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## Use Your Votes to Strike A Mighty Blow-For Yourself!

**DOWN** all the stretch of history back to our shaggy ancestors of the caves, there has never been the tragedy that overwhelms us now. When crops failed in the past, we could make allowances for hunger. When a pestilence swept a vast region, we could understand privation. When a flood or an earthquake came, destitution naturally followed. **Scarcity must produce hunger.** Human beings must suffer when productive powers fail them.

It is not so today. Vast abundance has produced hunger. Enormous productive powers have brought disease. Great power-driven machines have brought destitution.

Crops were never so large as today, yet millions have not enough to eat. Health was never so available for all, yet disease is on the increase. We have heaped commodities mountain high, yet destitution has never been more widespread.

### The Ghastly Contrast

There is no drouth, no flood, no earthquake, no cyclone to produce scarcity. *There is no scarcity. There is abundance for all, yet there is destitution for millions!*

That is the ghastly contrast of our capitalistic civilization. Idle industries and idle millions of workers. The idle industries can flood the nation with goods to consume. The idle workers can consume those goods if produced, yet *workers and industries remain idle!*

And now we approach the fourth winter of this stagnation. In four years, the number of the jobless has increased from five million to more than ten million. If those who occupy the seats of governing power could or would arrest this hideous disaster, why have they not arrested it by now? If in four years the jobless army doubles, what will be the number of the jobless in another four years with these same politicians in power?

Is the industrial situation improving? Is there any hope?

The cheerio chorus rejoices over a few upward spurts in the Wall Street stock market. When this gambling joint shows a few signs of life, does this mean hope for the millions of workers in industry and out in the countryside?

### No Improvement

The answer is that despite any upward trend in the Wall Street joint, the index of employment shows no improvement. That index is more important than the stock market as a barometer of industrial conditions. *Unemployment is on the increase; and the Wall Street Journal last week forecast a still larger number of jobless recruits early next year!*



**MORRIS HILLQUIT**

**Socialist Party's Candidate for Mayor  
of New York City**

(DETAILED STORY OF CONVENTION ON PAGE THREE;  
ARTICLE ON MORRIS HILLQUIT ON PAGE SIXTEEN.)

The fact is that the parties of capitalism and their "best minds" cannot solve the problems of the depression. They are identified with the whole capitalist system. They want to preserve it; and it is decaying before their eyes. *They represent the capitalist kings and bankers, whose interests are served by propping the system up.*

Our ruling classes have governed this nation through their parties and politicians since the end of the Civil War. In no other nation has their rule been so absolute as in the United States. They are like children who have built a castle of cards, a castle that has collapsed and which they cannot restore.

Standing in the wreckage of their system which has buried the hopes of millions of workers, the party brokers ask the ballot-armed millions to vest them with renewed power to rule us and fool us. It is time to end the farce.

The toiling masses have no stake in preserving the industrial system that has brought them misery. Their interests are ranged against it. It is their solemn duty to seek power and put an end to that system.

### Strike a Blow!

November draws nearer and there is one blow that can be struck. Tens of millions of ballots are in our hands. Once we part with them, they can never be recalled. We shall use them for the ruling class parties—or we shall use them for ourselves.

Do Hoover and Curtis represent you? Do Roosevelt and Garner represent you? If either or both tickets represent you, *why have we continued to sink deeper into this industrial hell?*

There is only one answer. A vote for Norman Thomas and James H. Maurer, a vote for the whole Socialist ticket, will be a blow struck at the system and its parties.

*Millions of such votes will stagger the parties of capitalism and send many advance couriers of the social revolution into our legislative halls.*

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## Pursuing Ragged Veterans

PERHAPS the old theory of the "natural rights of man" includes the right of any person to be a fool. If so, President Hoover and his advisers insist on assertion of this right in their attitude towards the dispersal of the bonus army a few weeks ago.

It is not enough that these ragged veterans should be driven out of the city at the point of the bayonet, that they should be gassed and their encampments put to the torch. That was stupid and brutal enough, but all this is followed by a publicity statement intended to give the impression that these hungry and jobless men had quite a percentage of criminals among them. Naturally, the Bolshevik spook is also dragged in for good measure.

Realizing that Hoover and his advisers had committed a political blunder in the first place, the statement published last Monday was released in the hope of removing the curse from the first offense. This was a cowardly performance, for it means the mobilization of official prestige against a few thousand jobless men who are scattered and who cannot consider formulation of an answer and obtain the same publicity for it.

However, the administration did not consider General Glassford, superintendent of Washington police. That official on Tuesday replied to Attorney General Mitchell, spokesman for the administration, and from the records of his department showed that of the 363 arrested during the two months of the bonus invasion, only 12 were charged with offenses of a criminal character. Mitchell had declared that the bonus army had probably "brought into the city of Washington the largest aggregation of criminals that had ever assembled in the city at any one time." We do not know whether he expected the period of Fall, Doheny, Sinclair, Denby and their ilk in this comparison because of tender regard for Hoover who sat in the Cabinet with some of these worthies, but General Glassford also answered that "there was less crime in the District of Columbia during either June or July than during the month of August, after the veterans had been evicted."

A sense of decency would have impelled intelligent men to regret having made a horrible and brutal blunder in this affair and to hope that silence would be succeeded by oblivion, but the Hoover coterie goes on to add malice to its folly. It pursues the ragged veterans with the malign implication that they were the dupes of criminals, when their only crime was that of being jobless and hungry. Fortunately, the answer of General Glassford is a sharp rap over the knuckles for these stupid politicians.

Rarely has there been such a shameful exhibition of brutality and cowardice by high officials at Washington. They are thinking in terms of votes next November, not in terms of equity towards distressed men who are jobless through no fault of their own. We shall not deny them the right to be fools, but even that does not require that they must also be malicious.

There is something in Socialism to kill ignorance and to destroy vice. There is something in it to shut up the jails, to do away with prostitution, to reduce crime and drunkenness, and wipe out forever the sweeter and the slums, the beggars and the idle rich, the useless fine ladies and lords, and make it possible for sober and willing workers to live healthy, happy and honorable lives.—Robert Blatchford.

## The World We Live In

# A SOCIALIST VIEW OF THE WEEK

## Roosevelt Offers A Puzzle to Farmers

SPEAKING to farmers at Topeka on Wednesday, Governor Roosevelt oozed some wisdom on the farm problem. Martin Van Buren was considered one of the cleverest politicians in stringing words together that appear to mean something and yet defying analysis. Roosevelt said that a farm program "must provide for the producer of staple surplus commodities such as wheat, cotton, corn (in the form of hogs) and tobacco, a tariff benefit over world prices which is equivalent to the benefit given by the tariff to industrial products. The differential benefit must be so applied that the increase in farm income, purchasing and debt-paying power will not stimulate further production."

Farmers who had that poured into their heads have seven weeks to puzzle over what it means. After November 8 the "forgotten man" can forget it as an unsolved riddle together with the mystery, Who hit Bill Patterson?

## Elections in the State of Maine

THE Democrats have elected a governor, two members of Congress out of three, and many county officials in Maine. Hoover sends a message to Chairman Sanders, of the Republican national committee, advising a stronger effort to state the "issues." Roosevelt is jubilant, and the Democrats in general are happy. Sanders is "not greatly disturbed" and expects Hoover to hold on to his job. Had the Republicans won, the G. O. P. would have forecast a triumph in November with little effort and the Democrats would have said that Maine is not a barometer, which is true.

So far as working people are concerned, the Maine result means the shift of a section of voters from one wing of capitalist politics to the other. What is interesting is that the total vote cast is 22,000 larger than the vote cast in 1928 and nearly 100,000 greater than the vote cast two years ago. If this larger vote is generally polled in November, it will be the largest vote polled in the post-war period.

The Maine result, however, is not a forecast for November. A slight upward trend of prices a few weeks before election will help the Hoover firm and injure the Roosevelt firm of capitalism. Socialists are little concerned with the fate of either.

## Ghastly Dividends For the Workers

ALL indications are that the destruction of the steamer Observation last week by an explosion that brought death to 68 workers and injured many more was due to indifference to human life. The steamer was an old hulk built in the 80s and many of the dead were members of ironworkers' and plumbers' unions. The first named union had complained that the boiler was unsafe and the boat itself had been sunk twice and swept by fire on two occasions.

Testimony thus far available shows that complaints had been made of the need of certain repairs, especially of the boiler. In one instance the answer was, "It costs too much money." It was safer to risk the lives of working men, which are becoming cheaper every day, and so labor again reaps a ghastly dividend in this terrible disaster, which is listed second to the sinking of the steamer General Slocum in 1904.

Had this boat been used for frequent shipment of cattle we are sure more care would have been taken. Cattle may be marketed for profits, but the killing of human beings may be risked, as a morgue stocked with mangled bodies is so much labor power destroyed and the labor market always yields a plentiful stock.

## Governors Meet and Farmers Continue Strike

NINE mid-western governors met in Sioux City, Iowa, last week to deliberate on the ruin of the farmers. The farmer strikers urged an embargo on the marketing of underpriced farm products; this was rejected by the gov-

## seven days' news digested and interpreted from the viewpoint of the Socialist movement.

ernors. They recommended tariff revision to "give equality of protection to agriculture"; sound expansion of the currency; reorganization of the agricultural credit system, and a lower rate of interest; aid from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, and "surplus control legislation" to "elevate the domestic price level of American products." That's all! The politicians marched up the hill and marched down again.

Meantime picketing on many highways continues, and Milo Reno, president of the National Farmers' Holiday Association, is reported as approving the governors' program. On Sunday, leaders of the holiday movement in 12 states will assemble in Sioux City and set up a strike program on a wider scale.

Farmers have yet to understand that they are enmeshed in the coils of a merciless capitalist system, from which they cannot be released without destroying capitalism itself. The governors' program will accomplish nothing for the farmers, who should unite with the workers to build a Socialist civilization.

## War of A. F. of L. On Racketeers

THE campaign of the A. F. of L. against the gangster and the racketeer in the trade unions has become extensive. It will receive the support of every Socialist and progressive member. It is said that 28 national unions are affected by this disease, and the campaign against it will include nation-wide radio broadcasts. In Chicago a mass meeting will be held in the Coliseum next month, presided over by John Fitzpatrick, president of the Chicago Federation of Labor.

Ed Nockels, secretary of the federation, declares that the situation is serious in Chicago, where local union leaders and politicians have been murdered or kidnaped in the racketeering union war. A huge mass of information regarding this grave situation is being assembled in New York City and is being classified for some 20 broadcasts throughout the country.

Wherever this situation prevails in the unions, it will be found that there is an intimate relation between the racketeer and capitalist politics. The two go together; and the mercenary politician is in part the outcome of trade union failure to abandon political action within the parties of capitalism. President Green's declaration of the possibility of independent party action at the New Jersey Federation convention last week brought a storm of applause. The emancipation of the organized working class from non-partisan action will be a blow to the evils now being fought.

## The Intelligentsia And the Working Class

COMMUNISTS have annexed a group of artists, novelists, playwrights and others of the intelligentsia to support Foster and Ford. Matthew Josephson announces this as a "move leftward among the intellectuals in America." Some time later we intend to give some attention to the intelligentsia in relation to the labor and revolutionary movements, but for the present we will be content with a few observations.

We note that Lincoln Steffens heads this group. One turns to his autobiography and finds a collection of others of his heroes. They include Wilson, Debs, Lenin and even Mussolini. If there is any clear underlying thought in a man who will include such diverse men of such diverse thought, ranging from reaction to revolution, in his affections, we should like to know what it is.

Moreover, why is it assumed that a novelist is competent in the field of economic history, a playwright reliable in interpreting the labor and revolutionary movements, and an artist or an associate editor of the "liberal" New Republic an adequate adviser in working class politics? One might as well assume that a physician is also qualified as a statistician.

The point is that the intellectual may be qualified, but it does not follow that he is qualified because he is an intellectual. On the contrary, the novelist and playwright may be absurd in these other fields; and they often are. More later on this theme.

## Unstable Power in The German Reich

ONE of the comic turns of politics in Germany is the role being played by the Hitlerites, who have assumed the position of protecting the parliamentary regime. They have vied with the Centrists (Catholic) in the demand to keep the Reichstag's powers, prestige and prerogatives intact. This attitude was even more pronounced this week, when Speaker Goering, Fascist, ignored von Papen and put a Communist motion of no confidence in the government which was carried by an overwhelming majority. It appeared for a time to be a deadlock between the Reichstag and the government which might bring on a test of armed power, but the Reichstag finally gave way. Whether new elections will provide a more workable Reichstag is something no one can predict.

Meantime the Stalheim league of veterans through its executive has spoken frankly against the Reichstag. "The past 14 years have proved that an independent responsible government cannot be obtained by elections," the statement said. "Therefore, away with effete parliamentarism. We demand that this government march forward and act, not talk." Thus spoke the cocky militarists who see "responsible government" in the use of the mailed fist.

## Out Again, In Again Drama in Chile

THE so-called Socialist regime in Chile, headed by Carlos Davila, has been ousted by a group of military officers. Last June President Montero was overthrown and replaced by Davila, who had the support of Colonel Grove. Less than two weeks later, Colonel Grove ousted Davila, but a few days later the latter recovered control and exiled Colonel Grove to Juan Fernandez Island. Now Davila is overthrown by General Bartolome Blanche with the aid of the chief of the air force. The political parties have had no hand in the affair.

In a manifesto issued by army officers it is asserted that "it is useless to maintain further the Socialist government which, instead of keeping within its program, has merely returned to the practices of previous administrations." The officers will designate a group to assure "free and well organized elections in October."

What it is really all about is not clear. Only one thing is clear: each group that has come into power in Chile talks of its "Socialist" aims, but in each case it is also a military group that seizes power. It is probable that the present ruling group feared the results of the coming October elections. On the other hand, Davila may have been getting ready to "fix" the election and has been forestalled. Next week may give us more light.

## Westchester Rally Saturday

THOMAS, WALDMAN, SOLOMON, CLAESSENS AND LOCAL CANDIDATES SPEAK SATURDAY AT WESTCHESTER RALLY, WHITE PLAINS COUNTY CENTER, 8 P.M.

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On the Political Front

# Vigorous Socialist Drive Brings in \$25,000

**Thousands Flocking to Hear Socialist Speakers as Figures Mount Toward \$100,000 Goal for Campaign; Broun, Vladeck, Hoan and Hillquit to Tour; Finnish Federation and Workmen's Circle Active; Details of Fund Drive Plans**

WITH \$100,000 as its goal, and close to 1,000 Socialist branches and locals as its agencies, aided by an interest in the national campaign which is developing throughout the country with the rapidity of a prairie fire, the Socialist Opportunity Drive approached the \$25,000 mark during the past week, and kept mounting as additional reports were received from various parts of the country.

Additional cities joined the nation-wide drive with renewed vigor and determination to build the Socialist organization, while many thousands of their citizens flocked to hear the national standard bearers of the Socialist Party at Dayton, Indianapolis, Akron, Cleveland, St. Louis, and Pittsburgh. Collections and dinners in those cities increased the fund during the past 10 days by approximately \$2,000, while committees formed in those cities to visit party sympathizers for the solicitation of funds are hopeful of trebling the amount during the month.

## Big Pittsburgh Dinner

The largest of the dinners was held in Pittsburgh, where Morris Hillquit, national chairman of the Socialist Party, and Albert Sprague Coolidge, of Massachusetts, a member of the national committee, delivered the principal addresses. More than \$600 was collected.

The others were campaign rallies at which collections were taken following addresses by Norman Thomas, Socialist candidate for President, and local Socialist speakers. With detailed reports still lacking, estimates based on information received at the national office of the Socialist Party are that more than \$1,000 was collected for the national campaign. Individual contributions received in the mails brought the total raised in a week to about \$2,000.

Arrangements for a series of dinners and conferences in other cities were made during the week. The first of these will be held under the auspices of the Thomas-Maurer Committee of 5,000, of which Mary Fox is the executive secretary, at Mecca Temple, New York, Monday evening.

## Broun, Vladeck Dates

Heywood Broun and B. C. Vladeck, two prominent Socialist leaders, have agreed to give a series of dates for fund raising activities, and arrangements are being completed to have them visit cities where prospects for raising substantial amounts are considered best.

Daniel W. Hoan, mayor of Milwaukee and chairman of the national campaign committee, Morris Hillquit and other Socialist leaders have agreed to tour various sections of the country to

## Reserve Friday, Oct. 7!

On Friday, Oct. 7, a reception and dinner at Park View Palace, 110th street and Fifth avenue, will be tendered to Mayor Hoan of Milwaukee, and to the candidate for Mayor of New York City, Morris Hillquit.

## Hall Meetings

Sunday, Sept. 18, 2 p. m.—Town Hall, 43rd street, East of Broadway, N. Y. Speakers, Thomas, Waldman, Roth, Solomon, Karlin, Panken, Hillquit.

Monday, Sept. 19, 8:30 p. m.—Mecca Temple, dinner for Thomas; auspices, Committee of Ten Thousand for Thomas and Maurer. Speakers, Waldman, Broun, Vladeck and Thomas.

Tuesday, Sept. 20, 8:30 p. m.—Bellamy Club, 904 Prospect avenue, Bronx. Speakers, Waldman, Panken, Fruchter, Orr, Levenstein, Umansky and Herzberg.

## 300 Thomas-Maurer Campus Clubs Is Goal Of Midwest Students

CHICAGO.—Three hundred chapters and a membership of at least 9,000 by the middle of October was the goal set by the midwest conference of the Thomas-Maurer Clubs of midwest colleges last week. Thirty-five delegates from colleges in Illinois, Iowa, Wisconsin and Minnesota gathered for the conference. Members of the party's national executive committee, which met in Chicago at the same time, spoke to these students.

Besides discussing the aims, activities and methods of their clubs, the students visited a "Hooverville," a large relief station, and conducted a rousing street meeting on the southwest side of town.

help the drive for funds. Alfred Baker Lewis, of Boston, is in charge of arrangements for a dinner in Boston Oct. 2 with Broun as the guest of honor.

Ethelwyn Mills, of Los Angeles, has agreed to arrange a state dinner in California when Thomas reaches that state in the course of his western tour. It will be held in Los Angeles on Sunday evening, Oct. 9, following a mass

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**"Thomas and Maurer Committee of 100,000" Formed to Push Party's Candidates; "You Can't Be Neutral," Professor Douglas, Chairman, Warns Non-Partyites; Campaign Dinner Monday**

PLANS for the organization of the "Thomas and Maurer Committee of 100,000" by Nov. 1 and a comparison of the platforms of the major political parties have been issued at committee headquarters, 112 East 19th street, New York City, by Paul Douglas, famed economist of the University of Chicago, chairman of the committee supporting Norman Thomas, Socialist candidate for president, and James H. Maurer, his running mate for the vice-presidency.

**A CAMPAIGN DINNER WILL BE GIVEN IN HONOR OF NORMAN THOMAS BY THE THOMAS AND MAURER COMMITTEE AT MECCA TEMPLE ON MONDAY EVENING. SPEAKERS, IN ADDITION TO COMRADE THOMAS, WILL BE HEYWOOD BROUN, DR. HENRY NEUMANN, OF THE BROOKLYN ETHICAL CULTURE; B. CHARNEY VLADICK, MANAGING EDITOR OF THE JEWISH DAILY FORWARD, AND LOUIS WALDMAN, SOCIALIST CANDI-**

## DATE FOR GOVERNOR.

Supporting Professor Douglas as vice-chairman, of the committee are Morris Raphael Cohen, philosopher; John Dewey, educator and chairman of the League for Independent Political Action; Bishop Francis J. McConnell, president of the Federal Council of Churches in America, and Oswald Garrison Villard, editor of the Nation. Professor Reinhold Niebuhr of Union Theological Seminary is treasurer of the committee and Mary Fox, secretary.

In a statement addressed to American men and women who are not members of the Socialist Party, Professor Douglas declared, "You cannot be neutral in this crisis of 1932 and no one would want to be. Above all in this election year you desire to make your vote count not only against the two old parties which have shown themselves completely unable and unwilling to meet the challenge of misery with any intelligence in regard to the problems of today. You will, indeed, want to use your vote to support a fundamental program and a man of outstanding ability for president of the United States.

"We invite to membership in the Committee of 100,000 for Norman Thomas and James H. Maurer men and women not members of the Socialist Party who wish to make their endorsement of these candidates count two ways; by their vote and as a part of the organized sentiment behind the campaign for the Socialist candidates.

"Many distinguished men and women are joining our committee but what is more important, workers from large cities as well as farmers from the rebellious middle west and tenant farmers from the Southwest write in to join the committee and obtain literature. In the last three weeks over 10,000 names have come in from 46 states in the Union. Yesterday's correspondence alone came in from thirty-six states.

"Our slogan is 'Don't throw your vote away; Vote for Thomas and Maurer.'"

Accompanying this statement was the analysis of the four party platforms on "the basic issues of unemployment, public utilities, money and banking, international politics, international economics, agriculture, taxation and civil rights."

ever Justice McGeehan's ruling is, the question will be carried to the Court of Appeals and will not be finally decided for some time.

## Aggressive Campaign Is Launched at New York City Convention

MORRIS HILLQUIT, national chairman of the Socialist Party and candidate for Mayor in the exciting campaign of 1917, when the Socialist party polled close to 25 per cent of the total vote and elected 18 men to public office, will again head the local Socialist ticket.

Hillquit was named as candidate for Mayor to fill the unexpired term of former Mayor Walker at an enthusiastic city convention of the party at the People's House, Thursday night.

Placed in nomination in an eloquent address by Charles Solomon, candidate for United States Senator, Hillquit's name was greeted by the delegates and visitors with enthusiasm, and the candidate accepted the nomination in a moving speech.

## To Wage Aggressive Campaign.

The convention also adopted a city platform, and elected committees to wage an aggressive campaign for Mayor. The mayoralty campaign, of course, will be an integral part of the national and state campaigns, but the interest in the mayoralty situation is expected to add even more interest and enthusiasm to the general campaign than it has shown thus far.

The municipal platform was drawn up by a committee consisting of Algernon Lee, Charles Solomon and Louis Waldman, with Hillquit and Norman Thomas as consulting members.

