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# ON THE SPOT

### CRIME IS GAINING ALL THE TIME

A Mr. McGeoghegan of Chicago, prominent beer baron, was charged with the robbery of a bank to the tune of \$60,000. He beat the bank officials to it. Infurfied him, and the eminent Democrat was placed on trial. The identifiers learned that McGeoghegan was cleaning and oiling a mackine gun for their benefit so they implored the state's attorney to dismiss the charges. Their request was complied with. Why not send McGeoghegan to restore lawrenorder in Nicaragua?

### . . . . REPS. AND DEMS. SEND RIVAL TO NUT WARD

Former Kleagle Clarke of the Ku Klux n new organization of morons, member- limit. ship in which was contingent on the ability of the sucker to come across with a sum ranging from \$25 to \$500. "From each accordin to his ability; to me according to my needs" was Clarke's slokan. Plans for bedsheet and night cap factories were drawn up and a corps of confidence salesman orkanized. But the bourgeoisle would not have it. These are hard times and the Republican and Democratic parties will have a tough job on their hands trying to hold the masses in their coralls with promises of prosperity and full dinner pails after next November. So they grabbed Clarke and lashed him to a cot in the psychopathic ward of the County Hospital in Chicago. The head of the nut clearing house declared that any man who claims he can liquidate the depression is as the leaders of the Democratic and Rep- imperialist aims-they talk of revision of domestic as well as foreign-goes on in ublican parties?

### IS WILLIAM GREEN SEEING RED?

William Green, the pink-cheeked Bap- gression against the country of the Sotist, president of the American Federa. tion of Labor, who has waged a consisholding the estimated number of jobless down to six millions recently took a The Zurich Congressof the Reformist Int'ls wild leap to the left and startled the New Situation Brings «Left» Turn on Part of Amsterdam country by stating tha the workless army is now over ten millions. Following this announcement from his headquarters came another, charing the Hoover administration with non-feasance on the unemployment question. Bill believes that the S. L. I. (the Second International), ways eulogized to the workers. It attrithe money handed to the banks by the and the I. F. T. U. (The Amsterdam butes this desertion not to the "strength" Reconstruction Finance Corporation Trade Union International), have con- of the imperialist bandits, but to its should be loaned by the banks to the vened a common conference in Zurich- "weakness". It exhorts the masses to business men who in turn would use it "for disarmament". The largest organi- prevail upon their governments to be to exploit the unemployed, and to para- zations in the world, 7,000,000 in the S. more than what they are. But this rephrase the Pullman smoking room yarn L. I. and 14,000,000 in the I. F. T U, solution does not lack its "revolutionary" "that's the fellow Green wants to help." Look out brother Green! Brother Doak may get you and deport you to where you came from unless you stop criticizing the government. Only the Reds do revolutionary workers mix with reformthat kind of thing.

## ONEAL AND THOMAS IN TIT FOR TAT GAME

The assistant editor of the New Leader, which the conscious proletarian vanguard official organ of the Socialist party, was was separated by the war and the Rus- new war that the socialists of all coun. removed from his post because of his ian revolution. support of the socalled militants in the S. P. The board of directors of the New bourgeoisie has dragged the reformist Leader declared that he was dismissed movement along all the vicissitudes of because of his inability to work in har- bourgeois politics. At a time when capmony with Hillquit's editor, James Oneal. italist society-and especially European Norman Thomas, the liberal leader of capitalist society, of which the S. L. I. the S. P. who took the 'left' militants and the I. F. T. U. are direct products into his maw and is digesting them at -is undergoing a new process of disinhis lesure, protested against the assistant tegration, the S. L. I. and the I F T U show themselves incapable of finding an editor's dismissal. Oneal came back with take a new position. the dirty crack that Thomas fired him (Oneal) from the editorial staff of the solution "Against War and Fascism" the proletariat alone must take this New York Call after Thomas took it gives expression to its "Left" policy, over, baptized it the Leader and abolish- which offers itself to the European boured the class struggle. This is tit for geoisies, now driven to their knees by tat if yuh git what I mean.

