditions of working people have materially improved during the past seven years, "thanks to the new laws."
OAKLAND PEP UP ACTIVITY
OAKLAND, Calif.—A special meeting was called in Oakland, Calif., on January 28 for the purpose of devising ways and means for the "lighting" and organizational work of the San Francisco Bay district.
After many lively discussions several resolutions were adopted and brought up. It was decided to have two news boys to work here and in San Francisco. Also to start a "forum" series of meetings in the hall in San Francisco.



"Brother John," a barfooted habitue of the Los Angeles Civic Center, caused a near-riot when he started distributing 1,000 quarters to hungry men and women. Feeding the hungry is so unusual a pastime these days that the police pulled him in for questioning.

'You Can't Strike'

The dismissal of the peering WPA strike cases in Minneapolis last Wednesday brings to the light once more President Roosevelt's oft-quoted warning to the WPA strikers during the national strike protest movement last summer, "You can't strike against the government."
The federal district court in Minneapolis dismissed cases involving 125 men and women defendants after five men defendants had entered pleas of nolle prosequere. President Roosevelt's talk with Frank Stanton before the latter was nominated to the Supreme Court is said to have been the basis for the decision to dismiss the cases. Roosevelt ordered that Murphy that the WPA workers have the right to organize like all other government employees but must not strike against the government.

Not Constitutional
It is surprising that labor organizations haven't protested against this statement for it can hardly be termed constitutional. Many labor

Disorderly conduct—The government, of course.
Significant and trade was the way the WPA strikers let us know on officials guide the protest movement last summer. With the possible exception of Minneapolis where the workers fought militantly, the WPA-workers showed little initiative. They applauded wildly when a marmar protest by the WPA-workers showed little initiative. They applauded wildly when a marmar protest by the WPA-workers showed little initiative. They applauded wildly when a marmar protest by the WPA-workers showed little initiative.

UPHOLDS UNION RIGHT TO PICK CANNED MUSIC
NEW YORK (AP)—Labor's fight for the introduction of labor-saving devices which increase employment was upheld Jan. 26 by the appellate division of the supreme court in a 4-3 majority decision. The appellate division voided an injunction restraining the American Federation of Musicians and the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (both AFL) from interfering with the production of Opera on Tour, Inc.

Reformers who may now enjoy "lawful and orderly means" to prevent the company from using amplified recorded orchestral music to accompany live opera singers in its road company.
"Unquestionably, the plaintiff (Opera on Tour, Inc.) has the legal basis to sue and to sue, to produce opera with mechanical music in preference to live musicians, but those defendant unions would seem to have the equal right to seek lawful and orderly means to prevent the plaintiff from using mechanical music, because the use thereof deprives their members of employment," the court ruled.

NEW YORK—The total number of unemployed rose 1.1 per cent in one day to 8,428,000, the Nat. Industrial Conference Board announced.

Oil Company Greases Palm It's Old American Custom

But City Officials Now Fear They "Tore Their Pants" When They Failed To Over Deal With Employers

TULSA, Okla.—Investigators of "anti-American" activities would find a rich field for their diggings in Oklahoma.
What the vice-president of a \$20,000,000 corporation (Mid-Continent Petroleum Corp.) can connive and rape the virtues of a whole state by handing out lump sums of \$50,000 to political parasites and jackals in an endeavor to deny a group of men their rights, then surely democracy is pretty well along the road toward dictatorship.

AMERICAN Minded Business
A fine example of the old tradition American way of handling strikes is furnished by the city officials of Tulsa working in perfect harmony with an under pay of the struck company. Says the Tulsa oil strikers' bulletin of January 22:
"According to testimony given to NLRB in Tulsa by former police commissioner, Floyd Rheams, Mr. J. C. Denton had been very kind and generous to city, county, and state officials by placing sums of \$50,000 at their disposal. Gullible indeed, would be the person who would fail to connect connection between these \$50,000 allotments and the militia, wire-tapping, dictaphoning, and grand jury indictments.

"These also testified that Tulsa's American minded business officials' financial aid toward strikebreaking activities."
Their Pants Torn
Reformers of the Industrial Worker are already familiar with the strike which is now well into its second year.