A committee consisting of Esther Friedman, Harry Kritzer and Jack Altman presented a report on plans for the waging and financing the city campaign.

The Debs Auditorium was packed with Socialists and visitors when the convention was called to order, and it was manifest from the start that the prospect of having Hillquit as candidate had made all sections of the party enthusiastic.

## Election Question in Court

The nomination was made at a time when the question of whether or not there is to be a mayoralty election is still in the courts. The day before the nomination Hillquit, as attorney for the party, had appeared before Supreme Court Justice McGeehan to argue that there is a vacancy and that an election must be held. The court action was the result of an action brought by Mayor McKee to set aside the decision of the Board

of Elections to hold an election on the certification of the City Clerk that a vacancy exists in the office.

The issue involved is a highly technical and intricate interpretation of the city charter and state constitution, complicated by the old-party political situation. It appears that as good a legalistic argument can be made on one side as upon the other, but it is generally felt that the courts will hold that an election must be held.

The Socialist Party acted upon the assumption that an election will be held following the certification of the City Clerk and the order of the Board of Elections, and also decisions of the Court of Appeals in similar cases. What-

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# THE SOCIALIST PARTY'S CLARION CALL TO ACTION

By Norman Thomas

## DEMOCRACY ON TRIAL

AS never before in America or any other country political democracy is on trial this year. Everywhere is cynicism with regard to political action, not merely with regard to the old parties but with regard to democracy itself. Yet if we cannot accomplish things worth while through political action the alternative is dictatorship, or violence, or more likely both. Already in America men are crying for an American Mussolini, little recognizing how great is the cost of such dictatorship.

No wonder men are crying out for some change, for we have come to a new tragedy in history, the starvation of willing workers in the midst of actual and potential plenty. It is not a political system merely but an economic order that is on trial, an economic order that allows twelve million unemployed and their dependents to face literal starvation while a whole class of farmers drift nearer and nearer to wholesale bankruptcy.

The political action that is effective today must take cognizance of facts like these. It must have proposals for the reordering of our lives.

While politicians played at politics in the convention stadium hundreds of thousands of their fellow citizens in Chicago were unemployed, did not know whence would come bread for their children's needs.

The Republican platform is nothing but a wordy and badly written endorsement of the program of Herbert Hoover. It is opportunistic, confused, sure only of one thing, its devotion to private profit. Long ago events forced Hoover and his party away from the "rugged individualism" he once talked about. But the paternalism he is obliged to practice is not intended to provide planned production for use for the benefit of all of us, instead of the profit system which has broken down, but to aid business to make more profit by the use of government credit. Concessions to either farmers or workers are made reluctantly, inadequately, and ineffectively.

## BETTER ENGLISH—THAT'S ALL!

The Democratic platform is superior in brevity and in English style but it is an amazingly conservative document coming from a party which once was as radical as the Bryan platform of 1896. In so far as the Democratic platform is liberal at all it is liberal in the old fashioned semi-Jeffersonian sense, and we can be Jeffersonian in economics only if and when we are ready to go back from electric lights to tallow dips. The Democratic platform does not mention the recognition of Russia or the refusal to sell munitions of war to belligerent powers. It ignores the League of Nations and bluntly opposes cancellation of war debts without telling how they can be collected. In view of the Democratic record in Congress, the Democratic economy and tariff plans are pure hypocrisy and the Democratic program for unemployment relief and agriculture may mean anything or nothing according as they are interpreted. It is as adequate to our time as a lady's parasol in a cloud-burst.

Nor is there anything in the Democratic Party situation to make it better than its platform. The party which debars Negroes from the polls in the South and makes it difficult for white workers to vote by a poll tax; the party of machine-made corrupt policies in northern cities—this is not Jeffersonian even in the political sense. In nominating Franklin Roosevelt the Democratic Party nominated an admirable gentleman but a man who has shown no great strength of purpose or of leadership. Hailed as a friend of the poor, his record on unemployment relief in New York State is the record of a man who has availed himself of every excuse to do next to nothing. Months ago he renounced his former belief in the League of Nations, virtually at the behest of William Randolph Hearst. At Chicago he got his reward.

## OTHER PARTIES AND SECTS

There are other parties. There is a Liberty Party which as I understand it would save us by changing our money system. Its intentions are good, but it's too late in the day to try to restore the economics of Andrew Jackson's time. It is necessary to bring about transfer of real wealth from the hands of a small owning class to the hands of the agents of the great masses of the workers who must use these productive tools for the common good.

There is, of course, also the Communist Party, sincere and determined. But this party accepts

the necessity for dictatorship and the inevitability of catastrophic disaster as bringing in the revolutionary moment. With regard to labor unions it employs the tactics of "rule or ruin" and deals in slander, lies, and half truths concerning its Socialist opponents. Its immediate demands are not well thought out. For instance, it calls for self-determination in the black belt. I share the Communist desire to treat the Negro as man, and brother and fellow-worker, but to talk of self determination in the black belt is at best an invitation to segregation and at worst to race war. Whatever the intentions of the Communists, their insistence on dictatorship and the inevitability of future large-scale violence plays into the hands of the menacing Fascist movement in America.

## THE SOCIALIST PARTY

Against this Socialists offer something better than a platform. We are aware that our great opponents are not the two old parties but the capitalist system, the private ownership of wealth and its management for private profit, the chaos, the lack of plan, the cruel and absurd inequalities of the division of wealth which characterizes our modern life. As against these things we offer the hope of the cooperative society, the classless society where machinery is the slave of all of us to produce abundance of which we can build a new civilization of plenty, peace and freedom. This can only be done when we assert that every able bodied adult must be a worker and that the community of workers must collectively own the things necessary for our common life. It is this revolutionary vision of a cooperative society which we need. Inspired by it we can press forward to the greatest of all goals, a peaceful revolution, the conquest of machinery in the service of the workers.

But we are aware that hungry children must be fed now; and that while men must struggle towards the goal of a new society there are things that must be done now, or we perish. Hence we offer specific planks on unemployment and labor legislation, social ownership, banking, agriculture, taxation, civil liberties, constitutional changes and international relations.

We propose to socialize banking and credit beginning with the establishment of a unified banking system through the extension of the present postal savings bank. We intend to wage war against poverty with more vigor than men waged war against foreign foes. We intend to put men to work at reforestation, the conquest of the slums, the provision of housing, the electrification of world industries, the building of roads—all things that will create social wealth, and in the process of creating it overcome unemployment.

We stand emphatically for free public employment agencies, for government aid to farmers and small home owners to protect them against mortgage foreclosures, a moratorium on sales for non payment of taxes by destitute farmers and unemployed workers.

In international affairs we demand genuine disarmament, recognition of Soviet Russia, cancellation of war debts, which can't be collected anyhow, the entry of the United States into the World Court and into the League of Nations under conditions which will make it an effective instrument for world peace, and renewed cooperation with working class parties abroad, to the end that the League may be transformed from a League of imperialist powers to a democratic assemblage representative of the aspirations of the common people of the world.

## WE OFFER NO MESSIAHS

But I should give you a false view of the Socialist hope were I to tell you that we had a perfect plan or supermen and offer such perfection as your way of salvation. Only the workers themselves with hand and brain can save themselves.

We want to make conscious and proud and effective the essential solidarity of workers with hand and brain regardless of race or creed or language. Who shall build the classless society of tomorrow where all able-bodied men and women are workers and all collectively own the great means of production, where under expert leadership machinery is harnessed to provide abundance for all, if not the workers who have always known that man must live by toil and that there is no wealth apart from labor?

Workers of the world, workers white and black, workers with hand and brain, workers in mine and field and school and factory, unite, you have your chains to lose, your haunting fears, your economic insecurity, your dread of war, you have a world to gain! This is the message of Socialism!

## Free Industry To Save Life

SUPPOSE a real industrial gathering was held of labor and management. Meeting side by side with Congress, there is complete co-operation between government and business to start from the bottom up. Without a quiver the courts turn against the dead past and face the living future. Every foreign office is filled with a genuine apostle of international accord.

Politically, industrially and socially there is the people's will. What would be done?

Hoarded, idle billions of surplus wealth are conscripted into active service, through loan or tax. They are poured into circulation to buy necessities and raw materials in enormous quantities. Industry thereby starts up.

Carrying out its constitutional authority, Congress regulates interstate commerce for the general good. Labor and management take care of the actual administration. As a result, production balances consumption, because:

Every able-bodied adult goes to work. Hours are few enough. Wages are high enough. Prices are low enough. Child labor is abolished. Old age is provided for.

Security is complete for all. Education is ample. Health is safeguarded. Foreign trade is on a fair basis. Disarmament is thorough. World peace is possible. Depressions end.

How fast could this be put over?

If another war should break, it would be world-wide.

At once the resources of the country would be mobilized. Haste would be fevered. Everything would be dragooned into making destruction most devastating, sudden and absolute. Every atom of energy would be bent to deal death in the most atrocious and savage manner.

Now the issue is to free industry and save life. Government, labor and management should act more speedily than if war should come.

Unless they do, the despair of the people may turn to the convulsion of violence at home or slaughter abroad. Until they do, there is no hope.

By JOSEPH E. COHEN

## Third Issue of American Socialist Quarterly Out

THE Summer Number of the American Socialist Quarterly is an attractive issue carrying six articles and one book review. Norman Thomas leads with "A Note on the American Political Scene," which largely considers our Socialist opportunity in relation to the political campaign. Algernon Lee writes on "Bourgeois 'Planning' and Antidemocracy" and notes the correlation between the two. A. Jugow, author of "Economic Trends in Soviet Russia," writes on "The Five Year Plan," presenting his conclusions based on a study of current Soviet sources.

"Spain under the Republic" by Alvarez Julio del Vayo is an informative article, and Haim Kantorovitch continues his series on "The Social Philosophy of Marxism." Anna Bercowitz reviews the work of the Milwaukee convention in an article that will provoke thought, and David P. Berenberg reviews William Z. Foster's "Toward Soviet America," using this book for a critical analysis of Communist ideas.

The Socialist Quarterly is a scientific magazine intended for Socialists and those interested in So-

## "Explaining" U. S. Politics

The following purports to be a letter of explanation to ex-Prince Dmitri Vichovich in Leningrad of "The political situation that confronts the American people":

"Practically all the conventions (including the Culbertson two-bid) have been held, and the list of the simple homespun nominees is truly formidable. The G.O.P. (which you must not confuse with your own dear G.P.U.: the G.P.U., as I understand it, puts people out of their misery quickly, whereas the G.O.P. prefers the slow torture of starvation) has nominated Herbert Hoover again. He is, of course, the logical candidate, having done nothing at all in the past four years.

"The Democratic convention was enlivened by a 'Stop-Roosevelt' movement. We shall not know until November just how successful this movement was, but the general impression is that anti-Roosevelt men scored a triumph when they succeeded in nominating John Nance Garner as Roosevelt's running mate. It is a little too early to tell in which direction Roosevelt is running—toward Garner or away from him, though a study of Roosevelt's previous tactics leads me to believe that he is not running, but straddling. He straddles as well as Mr. Hoover, and, from any distance at all, it is almost impossible to tell them apart. This point is being taken advantage of by the Republican propagandists, who keep asking, 'Why change Hoover's going downstream?'

"Immediately after his nomination, Mr. Roosevelt flew to Chicago, and then made a trip in a small boat along the New England shore line. This seems to prove beyond a doubt that he is physically fit to cope with the problems of the presidency. Only his mental fitness for the office is now open to question. Mr. Farley, his campaign manager, insists, however, that Roosevelt is eminently qualified to follow in the footsteps of his predecessors, Harding, Coolidge, and Hoover, and there may be something to what he says.

"The fact that Thomas is the ablest of the candidates will count heavily against him."

The above, an extract from "Explaining to Dmitri," by Morris Ryskind, one of the co-authors of "Of Thee I Sing," appeared in a recent issue of The Nation.

## Joint Defense Formed in Race Persecution Case

WASHINGTON—(FP)—Local organizations opposed to persecution of the Negro race are being solicited to join in a general defense committee to assist the legal defense of the six young Negroes now under indictment for murder in the case of the death of Policeman Kennedy. Negro liberals are forming a committee to help finance the fight for the lives of the accused.

Ten Negroes were accused. Six have been indicted, one is in jail without indictment, and three are still being sought. Most of them had previously been threatened, arrested or otherwise bullied by Kennedy.

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**Socialist Party Expects to Regain Place on Ballot  
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Face Varied Problems;

for said today. "It appears now that having elected Gov. Floyd Olson and the only states in which we will not be electing Senator Norris Shipstead on the ballot are Nevada and the and Congressman Paul John Krueger. The communist problem in the United States has developed between the of- (Caroline). One workers failed by 500 A. roll has developed between the of- (Caroline). One workers failed by 500 A. roll has developed between the of-

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Because of the interest among the masses throughout the country in the message of Socialism, the party's campaign and the speeches of the national standard bearers are getting widespread publicity. Newspapers find that Norman Thomas' meetings, for instance, are big news wherever he speaks, and are featuring his addresses under first page display headlines. Reproductions of a few of the headlines are here shown.

## To the Members of the Socialist Party:

THE Socialist Party enters the campaign of 1932 confident that the opportunity confronting it not only for a phenomenal increase in the national vote, but for the building of the organization as a powerful political factor, is better than it has been at any time in a generation. Throughout the nation masses of working people, poverty stricken and exhausted by the ravaging effects of the depression, are responding to the Socialist message to a degree seldom witnessed before.

Every meeting addressed by our national standard-bearers is larger than any that has been held in those cities in a generation. North, South, East and West are responding alike. Tremendous meetings—millions of pieces of literature printed and distributed in a few days—400 new branches and locals—a ticket in at least 44 States—thousands of requests for information on how to serve the party—all reveal that our day has arrived, that the rebirth of our movement is at hand, that Socialism is to become a living and vital force in the political life of our nation.

### IN YOUR HANDS

If ever, certainly in 1932 our destiny and our fate lie in our own hands. If we fail, it will be because we ourselves have not measured up to the occasion.

We dare not fail—we will not fail if the devotion and self sacrifice and the enthusiasm which has enabled our movement to survive every onslaught and every attempt to destroy it remain with us.

The next few weeks will be the most critical of all. A series of radio broadcasts must be contracted for immediately; the number of organizers in the field must be increased; literature in millions of copies must be poured into every state of the union; speakers must be toured to sustain the remarkable beginning that has been made. Volunteer help will enable our committee to do for a dollar what in the old parties will require hundreds of dollars—and each dollar spent this year will do several dollars' worth of work.

### SHARE THE BURDEN

Many comrades have already responded. Their assistance has been largely responsible for what we

have been able to do so far. But most of them are in distress. With all of their heroic efforts they cannot carry this burden alone.

There are still many thousands of party members and party sympathizers who have not helped. Most of them, we know, cannot help much—yet if they each helped a little, the fund necessary to clinch the victory which lies within our grasp can be provided. A dollar, five dollars—ten dollars—means more this year than ever.

### YOU'RE NEEDED NOW!

There must be 5,000 members and friends of the

DANIEL W. HOAN, Chairman,  
NATIONAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE,  
549 Randolph Street, Chicago, Ill.

Dear Comrade Hoan:

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party who can help, if not with the larger then with the smaller amounts. It will not be easy for many of them, but the task of building a movement that will give a larger measure of security and comfort to our children and to generations unborn is not easy. Many have given and are giving freely and without limit, of their time, their talents, and even money. But they need reinforcements. They need them now—in a month from now the character of our campaign will have been determined.

We appeal to you to make a sacrifice, if it is a sacrifice, so that our cause, for which you have done so much in the past, and which you can now help more than ever, may triumph.

Fill out the subscription card printed on this page. Give as much as you can—as soon as you can—to make 1932 the turning point in the history of our party. More than ever, the party needs your help; more than ever you need the kind of a party we can make it this year—strong and invincible.

NATIONAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE,

Daniel W. Hoan, Chairman.

Marx Le... Treasurer.

## On the Industrial Front

## The World of Labor

Red Cross Relief Seen Helping Bosses;  
Union Head Urges Jobless Insurance

John Peel of Spartanburg, S. C., organizer for the United Textile Workers, declared at the union's biennial convention in New York that Red Cross flour was being distributed in the mill villages of the South in such a manner as to aid employers in their present policy of paying "starvation wages."

Thomas F. McMahon, president of the union, urged the delegates to go on record as favoring a system of compulsory unemployment insurance to be established under Federal or State auspices. He said that since the unemployed worker had little hope for relief other than through charity, it was now necessary for him to demand some better method of alleviation than "haphazard doles."

He suggested that the system of unemployment insurance should be one under which industry would pay a percentage of the payroll into a fund. Since the employees had no jurisdiction over industry

and could not of themselves mitigate unemployment, it was the duty of the employees to make the financial contribution to the insurance fund, he held.

"Mill workers who attempt to stand up for their rights are discriminated against in the distribution of flour," declared Mr. Peel. "Everywhere in the mill areas of the South we find local Red Cross chapters deliberately using the fear of hunger to keep cruelly exploited textile slaves submissive as continued wage cuts are inflicted on them. The typical wage for a spinner working fifty-five hours a week in South Carolina is now \$6 a week. Average earnings are lower than this, because few mills can provide fifty-five hours of employment steadily."

A drive to abolish Sunday work in the textile mills of New Jersey and Pennsylvania will begin shortly. The convention authorized the national officers to begin such a campaign at once.

Baltimore Clothing  
Workers on Strike

Almost all of the 7,000 clothing workers in Baltimore are out on strike, officials of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers report. Hyman Blumberg, union head in that city, announced that pay increases to be demanded in Baltimore would depend upon the conditions in the different shops. He declared that increases of 10 per cent would be sufficient in some instances, but that in others boosts of 20 per cent or more would be insisted upon.

"It is disgraceful for many of the employers to continue paying their workers as low as \$4 and \$5 a week," he declared. "The average pay runs around \$9 for forty-four hours. Our men and women cannot live on these starvation wages and do not intend to attempt it any longer."

## Liners Tied Up by Strike

ROTTERDAM—(FP)—The Holland-American Line had two of its biggest liners tied up for days when it refused to deal with the seamen's union. One ship, the Rotterdam, was forced by a strike to put into Rotterdam instead of carrying out its scheduled voyage. The captain gave the firemen a signed promise to sail for Rotterdam, broke the promise as soon as the fire was lighted and started for Southampton. The firemen discovered this and stopped work. Though they were threatened, marched to the bridge and read the ship's articles and sent back to the stokehold under guard of ship's officers, they would not budge until the liner was started for Rotterdam. The idea, of course, was that the crew could join the strike only in Holland, having signed articles to work until returned to the home port.

Several other liners have been affected by the failure of the companies to come to an agreement with the union or to continue wages and conditions prevailing before the contract expires.

## PECK TO SPEAK THURSDAY

Dr. Walter Edwin Peck, former professor of English at Hunter College, will speak on "What's the Matter With Education" before the Eugene V. Debs Club at the Rand School. Admission to the meeting, which takes place Thursday evening at 8:45, is 10 cents.

Detroit Factories to  
Conscript Labor

DETROIT. — (MINS) — Detroit city officials will sell the labor of welfare dependents to huge industries in exchange for tax payments, it was revealed here when an industrial commission, composed of representatives of every large industry in Detroit and headed by Frank E. Bogart, of the Michigan Manufacturers Association, was formed. The proposition was forced down the throats of the Detroit officials under the threat of non-payment of taxes. Welfare relief will be cut down; about 10,000 recipients will be ordered to work out their relief pittance on municipal projects; and the remainder will be ordered to report to large industries to work there for no pay. All dependents who object to working payless for the industrialists will be summarily cut off the welfare rolls.

St. Louis Police Face  
Damage Suits in Riot

Damage suits against the St. Louis police who on July 11 broke up an unemployed demonstration with tear-gas and revolvers, shooting four demonstrators, will be backed by the American Civil Liberties Union. The offer to the victims to bring such suits, together with offers of aid in appealing convictions for disorderly conduct where the facts warrant appeal, were sent by the national office to the local Civil Liberties Committee, headed by Dr. Albert E. Tausig. Suits also were authorized against policemen who beat up prisoners after arrest.

84 of 100 Farmers  
End With Deficit

EAST LANSING, Mich. (FP). — That 84 per cent of the 1,012 Michigan farmers who kept business records last year finished with a deficit was the statement of the farm management department of the state department of agriculture. On 901 farms, the average deficit was \$620, the price levels.

The number reporting deficits compares with only 23.4 per cent in 1929 and 62.5 per cent in 1930. The statement also reported continued losses because of shrinkages in inventory and declining summary showed.

"There's Never a Ship Blown Skyward  
Now But We Are Its Ghastly Crew"

Police in temporary morgue attempting to identify some of the bodies taken from river after explosion of ferry-boat "Observation" which killed at least 47 workers. The blast was due to an old defective boiler, against which the union had protested some time ago.

Kentucky Miners  
On Trial for Lives

HARLAN, Ky. — Frederick M. Bratcher, Evarts miner, whose two previous trials on charges of conspiracy to murder resulted in hung juries, went on trial for the third time here Monday. The charges arise from a clash between striking miners and company guards at Evarts, Ky., May 5, 1931, when three mine guards and one striker were killed. Five union miners have been convicted of participation in the battle and sentenced to life imprisonment; 26 more remain to be tried. Testimony for the prosecution will consist mainly of mine guards and others friendly to the mine operators as in previous trials. Bratcher will be handicapped because several of the witnesses who testified in his behalf at the former trials have since been indicted on murder charges as alleged participants in the battle. The arrests are regarded as frame-ups to prevent an acquittal.

Cecil Shadrick, 25, one of the 26 to be tried, is slowly recovering after an attempt to end his life with a safety razor blade. For 15 months he has been awaiting trial. His father and brother are held on the same charge. Until recently his morale seemed unbroken, but jail life and the uncertainty of the unequal fight for liberty in court finally undermined his fortitude.

FRANKFORT, Ky. — Argument on the appeal against the conviction of W. B. Jones, mine union secretary, in the Evarts battle "murder" cases, will be heard by the state court of appeals during the autumn term, which will open Sept. 19. Jones' case is the 63rd among 79 cases on the docket. The argument will be made by Captain E. B. Golden of Harlan, attorney for the General Defense Committee of Chicago, and ex-Senator J. M. Robinson of Barbourville, retained by the United Mine Workers. Jones expects his conviction to be reversed. He is considered the first victim of a brazen legal trick engineered by the attorneys for the Black Mountain Coal Company.