## DAILY WORKER BARES

DIABOLICAL PLOT the proposal of the Human Betterment turning their face towards the masses, Foundation that 18,000,000 mental de- offer themselves as instruments of this fectives be sterilized by a harmless pro- policy. But they move in each country cess which is so popular with the experi- with the necessary caution, which the mentees that they write testimonals re- particular interests of their national commending the operation to others. It bourgeoisie demand. Their internationmay be a modernization of the fable al center which unites them in a loose about the fox who lost his tail, but be federation is very circumspect in venturthat as it may, the Daily Worker sus- ing to take a new step. And Vanderpects that it is a plan to sterilize the velde incorporates this policy in an equiunemployed. The capitalists it is true, vocal phrase borrowed from diverse bourare dirty enough for anything but we geois formulae: fail to see what they could gain by cunt. This practical bourgeois policy carries chising the unemployed unless they in, with it equality in security through tend to legalize the harem industry. It simultaneous and controlled equality in is well to know however that the Daily disarmament as its political expression: Worker is on guard and if the capital. Constant, unrelenting, merciless struggle ists think they can pull off anything like for the reestablishment of democracy, for that without the diabolical motive be- its defense and for its development. The hind it being exposed, they are due for defense of bourgeois democracy is the

## -RIDEM.

that he did not have a colorful career. the defense of German democracy.

disillusionment.

## Lausanne Conference Near Collapse

## German Reaction Aggressive

upon with the greatest anxiety by a of an organization of Negro comrades European bourgeoisle caught in the from Johnnesburg, dated April 26th. iated over their loss, the bankers indenti- throes of impending convulsions, has so This letter, it seems to me, has a trefar stood under the sign of the Hoover mendous symptomatic significance. The proposals on disarmament. The power of Left Opposition (Bolshevik-Leninists) the American colossus is more in evid- can and should become the banner for ence than ever. The Germans see in it the most oppressed sections of the world the hand of a magnanimous benefactor proletariat, consequently, in the first against the adamant French enemy. The place for the Negro workers. Upon what French in so far as they are inclined do I base such an assumption? Klan, recently emerged from his kavern the Gallic rival for European domina- particular attention to the voice of the and announced that he was going to re- tion and at the same time restricting most oppressed sections of the working store prosperity through the medium of German war preparations to the present class and toilers in general.

> ium which was to end on June 30. The ally into the consciousness of the mass- historic experience of a number of coun- ing prejudices active or passive? French are holding out, using the old lever of "security necessities" and holding fast to their refusal to consider can- viets, the government at home proceeds cellation of German reparations. In the with drastic force against all opposition struggle between the Americans and the forces at home. delegation from the Quai D'Orsay, the Von Papen delegation grasps a good opportunity to jockey for position, with an the ban on the Nazi Storm Troops have eye on the requirements of foreign aid been of no avail. The Von Papen cabinet from all quarters in the event of a Fasc- is sticking to its guns. In the meantime, ist seizure of power in Germany and the the Fascist forces are forging ahead with prospect of bitter and protracted civil full speed and with the best wishes of war that this envisages.

mad as a bed bug. If that is so, and negotiating for the best possible condiwe are inclined to agree, why not isolate tions for future domestic and foreign the Eastern frontiers-steering a course that heads for a generally approved ag-

Vandervelde proudly said.

The leaderhip of the agents of the

On its positive side, the principal re-

the economic crisis and the difficulties

threatening the continent. Their policy is

for the reduction of the armament bud-

gets and the carrying out of the anti-

# Closer to the Proletarians of the 'Colored' Races!

To the International Secretariat:

American League: The entire Lousanne Conference, looked I have received a copy of the letter

to view with favorably, hold it up as a | The Left Opposition represents at preprop for the maintenance of their cher- sent the most consistent and the most ished Versailles Treaty. As is known, revolutionary current in the world. Its the Hoover plan proposes the reduc-sharply critical relations to all and every tion of armaments by one third pressing form of bureaucratic conceit in the labor for a reduction in the arms output of movement makes it possible for it to pay

The Left Opposition has to suffer the As was to be expected, the Conference blows not only of all the bourgeois govite prolongation of the Hoover morator- in spite of all the slanders, enters gradu-

The protests of the local governments -Bavaria, Baden-against the lifting of the present rulers. Attacks upon work-While the German reactionaries are ers, organizations continue unabated. The toll of proletarian victims of Hitlerite attacks is mounting skyward. The Brown Shirts' pressure upon affairsall openness and with remarkable suc-

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counterpart. The S. L I. announces,

and munitions to Japan. The struggle

It demands in "the eventuality of a

tries, not only defend the interests of

the various nationalities, but also the

interests of the working class and of all

humanity". How and why will a new

zation, who in the last war put them-

selves only in the service of the "various

"If the leaders of the capitalist world

catastrophe which threatens the world,

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war transform the leaders of this organi-