Conceding was injected into the sorry picture in the past week when city commissioners hastily attempted to cover up and clear themselves from the obvious inference derived from the Rheams testimony. The bulletin continues:
"Mr. Rheams, one of the city commissioners, did not better matter any when he said, 'Where we tore our pants, boys, was in talking to J. C. Denton, a company vice-president in the mayor's home.'"
The admission by city officials that they did confer with Denton without the presence of a union representative committee speaks plainly to those who have not lost the power of thought and reason. It's the old American custom in full operation. Attempted settlement of the strike

Using the Dies method, we can prove that Pearl Bergoff is a good union man."
Some of Bergoff's links were once union members; hence they still are. "These points out that J. E. Mathews, strikebreaker and committed investigator, argues that anyone who has once associated with Dies is still a red at heart."
Mathews has boasted of his past record as a fellow traveler; hence he still brandishes Dies associates with Mathews, that makes him a Communist, too.

PUZZLE
One of the things that may disturb, or puzzle, the Industrial Worker who got from \$2,000 to \$8,000 a week in 1940 were hostile by the \$12.50 minimum of the wage-hour law.
The problem reminds us of the newspaperman who was trying to get newpapers for underpaid workers on a Sunday in New York, with the widow of the publisher received \$3,000 and the dead husband was still drawing \$5,000.
"Why," said the lady, "don't you realize that the paper is losing \$9,000 a year? What are you really asking me to do is to take away out of my pocket \$14,000."
"Madam," said the chairman of the negotiating committee, "we couldn't have stated the case better."
NEW YORK—A new agreement setting a \$5.25 scale for New York's 2,000 pie watchmen has been signed by the Intl. Longshoremen's Assn.

Nations Move Toward Economic Planning

Governments Take on New Job; No Gain for Labor

There Will Be Freedom for Workers When Their Own Organization Plans for Production and Distribution

Even while the capitalist press continues its attacks on what it calls the unwarranted interference of government in business, big industry demands and gets more and more service from government—service of a kind that may be classified as economic planning.

New European buying of American aircraft, arms, and machine tools is presenting manufacturers with problems which they do not feel safe in handling individually and without government help. Accordingly, as told in Wall Street Journal (Feb. 1) Secretary of the Treasury Morgenthau has become a sort of distributing agency for orders from foreign countries.
New Job for US Treasurer
"While the Treasury executive," one article states, "has never exercised authority on the details of his coordinating duties, understanding here is that the routing of French and British orders are now primarily the responsibility of Mr. Morgenthau. Representatives of the Anglo-French purchasing board are known to have been in frequent contact with the treasury officials and these relations will doubtless be expanded by the board's staffing of an official in Washington."
Paralleling this close relation between foreign purchasers and the U. S. Treasury department there is a complementary relation between this department and the American manufacturers. Since the passing out of jury orders has become a function of a public official the matter of plant expansion to permit the filling of these orders also becomes the responsibility of the government. The question of ways and means for financing the necessary increases in

will be any movement in the opposite direction once the present war conditions have passed.
Other countries economic planning is also being advanced in the United States. Scott Nearing points out in a current article released by Federated Press that economic planning once devised by capitalist spokesmen, is finding favor everywhere.

Januarial Trend
In January the government of Mexico launched its second 5-Year Plan. The first German 4-Year Plan, begun in 1936, will either on its second lap in 1940. From France has begun a 10-Year Plan for Spain, England, and Italy.

British and French statements are jointly planning finance, transportation, and certain other economic activities for the period of the war. In the last decade the world has turned to planning as a duck turns to water.
"Capitalism in its earlier forms was largely competitive. The classical economists, influenced by liberal theories that grew up during the epoch of the French revolution, sanctified competition and insisted that the least government interfered with business, the better for all concerned."
"The doctrine of freedom for business enterprise was soon abandoned by businessmen who demanded that the state subsidize and subsidize for projected railroads. Businessmen demanded freedom from child labor, minimum wage and compulsory laws but they did not entirely let their hands into the public treasury whenever occasion demanded. After the collapse of 1929 the Reconstruction Finance Corporation passed out billions to banks, railroads and other private enterprises in an effort to salvage a bankrupt profit economy."
"The war of 1914 brought business and government together. The economic breakdown that followed 1929 demonstrated the weakness of capitalism. It forced the formation of ruling classes in many countries to

coordinate their economic and political functions.
"Private enterprises and social planning are antithetical terms. While private business could survive and control, it refused to permit social planning."
Social Planning?
Prof. Nearing does not, of course, fail to mention the economic planning of the Russian government inaugurated in 1928. "When the 5-Year Plan was launched, the world laughed. Within 10 years economic planning was seriously discussed by capitalists, and responsible government officials in all parts of the world were announcing comprehensive plans."