Saw No Abject Want,  
Says Hoover's Confidant

WASHINGTON—(FP)—Secretary of the Interior Wilbur who shares with Secretary of War Hurley the reputation of being closest of all cabinet members to the confidence of the President, discloses that in his recent western trip he found "no abject poverty in any of the great centers of population," and that he says he is pleased to see that the relief agencies are "keeping the families together" and doing their job well.

Wilbur is the former dean of the medical school at Stanford University, who came near being hooted off the stage at the convention of American social welfare workers, last spring, when he asserted that the depression had been a good thing for workers' children.

Striking Farmers Cooperate  
With Burlington Jobless

BURLINGTON, Ia. — The organized unemployed here made arrangements with striking farmers to receive produce at cost of transportation, A. W. Thielbert, secretary of the Unemployment League, announced recently. The league was organized recently under the leadership of Maynard Krueger, professor of economics at the University of Chicago, who visited Burlington as a representative of the Socialist national campaign committee.

## Got Tools and an Auto?

Nathan Stahl, one of the old timers in the Socialist movement, wants to get in touch with a comrade who has an auto and tools. Stahl plans travelling towards the South, engaging in propaganda work on the way. Expenses will be met by doing household repair jobs, painting, etc., en route.

The open air meetings inspire and convince many of those who hear the speeches. Clinch the arguments by selling THE NEW LEADER at all meetings.

Doll and Toy Union  
Firmly Established;  
Many Settlements

AFTER a short and decisive strike of less than three weeks, the Doll and Toy Workers have established a union in the trade and obtained an agreement with the bosses. Most of the shops have settled and others are rapidly signing the agreement. Attempts have been made a number of times in recent years to establish an effective union in this sweated industry and the object has been finally achieved.

When the job is fully completed, about 2,000 workers will be in the union and the members will have a treasury to enable them to function. The agreement wipes out the long and uncertain hours of labor by establishing a 46-hour week to Jan. 1 and a 44-hour week thereafter. To the first of next year, overtime will be paid at the rate of time and one-quarter and time and one-half thereafter. The agreement continues to July 31, 1933.

The shops are divided into three classes—A, B, and C. A minimum wage is established in C shops and wages paid above the minimum are not to be reduced. The closed union shop is established with the bosses' association and equal division of work is to be the rule for slow seasons. No worker can be discharged after two weeks' service without consent of the union. The check-off system of collecting dues, initiations and assessments has also been written into the agreement.

Next March the union and the association will consider a plan to be submitted by the union to eliminate sub-contracting, piece work and home work in the industry and establish a minimum wage in A and B shops. Arbitration machinery has been set up, and there are to be no lockouts or strikes until resort is had to arbitration. In case of a disagreement, both sides will choose an umpire whose decision will be binding.

Thanks are due to the Labor Committee of the Socialist Party, Joseph Cannon, and Alexander Marks of the A. F. of L. for the establishment of the union. The Labor Committee collected financial contributions and the Jewish Daily Forward and the League for Industrial Democracy contributed. Thanks are also due to the Hebrew Butchers' Union and the Cooperative Bakery of Brooklyn for food, to the Women's Trade Union League, the Socialist Party and the Yipsels for providing speakers. Morris Feinstein, of the United Hebrew Trades gave yeoman service in assisting to arrange conferences that resulted in shop settlements.

Vote Five-Day Week to  
Aid Union's Unemployed

CLEVELAND.—(FP) — A five-day week for Cleveland printers was voted by the Cleveland Typographical Union No. 53, to provide work for unemployed members of the union. Since 325 printers are unemployed in the three daily newspapers, the new system will give at least one day's employment to that many men of the trade. The printers will accept a one-sixth reduction in pay to aid their unemployed brothers.

Printers on foreign language publications will work the six days but will contribute one day's pay each week to the unemployed, since printers in such plants cannot be replaced easily.

# The Party Forges Ahead

(National Campaign Notes Continued From Page Three)

## Prevent Evictions, Exempt Workers' Homes from Taxes, Waldman Demands

**I**MMEDIATE legislation exempting working class homes from taxation during the present economic emergency and declaring a moratorium on foreclosure proceedings on such homes for the same period was urged by Louis Waldman, Socialist candidate for governor of New York, at the ratification rally of Queens County Socialists, in the Labor Temple, Woodside, L. I. Comrade Waldman also advocated a law preventing evictions of unemployed and destitute families for non-payment of rent, the owners of the property, however, to be compensated by the welfare agencies of the city under a mandatory provision of the law.

In his opening remarks, Waldman severely scored Queens Borough President Harvey as having permitted the taxpayers to be looted and exploited almost from the date of his induction into office and pointed out that Harvey had never yet satisfactorily explained his connection with the New York Airport Co., whose stockholders were refunded their money only when the Attorney General threatened criminal action.

"Hundreds and thousands of wage earners have put their life savings into the purchasing of homes in Queens by long term payments with which they have been retiring their third and second mortgages," Waldman declared. "With the depression there

came an avalanche of foreclosures, wiping out the working people's homes by the thousands. Now men who had hoped to be secure with their families from want in their advancing years find themselves without a job or home.

"To add to the tragedy and hardship of these home owners of the poorer classes the tax exemptions which constituted one of the inducements to become such home owners have been removed at the very time, when our people could least afford to pay the taxes. A state government with social vision could have extended these tax exemptions to the private home owners, in that way saving for many their homes from foreclosure.

"Bled by huge special assessments this thriving young borough has been cursed by the wasteful and crooked misgovernment of both the Democratic and Republican regimes. After the taxpayers had been fleeced by the corrupt Democratic machine, headed by Connolly, the people turned in disgust and despair to the Republican machine led by George U. Harvey. Yet before Harvey was in office two years, his administration became involved in scandals and corruption. He surrounded himself with men of questionable honesty, grasping realtors, who let no chance pass by to line their own pockets and those of their allies at the expense of the borough and its taxpayers."

## Thomas Flays Old Parties Before 20,000 In Michigan Rallies

**DETROIT.—(MINS).—**Twenty million unemployed in the winter of 1933 was the prediction of Norman Thomas flung at "prosperity ballyhoo" when he opened his Michigan campaign in a series of four addresses in Detroit and Pontiac to crowds aggregating more than 20,000. He will return to tour Michigan Sept. 22, 23 and 24.

The existing economic and political system is breaking down under its own weight and must give way to a change, he declared, flaying both the Republican and Democratic parties as plutocratic instead of democratic. Charging that both of the old parties "were more concerned with beer than with the nickel to buy it with," Thomas said that the causes of current misery and hunger went deeper than mere political maladministration. "Poverty in America is inexcusable and its existence a ringing condemnation of the present economic system," he declared. "And this poverty is not due to famine but because of over-production."

"We live in a world tied together by this machinery of factories and great scale production privately owned and operated for private profit. The Socialist party demands that it be owned collectively. It can be done in an orderly and peaceful fashion if we mean business. Unite the workers of the world for economic independence. This is the program of the Socialist party."

Thomas also hit the use of inventions to displace jobs instead of reducing hours of labor. "If production today were to reach the so-called prosperity levels of 1929," he declared, "it would be necessary to re-employ only about 55 per cent of the nation's present unemployed."

## Mary Donovan to Speak In Ohio and Michigan

**CHICAGO.**—Mary Donovan, re-

membered for active work with the Sacco and Vanzetti's defense committee and once Socialist candidate for the governorship of Massachusetts, will spend two weeks touring for the women's committee of the Socialist party in Ohio and Michigan. Mrs. Victor L. Berger, chairman, announces. She will speak in Michigan the week beginning Sept. 18, and in Ohio the week beginning Sept. 25.

## Claessens, Beardsley And State Candidates On New York Tours

**AUGUST CLAESSENS** began a tour of New York State last Monday for the State Campaign Committee. He was to speak at Port Jervis on Monday, Binghamton on Tuesday, Elmira on Wednesday, Ithaca on Thursday, and Auburn on Friday, returning to participate in the management of the Thomas meeting at the Community Center, White Plains, Saturday. On Monday, Sept. 19, Claessens will speak in Syracuse; on the 20th in Oswego; 21, at Watertown; 22, at Utica, and 23 at Schenectady.

## Beardsley and State Candidates

**Samuel Beardsley** of New York will start a tour of the state on Saturday, Sept. 24, speaking at Corning that evening. Then at Olean, 25; Salamanca, 26; Jamestown, 27; Dunkirk, 28; Buffalo, 29; Niagara Falls, Oct. 1; Rochester, 2; Oswego, 3; Oneida, 4; Sherburne, 5; Auburn, 5; Utica and Rome, 6; Saratoga Springs or Mechanicville, 7; Glens Falls, 8.

State candidates start tours on Friday of next week covering 11 up-state cities, Karlin and Solomon speaking at Binghamton and other southern tier cities; Waldman at Albany, Syracuse and Cortland; Panken and Sander at Poughkeepsie, Utica, Rome and Oneida.

## DR. BECK LECTURES SUNDAY

The first of a course of lectures to be given by Dr. E. G. Beck, will be delivered in the Labor Temple, Second avenue and 14th street, Sunday, at 5 p. m. Dr. Beck's subject will be "A Philosopher Looks at the World." Another course of lectures will start the coming Wednesday at 8:30 p. m.

## Hoan for Better Deal for Soldiers—and for Peace Toilers, Too

**MILWAUKEE.**— "The men who went to war and their women who worked at home must be given a better deal," Mayor Daniel W. Hoan declared here in welcoming 4,000 members of the United Spanish War Veterans at their convention. "The service man was promised everything. In my own city he was promised jobs. But when he got home, he was forgotten. The peculiar thing is that those who make money out of war by staying home are the loudest to complain."

"The government must see to it that those who have served it be appropriately recompensed. Even more important, the government must see to it that those who toil in peace time receive the full fruits of their labor."

He quoted Abraham Lincoln: "Labor creates all wealth, and wealth belongs to those who have created it."

## Solomon Raps Attempt to Put Over Sales Tax

**D**ECLARING that the general sales tax would become a major issue at the next session of Congress, Charles Solomon, Socialist Candidate for the United States Senate from New York, publicly demanded that Republican and Democratic candidates for Congress state now whether they were for or against the sales tax as a means of balancing the budget.

He assailed the general sales tax on two grounds:

1.—That it would reduce the spending power of the people because the tax is always passed on to the consumer. This, he pointed out, would retard business recovery because it would cut down the purchases upon which industry depends.

2.—That it would place the major share of the tax burden upon the unemployed and wage earners who today are already living below a subsistence level of living.

Sales taxes, he charged, would result in a further lowering of the standard of living of the masses of people. The budget should be balanced by taxing the rich and not the poor, he asserted, adding that an estimate made by Henry J. Rosner, research secretary of the Socialist Party, indicates that British income tax rates applied to American incomes would yield another billion dollars in revenue. The wealthy would still be left with princely incomes in a country where thirteen million unemployed have no incomes and where the average wage for workers is \$1,300 a year.

At the party's opening rally in Hempstead, L. I., Comrade Solomon warned the crowd that filled the Parkway Stadium, representing all sections of Nassau County, that only restoration of the purchasing power of the masses could end depression. He repeated that the Federal program for unemployment relief was so inadequate as to be "pitiful" and warned that the number of unemployed would be not less than 13,000,000 during the coming winter.

(An article by Solomon giving the facts on federal "relief" in detail appeared in last week's New Leader).

Solomon strongly criticized the national administration for doing

## Thomas Thrills Huge Throng at N. Jersey Picnic

**METUCHEN, N. J.**—The most successful Socialist picnic since the war was held here Sunday, with Norman Thomas as chief speaker.

More than 10,000 people thronged the grounds of the Danish Brotherhood and Sisterhood picnic grove. Cars and buses, decorated with Socialist banners and placards, began arriving early in the morning and continued in a constant stream until Norman Thomas began to speak at 4:30. They came from every county in the state, some bringing old timers who hadn't been near the movement since the war, others carrying newcomers attending their first Socialist meeting. Among them moved the faithful party members who stuck to their job through all kinds of reverses and disappointments in the slim years of the past decade.

Thomas was enthusiastically received, thrilling the throng with accounts of the interest in the movement in all parts of the country. He described graphically the farmers' strike. He called on his listeners to stop voting for "good men," to stop throwing away their votes on the two old parties of capitalism, "the gold trust twins," and turn not only their votes but also their active and untiring support to the Socialist Party.

Other speakers were Dr. Walter E. Peck, chairman; Herman Niesner, Socialist candidate for U. S. Senator; Henry Jager, candidate for Mayor of Linden; Andrew J. Biemiller, national organizer, and George H. Goebel, who gave one of the best collection speeches ever delivered from a Socialist platform.

Several new locals will be one direct result of the affair. Following a request from Biemiller for names from interested people in unorganized territory, individuals from a score of localities requested speakers and organizers.

Socialist leaders predict a record vote in the state. There has been a good healthy growth of party branches bringing in good hardworking new blood. The picnic shows that the growth is solid and will continue.

Among the comrades instrumental in making a great success of the rally were Andrew P. Wittel, state secretary; H. David, M. Rosenkranz, Erich Ross, Peter Detlefsen, Louis Lydiken, Louis Larsen, Hans Nilsson and Robert Cameron.

out "scores of millions to banks, railroads and insurance companies," while allowing only "niggardly thousands" for cities and States for the relief of their distressed and destitute citizens. "The coming winter," he said, "which makes the fourth of the depression, will concededly be the worst of all. It can no longer be disputed that state and municipal resources are incapable of meeting the situation. The federal relief program is pitifully inadequate."

Other speakers at the Hempstead meeting were the Rev. Bradford Young, assistant rector of Holy Trinity, Trinity, Brooklyn. Eric De Marsh, the Nassau County Socialist Candidate for Congress, and G. August Gerber, Socialist candidate for Congress-man-at-large.

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## Attacks Boost in Gas Rates for Poor Consumer

**L**AUNCHING an attack against privately owned gas and public utility companies in general and the Brooklyn Union Gas Co. in particular, on the ground that they were increasing their earnings at the expense of the small domestic consumer in the bitterest depression of our economic history, Louis Waldman, Socialist candidate for governor of New York State, made public the results of a survey of the operations of this company in Brooklyn and Queens. At least 41 per cent of the Brooklyn Union's capital stock, on which the public is compelled to pay dividends, is pure water, he revealed.

Since its organization by the consolidation of various smaller companies in 1895, these dividends on non-existing capital had amounted to more than \$40,000,000, all of which the public had been forced to pay. Similar conditions exist in many sections upstate, notably in Rockland County, which is served by the Rockland Light & Power Co., and in the cities of Utica and Rochester.

He called attention to the fact that the Brooklyn Union Gas Co. and many other gas and public utility companies were now paying higher dividends than in 1929 and 1930, due to the monopoly granted them by the State.

"The Socialist program of public ownership and operation," Comrade Waldman pointed out, "is the only effective answer to the abuses disclosed by this survey."

Mr. Waldman's statement follows:

"The cost of living has declined 18 per cent in New York City since 1929.

"The people who can least afford it, must make sacrifices, but not the gas magnates," he added. "The family with a normal bill of \$2 a month is now actually paying \$2.35 as compared with 1929. An alert, wide awake Public Service Commission would long since have compelled a downward revision of rates to conform to the downward trend of prices. They have remained inert and indifferent to the situation."

## 10,000 Hear Thomas At Indiana Meeting

**INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.**—Speaking to 10,000 people in the huge Cade Tabernacle here, Norman Thomas last week brought the Socialist national campaign into the home territory of Eugene V. Debs. Thomas dismissed the old party candidates quickly. He characterized Hoover as a man "who has given doles like water to private business, in the name of 'rugged individualism,' while he has denied federal responsibility for nation-wide unemployment." Roosevelt, he said, is "a gentleman of amiable intentions who leans whichever way the wind blows."

Then he outlined Socialist principles for the cure of economic ills—the five-day week, relief as a matter of right for every unemployed family, national unemployment insurance and a program of public works, including a conquest of the slums.

Thomas declared that the bonus army march, the farmers' strike in the middle west, and the miners' strike in Illinois and Indiana are signs that "the people's patience has reached the limit."

"The spirit of revolt should be turned into channels of well thought out political action," he said. "We Socialists still believe that there is time for a strong, well organized political movement, supplemented by labor unions, farmers' organizations and cooperatives, to bring about social ownership of natural resources by a society of workers of hand and brain."

In the afternoon before the mass meeting, Thomas visited the Socialist party's relief station in company with Powers Hapgood, candidate for governor.

## "Increasing Misery" Under Capitalism: Fact or Trend? The Gap that Can't be Bridged

By AUTOLYCUS

"YOU'RE just the man I want to see, Bill," said Joe, as they met in the street. "I looked up that famous Chapter XXXII in Marx's Capital on the 'Historical Tendency of Capitalist Accumulation' and I want to put you on the spot."

"Go ahead," said Bill. "Socialists have discussed that chapter for many years and the professors of bourgeois economics have declared it to be in contradiction with the facts. What's your opinion?"

"Well, your philosopher, in discussing the concentration of capital, says this: 'Along with the constantly diminishing number of the magnates of capital, who usurp and monopolize all advantages of this process of transformation, grows the mass misery, oppression, slavery, degradation, exploitation.' I'm afraid that you will have to banish this idea of increasing misery to the realm of men's feelings."

"Don't be too hasty," said Bill. "Remember that Marx is speaking of a 'tendency,' and even this is followed by an important qualification that the bourgeois theorists generally ignore. What they quote is one sentence from a paragraph which continues: 'but with this, too, grows the revolt of the working class, a class always increasing in numbers, and disciplined, united, organized by the very mechanism of the process of capitalist production itself.'"

### Thesis and Anti-Thesis

"That is to say," continued Bill, "that while the 'tendency' of capitalism is to increase the misery of the working class, the organized revolt of the working class is a counter 'tendency.' The latter modifies the force of the former. For this reason, wherever the working class effectively organizes, it raises its standard of living, but outside the range of organization, even in the most prosperous times there are masses of workers whose condition corresponds with the unchecked 'tendency' Marx mentioned. Am I right?"

"Y-e-s, I think so," said Joe, hesitatingly. "It is true of slum dwellers, sweated trades like the doll workers, and even in some unorganized industries like textiles and mining."

"Sure," Bill replied. "Even in some unorganized industries, the workers are not always able effectively to resist the historical tendency mentioned by Marx. Then when we consider capitalist production as a whole in this period of depression, it appears that even the most literal interpretation of the first sentence you quote from Marx is true. Millions of the workers today are plunged into a misery and degradation that recall the early days of the factory system. Even hundreds of thousands of the middle class are sharing this fate. It was only yesterday that American professors of economics were sneering at this phase of Marxism, but today their books bring about ten cents in the old book shops."

### Living Standards Up?

"Yet, when we look over a long range of history," said Joe, "the standard of living of the working class as a whole has risen. Isn't that true?"

"You're right," Bill responded. "But it is also true that the capitalist system has plunged millions of workers into depths of misery on an average of once each 13 years since 1837. The present crisis is the most severe and widespread that has ever occurred. Take the alternating periods of so-called 'prosperity' and industrial depressions as they have affected the working class for a century; try to strike an average in terms of human welfare over the whole period, including in the survey the brutalities of the masters and sacrifices of workers in strikes, and one will have to conclude with Marx that the 'tendency' of the capitalist system of production is misery and degradation for the working class. If a man's life were one of alternate sickness and moderate health every few years, we should not say that he was a healthy man. We should say that on the whole he lived a miserable life. Viewing all this in perspective, would you say that the tendency towards increasing misery must be banished to the realm of men's feelings?"

"Well, your idea does seem plausible," said Joe.

### The Gulf Widens

"Then we should also not forget," continued Bill, "that while there has been a rising standard for the workers over the whole period, not only has that standard been wrecked time after time by industrial depressions, but the gulf between the standard of the capitalist class and the standard of the working class over this period has increasingly widened. A comparison of the two standards shows that both relatively and absolutely the workers have lost ground, although the labor standard has risen."

"Looks as though Roosevelt has a chance, doesn't it?" asked Joe.

"Your standard of thinking tends to decline," said Bill as they parted.

### Proletarian Lullaby

Rock-a-bye Baby in the tree top;  
When you grow up you'll work in a shop;  
When you get married, your wife will work too,  
So that the rich may have nothing to do.

Hush-a-bye Baby, in the tree top;  
When you grow old your wages will stop;  
When you have spent the little you save,  
Hush-a-bye Baby, off to the grave.

—London Commonwealth.

# Double Page of Special

## Row With Roosevelt; Hoot At Hoover; Jimmie Says Frank Didn't Fight Fair

LET'S call off the election, boys! Hoover and Roosevelt refuse to play with each other. Roosevelt says he will not answer any one but Hoover, and Hoover says he already knows all the answers and won't ask any questions.

Hoover intends to make only two or three speeches during the campaign. What with Jack Garner making frequent speeches, Hoover feels that he doesn't need to over-exert himself.

Roosevelt, on the other hand, intends to make a great many speeches. He had them made to order, and it would be sheer waste not to use them up. They go stale and smelly even though kept on ice.

Roosevelt must have thought the price of speeches would go up. He certainly overstocked himself. He has a speech for every occasion, and some for no occasions. They're swell speeches, too. For instance, there was the speech at Columbus, Ohio, when Roosevelt told the radical farmers of the West that something drastic, by heck, has to be done about present conditions. And there was the speech in Connecticut when he told his conservative followers of New England that they needn't fear anything radical from him.

"Blow, Roosevelt, blow!" is the Democratic campaign slogan. "Blow hot one day and cold the next, but blow much wind."

Barney Baruch called at Albany recently, examined Roosevelt's teeth and nails and pronounced him safe for business. Barney is in the steal business.

And Calvin Coolidge endorsed Hoover for re-election in an article in the Saturday Evening Post. Cal got only a few thousand dollars for writing this endorsement, but he felt he had to make a sacrifice for his party.

For an equal sum, Al Smith has also written an article for the Saturday Evening Post, endorsing Roosevelt.

### SUCH UNPOPULARITY MUST BE DESERVED!

Coolidge got more for endorsing Hoover than Clara Bow got for endorsing Coty's perfumes. But then, Coty's perfumes smell better, and they're easier to endorse.

The race between Hoover and Roosevelt is like a speed contest between a porpoise and a stuffed frog. It's so hard for either to lose!

Or a debate to decide whether the gatekeeper of Hell should be called Lucifer or Satan. It'll be a devilish business for the working man whichever candidate wins.

Mr. H. L. Mencken announces that he intends to vote for Roosevelt. "Anything to keep Hoover out," he explains. Millions will follow Mencken's example, and other millions will vote for Hoover on the theory of "Anything to keep Roosevelt out." HOW ABOUT VOTING TO PUT NORMAN THOMAS IN?

Is there any significance in the fact that the man responsible for Jimmy Walker's decision to leave New York City is the head of New York's Department of Sanitation?

Pathetic and touching was that recent essay by James J. Walker

deploring the decline of honor among thieves.

Poor Jimmy cried all over the lot because Frank Roosevelt hadn't given him a fair trial. Which reminds me of the story of a fellow who stole \$500 and threatened to sue the District Attorney for slander for saying he had stolen \$600.

A fellow learns from his mistakes. Having been a bit loose in his conduct while in office and having gotten into trouble as a result, Jimmy wanted a strictly formal trial, said trial to consist of a contest for the shyster championship, with Roosevelt as the shyster's umpire.

Roosevelt, on the other hand, wanted to behave like a strong man. Seeing that Walker had slipped on a banana peel and fallen down the stairs, Roosevelt decided to kick his foot in Jimmy's direction to give the impression that he was responsible for Jimmy's fall.

Whereupon, John F. Curry, Tammany boss, picked up Jimmy, dusted off his pants and promised to buy him a lollypop if he stopped crying.

Jimmy said that he wanted to see Frank spanked. "But Frank didn't mean anything," the Tammany boss explained. "He never would have kicked at you if you hadn't slipped on that banana peel. Frank is really your brother by one of the Tiger's morganatic marriages. Some day he'll slip on a banana peel himself, and then you can swing your foot in his direction and make believe you're a strong man, too."

"All right," said Jimmy, "but I do wish our Tiger hadn't had that affair with the cat. I hate kittens."

P. H.

## Highlights of WEVD

Station WEVD (Debs' Memorial Station) has an interesting program every day. Only the special highlights of particular interest to readers of The New Leader are listed below. The rest of the program consists of musical numbers of high quality, readings, entertainment and features: Sunday, Sept. 18, 10:15 p. m., Richard Rohman, theatre guide; Monday, Sept. 19, 5 p. m., American Birth Control League; Tuesday, Sept. 20, 4:15 p. m., Women's Peace Union; 8:15 p. m., League for Industrial Democracy program; 10:15 p. m., City Affairs Committee.

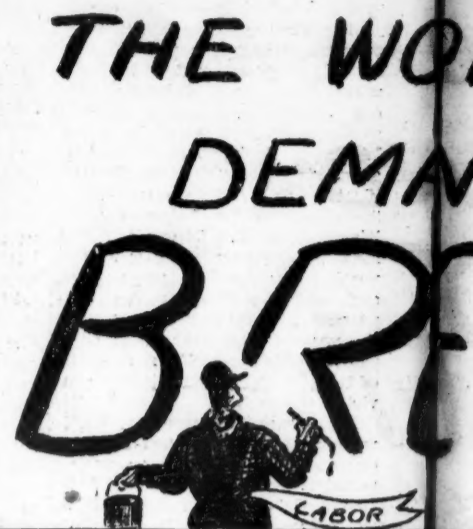
Wednesday, Sept. 21, 5 p. m., Remo Bufano, theatre for children; 8:15 p. m., The Nation program, Oswald Garrison Villard; Thursday, Sept. 22, 8:30 p. m., Heywood Brown; Friday, Sept. 23, 4:30 p. m., Henry Fruchier, Naturalization Aid League; Saturday, Sept. 24, 7:30 p. m., Negro forum; 8:30 p. m., William Morris Feigenbaum, "Hitlerism."

### "Essentials of Socialism" New Claessens Pamphlet

THE Rand School Press announces the publication of a new propaganda pamphlet by August Claessens, "The Essentials of Socialism," written to supply the need of a short and elementary treatment of Socialism. It covers the main points in Socialist philosophy, describes the movement, and contains suggestions for future study. It is an excellent pamphlet for open air meetings.

To date 24,000 copies of the "Workers' World," by David P. Berenberg, also issued by the Rand School Press, have been distributed. The price of either pamphlet is \$3 per 100.

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## Boosting "The New Leader" Means Building

From time to time, The New Leader receives letters from readers who express regrets that they cannot renew subscriptions to the paper, because of unemployment. We are making an appeal to those who can afford to do so to contribute to a fund, so that we may continue to send the paper to those who are broke. The contributions of those who can afford a dollar or two will mean much to those who write they are "lost without The New Leader."

"There's a distinct improvement in the paper. I am glad to renew my sub." (Samuel Tolman, N. Y.)

"Thanks for the good news of The New Leader's special rate offer. The paper has been greatly improved."

"Can't do without The New Leader." (John J. Kinsley, Mass.)  
"Here's my sub. Am trying to secure some others," writes Harry Rosenbaum, N. Y.)

The subscriptions of six who want to keep up with the campaign's progress are sent in by A. G. Breckinridge of Brooklyn.

"Only by reading The New Leader can I keep up with the really important news. The paper has helped me to gain an understanding of the important happenings," says A. Marshall, of San Francisco, as he sends in a renewal.

V. B. Hays, of Florida, had "lots of places for a dollar he re-

cently corrected me on that the best way to open was with the department of the Leader."

"Two subscribers to the paper in the United States." (Chapman, retary, Jugoslavina).

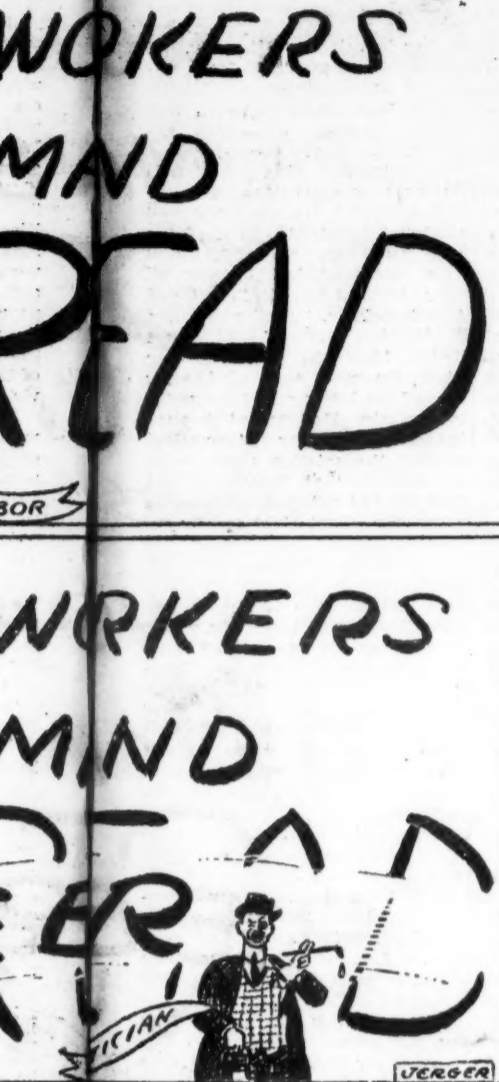
"Here are two subscribers for starter," writes Frankov of Ohio. "Send more blanks."

August Claessens, Washington member of subs.

Engaged in a war the northern New York Ray Newkirk found

# Special "New Leader" Features

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## the New Leader" Building the Party

ives lettered, with the change in style and all, and I look they cannot greatly increased circulation in this locality," of uncles Monroe H. Sweetland, Jr., from Syracuse.

I. H. Friedhelm, state secretary, Idaho, is another one who is proud of "OUR" paper, as he writes it.

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## Working Women, Awake; Join With Us In Fight Against Hunger, for Freedom

By ESTHER FRIEDMAN

### WORKING WOMEN OF NEW YORK:

Your rent is due every first of the month. If present conditions continue, how will you pay it? How will you keep the roof over your children's heads?

The law does not protect you in this tragic plight. But it gives the landlord the right to throw you and your family out on the street if you cannot pay. Landlordism is bad. It's bad because the landlord lives by owning wealth others produced and by extracting profits for its use.

The more houses he owns, the greater his income and the more luxuriously he and his family live; but he remains as useless socially. He takes from society—he gives nothing.

There are 11,000,000 workers idle; at least 100,000 families in New York City live on charity's crumbs; another 100,000 families live on starvation fare. At the end of three years of industrial breakdown, hunger, dispossession and degradation face us. What do the Democratic and Republican parties offer? Only this:

Billions for bankers. Breadlines for workers.

Still they ballyhoo: "Vote for us! We are good men!"

### What Are They Good For?

"Good for what?" you should ask. Good for nothing—except to line their own pockets and pass "good" laws for the owning class which owns both parties.

And these same "good" men and their parrots have warned you these many years, "Don't listen to those radicals! Socialism will destroy the home!" Oh, yeah? Look around you, mothers of children! Among your own relatives and friends, hearts, hopes and homes are broken and ruined. Thousands of families in this richest city in the world are doubling up with relatives. Families are separated because in these hard times fathers of families, thrown out of work through no fault of their own, cannot meet the rent.

In no country in Europe does the worker pay so large a share of his wages to the landlord as here.

Think of the folly and tragedy of capitalism! On the one hand, thousands of vacant apartments; on the other, homeless families.

these shores on the second, and was already campaigning on the street corner on the third.

"I should have been lost abroad without my weekly copy of The New Leader," he declared.

"The New Leader is a very informative sheet on Socialist happenings."—Ed Henry, State Secretary, Socialist Party, Ind.

Andrew P. Wittel, State Secretary, Socialist Party, N. J., writes: "I want to cooperate with you closely in building up the circulation of The New Leader in this State."

"I like your paper. It is fighting for a new civilization and against chaos. Here's my renewal." (W. C. Couch, N. C.)

"I owe it to myself to learn more of your views and program with which to meet the problems of the day," writes a new subscriber from Ohio.

"THE NEW LEADER is as necessary to our household as the proverbial can-opener." (Wm. Huettnerman, Ill.)

Our granaries are bursting with wheat and millions have not enough to eat.

### The Folly of "Great Minds"

If a mother ran her household in such an insane and inhuman way, she would land in a padded cell. Yet the Hoovers and Roosevelts are "great" minds, and are given office and power to continue this madness and inhumanity in our social household.

When has a people ever before been afflicted with such a calloused, stupid and corrupt officialdom as the two old parties present today?

Yes, sister, listen to us. If you don't listen today, tomorrow you may go mad with grief. Your home may be broken up. Who can tell who's next?

The Socialist party is the party of the working class. It receives nothing from and owes nothing to the owning class. Therefore, its program is honest and constructive. It clearly points the way out of the capitalistic plague of depression.

This program provides, among other things, for useful, necessary work at decent wages and shorter hours, and eventual abolition of the whole profit system. With the women's votes, we could put it over and make a new world.

Housing is the special theme of this message to you. We Socialist women want houses built to live in, not to provide profits for landlords.

### Build Houses to Live In

Over 500,000 people live in rotter, disease and vice-breeding tenements on the East Side alone. Pull them down and build new, modern, well-equipped dwellings. This would at once stimulate steel, lumber, brick and other industries. These houses should be built by the community as we build our schools, bridges, tunnels, the Panama Canal, playgrounds, golf courses, etc. Being a practical woman, you ask, "How will we get the money?" We answer: "Where there's a will, there's a way."

In the past, the old parties have found the way to finance big things—though not for you...

They find one billion each year to finance the army and navy, because they want an army and navy.

They found three billions in this year of depression to help the poor rich bankers because they want to help the poor rich bankers. They found over eleven billions to finance a war to kill Germans, because they wanted to kill Germans!

They will find all the cash they want to kill Japanese and Russians, because Japanese capitalists want to wrest profits from China that our capitalists want.

When we women decide we want no more wars, expressions and broken homes, we shall abolish them.

To accomplish this we must get together, organize, educate and make the Socialist party the power in a government serving the working class. Then we will find money to kill unemployment, to kill low wages, landlordism, war and the whole profit system—instead of to kill fellow workers!

Come to our meetings. We need you and you need us.

Bring your growing boys and girls to our Sunday schools and to the Young People's Socialist League.

JOIN US NOW. YOU HAVE NOTHING TO LOSE BUT CAPITALISM, AND A WORLD OF PEACE AND PLENTY—SOCIALISM—TO WIN.

## THE CHATTERBOX

### Wily Politicians Gotta Be Careful of Window-dressing; Renew Prize-Winning Subs!

By Gertrude Weil Klein

SAMUEL A. DEWITT, who has been conducting his weekly column, "The Chatterbox," without pause, let or hindrance (or diminution of brilliance) for over eight years, says he's gotta have a vacation. And not to loaf... oh, no! Just in order to work harder for the Socialist movement. What with committees, canvassing, writing, outdoor and indoor, and other exhausting incidents of the most vigorous campaign in years, the column-conductor has invited a number of "guest-conductors" to fill this space for him. This week it's Gertrude Weil Klein, long a talented contributor to this paper and to others. Watch for next week's... and who knows who's next after that!—EDITOR.

SAY what you will, women have their place in politics. I'm not talking about those women who stick their noses into everything, like—well, like me for instance (I'm a self-invited guest conductor, in case nobody else tells you); I'm talking about nice, retired women like the ex-wife of the late mayor... I mean the wife of the ex-late-mayor... Now, now, I mean Mrs. James J. Walker, the wife of the man who was the latest Mayor of New York City. Even such ladies are essential. On them falls the task of supplying the aura of respectability to their politician husbands. In a crisis, they are priceless. So we witnessed Mrs. Walker's unexpected debut in the press, during Mr. Walker's short period of labor as a mayor.

All at once—where we had become accustomed to fancy scenic backgrounds—we were greeted with the mayor's wife smiling toothfully into the camera. Whose ever idea it was, it was a good one, only a little too late for Jimmy to benefit from it. Grown sated with bathing beauties, movie actresses, channel swimmers and prize winners of one sort or another, we could not quite rise to the tamer fare of Jimmie and his comfortable wife beaming trustfully at each other.

Other politicians get away with it. Part of Al Smith's charm is the inevitable Mrs. Smith always at his side, giving everyone the feeling that they are so "folksy." Why, Mrs. Al Smith might be Mrs. Smith of any town, village or city in the country, just as Mrs. Walker might be any Mrs. Walker. The nearer to the scrub pail the big men's wives look, the better the unconscious proletariat likes it. Henry Dubb picks up the paper and says, "Hey, who does she remind you of?" And sure enough, she reminds somebody either of Aunt Sal, or the grocery lady, or the next door neighbor, or even the old ball-and-chain herself. And there you are! Another national hero is made!

### The One Best Bet

No politician, made or on the make, should overlook his best bet—the wife doubling with him in the newspaper pictures. This was Jimmie's fatal error. That and the depression... if he could have called that off, he might have gotten by with or without the wife's picture. But as things were, there was no chance. Not that Walker had done anything which any other old-party politician has not done. If things had gone along in the same high, wide and handsome fashion, with those on top sitting pretty and enough crumbs trickling through to those below to keep them satisfied, we might never have had the Seabury investigation and its attendant embarrassment to Walker. And we might never have known what Mrs. Walker looked like. But there had to be a goat.

And talking about pictures in the papers, reminds me of the article pointed out to me by Sam Friedman, who has been assistant-editing on the New Leader the past several weeks (didn't you know?) in which a prominent woman journalist says that the Socialists don't exploit the pictorial potentialities of their presidential candidate. Norman Thomas, she says, is the only one of the presidential nominees who has sex appeal, photographically speaking. His pictures should be displayed as prominently and frequently as possible, she says, wherever the ladies are likely to gather. Personally, I never did think Norman's pictures did him justice, except the one in the ice-cream pants which Sam has been running on the back page of The Leader. But, it's an idea.

### We Got 'Em, Too

Of course, we all look forward to the day when women won't be swayed by a handsome face or an infectious smile. Of course we think it's dumb of them, but since they are that way, maybe we ought to do something about it. Starting almost anywhere, we can assemble a most devastating gallery of male handsomeness and sex appeal.

One thing more, and my reason for occupying this column stands revealed. Last year, at about this time, I was returning from a European trip which I so undeservedly but so very gratefully won in The New Leader contest. I say undeservedly, because so many other people did the work for me (particularly my co-workers in the Amalgamated), that I felt it was just handed to me. Now a lot of people have been saying that all these subscriptions were just a personal gesture with all my subscribers, that they don't read the paper and won't renew their subscriptions. Well, I can't swear about their reading the paper (though they're missing more than they can afford to if they don't). I know that if I had written things they would have read them. I know they expressed their disappointment and surprise over and over again at my failure. But when a person

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## Growth of Y. P. S. L. Revealed

**T**HE Young People's Socialist League, at a meeting of the National Executive Committee held in Buffalo, reported that the league now has a total membership of 3,500. The meeting was fully attended, and reports were received showing organization work progressing in Virginia, Texas, Iowa, Indiana, Colorado, Washington, Nebraska, Massachusetts, Vermont, Missouri, as well as in the older organized states. The work of approximately 10 travelling organizers has aided in pushing organization in what was once considered barren territory.

Arthur McDowell, of Pennsylvania, chairman of the Industrial Committee of the league, reported on his work in connection with assistance in various industrial disputes. An industrial committee was elected consisting of Sam Bakely, of California; James White of Ohio, a member of the United Mine Workers of America; Seymour Stein of New York, a member of the executive committee of the Button and Novelty Workers Union; Larry Heimbach, of Pennsylvania, of the Silk Workers Federation of the American Textile Workers Union; and Louise Gugino, of Buffalo, New York, a member of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers Union.

In connection with the industrial work of the organization, a resolution was passed referring to the aid offered by the Illinois local of the Socialist Party to the union miners of Illinois. The Young Peoples Socialist League sent "its pledge of solidarity and sympathy" to the miners "engaged in a struggle against a further reduction in wage rates and their standard of living." It commended "the brave example of the Illinois miners in their struggle against wage cuts, to workers everywhere, who may thus be encouraged sturdily to resist the criminal folly of the ownership of American industry in their wage slashing offensive of recent years." It recommended "the active support of every local organization of the Young Peoples Socialist League in America for the Midwest Striking Miners Relief Fund set up by the Springfield, Ill., Local of the Socialist Party. The work of this fund is entitled to the fullest support that young Socialists can render."

### Nationalization Demanded

Finally, it was pointed out that "the immediate solution demanded for the problems of the very sick coal industry, demoralized by generations of capitalist mismanagement and private property exploitation, lies in immediate nationalization of the industry with adequate guarantee of union control of the job and democratic management of the industry as a whole."

### National Publication Planned

The financial report which was submitted by George Smerkin, National Secretary, showed the possibility of establishing a national Young Peoples Socialist League publication. The bid of the "Milwaukee Leader" press to publish the paper was accepted and a board was elected. The editor-in-chief is Gus Tyler; the board of editors by Hy Fish of Ohio, Jim Quick of Milwaukee, and Arthur McDowell of Pennsylvania; the circulation editor is Jack Jaffe of Chicago. It is intended to publish the paper monthly, carrying propaganda articles and a full report of young Socialist activities on a nation wide scale. The publicity campaign for the paper is to be launched by a contest for the selection of the best name. The person submitting the best name will be given a Yipsel shirt and a year's subscription to the paper.

The educational report submitted by Gus Tyler, education and publication director of the league, included plans for the publication of a general pamphlet appealing

## Y. P. S. L. Added 50 Circles Since May

**BUFFALO, N. Y.**—The Young People's Socialist League has added 50 circles since the party's convention in May. George A. Smerkin, executive secretary, reported to the national executive committee, which met here last week end. "The presidential campaign has offered a great deal of opportunity for Socialist youth activity," Smerkin said, "and we have thrown ourselves into it wholeheartedly. The Yipsels regard this campaign as more than vote catching—as an important project to build a strong workers' party."

to the youth, a series of outlines and bibliographies to guide individuals and circles in the study of Socialist history and theory and social problems, and the circulation of matter compiled by the research bureau of the Young Peoples Socialist League to Socialist and other periodicals, as well as to circles.

### Anti-War Conference

Julius Umansky, national chairman of the league, reported on a meeting with Abe Kaufman, of the War Resisters League, to hold a conference of youth organizations on a peace program consisting of minimum demands of the following items: removal of causes of war, refusal to support war, and total disarmament. The conference was set for Oct. 12.

### On the Negro Problem

A proclamation of the Negro problem was passed, whose contents pointed out that the Young Peoples Socialist League appealed to the Negro not as a member of a special racial group but as a worker. It stated that "though the shackles of slavery have been swept away, like their white fellow workers, they are still victimized by the economic tyranny of capitalism. For the destruction of this tyranny, white and black workers must lock arms together to march behind the red banner of Socialism."

A report by Aaron Levenstein on the Canadian circles pointed out that the Toronto Yipsels were cooperating with Communist organizations, but that such a condition was necessary because of the prevalent police terror which made open independent organization on a large scale impossible.

The meeting was attended by George Smerkin, national secretary; Julius Umansky, national chairman; Winston Dancis and Aaron Levanstein of New York; Hy Fish, of Ohio; William Quick, Jr., of Wisconsin; Arthur McDowell and Milton Weisberg of Pennsylvania; Sam Bakely, of California; Jack Jaffe, of Illinois; James Duffy, of Michigan, and Gus Tyler, fraternal delegate, of New York.

G. T.

## Connecticut Valley Y. P. S. L. Formed

**NORTHAMPTON.**—A convention was held last Saturday of circles in this section of Massachusetts. The following cities were represented: Northampton, Easthampton, Hartford, Conn., Springfield, Chester, and Gilbertville. The main work of the convention was the formation of a district federation of Connecticut and Massachusetts.