Economic planning has been and is today held by many to be the key key to a better world for labor. Doubtless it is true that without such plans and out-of-date methods and economic planning there will never be security and comfort for the workers. On the other hand, it is not clear that whether or not the cause of labor is promoted by planning Production and distribution depends on who holds the power to control industry, and to plan for it.
For instance, let the Nazis, Bolsheviks, American financiers, and all the rest of the world's ruling groups in their respective countries hire the best engineers and other technicians to organize and coordinate production—let these eliminate waste and competition, routing out unneeded plants and out-of-date methods and the producers would still be enslaved. The most thoroughgoing economic planning by a ruling class will fail to free the worker from the economic slavery in production. The reason is simple: in order that some may play the part of lords and masters, others must play the part of slaves.

NEW YORK
With private enterprise breaking down everywhere it is evident the world is well along into a new era. Private enterprise is putting up a good fight against the forces of social planning. It changes the spokesmen and beneficiaries are de-

ing their best to avoid taking the inevitable step toward a centralized control of the industrial machine. Still, knowing that ruin stares them in the face on the old order, they take the new one because they must.
All these economic important changes in modern relationships but it does not mean that the G. I. TRANSFORMATION from a system of exploitation of labor to a system of production for use is taking place under their eyes. Far from it.
Workers are exploited because capitalism appeared on the scene. They can still be exploited after that system passes into history. It is a more scientific way of carrying on industry to have a central coordinating power in control; it is interesting to watch a dictator crack down on the little barons of industry and whip them into line or even exterminate them. But these things do not mean freedom for labor.
The salvation does not lie in the direction of a stronger state power; to regulate industry and class relations. Labor's power lies in the control of production, the power of power—and in the growth of its own organization. When labor's organization begins in earnest to take over the economic functions now being absorbed by governments and industry we've formerly the exclusive right of private owners, their labor will be controlled by the workers. This is a class and economic freedom.
Today our capitalist government chooses the buyers for American raw goods. To some considerable extent it also chooses the sellers permitted to fill the orders. The government assumes also to some extent to determine the conditions under which goods shall be produced. Under the old capitalism these regulatory measures remained exclusively in the hands of private owners. Today they are in the hands of the workers' industrial organization. That will be economic planning for workers by workers.—372561

Associated Farmers Nurtured By Industrial Association

Investigations Show How Employers Of California Generously Support Their Own 'Union' Against Labor

SAN FRANCISCO (FP)—The now defunct Industrial Assn. of San Francisco saved the life of the struggling Associated Farmers by pouring thousands of dollars into the A. F. treasury when it had only 45 bona fide members, it was revealed in a Senate hearing...

Employer Union Wins

More than \$17,000 was turned over to the Associated Farmers by the Industrial Assn. during the last years of 1934 and 1935. In the latter year, the A. F. had a membership of 187 which grew to 5,742 in 1937, 6,010 in 1938, and dropped to 5,192 last year.

Money for the Association

John Forbes, first president of the Industrial Assn., was the purpose of the organization was to "represent the public in industrial questions" and to "devote its energies to maintaining open shop in San Francisco."

Money for Finks

The money was used to establish a school for training agents for setting up unemployment agencies for hiring guards, for employing undercover agents, for prosecution of labor leaders...

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When questioning turned to the Groves & Shippers Union, which controls the shipping from the Salinas area, the bloody letter strike of 1936 was discussed briefly.

4L SUCCESSOR FOUND ILLEGAL

SEATTLE (WNS)—Word comes from the national capital that three new lumber companies have been organized by the Industrial Union, Inc. and its affiliated locals as bargaining agencies for logging...

UNIONS MAP JOINT FIGHT AGAINST TAX

PHILADELPHIA—A joint labor committee of 20 to fight the recently enacted 1 1/2 per cent wage tax was formed at a conference of unions Jan. 27 at Trafton Hall, here.

THOMAS HART BENTON DRAWING OF GRAPES OF WRATH



"We're the people that live. Can't nobody wipe us out," says Ma Joad as the Joad family trudges its weary way onward in search of food and a home at the close of what critics call the greatest film ever made in Hollywood.

CLEVELAND BOSS COLLECTS DUES FOR AFL; MEN WANT IWW

(Continued from page 1) and in cohorts with the self-named "Honest" Joe Shepler, hyphen lawyer and son-in-law of Wm. Green, of the AFL. Shepler once said that he has "sometimes represented working men but that he now represents the company (Steel Stamping, Lorain, Ohio), finding it easier to get money out of them."

Store Owner On Boycott 25,000 Burglar Alarms Go Union After Settlement

NEW YORK (FP)—The cash register of the shop of Florence Horner, 125 E. 125th St., was practically destroyed last week, sounded like the answer to a third alarm on the afternoon of Feb. 1.