It will be called the Connecticut Valley Federation of the Y. P. S. L. The central office will be at Northampton, with Marietta Levin as secretary. The address is 185 North St., Northampton, Mass. An executive committee, consisting of one member from each circle, will meet regularly to supervise the organization work.

At a mass meeting, speakers were Fred Siems, national organizer, Morton Salberg and Jesse Walerstein of New York City. Meyer Gere of Hartford was chairman.

## By Noah C. A. Walter, Jr. Harlem Youth in Socialist Vanguard

Coming from home, school, college, and shop, in this most important hour when the Negro's tragic needs supersede those of the former chattel slave, and when, as usual, "messiahs" seek out the Negro and the rest of the despondent workless toilers, a group of aggressive Harlem youth, mostly colored, who no longer believe in "riddles," recently joined the Socialist vanguard to quicken the march of Socialism in this segregated section of New York City.

This is the first time in the long, wretched history of Harlem—the reputed capital of Black America but in truth the "melting pot" of the finest moral, social, mental and industrial fibre of Negro youth—that Harlem's youth has organized militantly to challenge the smug contentment of its generation and to crystallize its own discontent against the high rent profiteers, political racketeers and industrial buccaners whose loaded dice have robbed all youth of a chance truly to enjoy life.

The Young People's Socialist League, Circle 5, of Harlem, clasps hands with young Socialists throughout the civilized world.

The energies of the charter comrades, Rupert Carlton, Marbre Brown, Vincent Brown, Timothy Lundy, Charles Reichman, Gilbert Hesper and Wesley Saunders are being directed toward active work in the campaign as well as a workers' theatre school and their efforts will give new impetus and inspiration to the older standard bearers in Harlem. Like our candidate for congress, Frank C. Crosswain, who has been blazing the trail for Negro youth.

The decision to organize was reached without the aid of propaganda. After a few informal discussions of the fate of youth under capitalism, the young men and women signed the "red card" entering the ranks of the Young People's Socialist League, thus to fight unitedly, regardless of sex, race, color or creed, for work, bread, peace and plenty SOCIALISM!

## Tag Days

All Yipsels are urged to cooperate in the collection of funds for the miners of Kentucky and Illinois on Saturday and Sunday. More than a score of miners in Harlan County are still to face trial on serious charges. The miners of Southern Illinois are on strike against a \$5 a day wage scale, and for the \$6.10 wage scale.

**Circle 5 Sr. Kings.**—The Borough Park circle will meet on Sunday afternoons at 4 p. m. at the Labor Lyceum, 1377 42d street.

**Circle One, Sr. Bronx,** has changed its meeting day to Sunday afternoon at 4 p. m., at 904 Prospect avenue. This Sunday, Abe Kaufman will speak on "War and the General Strike."

### YIPSELS! KEEP OCT. 10 OPEN!

**Circle Two, Sr., Brooklyn,** will run one of the biggest dances in its long history on Oct. 10. The date is "Yom Kippur Night," an exceptionally popular time in this section for large affairs. Music will be provided by the well-known Phil Lynch and His Pennsylvanians. All comrades and friends are asked to keep this date open—and in mind.

## Lashes "Conspiracy" To Hurl American Youth Into Slaughter

**ANN ARBOR, Mich.**—(MINS)—The school, the press, the radio—all are in a conspiracy to educate American youth toward militarism and war, in direct contravention to the supreme law of the land, the Kellogg Pact, Dr. Walter Bergman, professor at Detroit City College, and commander of the Thomas Jefferson "Peace Post" of the American Legion, told students of the University of Michigan here.

Dr. Bergman also characterized the R. O. T. C. troops, the National Rifleman's Association, the National Guard, the Citizens' Military Training Camps, and so-called "patriotic" organizations as "bands hurling the American youth toward slaughter." He attacked the idea that citizenship is built by these organizations, pointing out that R. O. T. C. and C. M. T. C. textbooks teach perverted ideas of democracy and peace.

He called upon the students present to resist this "education for war instead of for peace" by fighting military psychology and urging the government to disband these pro-war organizations.

## Bronx Rent Strikers Firm

**E**NTERING the fifth week of the rent strike, the 212 embattled tenants of the Sholem Aleichem apartments at 3451 Giles place, Bronx, stand firm in their determination not to pay rent until their demands are met by the landlord. The Bronx Tenants' Emergency League, 9 West 170th street, Bronx, created by the Bronx County Socialist Party, has been fighting with the tenants in a struggle that has held the interest of the workers of the entire city for its tenacity and evidence of workers' solidarity, and has been steadily featured in the press.

The fight is being fought in the courts and at the houses, where picketing is being done every day, and signs and placards are plastered over the front of the buildings. There are mass meetings of the tenants and conferences with the landlord and his attorneys and the attorneys for the New York Title and Mortgage Co., which holds the first mortgage on the premises and is backing the landlord.

After a series of conferences held last week at which were represented the lawyers for the landlord, Louis Kiosk, and the title company, Samuel Laderman, president of the Sholem Aleichem Cooperative Association, and Judge Jacob Panken and his law partner, Matthew M. Levy, representing the Bronx Tenants' Emergency League, a tentative agreement was reached. This agreement provided for a substantial reduction in rents, restoration of the four evicted unemployed tenants and their families, an agreement of the landlord to carry 25 per cent of the unemployed tenants if the Cooperative Association would pay rent for the other unemployed tenants, and the landlord to make all needed renovations and repairs and to remove the many violations put on the house by the Tenement House Department.

This tentative agreement was later rejected by the New York Title and Mortgage Co. Judge Panken thereupon made the following statement to the press in response to requests for his position as to the failure of the negotiations: "I am reliably informed that large title and mortgage companies in New York City have applied to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for substantial loans to tide them over the depression. Unless aid of this kind is passed on to the tenants, there

is absolutely no justification for the granting of such loans. The tenants are the workers who have been most affected by the economic depression.

"The worker who is unemployed or who has had his wages cut or working days reduced cannot apply to any finance corporation for a 'reconstruction loan' that will keep him and his family from becoming homeless and hungry. If Federal loans are to go to bondholders and stockholders while the worker remains in distress, then we are indeed faced with entrenched class government."

Viewing the title company's stand as an ultimatum, the tenants accepted the challenge and continued the fight. Four of the court cases came up for trial and were conducted by Matthew M. Levy, assisted by Sol Perrin and Alfred Belskin. Justice William E. Morris, at the 162nd street Bronx Municipal Court, before whom the cases were tried, early showed his bias against the striking tenants. He asserted that the tenants defending themselves against the eviction orders were not sincere, that they were rent strikers and using other people's property without right and he refused to permit the tenants fully to present their claims. The court was kept in an uproar as Matthew Levy fought hour after hour and day after day to defend the rights of the tenants against the obvious prejudice of the judge. Finally, in one case, Levy had to abandon putting in his evidence when Judge Morris declared that his mind was already made up and that no further evidence, even documentary, would have any effect.

Meanwhile, 20 final orders to dispossess have already been signed in those cases where no court defenses have been interposed and the tenants have prepared themselves for a mass eviction. Arrangements have been made to pack the belongings and furniture and to store them, the dispossessed tenants to be put up by the remaining tenants. The tenants are determined to fight to the bitter end.

A distinct victory was scored for the unemployed tenants when, after a vigorous protest by Judge Jacob Panken, the Home Relief Bureau reinstated relief for them. This relief had been stopped when the Home Relief Bureau objected to the activities of these tenants in the rent strike.

## "Breaking Up the Home"

### Father Jumps Off Bridge

**T**HE following two "true stories" are only two out of scores that could have been culled from the news of the past month. Many don't get into print at all; and there will be hundreds more in the coming winter. "Socialism," they used to say, "will break up the home!"

Domenico Sica, father of seven children, the youngest a baby two weeks old, found all opportunities to obtain a living for himself, his wife and children closed. Capitalism had made outcasts of the Sica family. He walked to the Manhattan Bridge and leaped into the waters below.

After Sica was rescued from the river with several fractured ribs, his coat was found on the bridge footpath. A note was inside, intended as his last message to the world. In simple words, the letter is an indictment of the chance-world that leaves millions insecure. Here is Domenico Sica's accusation of the regime that drove him to leap from the bridge:

### Attention to passersby:

My body will be found in the river below. I am one of the unfortunates of the times. Fairly well off a year or so ago, now a pauper. The failure of one

bank wrecked my business. Now another threatens to take our home. Our gas has just been closed. We have a two-weeks old baby who will surely die now that we have no gas for his food. I have tried everything, even so-called relief employment bureaus and charity, but to no avail. Maybe as widow and orphans those I leave behind will find help. I hope to God they will. I leave wife and seven children. My address was 175 Concord street, Brooklyn.

### Mother Takes Poison

**CHICAGO (FP).**—Mrs. Sue Mattes, 21, mother of a boy of three and a girl of two, tried to kill herself in desperation at the end of a day in which the panic had become too real for her. Her husband, a meat cutter, was out of work. He left early to search for a job. During the morning an eviction notice was served on the young wife. During the afternoon the furniture dealer served notice that the furniture would be taken away unless overdue payments were made. At night the meat cutter told her he had found no job and so could not bring her any meat for supper.

It was too much. She took poison.

## QUESTIONS and ANSWERS

Readers of *The New Leader* are requested to confine their questions as nearly as possible to labor, Socialist, economic and related questions. Sign all inquiries with your full name and address, not necessarily for publication but as evidence of good faith. Anonymous inquiries will be ignored.

Is it true that after Eugene V. Debs was released from jail, he was called a drunkard and counter-revolutionist by the Communists?

ROBERT CHILDS.

Pennsylvania.

We do not think that this accusation is true. The Communist criticism of Debs was reiteration of the statement that he had "grown old" and had for many years been under the control of the "politicians" in the Socialist party. They said that the "politicians" had never permitted Debs, four times candidate of the party for the presidency of the United States, to be a member of the N. E. C.

The fact is, that in all the years of his membership Debs had always received hundreds of nominations for the N. E. C. and he had declined them. In his own state, Indiana, he was always nominated for delegate to national conventions and he generally declined to accept. The Communist stories about Debs being controlled by "politicians" were not only false; they also implied that he was a piece of putty in the hands of others. Those who knew Debs knew that this was a caricature of a man who never hesitated to speak his mind.

Gene, after refusing so often to become a member of the N. E. C. because he preferred campaign and propaganda work, finally consented to become chairman of the national executive committee of the Socialist party in order to remove all possible doubts as to where he stood and in order to answer those who were purposely misinterpreting his attitude. He held the post from about a year after his release from prison until his death.

### Unemployment Relief

I often hear that Socialists have a plan to prevent unemployment in the future and also to immediately end this insecurity. I am sure that many slumbering American citizens would join you if you answered in *The New Leader*.

BEN SCHURMAN.

Brooklyn.

A copy of the Socialist party platform will be mailed to you if you send us your address. It answers your questions in detail. Socialism will end unemployment and guarantee security to all. While capitalism lives, there will be jobless workers, but even they can obtain some measure of relief through unemployment insurance.

## NEW LEADER FORUM

STATE A. F. OF L. CONVENTION  
By Herman Wookow

I have recently returned from the 69th annual convention of the New York State Federation of Labor and many comrades are asking me how our party members who were delegates acted on certain questions. Some are particularly interested in how the latter acted when the resolution to give Mayor Walker a vote of confidence was carried and when Governor Roosevelt was endorsed for president.

Let me say emphatically that our Socialist trade union officials were not there. They remained at home where it was safe for them rather than go to Utica and be recorded.

I could count the known party members who were there on the fingers of one hand and still have fingers to spare, though 450 delegates were present.

I have before me the roster of organizations represented. Lo and behold! Not one local of the International Ladies Garment Workers, yet there were 23 locals of the Teamsters Union represented. Dozens of locals of engineers and firemen and others and longshoremen and building trades but not one of our so-called Socialist

Robert Cullum, Michigan.—We agree that too much space has been taken in *The New Leader* Forum in recent months and since the convention we have tried to discourage discussion as much as possible. There are times, however, when such discussions are of great value to readers and party members. Unfortunately, comrades have too often imposed on *The New Leader* by raising questions only in our columns and not in other party publications. Discussions should be distributed among all party papers, not concentrated in one.

### The Striking Painters

I would appreciate your answer to the following questions:

The report on the painters' strike in *The New Leader* is puzzling. Reference is made to "drifters," "non-residents," "non-citizens" and public opinion is asked to support the strike of the painters. Are Socialists included in the public opinion referred to? Do Socialists look at workers from the angle of drifters, non-residents and foreigners, or from the viewpoint of the laboring class?

While at it, is *The New Leader* owned, controlled and supervised by the S. P. or is it a Socialist weekly chosen by preference to speak for the party but in reality not owned by it?

I. STONE.

Bronx.

The terms used in the story are well known to organized workers. They imply types of workers who have not organized and who are likely to take the places of strikers. The use of the word "citizen" was perhaps unfortunate, but that the painters did not imply anti-foreign prejudice is evident from the fact that they have quite a number of Jewish and German members. Socialists certainly approach problems from the point of view of the working class, but Socialist members of unions on strike also have to face the types mentioned when fighting the bosses.

The *New Leader* is owned by a publishing association composed exclusively of party members and its policy is determined by the Socialist party. This form of control is the same as that of the *Milwaukee Leader*, the *Reading Labor Advocate* and *The Forward*. With the *New Leader*, furthermore has been combined *The American Appeal*, founded by Eugene V. Debs several years ago and recognized as the official organ of the party.

or "progressive" trade unions.

Here's something for you to do, Comrade Beardsley and the labor committee. Investigate this condition and find out whether our so-called Socialist trade union leaders are not morally bankrupt fearing to act in a convention where the spotlight will be upon them.

They are too closely linked with Tammany through Tammany members of organized labor, by getting a favor done for them once in a while that they haven't the courage to act as Socialists when attending conventions, so they simply stay away.

A survey of the unions mentioned would reveal some factors that should be taken into account. One would be the years of wrecking by Communists, which not only weakened these unions but disgusted many members with political action, whether Socialist or Communist. Moreover, the composition of the membership has changed, and changes in the industry have undermined the unions, leaving them with acute problems of sheer preservation. To think of these unions in terms of their pre-war Socialist idealism is to ignore much post-war history.—Editor.

## THE BRAY of THE WEEK



INCREASED cooperation between capital and labor was prescribed as a fundamental cure for the present depression by the Rev. Dr. Charles R. Brown, dean emeritus of the Yale Divinity School, in a sermon at the Riverside Church.

Ridiculing as "downright nonsense" the assertion that "men work because they have to," Dr. Brown took issue with economic theorists who advocate reductions in the hours of labor. "The added hours of leisure would not be of advantage to the moral welfare of the nation," he said. "Healthy people are happiest when at work."

The return of prosperity, and in more lasting form, is contingent upon development of a "new state of mind toward our fellow-men and our work," Dr. Brown maintained. He cited the country's available physical resources, which, he declared, were fully as great as they were in times of prosperity.

## Two Deaths Result Of Lefts' Civil War

THE Communist party's physical assaults on other working class meetings brought its logical fruits recently when two Communists were killed at a street meeting run by another Communist faction on the lower East Side last week. The affair grew out of clashes between the official party Communists and the Trotsky Communists. The latter had been before the American Civil Liberties Union with protests against their opponents' attacks on meetings.

The Trotsky Communists were holding a number of meetings or trying to hold them with increasing difficulties. Even the story of the tragedy that appeared in the "Daily Worker" (official Stalin Communist organ) of August 25 indicates what happened. "Each of these meetings dissolved under a barrage of criticisms and questions from the very unsympathetic audience," says that paper. "In each of them, gangster elements working with the Trotskyites, and obvious White Guard Russian elements, picked fights with the workers at the meeting who denounced the Trotsky program."

Of the meeting where the two men were killed the "Daily Worker" declared: "At Saturday's meeting the Trotsky speaker was discomfited by criticisms from the crowd. The crowd of workers won the battle and the Trotsky gang fled."

The report implies that the Communist partyites had nothing to do with breaking up the Trotskyite meetings and that all that occurred in the way of opposition was "criticism" by "workers." It is notorious that Communist party members, under orders, attend meetings of other organizations as organized groups and have employed physical violence to break them up. "The crowd of workers won the battle" should read, "Communist party workers broke up the meeting."

In the disorder that continued, bricks hurled from a building killed Michael Semen and Nicholas

## Books in Brief

### Tells of 1931, Decisive Year of Soviet Planning

RUSSIA'S DECISIVE YEAR, by Ellery Walter. G. P. Putnam's Sons, N. Y. \$3. 282 pages.

THERE is no end to the books on Russia. One of the most interesting is Ellery Walter's "Russia's Decisive Year." The author is a newspaper man and went to Russia a Communist sympathizer. With a letter of introduction from Senator Borah, he spent six months and travelled 15,000 miles through all sections of the Soviet Union. He left Russia discouraged with Communism, his net impressions being similar to those of Walter Rukeyser, the American engineer who rendered important services in the building of some large Russian enterprises.

Ellery Walter was in Russia during the offensive against the kulaks last year and tells of seeing 17 prison trains carrying men, women and children into exile. Two photos of a prison train are among the 15 illustrations. The author explains that he investigated transport, the light and heavy industries

and the farm collectives and relates many incidents, some of them amusing and many informative. The lack of skilled workers, low grade industrial technique, quality sacrificed to speed, insufficient rations for many workers, overstrain of the working masses, and the individualism of the peasants are among the discouraging factors he mentions.

A commune consisting mostly of American workers impressed him as a bright spot in Russia. Although their living conditions may be lower than in Seattle, from which many of them migrated, they are much higher than the general Russian average. Georgia also impressed him favorably. There he found no food lines, while plenty of meat and vegetables were available. In an epilogue, Walter sums up his investigation and presents his reasons for disillusionment. An appendix presents some interesting data from Soviet statistics. He ends the volume with a quotation from an editorial in "Izvestia" of January 22, 1931, regarding the decisive year which complained: "The plan for 1931 was achieved with respect to neither quantity nor quality."

J. O.

### Wily Politicians Gotta Be Careful of Window Dressing; Renew Prize-Winning Subs!

("The Chatterbox," Continued from Page Nine)  
is just naturally lazy, what can you do about it? Me neither.

#### Renew Your Subs!

Anyway, I'm pleading with you now. To save me from a permanent black eye, renew your subscriptions to *The New Leader*. There isn't a week that I don't find something I want to clip and file away for future reference. In fact there's lots of good stuff in it, and maybe if enough renewals come in, it will inspire me to write.

You see, once upon a time I didn't need inspiration to write. But this cock-eyed world knocks so many of your hopes into a heap of dust that if you don't take to drink, you need some other stimulant to keep going. Now, don't somebody say Socialism to me, because that doesn't happen to help.

For instance, on Sunday, I took my nephew to Bronx Park to see the animals. While watching the polar bears, a man and his wife came along—two big husky Polacks I think—who were looking for their child. Suddenly and both at once, they spied him, a two year old boy, blissfully watching the bears. With one accord and without a word, they grabbed him by the arms and began beating the breath out of him. The shock, bewilderment and pain of that child were my own. I wanted to grab him away, but I was afraid they might beat me. Each of them was twice as big as I. But I did lace it into them. I cried "Shame" after them and I did get some of the people around me to cry "Shame."

When the woman turned around

Kruziak. The Communist party has brought actual civil war into the ranks of the workers. There is no known instance of that party's attempting to break up meetings of the capitalist parties.

The Communist League of America (opposition), the Trotskyist group, has declared, both in its weekly organ, "The Militant," and in a special leaflet, that the whole case is a "shameless and unexampled frame-up" and act of provocation on the part of the "Stalinite bureaucracy," which is accused of trying to railroad those opposed to the administration to jail.

### "The World Tomorrow" Becomes Weekly Journal

After continuing as a monthly for 15 years, "The World Tomorrow" has become a weekly journal. Founded in 1917 by Norman Thomas, Socialist candidate for president, "The World Tomorrow" has carved out a position in the field of radical religious journalism. Its present editors are Kirby Page, Reinhold Niebuhr and A. A. MacLeod. Additions to the staff of the weekly publication will be Devere Allen, now associate editor of *The Nation*, and Paul H. Douglas, professor of industrial relations at the University of Chicago.

### At Bronx Fellowship

"HOPEFUL SIGNS ON THE HORIZON" will be the topic of Rev. Leon Rosser Land's address Sunday evening at the 8 o'clock Fellowship Service, at the weekly meeting of the Bronx Free Fellowship, Azure Masonic Temple, 1591 Boston road, near East 172nd street. At the 9 o'clock open forum, Dr. Sidney Goldstein, associate rabbi of the Free Synagogue and chairman of the executive committee of the War Resisters League and of the joint committee of unemployment, will speak on "The Crisis in World Affairs—What Is Needed."

Questions and discussions from the audience will follow. The musical program is by Genevieve and Zelma Kaufman.

# THE NATIONAL CAMPAIGN

## Progress in New York City

### Intensive Campaign in Virginia

The intensive campaign starts this week. We have seven locals in Richmond, Norfolk, Hopewell, Lynchburg, Danville, Clover and Roanoke, besides four Party branches and a Yipsel circle in Richmond and a propaganda branch in Monroe, joined with the Lynchburg local. Locals are expected in Newport News, Portsmouth, South Norfolk, Suffolk, Petersburg, Ettrick and Powhatan county soon. In many other places we have contacts.

700 campaign posters are being placed over the highways, rousing meetings are being held, and publicity secured. Thousands of leaflets and dodgers have been distributed. Send campaign donations to David G. George, State Secretary, 500 Lyric Theatre Building, Richmond, Va.

We have filed a full slate of candidates for Congress. Seven speakers were chosen for the campaign. The ticket is: 1st Dist., Herman R. Ansell; 2nd, Carl P. Spaeth; 3rd, Albin James Royal; 4th, George Cary White; 5th, J. M. Mast; 6th, W. L. Gibson; 7th, Emil Sibiakofsky; 8th, Andrew S. Leitch; 9th, David G. George.

Seven electors have been selected, with four more to be filed. Electors-at-large are Mrs. Elizabeth Lewis Otay, Lynchburg, and Richard L. Johnson, Chesterfield county. A large Socialist vote has been conceded by all political observers.

**STATE CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE** will meet every week until election. Communications should be addressed to the committee at the state office.

**RICHMOND**—General membership meeting heard addresses by Prof. George Mitchell of Columbia University and George Cary White; later hearing Norman Thomas over radio. Membership is now about 150.

**NORFOLK**—G. Cary White will spend two weeks in Norfolk and the second congressional district, where a vigorous fight is being made. Many street and indoor meetings will be held in Norfolk, Portsmouth and elsewhere. Local meets every Thursday at 708 E. Freemason street.

**HOPWELL**—W. F. Billings is leading in the fight here, with White as candidate for Congress. Local meets Saturday nights temporarily in office of R. B. Gill, corner Randolph & Broadway.

**LYNCHBURG**—Local meets in "Little Book Shop," 719 Church street. A vigorous fight will be made. W. L. Gibson is candidate for Congress. We plan to flood Lynchburg and vicinity with literature. Local Roanoke will do likewise.

#### Arkansas

The Liberty Party will support Clay Fuiks, Socialist candidate for Governor. Fuiks and other socialist speakers are greeted by huge crowds. Two new locals, one in El Dorado and the other in Morrilton, have been formed. James H. Maurer will speak in the Labor Temple at Fort Smith Sept. 29 at 7:30 P. M.

### Ethel Davis Added to Socialist Campaign Staff

**CHICAGO**—Ethel Davis, formerly industrial secretary for the Y. W. C. A. in Rochester, N. Y., and Evansville, Ind., will take over the direction of Socialist activities with women and college students Monday, Clarence Senior, campaign manager, announces. Miss Davis is succeeding Mary Hillier, who is returning to the staff of the League for Industrial Democracy.

Miss Davis has a keen understanding of the hazards of being a radical in capitalist America. As industrial secretary of the Rochester Y. W. C. A., she directed a trade union play written by the daughter of Harry F. Ward, professor at Union Theological Seminary and a well known radical. The Eastman Kodak interests and the local Chamber of Commerce did not like the play, and pressure was brought to bear on the Y. W. C. A. board to request her resignation. Her next work was in the industrial department of the Y. W. C. A. at Evansville, Ind. Here her contract was not renewed because her industrial and racial ideas were in conflict with those of heavy contributors to the association's local budget. During the past few weeks, Miss Davis has been helping with a workers' education project in the West Virginia coal fields.

### Last Week's Locals

Illinois, Moline: M. S. Dexter, sec., 1184 24th st.  
Indiana, Cloverdale: Jesse Herbert, sec., Route 2. Coldmont: Roy Keller, sec. Greencastle: J. W. Wright, sec., Route 1. Hymer: Lee Morris, sec. Universal: Wm. Brown, sec.  
Iowa, Newton Russell Jackson, sec., 1021 N. 4th ave., W.  
Michigan, Bay City: Wm. Rabideau, sec., 809 So. Warner ave. Ludington: Mrs. P. T. Larson, sec., 321 1/2 E. Dowland ave. Saginaw: Frederick A. Sommers, sec., 614 Holland ave. Vermontville: Mrs. Greta Flister, sec. Miasouri, Ava: John Victor, sec.  
Pennsylvania, Belle Vernon: Millard Peters, sec., 317 Speer st. North Belle Vernon: Cokesville: John T. Pluck, sec. Latrobe: N. W. Matthews, sec., 14 E. Monroe st. Sharon: W. S. G. King, sec., 410 Prospect st.  
Texas, Abilene: Joe. Etheridge, sec., 502 Oak st. Austin: Mrs. Marion M. Reed, sec., 2508 Guadalupe st. Rising Star: E. W. Baird, sec., Route 1. Temple: Clyde Cook, sec.  
West Virginia, Wheeling: A. L. Bauer, sec., 175 16th st.

### Previous Week's Locals

Alabama, Elberta: Adolph F. Gerhold, secretary.  
California, San Francisco (Y. P. S. L.): Walter F. Ferris, sec., Room 334, 628 Montgomery st.  
Indiana, Richmond: James Howard, sec., 412 N. 11th st.  
Massachusetts, Chester (Y. P. S. L.): Alexander Fabrizio, sec., Box 196.  
Missouri, Harrisonville: J. H. Davis, sec.; Kansas City (Y. P. S. L.): Aldene Matteson, sec., 3727 Walnut st.  
Ohio, Lake County: Jerry Nave, sec., 43 So. State st., Painesville; Lucas County (4th Ward br.): Joseph Salichinski, sec., 641 E. Pearl st., Toledo; Perry County: James M. White, sec., R. F. D. 2, Crooksville.  
Pennsylvania, Montgomery County (Ambler br.): A. A. Hollingsworth, sec., 325 Butler st., Ambler.  
Texas, El Paso: O. Boone Morgan, sec., care of the Morco Co.  
Virginia, Richmond (Y. P. S. L.): Raymond E. Brothers, sec., 601 Pepper ave.  
West Virginia, Martinsburg (Y. P. S. L.): James King, sec., 311 So. Maple.

### Connecticut

**HAMDEN**—Street meeting, School street and Whitney avenue. Julius E. Miller of Norfolk, Va., will speak Friday evening, Sept. 16.  
A number of Hamden Socialists are taking part in the Norman Thomas tour of towns and cities on Friday, Sept. 16. The tour starts with a meeting in Watertown at 12 noon. Other meetings will be held in Bristol, New Britain and a large mass meeting at night in the Meriden City Hall.  
Plans are being made to hold a large rally in the town hall in the near future with the Socialist candidate for U. S. Senator, Dewey Allen, as the main speaker. New recruits are being added every day. It is expected that the largest vote ever given to a third party will be cast in November.

August Claessens, of New York, will speak in Centerville, Hamden, Sunday, Oct. 2, at 8 p. m.  
**NEW HAVEN**—At a probate convention, Walker E. Davis, of Hamden, was nominated for Judge of Probate for the New Haven district, which includes a number of towns in the vicinity.  
A meeting will be held on the Central Green, as usual, Saturday. Five neighborhood open-air rallies are being held this week. Plans are being made for the formation of a new branch.

**BRIDGEPORT**—At an outdoor meeting of the 5th District Socialist Club at Wood Park, Comrade Siems, of N. Y., was greeted by one of the largest crowds since we opened our campaign. At a meeting held in the 3rd District P. Cederholm, candidate for state senator in the 21st District and Comrade Auth, candidate for Alderman in the 3rd District, spoke. Previously, State Organizer Plunkett was the main speaker at Wood Park. F. Cederholm, Auth and Candidate for Alderman M. Cederholm spoke at Maplewood and Hancock avenue. Comrade Murufchik, of N. Y., was the principal speaker at another meeting.

### Pennsylvania

**ERIE**—The Public Auditorium here was filled to capacity when Norman Thomas spoke. He arrived in Erie at noon, and spoke at a luncheon and reception in his honor. Comrade O. G. Crawford acted as chairman at this luncheon, and introduced speakers from various civic organizations, among them leaders of various labor unions, Rev. Allen of the First Presbyterian Church representing the Ministerial Association; Mrs. L. Meyers, the Women's International Peace League; Rev. Ben Wilson, the L. I.

### Jim Maurer in Los Angeles

**LOS ANGELES**—James H. Maurer, Socialist candidate for vice-president of the United States, will make a three-day stop in Los Angeles County as part of his national tour. During these three days, he will deliver five speeches in Los Angeles County at the following places:

On Saturday he will speak at 3 in the Gold Shell in Memorial Park, Pasadena. On Saturday night, at 7, he will again speak at a banquet to be held at 126 North St. Louis street.

Sunday, at 4, Maurer will speak at the Municipal Auditorium in Santa Monica. At night he will speak at the Labor Temple, 540 Maple avenue, Los Angeles; and on Monday night he will again address an audience at the Polytechnical High School in Long Beach. The meetings have been spread out throughout Los Angeles County in order to give everyone a chance to hear Maurer.

Admission to the banquet will be 50 cents per plate; at the Labor Temple meeting it will be 25 cents for those who are employed.

Jim Maurer arrives Saturday at 7 a. m. at the Southern Pacific depot, from where an automobile parade will begin a tour of the city. Information and reservations for the banquet may be obtained from Hyman Sheanin, executive secretary, Los Angeles County, 136 North St. Louis street, or by calling Angeles 9129.

D. and Comrade Ralph Tholston, the Socialists of Erie.

About three thousand attended the meeting in the evening, and listened to Thomas as he gave a straight-from-the-shoulder talk on unemployment. His remarks were punctuated by applause from an audience that comprised people from all walks of life.

**Labor Department Cut Defeated**  
**HARRISBURG, Pa.**—One item in an "economy" bill presented to the Pennsylvania legislature would have taken \$300,000 from the appropriation for the state's Department of Labor, interrogation by Darlington Hoopes, Socialist legislator from Berks, brought out. The bill was then defeated, 96 to 90.

### Missouri

**KANSAS CITY**—The meeting of 2,000, addressed by Norman Thomas, was unusual in the great amount of preliminary newspaper publicity received and in its indication of the awakening interest in Socialism in this part of the country. Every inch of the hall was filled at one of the most enthusiastic meetings held here in years and about 50 applications for membership were received.

The Kansas City local has grown by leaps and bounds in the past few months, with new membership applications presented at every meeting. This is also true of the small cities and towns around. A good deal of this activity has been due to the good work of Comrades J. G. Hodges, state organizer of the Western half of Missouri, and Paul Porter, national organizer, and many of the local comrades.

### Ohio

**COLUMBUS**—“We are greatly pleased at the ruling placing the national ticket on the ballot in this state,” says Joseph W. Sharts, the party's candidate for governor. “We were prepared to achieve the same result through an appeal to the courts.”

### Washington, D. C., Picnic Sunday; To Open Quarters

**WASHINGTON, D. C.**—A national campaign rally will be held this Sunday at the Workmen's Circle Camp, Edgewater, Md. Several hundred picnickers will hear speakers headed by Joel Seligman, recently returned from West Virginia, Leo Alpert, Elizabeth McGing, Hannah Morris and James McNeal, president of the Johns Hopkins University Thomas-for-President Club. The camp offers swimming, boating, dancing and refreshments. A truck will leave the Workmen's Circle School, 600 Columbia road, at 12 A. M. for those without means of transportation. Fare, 50c.

The party will soon open headquarters in a spacious hall in the downtown section, seating over 300, which includes a smaller room suitable for an office and library. This new place will provide a meeting hall for the party, the YPSL, Unemployed League and various unions.

The Socialist Study Club will begin its season of lectures with a 12 lecture course in “History of the American Labor Movement,” early in October, at the new headquarters. The club will offer three or four courses on economics and related topics. Fee, same as last season, \$1 a course, or 15 cents a lecture. The speakers will be drawn from the universities, unions, party, and economic institutions.

### Help at Town Hall

A large committee is needed to handle the Town Hall meeting on Sunday. Those willing to serve as ushers or on the door committee or to help in the collection and literature sales, see Jack Altman in the committee room of Town Hall not later than 1 p. m.

### Surprise Planned for 10th Cong. District Banquet

The comrades of Brownsville and Williamsburg, Brooklyn, are planning a pleasant surprise for those who will attend the 10th Congressional District banquet at the Brownsville Labor Lyceum on Saturday night, Sept. 24.

Tickets may now be obtained at the Lyceum office, 219 Sackman street (Dickens 2-3237), at only \$1 per plate.

**VOLUNTEERS WANTED**—Comrades who can help address envelopes, and other work, urged to report to city office, 7 East 15th street, any time day or evening.

**DISCUSSION ON CAMPAIGN ISSUES**—On Saturday afternoon, at 2, in the Rand School, there will be a discussion on campaign issues led by Comrades Thomas, Waldman and Hillquit. All candidates and speakers of the Socialist party are being urged to attend this important conference. Speakers will stress principal issues in national, state and municipal campaigns. Every party speaker should be present.

**MEETING OF SOCIALIST MEMBERS OF TRADE UNIONS**—On Saturday evening, at 8, general party meeting in Rand School, 7 East 15th street, of all Socialist party members of trade unions. Purpose of meeting is to effect active campaign among the ranks of organized labor.

### MANHATTAN

**UPPER WEST SIDE**—Ruth L. Chaiken resigned as financial secretary; Vera Rantane elected. Temporary campaign headquarters rented at 100 West 72nd street, room 504. Bruno Rantane elected campaign manager. Arrangements made at a meeting of executive committee for dinner in honor of Congressional candidates, Alexander Kahn and Reinhold Niebuhr. Reservations can be made at headquarters. George Ross elected treasurer of campaign committee in place of Comrade Gillis, who is in hospital. Seventeen open air meetings held during August; 625 New Leaders sold.

**CHELSEA**—Since branch is temporarily without headquarters, members desiring to become more active should get in touch by mail or phone with following members of campaign committee: Margaret P. Gillen, 51 LeRoy street, Walker 5-8374; John Herling, 112 East 19th street, Algonquin 4-3865; Ben Blumenberg, 7 East 15th street, Algonquin 4-4622. Organizer Dan Klein advises.

19-21st A. D.—Dance, social and card party: an enjoyable evening in Harlem with comrades of the 19-21st

and were sure of success. However, this releases our funds, time and energy for more important campaign activity.”

The attorney general's decision came on the eve of a tour of Ohio by Norman Thomas, Socialist candidate for President. So confident had the party been of its success in the fight that three huge mass meetings had been previously arranged at Dayton, Akron and Cleveland. Thomas left Indianapolis immediately for these meetings, as had been scheduled. Thousands turned out in all three Ohio cities.

Political observers in the state predict a record-breaking vote for the ticket. Sidney Yellen, state secretary, reports that there are now 55 Socialist locals in Ohio, a gain of 15 since the first of June.

### Maryland

**BALTIMORE**—From 13 to 20 meetings on street corners are held in Baltimore every week and special trips are being made to include neighboring towns.

### Michigan

Every body is pointing to the state convention at Grand Rapids Saturday and Sunday in the Arbeiter Ring hall which 210 delegates from every part of the state will attend. Wayne County (Detroit and vicinity) is sending the largest delegation, 20 delegates and 20 alternates.

Candidates for state offices will be chosen, and a state platform decided upon. The state secretary will report the progress of the party.

Mary Donovan will be in Michigan from Sept. 19 to 25. The Socialist Women's Club will arrange her program in Detroit, and is planning a reception Saturday and speeches at meetings throughout the city. Thomas' visit here Labor Day resulted in new enthusiasm among the masses.

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A. D. Saturday night, at 2005 Seventh avenue at West 120th street. Hot music and lindy hop contest for young rebels. Proceeds for campaign fund to send Crosswath to Congress.

**WASHINGTON HEIGHTS**—New headquarters at 4046 Broadway, near 170th street. Invitations will be mailed for grand opening.

**EAST HARLEM**—Campaign committee will meet at 7:30 p. m. Monday at headquarters, 1536 Madison avenue.

**YORKVILLE**—Members of branch are busily engaged in work of advertising great annual event of district, Yorkville reunion campaign dinner, Saturday, Oct. 8, at 7:30 p. m. at the Labor Temple, 243 East 84th street. As principal speakers of evening, committee hopes to get Waldman, Hillquit and Brown. Big attendance expected at this fourth annual reunion dinner. Diversified program, excellent dinner, entertainment, dancing and prominent speakers; reservations only \$1. Since capacity of hall is limited, former and present members in Yorkville and friends should forward reservations now. Address to branch headquarters, 241 East 84th street.

**MORNINGSIDE HEIGHTS**—Candidates Reinhold Niebuhr, Leon Land, William Hade, Ronald Duval spoke at mass meeting last week attended by about 200 at headquarters, 3109 Broadway. Many non-partyites evinced interest in campaign plans; several new members. Branch meetings held on second and fourth Tuesdays. Meetings on Sept. 27, Oct. 11, Oct. 25 are important to branch members and those interested in campaign plans.

Y. P. S. L. barn dance Saturday, Oct. 1, officially to open new hall, which they have named Debs' Hall, at 3109 Broadway. On Thursday, Ronald Duval will speak at meeting of Unemployed League at same address.

3-5th A. D.—Branch meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 20, at 8:30 p. m. at 433 West 21st street. Prominent speaker. Two street meetings held weekly.

### BRONX

5th A. D.—Esther Friedman will speak at meeting Tuesday, Sept. 27, at 8:30 p. m.

7th A. D.—Alfred Breslaw elected campaign manager. Mass meeting at P. S. 67 Wednesday, Oct. 19, with Louis Waldman, Morris Hillquit, Jacob Fanken, William Karlin and others as speakers. Street meetings held nightly.  
8th A. D.—Automobile outing to Silver Lake, N. Y., Sunday, Sept. 25, will leave at 10 a. m. from headquarters, 20 East Kingsbridge road, near Jerome avenue. Cost, \$1. Automobileists and others who would like to join get in touch with Irving Knobloch, 342 Madison avenue, New York City. Vanderbilt 3-3834. Wednesday evening, Oct. 5, large mass meeting in Burnside Manor, Burnside and Harrison avenues, with mayoralty and state candidates.

**AMALGAMATED COOPERATIVE BRANCH**—Comrade J. Bernstein, who is now instructor in Rand School, will lecture Monday at 8:30 p. m. in assembly room of the 7th building on “Social Forces Which Have Retarded Development of Socialist and Labor Movements in U. S.” Admission free. Short but important business meeting after lecture; report on progress made by national executive committee and

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### KINGS COUNTY LITERATURE

375,000 pieces of literature has just been printed for free distribution by the Socialist Party of Kings County. Branches of Brooklyn are given the privilege of purchasing this literature at \$1 per thousand, which is 50 per cent of the cost. This has been made possible by the appropriation of \$250 by the Kings County Committee.

Orders must be placed at once with Abe Belsky, campaign manager of Kings County.

The county committee has also purchased an amplifying system which will be used at noon day meetings and at open-air rallies.

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## THE NATIONAL CAMPAIGN

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### Thomas, Maurer, Hoan

#### Where to Hear Them

##### NORMAN THOMAS

September

16—"Red Special" tour of Greenwich, Stamford, Danbury, Meriden, New Britain, Bristol, Norwalk and Waterbury, Conn.

17—New York City, Rand School, 3 p. m.; White Plains, N. Y., Community Center, evening.

18—New York Town Hall, afternoon.

19—New York City, dinner of Thomas-Maurer committee of 5,000. 20—Schenectady, N. Y., Hudson Theatre.

22—Grand Rapids, Mich.

23—Traverse City, Mich., Michigan Education Society.

24—Saginaw, Mich., 2:30 p. m.; Jackson, Mich., 8 p. m.

25—Madison, Wis., University of Wisconsin, Field House, 2:30 p. m.; Beloit, Wis., evening.

26—Milwaukee, Wis., Eagles' Club noon luncheon; 8 p. m., mass meeting, Eagles' Hall.

27—Kenosha, Wis., 7 p. m.; Racine, Wis., 8:30 p. m.

28—Superior, Wis., 7:30 p. m.; Duluth, Minn., 9 p. m.

29—St. Paul, Minn.

30—Train meetings, Fargo, N. D., 2:45 p. m., Jamestown, N. D., 5:15 p. m.; Mandan, N. D., 7:05 p. m.

October

1—Montana (Butte, Helena or Missoula).

2—Spokane, Wash.

3—Seattle, Wash.

4—Portland, Ore.

5—San Francisco and vicinity.

Friday, Oct. 7, noon broadcast over station KGO and Pacific Coast network of NBC.

##### JAMES H. MAURER

September

15—San Francisco; 16, Bakersfield, Calif.; 17-19, Los Angeles and vicinity; 21, San Diego; 23, Yuma, Ariz.; 24, El Paso, Texas; 26, San Antonio; 27, Houston; 29, Fort Smith, Ark.; 30, Little Rock.

October

1—St. Louis, Mo.; 2-4, Chicago, Ill.; 5, Springfield, Ill.

##### DANIEL W. HOAN

October

1—Detroit, Mich.; 2, Philadelphia, Pa.; 3, Schenectady, N. Y.; 4, Boston, Mass.; 5, Bridgeport, Conn.; 6, New York City; 7, New York City; 8, Camden, N. J., afternoon; Trenton, N. J., evening; 9, Pittsburgh, Pa.; 10, Louisville, Ky.; 11, St. Louis, Mo.

##### West Virginia

Thomas and Maurer Clubs have been formed in Miami and Riverview. H. H. Mooney is secretary of the first, and Miss Velva Myers of the second.

##### New Jersey

HUDSON COUNTY.—Street meetings, Friday, Sept. 16: Avenue C and 22nd street, Bayonne. Speaker: Wm. M. Feigenbaum.

Jackson and Orient avenues, Jersey City. Speaker: Ben Blumenberg.

Jersey City. Speaker: Sam Seidman.

Saturday, Sept. 17: Washington and 7th streets, Hoboken. Speaker: Wm. H. Bohn.

Bergenline avenue and 14th street, West New York. Speaker: Sam Seidman.

Friday, Sept. 23: Central avenue and Charles street, Jersey City. Ben Blumenberg.

##### NEWARK.—Campaign headquarters

## Vigorous Drive Brings \$25,000

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meeting in the afternoon. A state wide appeal for help is being issued, and every one of the 14,000 enrolled Socialist voters in the state will be circularized with an appeal for contributions to be announced at the dinner. Pasadena, Santa Barbara, Pomona, and other cities within a radius of 100 miles of Los Angeles, have been offering substantial sums to the campaign fund if Thomas will address a meeting or dinner in those cities.

### Workmen's Circle Active

The national Workmen's Circle committee, which four years ago raised more than \$12,000 for the national campaign fund, and which has set as its goal this year \$25,000, reports that information received from some of the 700 branches of the Workmen's Circle indicate a whole-hearted response to the appeal, and that a steady flow of funds is expected to begin as soon as books of certificates which the committee has issued are in full circulation.

W. N. Reivo, secretary of the Finnish Socialist Federation reports collections among Finnish Socialist branches in New Hampshire, Vermont, and Rhode Island, with every prospect that the \$500 subscribed to the fund will be exceeded when all of the branches of the federation will have responded.

### Favorable Reports Everywhere

Simon Libros, chairman of the Philadelphia finance committee, reports increased activity in fund raising since Labor Day, and additional affairs, including a dinner, are being planned to supplement the \$1,200 that has already been subscribed in Philadelphia. Former Judge Jacob Panken, of New York, addressed more than 1,000 party members and sympathizers at the Workmen's Circle shore on Labor Day. Despite unfavorable weather, approximately \$200 was raised for the Socialist campaign committee. A conference of Socialist party sympathizers will be called to raise additional funds.