Of Men and the World "My Week" BY ART HOPKINS

CLEVELAND, Ohio—Went out the other afternoon passing handbills at a Mitchell Metal Products company with Colman Claberty, president of the shop and a company union in it.

Mr. Mitchell takes out a \$1.00 from my pay check every week—won't get a receipt, no union button, no card stamp. We don't know of any agreement of how long the union is in.

NEW YORK—Forty per cent of all employees of state and local governments earn \$1,000 or less a year, according to figures from the U. S. Treasury.

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RENO HUGHES DIES AS RESULT OF ACCIDENT

BALTIMORE (WNS)—Fellow worker Reno Hughes, thirty-two of Seattle, Wash. died here of injuries received when he fell into the hold of the freighter Hampton Roads.

Peace Group Attacked by Dies Quits

Dr. Harry F. Ward, Chairman, Denies Communist Control NEW YORK (FP)—The American League for Peace & Democracy, founded in 1934 as the American League against War & Fascism, was dissolved Feb. 1 after a meeting of its national board.

Who? Where? What?

By BILL FECKZO HOFFKO is nothing more than a cheap gangster functioning as the boss of the theatrical and motion trade, as are most of the 'appointed' leaders of the American Federation of Labor.

Can Find A Few More

By the way, Pegler, here in Cleveland we have a few more AFL labor-doggy "Honest" Joe Sheplers, son-in-law of Willie Green, a lawyer who stated, and we have affidavits for this charge, "I used to represent the likes of you."

BRIDGES TO TAKE SHORT CUT TO CITIZENSHIP

SAN FRANCISCO (FP)—Harry Bridges, charged with deportation charges, is going to seek U. S. citizenship the short way, instead of waiting for time to file his second papers.

AFL Steps Out to Solicit Short Log Lumber Workers

SPOKANE, Wash.—(WNS)—That old red light gal of the labor movement, the AFL, is busy soliciting for all lumber firms in the Pacific Northwest without a reduction in pay was adopted at the semi-annual conference of the Inland Empire chapter of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers unions (AFL) held at Lewiston, Idaho, on Jan. 28.

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Grain Storage Ships Half Unloaded; Season Near

Great Lakes Conference of MTW to Be Held in Buffalo During April; Will Take IWW to Make Good Year

BUFFALO, N. Y.—(WNS)—With half of the storage grain fleet unloaded, the port of Buffalo also is witnessing the first stir of spring activity on the lakes. From here on, it is said, things will gradually move forward to the climax in April when every ship in the port is expected to fit out.

Some 100,000 tons of grain are now in the harbor and these ships will provide many jobs for seamen, the majority of whom will be broke after the long winter lay-up.

Many salt water seamen will also be coming to the lakes for jobs and undoubtedly a great many of them will secure work. We would advise these salt water seamen who intend coming to the lakes this spring to have a "piece of change" upon arrival here. The lakes districts are a hungry and are waiting for the spring.

Job seeking on an empty stomach is a tough problem and we want to see the men avoid that as much as possible.

From time to time the columns of the Industrial Worker will carry the real low-down on lakes marine news, here gathered by reliable lake seamen in the different ports. To members of Industrial Union No. 510 we suggest that they keep in touch with the branch.

The MTW spring conference on the lakes will most likely, take place sometime in early April in the port of Buffalo. A large attendance is expected and wanted to organize industrial union plans for the lakes season. The date of the conference will be set later and the 510 branches will be notified by due time.

It looks like a big year for John Shipmaker. The lakes seaman can make it a big year for themselves, and for the IWW. Let's get it right away—the IWW way.—17-TO.

Who? Where? What?

By BILL FECKZO HOFFKO is nothing more than a cheap gangster functioning as the boss of the theatrical and motion trade, as are most of the 'appointed' leaders of the American Federation of Labor.

Can Find A Few More

By the way, Pegler, here in Cleveland we have a few more AFL labor-doggy "Honest" Joe Sheplers, son-in-law of Willie Green, a lawyer who stated, and we have affidavits for this charge, "I used to represent the likes of you."

BRIDGES TO TAKE SHORT CUT TO CITIZENSHIP

SAN FRANCISCO (FP)—Harry Bridges, charged with deportation charges, is going to seek U. S. citizenship the short way, instead of waiting for time to file his second papers.

AFL Steps Out to Solicit Short Log Lumber Workers

SPOKANE, Wash.—(WNS)—That old red light gal of the labor movement, the AFL, is busy soliciting for all lumber firms in the Pacific Northwest without a reduction in pay was adopted at the semi-annual conference of the Inland Empire chapter of the Lumber and Sawmill Workers unions (AFL) held at Lewiston, Idaho, on Jan. 28.

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