At South Haven, Michigan, where Thomas spoke to 4,000 people, mainly farmers who had come from points 100 miles distant to hear him, more than \$200 was collected following an appeal for funds made by Dr. Green, of Chicago.

Mary Dickson, of Northampton, Mass., whose efforts on behalf of the fund have resulted in collections from that city alone of more than \$350, reports that each of the 12 locals in western Massachusetts will undertake to raise the quota assigned to it, and that it was considered certain that in each case the goal will be achieved.

### Plans for Drive

Plans for the intensification of the drive, announced by Marx Lewis, drive director, include the following:

1. The distribution and sale during the next three weeks of 1,000 books of certificates, each book containing certificates totalling \$100, \$50 and \$10.

2. The arranging of a series of dinners and conferences in every industrial city, to be addressed by members of the national executive committee, and members of the national campaign committee. A call for conferences has been issued by Mayor Hoan, with a request that in every city sympathetic groups be invited in the formation of joint committees for the conduct of the national and local campaigns.

3. The holding of a Campaign Week, beginning Oct. 1 and concluding Oct. 10, when more than 100 local committees operating in as many cities, will by personal solicitation, public gatherings, dinners, and conferences attempt to raise the quota assigned to each locality as necessary to reach the goal set for the nation.

4. A mailing of 100,000 letters to sympathizers, enrolled Socialist voters, and party members, signed by various members of the national

executive committee, asking for contributions to complete the quota set for the State.

5. Effective collection addresses at all of the meetings addressed by Thomas and Maurer, and, where the schedule permits, a conference with local Socialist groups, at which the candidate will present the problems of the campaign, and its possibilities, and appeal for assistance.

### Campaign Stickers

Stickers approximately 4x10 inches, with the wording "Repeal Unemployment—Vote Socialist—Thomas and Maurer" in white against a red background, are now available. They may be obtained with gum on the face, for use on glass, or with gum on the back for pasting against opaque objects. The price is 10c a dozen, 35c a hundred, \$3 a thousand. Order from national headquarters, Socialist Party, 549 Randolph street, Chicago.

### Dullea and Matteson Touring

Robert Dullea and H. P. Matteson are on a trip in the middle west visiting members-at-large and known sympathizers to enroll active support for the party in unorganized regions. They carry official credentials, and are authorized to hold meetings and raise funds, for which they will give official printed receipts signed by Clarence Senior.

### JUGOSLAV FEDERATION

Joseph Oven has been engaged for a tour through several states, speaking in the Slovene language during the fall campaign. The national platform is available in Slovene and Croatian. The price for either translation is 50c for 100. Requests for meetings for Comrade Oven, and orders for the platforms, should be addressed to the Jugoslav Federation, 3639 W. 26th street, Chicago.

## Crowds Turned Away At Long Island Rallies

Last Tuesday, the Queens Campaign Committee held its first of a series of indoor meetings at the Labor Temple, 4134 58th street, Woodside, with Norman Thomas, Louis Waldman, Nathan Fine, James O'neal and J. B. Matthews as speakers and S. A. DeWitt as chairman. About 700 persons crowded the only available hall in that section, and many stood and others were turned away.

Comrades after the meeting commented upon the proletarian composition of the crowd and the fact that many had obviously not heard the Socialist message before. At 10:30 o'clock, beginning with the address of Louis Waldman, the meeting was broadcast over station WWRL, a valuable medium in Queens. The collection, plus receipts from the sale of special admission tickets, netted over \$75.

Thomas arrived at the meeting very late, having first spoken at a huge overflow meeting in Hempstead.

### Morningside Branch Active

Campaign activities in the 17th and 19th Congressional Districts have been humming for the past two months with street meetings every night. The annual campaign dinner will be held Oct. 2d, at the True Sister Building, 150 W. 85th st., with Morris Hillquit, Louis Waldman, Heywood Brown, Alexander Kahn, candidate for congress in the 17th, and Kahn, Neibuhr and Brown as speakers.

Campaign headquarters are being opened. Twenty-five thousand New Leader campaign supplements will be purchased.

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### New York

Excellent reports are coming in from New York State cities which have been visited by William E. Duffy, for several weeks engaged in intensive organization work under the direction of the State Committee. Not only are new-comers being enlisted in the work, but many of the old-timers have again become active. In Rochester, the local has opened headquarters at 40 State street. At present, Duffy is working in Buffalo.

Comrade Newkirk and Jones are also working under the direction of the State Committee, in the northern part of the state.

### FALL PRIMARY TUESDAY

It is important that Socialists participate in the primary Tuesday. Unless candidates designated by petition are voted for by enrolled Socialists, their names will not appear on the ballot Nov. 8.

Update the polls will be open from 12 noon until 9 in the evening, while in New York City the hours are from 3 p. m. to 9 p. m. It is the duty of election boards to provide primary ballots, and enrolled Socialists should not accept any excuses in the failure to provide ballots.

### PRESIDENTIAL ELECTORS

The state secretary is requesting locals and members at large to make recommendations of persons to be nominated by the state committee for presidential electors. Each state has a number of electors equal to the number of senators and congressmen which it elects, and New York State is entitled to 47. Candidates for public office may also be nominated for presidential electors.

### WESTCHESTER COUNTY

Manager in 1918 of the campaign to re-elect Charles A. Lindbergh, father of the famous Colonel Lindbergh, to Congress from Minnesota on the Farmer-Labor ticket, Carl O. Parsons, nationally known exposition director of New Rochelle, is himself a candidate for Congressman in the 25th Congressional district on the Socialist ticket. Comrade Parsons has been waging an intensive campaign to bring the message of Socialism before the citizens of Westchester. Challenging his Republican opponent to a debate and receiving the reply: "I don't debate issues; that's old fashioned." Parsons has been chasing Congressman Millard all over the county, repeating his challenge. Comrade Parsons will be one of the speakers at Saturday's meeting at the White Plains County Center, where the chief speaker will be Norman Thomas.

WATERLOO.—Many Socialists will regret to learn of the death of Prosper A. Perrin of Geneva. Twenty-five years ago he was a Socialist candidate for the Assembly and he ran again this year. He was a devoted Socialist, never swerving from his support of the cause through the post-war years of persecution.

### NEW EDITION OF THOMAS PAMPHLET

"Why I Am A Socialist," a pamphlet by Norman Thomas which has sold at the rate of over a thousand copies a week since the Socialist campaign started, is now available in an edition with the imprint of the Socialist party replacing that of the League for Industrial Democracy. The price remains the same: 5c each, 50c a dozen, \$3.00 a hundred. Order from National Headquarters, 549 Randolph street, Chicago.

### At Unity House

Yoichi Hiracka, celebrated classical xylophonist, who was a sensation of the summer programs, will make another appearance this week-end at Unity House, Forest Park, Pa. The warmth and beauty of Indian summer in the Poconos are at their best at Unity House. The ideal climate has encouraged many to spend their vacations now when everything is quiet and peaceful, and Unity will remain open until early October. Full programs will be arranged.

## Where Your Union Meets

**BONNAZ, SINGER EMBROIDERERS, TUCKERS, STITCHERS AND FLEATERS' UNION, Local 66, I.L.O.W.U., 7 East 15th St., Phone Argonne 4-3677. Executive Board Meets Every Tuesday Night in the Office of the Union, Z. L. Freedman, President; Leon Hattab, Manager; Morris Fishman, Secretary-Treasurer.**

**BRICKLAYERS' UNION, Local No. 2. Office and headquarters, Brooklyn Labor Lyceum, 949 Willoughby Ave. Phone Stagg 2-4621. Office open daily except Saturday from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. Regular meetings every Tuesday evening Charles P. Haim, Pres.; Frank P. Lutz, Treasurer; Andrew Strick, Sec'y. William Weingart, President; Al Bayle, Vice-President; Milton Rowcroft, Rec. Corresponding Sec'y.**

**CLOTHING WORKERS OF AMERICA, New York Joint Board, 31 West 15th Street, New York, N. Y. Phone Tompkins Square 6-5400. Hyman Blumberg, Sidney Reisman, Managers; Abraham Miller, Secretary-Treasurer.**

**CLOTHING WORKERS OF AMERICA, Amalgamated Bank Bldg., 11-15 Union Square, 3rd floor. Telephone Argonne 4-5500. J. J. Sidney Hill, Gen. President; Joseph Schlossberg, Gen. Sec'y-Treas.**

**N. Y. JOINT COUNCIL CAPMAKERS—Cloth Hat, Cap and Millinery Workers International Union Office, 133 Second Ave. Phone Orchard 4-9360-1-2. The council meets every 1st and 3rd Wednesday, S. Hershkovitz, Sec'y-Treas. Operators, Local 1—Regular meetings every 1st and 3rd Saturday. Executive Board meets every Monday. All meetings are held at 133 Second Avenue, N. Y. C.**

**FOUR WORKERS' UNION OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA, Affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, 9 Jackson Ave. Long Island City, N. Y. Tel. IRonsides 6-8306. Morris Kaufman, Gen. Pres. and Sec.**

**FURRIERS' JOINT COUNCIL OF N. Y. LOCAL 101, 105, 110 and 115 of the INTERNATIONAL FUR WORKERS OF U. S. and C., 28 West 51st Street. Phone Penn. 6-7932. Meets every Tuesday at 8:00 P. M. B. Merkin, Manager.**

**FUR DRESSERS' UNION, Local 2, International Fur Workers Union, Office and headquarters, 949 Willoughby Ave., Brooklyn; Stagg 2-0798. Reg. meetings, 1st and 3rd Mondays. President, Morris Reiss; Vice President, Joseph Karsner; Business Agent, B. Kalnikoff; Secretary, Samuel Mindel; Treasurer, Albert Heid.**

**UNITED HEBREW GRADES, 175 East Broadway; Phone Drydock 4-8610. Meets 1st and 3rd Monday, 8 P. M. Executive Board same day, 8:30 P. M. M. Tigel, Chairman; M. Brown, Vice-Chairman; M. Feinstein, Secretary-Treasurer.**

**THE AMALGAMATED LADIES' GARMENT CUTTERS' UNION, Local No. 10, I. L. G. W. U. Office, 109 W. 38th St.; Phone Wis. 7-8011. Executive Board meets every Thursday at the office of the Union, Maurice W. Jacobs, Pres.; Samuel Perlmutter, Mgr.; Sec'y, Morris W. Jacobs, Chairman of Exec Board; Philip Oretsky, Asst. Mgr.**

**LABOR SECRETARIAT OF N. Y. C., S. John Block, Attorney, 225 Broadway, New York. Board meets at 243 East 84th Street, New York, every last Saturday.**

**THE INTERNATIONAL LADIES' GARMENT WORKERS' UNION, 13 West 16th Street, New York City. Phone Chelsea 3-2148. David Dubinsky, President.**

**LITHOGRAPHERS OF AMERICA, AMALGAMATED New York Local No. 1, Offices, Amalithone Bldg., 205 West 14th St.; Phone Watk. 9-7104. Regular meetings every second and fourth Tuesday at Arlington Hall, 19 St. Mark's Place, Albert E. Castro, President; Patrick J. Hanlon, Vice-President; Frank G. Hall, Sec'y; Emil Thelen, Rec. Sec'y; Joseph J. O'Connor, Treasurer.**

**MILLINERY WORKERS' UNION, Local 24, Cloth Hat, Cap and Millinery Workers' International Union, Downtown office, 640 Broadway, phone Springs 1-4548; uptown office, 39 West 37th Street, phone Wisconsin 7-1270. Executive Board meets every Tuesday evening, 8 P. M. Manager, N. Spector; Sec'y-Treas., Alex. Rose; Organizers, I. H. Goldberg, A. Mendelovitch, M. Goodman, Lucy Oppenheim; Chairman of Executive Board, Morris Rosenblatt; Secretary of Executive Board, Saul Rodos.**

**MILK WAGON DRIVERS' UNION, Local 584, I. U. of T., Office: 250 W. 14th St., City. Local 584 meets on 3rd Thursday of the month at Beethoven Hall, 210 East Fifth St. Executive Board meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays at Beethoven Hall, 210 E. Fifth St. Chas. Hofer, President and Business Agent; Max Lieber, Secretary-Treasurer.**

**UNITED NECKWEAR CUTTERS' UNION, Local 5309, A. F. of L., 1123 Broadway, Chelsea 3-7249. Regular meetings first Monday of every month at Irving Plaza, Irving Place and 15th Street, Gus Levine, President; A. Weltner, Vice-President; E. Meyer, Recording Secretary; A. L. Berger, Financial Secretary and Treasurer; William R. Chisling, Manager.**

**UNITED NECKWEAR MAKERS' UNION, Local 11016, A. F. of L., 7 East 15th Street, Phone Argonne 4-7082. Joint Executive Board meets every Tuesday night at 7:30. Board meets every Tuesday night at 8:00 in the office. Ed Gottesman, Secretary-Treasurer.**

**PAINTERS' UNION, Local 409, Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers. Regular meetings every Wednesday Evening, at the Labor Temple, 243 East 84th Street, P. Wollensack, President; Fred Wolf, Secretary; Peter Rothman, Fin. Sec'y.**

**BROTHERHOOD OF PAINTERS, DECORATORS OF AMERICA, District Council No. 8, N. Y. C., Affiliated with the American Federation of Labor and National Building Trades Council. Meets every Thursday evening, Office 62 East 23rd St., Tel. GRamercy 5-0506. David Shapiro, Sec'y; Robert Sembroff, Fin. Sec'y-Treas.; Allen Fisher, Pres.**

**PAINTERS' UNION, Local 261, Office, 62 East 105th Street, Tel. LEhigh 4-3141. Exec. Board meets every Tuesday at the office. Regular meetings every Friday at 210 E. 104th St. M. Galt, Fin. Sec'y-Treas.; M. Greeninger, Recording Secretary.**

**PANTS MAKERS' TRADE BOARD of Greater New York, Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, Office: 31 West 15th St.; Tompkins Square 6-5400. Board meets every Tuesday evening at the Office, A. J. McGraw, Sec'y-Treasurer; Morris Blumenreich, Manager; Hyman Novodor, Sec'y-Treas.**

**POCKETBOOK WORKERS' UNION, N. Y. C. New York Joint Board, Affiliated with the American Federation of Labor General Office, 63 West 51st St., New York. Phone GRamercy 5-1023. Charles Kleinman, Chairman; Charles I. Goldman, Sec'y-Treas.; Philip Lubliner, Manager.**

**NEW YORK TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION No. 6, Office and headquarters, 24 West 16th St., N. Y. C. Meets every 3rd Sunday of every month at Stuyvesant High School 15th St., East of 2nd Ave. Phone Tompkins Sq. 6-7470. Austin Hewson, President; Daniel McCauley, Vice-President; James J. McGrath, Secretary-Treasurer; J. J. Fahey, J. J. Bambrick, John Sullivan, Organizers.**

**VEST MAKERS' UNION, Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, Peter Monat, Manager, Office, 31 West 15th Street; Phone, Tompkins Square 6-5400. Meetings every 1st and 3rd Wednesday evening.**

**WAITERS & WAITRESSES UNION, Local 1, 11 East 28th St.; Tel. AShland 4-3107. Sam Turk, Pres.; Louis Rubin, Sec'y-Treas. Regular meeting every 2nd and 4th Thursday at 1 Fenchurch Hall 310 East 5th St.**

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**SATURDAY, SEPT. 17**

110th street and Broadway, Manhattan—Coronel, Hade, Regaldi.

86th street and Lexington avenue, Manhattan—Steinberger, Brown, Schuler.

169th street and Washington avenue, Bronx—Hertzberg, Levenstein, Saltzman.

208th street and Jerome avenue, Bronx—Painken, Josephson, Havidon.

Jamaica, L. I. (Front of Town Hall)—Koeppicus, others.

Junction and 38th avenue, Elmhurst, L. I.—Cordiner, others.

122d street and 18th avenue, College Point, L. I.—Sackman, N. Fine.

47th street and Greenpoint avenue, Sunnyside, L. I.—E. Fine, Tucker Smith.

Forest and Myrtle, Ridgewood, L. I.—James Oneal, Lieberman, Sonntag.

**MONDAY, SEPT. 19**

Ridge and Rivington, Manhattan—Conan, Ulanoff, Taubenshlag, Goldowsky, Edelson, Weingart.

6th street and Avenue C, Manhattan—Fisher, Kaplan.

Barrow and 7th avenue, Manhattan—Schuler, Marcus.

106th street and 2d avenue, Manhattan—Dearing, Antonsen.

97th street and Broadway, Manhattan—Coronel, Ross, Rantane.

170th street and Walton avenue, Bronx—Mollin, Schlesinger, Saltzman, Levenstein.

Fox and Westchester, Bronx—Marcus, Fruchter, Samis.

Tremont and Vyse, Bronx—Breslau, Woskow, Well, Barshap.

163d street and So. Blvd., Bronx—Kavesh, Kleiger, Havidon.

Flatbush and Hanson place, Brooklyn—Young, Perlmutter, Knebel, Safranoff.

23d A. D. Kings County, meetings every night. Speakers report at 8:30 p. m. to Brownsville Labor Lyceum, 219 Sackman street, Brooklyn. Speakers: Sadoff, Friedman, Jack and Judah Altman, Gomberg, Lopatin, Ostrowsky.

Bay Parkway and 84th street, 20th avenue and 64th street, Ovington O and 8th street, Brooklyn—Speakers report to 6721 Bay Parkway. Speakers: Brown, Jager, Goebel, Rosenbaum, C. Haskel, Tuvin, Nemser, Manus.

69th street and Woodside avenue, Winfield, L. I.—Speaker to be announced.

Station Plaza, Far Rockaway, L. I.—G. August Gerber.

**TUESDAY, SEPT. 20**

Suffolk and Delancey, Manhattan—Conan, S. P. Ulanoff, Taubenshlag, Goldowsky, Edelson, Weingart.

4th street and Avenue B, Manhattan—Lipsky, Weingart, A. N. Weinberg.

179th street and St. Nicholas avenue, Dyckman and Post avenue, Manhattan—Delson, Koppel, Chabot, Stein, Mitchell, Parker, Hodgson, Siems.

Carmine and Bleeker streets, Manhattan—Blumberg, others.

116th street and Lexington avenue, Manhattan—L. C. Kaye, I. Corn.

136th street and 7th avenue, Manhattan—Crosswaith, Brown, Gaspar, Walters.

Burnside avenue and Walton avenue, Bronx—Knobloch, Polstein, Diamond, Esther Friedman.

Fordham road and Davidson, Bronx—Orr, Murphy, Senyveel, Nathan.

Fordham road and Valentine avenue, Bronx—Brownstein, Havidon, Steinhardt, Kleiger.

208th street and Jerome avenue, Bronx—Ruskin, Dancis, Josephson, Belskin.

Claremont and Washington avenue, Bronx—Saltzman, Levenstein, Goldstein.

141st street and Cypress avenue, Bronx—Cobin, Gollub, Rosenblatt.

Stone and Riverdale, Brooklyn—Bobrick, Feigenbaum.

Humboldt and Montrose, Brooklyn—Speakers to be announced.

Crescent and Fulton avenue, Brooklyn—Shapiro, Block, Salert, Baron.

Flatbush and Linden, Brooklyn—Rosner, Yavner, Goldman, Parker, Rifkin.

E. 98th street and Newport avenue, Brooklyn—Viola, Cohen, Saranson, Goldstein.

E. 2d street and 18th avenue, Brooklyn—Rosner, Yavner, Goldman, Parker, Rifkin.

Floyd and Sumner, Brooklyn—William Karlin.

Roebing and So. 4th street, Brooklyn—Liebman, Schachner, Belsky.

(Speakers report at 250 So. 4th St.) Jamaica and Steinway avenue, Astoria, L. I.—Vogel, T. Daly, James Oneal.

Jamaica and 119th street, Richmond Hill, L. I.—Koeppicus, Sackman.

**WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 21**

E. Broadway and Clinton, Manhattan—Dearing, Conan, S. P. Ulanoff, Taubenshlag, Goldowsky, Edelson, Weingart.

7th street and Avenue C, Manhattan—Rosner, Max Delson, Halper.

7th avenue and W. 4th street, Manhattan—Blumberg, Marcus.

8th avenue and 21st street, Manhattan—Herling, Pickenbach, Fields.

125th street and 5th avenue, Manhattan—Crosswaith, Schuler.

79th street and 1st avenue, Manhattan—Steinberger, Kaye, Miettinen, Brannan.

110th street and Broadway, Manhattan—Hade, Fischhof, Wolfe, Rosner.

130th street and 8th avenue, Manhattan—Shallcross, Land, Sluder, DuVal.

170th street and Broadway, Manhattan—Siems, Muravchik, Wallerstein, Mednick.

Tremont and Washington avenue, Bronx—Breslau, Woskow, Well, Keil, Barshap.

171st street and Fulton avenue, Bronx—Hertzberg, Shapiro, Levenstein.

Longwood and Prospect avenue, Bronx—Umanaky, Wilson, Taubenshlag.

141st street and St. Ann's avenue, Bronx—Havidon, Kaufman, Nathan, Berkman, Steinhardt.

Wilkins and Intervale, Bronx—Heltzer, Samis, Kavish, Marcush, Saltzman.

Allerton and Cruger avenue, Bronx—Goldberg, Collins, Dancis, Saltzman.

Brightwater court and Coney Island avenue, Brooklyn—Jager, Epstein.

22d street and Mermaid avenue, Brooklyn—Feigenbaum, Haskel and Manus.

Avenue U and East 12th street, Brooklyn—Goebel, Meyers, Nemser.

National avenue and 41st street, Corona, L. I.—Speakers to be announced.

Liberty and Lefters avenue, Richmond Hill, L. I.—Koeppicus and others.

**THURSDAY, SEPT. 22**

Canon and Rivington streets, Manhattan—Conan, S. P. Ulanoff, Taubenshlag, Goldowsky, Edelson, Weingart.

6th street and Avenue B, Manhattan—Fisher, Herling, A. N. Weinberg.

86th street and Broadway, Manhattan—Elliot White, Kahn, Kuehl.

103d street and 3d avenue, Manhattan—Schuler, Poree.

138th street and 7th avenue, Manhattan—Crosswaith, Brown, Gaspar, Walters.

181st street and Wadsworth avenue, 207th street and Sherman avenue, Manhattan—Delson, Hodgson, Stein, Chabot, Mitchell, Siems, Parker.

Fordham and Walton avenue, Bronx—Tyler, Rosenberg, Steinhardt, Levy.

167th street and Gerard avenue, Bronx—Minkoff, Schlesinger, Mollin, Orr.

Lydig and Cruger avenues, Bronx—Collins, Wilson, Havidon, Wisotsky.

Claremont and Washington avenue, Bronx—Levenstein, Hertzberg, Saltzman, Chasan.

Nostrand avenue and Eastern parkway, Brooklyn—Frankie, Afros, Breslow, Boulton.

Flatbush and Flatland avenues, Brooklyn—Coronel, Tuvin, Manus.

Ditmars and 2d avenues, Astoria, L. I.—J. B. Matthews.

61st street and Roosevelt avenue, Woodside, L. I.—Rogin and others.

**FRIDAY, SEPT. 23**

Lewis and Rivington streets, Manhattan—Conan, S. P. Ulanoff, Taubenshlag, Goldowsky, Edelson, Weingart.

4th street and Avenue B, Manhattan—Lipsky, Klauffer, Weingart and Conan.

7th avenue and W. 11th street, Manhattan—W. E. Bohn.

72d street and Broadway, Manhattan—Fruchter, Koppel, Halpern.

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125th street and 7th avenue, Manhattan—Crosswaith, Esther Friedman, Brown, Poree, Gaspar, Walters.

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Avenue St. John and So. Blvd., Bronx—Metzler, Umanaky, Wilson, Saltzman.

165th street and Hoe avenue, Bronx—Heltzer, Samis, Marcus, Fruchter.

179th street and Hoe avenue, Bronx—Perrin, Knobloch, Marcus, Havidon.

Kings Highway and E. 17th street, Avenue J and E. 13th street, Kings Highway and E. 9th street, Brooklyn—(Speakers report to 1637 E. 17th street, Brooklyn)—DeWitt, Feigenbaum, Goebel, Bobrick, Manus, Rosenbaum, B. Haskel, H. Haskel, Epstein and Meyers.

Eastern parkway and Utica avenue, Brooklyn—Viola, Cohen, Sarason.

New Lots and Wyona, Brooklyn—Baron, Phaff, Salert, Gutchen.

Sutter and Miller, Brooklyn—Baron, Salert, Block, Scholl.

Clark and Henry streets, Brooklyn—Young, Glass, Knebel, Safranoff.

Havemeyer and So. 4th streets, Brooklyn—Antonsen, Liebman, Belsky and Schachner. (Speakers report at 250 So. 4th street, Brooklyn).

Stuyvesant and DeKalb avenue, Brooklyn—Miettinen, Belsky.

84th street and Boulevard, Ham-mels, L. I.—Brown.

**SATURDAY, SEPT. 24**

79th street and Broadway, Manhattan—Kahn, Coronel, Herling, Regaldi.

86th street and Lexington, Manhattan—Steinberger, I. Corn, Brannan.

## New York Party News

(Continued from Page Twelve)

Secretary Senior. Every member attend without fail!

**ENROLLED SOCIALIST VOTERS' MEETING.**—Tuesday, Sept. 20, 8:30 p. m., enrolled voters' meeting at Bellamy Club, 904 Prospect avenue. Voters of 3-4-5th A. D. have been circularized. Speakers, Waldman, Panken, Orr, Levenstein, Umanaky, Hertzberg and Fruchter.

**BROOKLYN DOWNTOWN.**—Branch will hold first indoor campaign rally this Friday (Sept. 16), 8:30 p. m., in chapel of Church of Our Saviour, Monroe place and Pierrepont street. Louis Waldman, candidate for governor, and Charles Solomon, for United States senator, will speak. In addition, local candidates of branch, Charles Driscoll, for state senator; Jane Lathrop, Vincent Mannino, Tracy D. Mygatt and Andrew Cattano, for the state assembly, will make brief addresses. Purpose, to make new converts. Comrades living in neighborhood are asked to bring friends who are not Socialists or members of party.

**8th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.**—Open air meetings in district very successful. Special meeting of joint campaign committee Sunday, Sept. 18, at 11 a. m. at headquarters, 6731 Bay parkway. Banquet to B. C. Vladeck arranged for Oct. 16 at Colonial Mansion, 1933 Bath avenue at 20th avenue; \$1.50. Soccer game between the Jewish American soccer team and All-Italian Soccer Club Sept. 24 at Fawceter Field, Bay 50th street and Stillwell avenue, Coney Island.

**MIDWOOD.**—Housewarming and card party will open fall season of branch on Saturday, Sept. 24, at 8:30 p. m. at headquarters, 1637 East 17th street. Admission 50 cents. Refreshments gratis.

**BRIGHTON BEACH.**—This branch and the newly organized group amalgamated and elected following branch officers: Anna Weiss, organizer; S. Schwartz, financial secretary; Lillian Goodman, recording secretary; Bessie Goodman, treasurer. Following committees elected: educational, campaign, social and membership. Monthly social affairs being planned. Next branch meeting in grill room of Manhattan Beach Hotel Thursday, Sept. 22, at 8:30 p. m.

**4-14th A. D.**—Eleanor Schachner will speak on "The I. L. P." at branch meeting Monday, Sept. 19, at 8:30 p. m. at headquarters, 250 South Fourth street.

**22nd A. D.**—Meets every Tuesday at 8:30 p. m. at 218 Van Sicken avenue. Campaign committee is on job. Street meetings are being held three nights a week.

**23rd A. D.**—Labor Lyceum is brewing wild party activity. Campaign dinner and dance will be held at Lyceum Saturday evening, Sept. 24. Comrades Solomon, Goldberg and Sadoff will participate. House to house canvassing will start this week and will be continued until end of campaign. Literature committee is being augmented so as to increase sale of New Leader and other literature. Solomon and Altman elected delegates to city convention.

# Tragic Drama of a Socialist at the Broadhurst Theatre

## SINCERE AND MOVING DRAMA

"The Man Who Reclaimed His Head," by Jean Bart, at the Broadhurst.

An unusual and powerful study of the ways in which life beats upon the idealist makes strong and sincere drama, in Jean Bart's play at the Broadhurst. Set in France, where socialism has a stronger hold than yet over here, the drama presents the rise to power of two men, one a great leader who in personal ambition betrays the party, the other his brains and his "ghost." It is an excellent study of life's pressure upon sincerity, and will interest everyone who is concerned with a better world.

Paul Verin grows into a man too ugly of face to endure the taunts of the world, but with a kindly heart and a keen mind. Once a journalist, he has made enough to live humbly but free, free to write his great volume on socialism and world peace, a volume he hopes will help to free the world from capitalism and consequent war. When Henri Berthaud, publisher of the journal where Paul's anonymous editorials had appeared, comes to plead with Paul to write for him again, Paul refuses. Henri has risen through Paul's brains to become a Deputy; he sees the Premiership ahead; Paul wants to work for socialism. But Paul's sweet and simple wife, a peasant girl just come to Paris and innocently enraptured at the middle-class ways, wants more money. In love of her, Paul works again for Henri, who buys a Socialist paper and becomes the leader of the people.

War is imminent: the test has come. Paul writes two speeches for Henri: one means peace—and the end of Henri's career; the other means triumph for Henri—and war. Henri, for the sake of his career, plunges the land into the sadistic orgy of patriotism that rushes before the foul horrors of war. To take further vengeance for his pride, upon the brainy Paul, Henri in his power lures away the one thing Paul had (too foolishly) put ahead of his ideals: his wife. Learning this, Paul in the final distraction of a man who sees his own life work destroying him, goes to the puppet, Henri, the man he has built and set up—and "reclaims his head."

Powerful as the play is, and detailed and realistic as its story grows, it may be viewed as a symbol. Socialism itself, like the

## Reopens the Fifth Ave. Playhouse



Rene Clair's much discussed film, "A Nous La Liberte," begins an indefinite run at the intimate 5th Ave. Playhouse today.

ugly Paul, is to the middle-classes a thing to be laughed at, derided—not understood. Only those who look beyond this surface see its beauty and truth, its human kindness and power of service. And when the cause erects a man to power; how often—does not every labor movement and socialist party know? that man proves to be an opportunist, a self-seeker using a banner for a cloak! "The Man Who Reclaimed His Head," viewed purely as drama, is tense and effective; viewed as a comment on life, it is a play that bears fruit of earnest and searching thought. Nor is its lesson anything but deepened by the excellent performance of Claude Rains, borrowed from the Theatre Guild to head a long and vivid cast.

## Rene Clair's Highly Praised Social Satire At 5th Ave. Playhouse

Rene Clair's masterpiece, "A Nous, La Liberte," which had a successful run at the Europa several months ago, has been revived at the Fifth Avenue Playhouse where

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## "The Last Man" on Fox Brooklyn Screen—Reri, Others in Stage Revue

Starting today, Charles Bickford and Constance Cummings come to the Fox Brooklyn Theatre in their latest vehicle, "The Last Man" adapted by Francis Edward Faragoh, from an original story by Howard Higgin and Keene Thompson.

The film reveals a story of intrigue, mystery, action and romance. In the supporting cast are Alec Francis, Alan Roscoe, Robert Ellis and Wallis Clarke.

On the stage, will be eight vaudeville acts, headed by "Reri," the Passion Dancer of the South Seas, star of "Tabu" and Ziegfeld Follies, and including Bernardo De Pace, assisted by Celine Leacar, Park and Clifford, the Original Rhythm Athletes, Gus Elmore, the Man with the Tall, assisted by Lloyd Robert Miller, and the sixteen Fox beauties. Sam Jack Kaufman and Band, Barre Hill, Rosa Rio at the organ.

## "Goona-Goon" Has Premiere at Cameo

"Goon-Goon," the Andre Roosevelt-Armand Denis drama of Bali enacted by an entire native cast, and which was honored by the French government during the Colonial Exposition in Paris, will have its American premier showing at the Cameo Theatre starting today.

Roosevelt spent almost five years in Bali preparing and actually photographing this picture.

"Goon-Goon" is not a travelogue or a scenic although it does have the qualities of both. It is dramatic retelling of an old Balinese legend and the entire island participated in making this spectacular film.

It is expected to occupy the intimate theatre's screen for an indefinite period. This French talking picture was acclaimed by the press and public as one of the finest pictures ever produced.

## "The PAINTED WOMAN"

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"THE LAST MAN"

RERI, Star of TABU & ZIEGFELD in "TAHITI"

## In Max Gordon's Initial Offering of the Season



Clifton Webb is one of the principals in "Flying Colors," Howard Dietz' revue at the Imperial.

## Paul Muni Welcomed Back to Broadway in "Counsellor-At-Law"

Paul Muni, who left New York early this summer to fulfil a Hollywood contract, made his return appearance on Broadway last night when he resumed his role as the self-made lawyer in "Counsellor-at-Law," Elmer Rice's popular play which attained the longest run of any dramatic play on Broadway last season.

## Highly Praised German Film Continues at the Hindenburg Theatre

With the opening of a season of greater German hits, the Hindenburg Theatre, the little German playhouse on West 48th street, is holding over "Kreuzer Emden" (Cruiser Emden), the famous German war film, which is now having its first American showing at that theatre.

The story of "Kreuzer Emden" is said to be a truthful rendering of historical events which took place in the early part of the naval war in 1914. "Kreuzer Emden" was directed by Louis Ralph, who is also one of the leading actors. Supporting him are Renee Stobrawa, Verner Fuetterer, Fritz Greiner and Will Dohm.

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By Norman Thomas

## TIMELY TOPICS

every week the presidential candidate pauses in his campaign to hammer out pithy comment on the anvil of Socialist philosophy and ripe experience.

#### Meetings That Rouse: The Cause Marches On

TEN thousand people in Indianapolis, over 3,000 in Dayton, Ohio, 2,700 in Akron, 3,000 in Cleveland, 2,000 or more in Erie, Pa., 5,000 at the state picnic in Metuchen, N. J., over 2,000 at Hempstead, L. I.—these are some of the meetings that stir one's blood. They are proof not only of the steadily mounting interest in Socialism but of the splendid work done by local comrades. It must be remembered that the great audiences in Dayton, Akron, Cleveland and Erie were in halls where admission was charged for most of the seats. In the case of Cleveland there was a 25-cent charge. Beside the mass meeting, I was taken to all sorts of smaller meetings, sessions of unemployed councils and lunches of various groups. More than once, and especially in Erie, Pa., local labor leaders were prominent on the welcoming committees. So the cause marches on.

#### "Socialism" by Military Cabal Not the Real Thing

WE don't want to be too absorbed in our own affairs. Davila's overthrow in Chile by the military junta again calls attention to the danger of making Socialist principles and plans a mere football for military power and ambitious office seekers. So-called Socialism established by a military cabal is likely to turn out fascism. There is a lesson for the world in what is happening in South America.

#### Timely Words on N. Y. Municipal Situation

SINCE I shall be away almost continuously—in fact I was campaigning in Connecticut at the time of the city convention—it may be appropriate to say now a few things about our New York City situation. It appears almost certain that we shall have this year the unique experience in New York of a threefold campaign for Socialism in city, state and nation. I rejoice in the able leadership we have in both the city and state campaign. The cause is one. The application varies with opportunities for Socialist service. Certain it is that there is little reason why the exploited masses of New York City could be aroused by a mere cry of reform, rotten as New York City's conditions have become. There is no adequate challenge to the workers which leaves untouched the essential racket which is not Tammany Hall's graft but the whole profit system with its landlordism, its exploitation by public utilities, and the like.

We are seeking to establish Socialism all along the line. That does not mean that we expect Socialism to come automatically by some sudden act of conversion. We need plan in nation, in state, and in city. Our ideal for New York cannot be put on ice or otherwise conserved for one great revolutionary moment. A community utterly incapable of moral indignation against the things that the Seabury inquiry has exposed—and which Socialists attacked long before the Seabury inquiry—is not going suddenly to discover a capacity for effective action in some great amount of crisis. Neither in New York nor in the world do we believe that salvation will come infallibly out of the catastrophe to which capitalism and its political tools relentlessly lead us. Our hope is to make Socialism the alternative to catastrophe. That is why the state program which Louis Waldman has been expounding with such clarity is important.

We are in a peculiarly fortunate position for a municipal program. We have been in advance of the reformers even on their own field in the practical measures we have proposed, and we have gone far deeper than they have ever dared to go. Under Morris Hillquit's leadership a great campaign for municipal Socialism can be waged.

#### Municipal Ownership And the Fear of Graft

BUT how about graft? If the city government is dishonest now, why entrust it directly or indirectly with more power? This question is almost always asked, and usually sincerely, when one advocates municipal Socialism. It arises, however, out of the failure to understand the present nature of graft. The thing that has made graft so terrible a feature of life and government in America generally and in New York City in particular is a combination of the low acquisitive standards of our capitalist civilization and the fact that under capitalism private interests possess or hope to possess natural resources and public services out of which to make millions, which resources and services by all ethical right ought to belong to the community and be managed for the use of its members. If there were no Equitable bus franchise to give out, it would pay nobody to offer to pay a very generous letter of credit for any official. If there were no immense profits to be made out of an advance tip



Norman Thomas and Other Candidates  
Carrying Socialist Message to Workers  
of America.

on land which the city was about to condemn because the city had become the virtual landowner by collecting in a tax the rental value of land, there would not be the immense gifts connected with condemnation proceedings. Take New York City as it stands. Of course its public services are affected by the racketeering standards of the capitalist civilization. Even so, graft in connection with the Dock Department arises not primarily from building the docks but from renting them. New York's marvelous water system has been far freer from scandal than has been the relation of the city to privately owned gas and electric supply.

This is not to argue that municipal or any other kind of Socialism will automatically end all graft. There is no political machinery which gluttons, fools and cowards can drive with perfect safety. But Socialism, by the new point of view which it inculcates and its steady destruction of opportunities to make immense unearned private profits, strikes a mortal blow at the racketeering spirit which finds expression in government in the thing we call graft.

#### Rebel Youth

Fresh young voices singing in unison  
Songs of awakening, songs of revolt,  
Songs of regeneration, songs of emancipation,  
Songs of love.

Rebel youth!  
Young men and maidens marching  
Hand and hand into the morning—  
Sword-blades of song!

Youth, clear-eyed and confident,  
Stubborn and wilful;  
Standing unbowed before the sky-piercing bulwarks  
Of unreprianded wrong.  
Standing unbowed, unanswerd, unanswerable  
Before the gibbering tribunals of wise old men  
Who have nothing to offer save what has been.

Worker youth, firm in the right;  
Unbending to custom, unswayed by power,  
Unafraid of odds, awaiting the hour,  
Awaiting, impatient and eager  
The first wild bugles of morning—  
The day's first flushing of crimson—  
After the night.

Now that the night is gone  
Youth! and the massed red banners of labor  
High in the dawn!  
Soho, in the Industrial Worker (I. W. W.)

Hoover's garage in the pot—we mean pot in the chicken—that is pot in the garage— Hang it, this depression is getting the best of us.

By William Morris Feigenbaum

## Candidate for Mayor of N. Y. Is Notable Party Spokesman

### Morris Hillquit Distinguished for Services to Movement and to Workers

BY NAMING Morris Hillquit, national chairman of the Socialist Party, for Mayor of New York City, the Socialist Party for the second time selects as its standard bearer in a municipal campaign the man who is by all odds one of the two of three most outstanding Socialists in the United States, and one of the leading Socialists of the world.

For over thirty years Morris Hillquit has been the spokesman of Socialism before the public, in debates with distinguished opponents and in important legislative hearings; on the public platform and in the public press. For close to 30 years he has been American Socialism's delegate to international Socialist congresses and an intimate associate and often advisor of Socialist comrades who in the stirring decade and a half have been the leading statesmen of the European nations.

#### Hillquit Led Fight Against War

Fifteen years ago America was plunged into war, and millions looked for leadership in their opposition to the war. Under Hillquit's leadership the Socialist party at its celebrated St. Louis convention took its stand against war; and to show that he had the sublime courage of his convictions, Hillquit defiantly accepted the nomination for Mayor in 1917 that the party enthusiastically tendered him. The Hillquit mayoralty campaign was the Socialist acceptance of the challenge flung at the American people by those who sought to make war and chauvinism a political asset.

Those who fought in that campaign will never forget the joy of the battle. It was no mere political campaign or quest for office, although it resulted in the election of 18 Socialists to public office. It was a crusade such as the city had never before seen, so far transcending the "reform" campaigns of Seth Low and William Travers Jerome of a decade and a half previous that the latter were forgotten by a generation that had at last come to realize what high idealism with its fighting clothes on could accomplish.

#### For Peace, Bread and Socialism

The tone of the campaign was set by Hillquit. He waged a four-point campaign; for peace and for civil liberties; against the high cost of living, and for municipal Socialism; and for a workers' city and a workers' world.

Week after week the battle raged, and Sunday after Sunday Hillquit and other comrades addressed vast audiences that packed Madison Square Garden and turned away countless tens of thousands unable to get in.

It was that campaign that attracted Norman Thomas by its high idealism and caused him to work for the ticket, and shortly thereafter to join the party, an act of high and idealistic unselfishness.

But the 1917 campaign was only the high spot of a notable Socialist career up to that time. It did, indeed, teach a whole great city how the principles of Socialism might be applied to a single city without watering down and without compromising. But it merely capped a career that had begun nearly 30 years before, when young Morris Hillquit, still a student, was already one of the most active and the most promising of the younger members of the movement.

Morris Hillquit has had at least three great careers, each one of which would have set him out as a Socialist of sterling worth.

#### Party's Spokesman

He has been the party's outstanding spokesman on countless occasions, and the party has never had occasion to regret the fact that he had spoken for it, or had expounded its position with his pen.

He has been one of the leading

party organization workers, one of the founders of the present party and a member of its national executive nearly the whole of the life of the party.

And he has been one of the great labor and Socialist lawyers, throwing his great mind and legal ability into the scales to defend workers on trial for their lives—as he did in the cloakmakers' "murder" frameup in 1915—and to battle for them in the struggle for living conditions; and as he did at incalculable personal cost, when he came from the mountains, where he was recuperating from a serious illness, to defend the five Socialist assemblymen in the notorious Sweet ouster proceedings of 1920.

A man of great eloquence and personal charm, he might easily have become one of the leading jurists of the country if he did not elect to remain true to his deeply-held convictions.

A man of gifted literary ability, he has been content to devote his pen to the advancement of the cause of Socialism.

#### Debated Anti-Socialists

Again and again he has debated Socialism and the party's position with men of all points of view; more than a quarter of a century ago he debated Jacob Gould Schurman, then president of Cornell, at a forum in New Rochelle, and by his quiet incisiveness, caused the noted educator to shout and stamp his feet in childish rage. In 1905 and again in 1915 he debated Professor Seligman of Columbia, clearly defeating the distinguished economist in two debates on economics. In that same year he faced Professor—now Congressman—F. M. Davenport and Rev. John L. Belford in a joint debate.

He debated Samuel Gompers on the need of a labor party, and debated Samuel Untermyer twice; he faced Augustus G. Gardner, the militarist on militarism, and he debated Clarence Darrow. No matter who the opponent was, Morris Hillquit could always be counted upon to face him and to uphold the position of Socialism.

Hillquit debated Rev. John A. Ryan in the pages of a magazine, and the result is the notable book, "Socialism, Promise or Menace?"

But above all else, above his achievements and his concrete contributions Hillquit has given the Socialist movement of America a spiritual gift, the gift of his example. Hillquit on many occasions risked his liberty when he knew that to follow the safer course would have left his comrades in the lurch. He never hesitated but plunged ahead into the fight, inspiring all by his example.

#### NORMAN THOMAS AND MORRIS HILLQUIT!

IT IS A GREAT TEAM FOR 1932. THE SOCIALISTS ARE PROUD AND HAPPY TO FIGHT FOR SOCIALISM BEHIND THESE LEADERS.