At a time when the economic crisis; The S. L. I. wails, in the joint resolu-

continually worsens the conditions of the tion, "Against Japanese Imperialism",

gimes and raises up perspectives of war, the League of Nations, which it has al-

The resolutions reflect the "unanimous that in a desperate eventuality it will

conclusions of the socialists" that is to appeal to the Trade Union Internation-

say-of the heterogeneous amalgam where al to sabotage the shipment of food

ist workers, petty bourgeoisie of the city for peace, without revolutionary action,

and the country and bourgeois politic- dwells in this hollow and lying phrase

nationalities"?

dans; this undifferentiated mass from which plays the game of the enemy.

es, will have to attract towards the Left Opposition on all the most impor-Copy to the National Committee of the Left Opposition the sympathies of the tant questions, it cannot be an obstacle Released Although Charged From this point of view, the letter to them fraternally to come into the orbit with Criminal Syndicalism us from the South African comrades ap-) of our program and our tactics. pears to be not at all accidental, When ten intellectuals of Paris, Berlin ate for president of the U. S. who was arbut deeply symptomatic. In their letter, or New York who have been in various rested on July 28th. in Los Angeles, rades expressed particular interest in I would give the following advice: Put day on the grounds of lack of evidence have to carry on the struggle for the accept one or two. has yielded no results. The only posi- ernments of the world, but also of the greatest harm to the cause of liberating regard them with suspicion; are we not proceeded to shom them what California

> If the Johannesburg comrades did not as yet have the possibility to acquaint themselves closer with the views of the

ment of the Negro proletariat.

tries may and should assume the lead-

## Alexander Rosanoff

The sad news of a new victim is com-Fifth Army (which crushed Kolchak), a humanity. gether with common law criminals, and submitted to all kinds of torments. Then deported to Siberia, he was on the threshold of death. The Stalinist apparatus working class, jolts the bourgeois re- over the defection in the pacifist front of Bolshevik revolutionist, combatting Stalinism with all his power. After four perished, a victim of the Stalinist re-

The same communication tells of the uninterrupted growth of the Left Opposition in the U. S. S. R.: Young Workers come to the Opposition from all new sections. The year 1931 unfolded under the sign of hundreds of new arrests and deportations of Bolshevik-Leninists. This year the same thing. We cite, among other things, the arrest and deportation, during March and April, of 80 oppositionists in Sverdlovsk (center of the Ural industrial region) 8 of whom were transferred to solitaries. This continual arrival of new elements has a decisive importance. It gives courage to the old militants. And above all, it gives assurance to the future of the Left Opposition, which has great historic tasks before it. And it is just this growth that explains the blind hatred Stalin shows to the Left Opposition. The ideas of the Left Opposition, in spite of everything, are penetrating into all the sections of the working class and the issue for the present crisis to ayert the Party, and in the entire Soviet Union.

Demand the release of the Bolsheviktask on their own shoulders." Thus the Leninists in prison and exile, from the counsellors keep this sacrament at a dis-Stalinist bureaucrats.

Demand their readmission into the

The crisis, with its political and econ-The Worker Communists must not alomic consequences, grows more acute and low the phflysical destruction of these sets millions of workers in motion, who augment the reformist ranks. The S. L. Stalwart revolutionists. Their place is The Dally Worker viewed with alarm war treaties. The social democrats, I. is forced to speak. It prattles before in the front ranks of the world proletariat.

municated in the latest correspondence received from Moscow. Comrade Alexander Rosanoff is dead in exile. Commilitant Oppositionist since 1923, was arrested in 1928. Altho seriously ill Prinkipo, June 13, 1932. with tuberculosis, running a fever of 105, ne was thrown into Butirki prison towas obliged to transfer him to better climatic conditions. There condemned to death, he remained an intransigeant years of exile comrade Rosanoff has

Communist Party of the Soviet Union.

# Persecution of our Spanish Comrades

## BARCELONA, SPAIN.—

rested in Valladolid. His arrest is just body of our comrade. another arbitrary act of the "democratic" regime. No reason was given to ex- brought him to Madrid where he was plain this arrest, outside of the fact later released. that Curiel is an outstanding Communist Defense (Red Aid).

which shakes the foundations of the cow. His cartoons appeared in many lat. But in this moment when bourgeois who perpetrated the arrest threatened lal board of El Soviet was detained. papers. He first became known thru the democracy retreats before Hitler, in the our comrade at the point of a gun. They that town they took him to a small rest- ing the peasant revolts in Llerena. | blames the unprecedented economic and

After passing the night there, they

It appears that it is the aim of the two issues of El Soviet, of which Nin police to systematically jail all the mem- is the editor and in the publication of sentative of the petty bourgeoisie. Beaim the S. L. I. sets itself in this crisis ebrs of the Left Opposition in Spain. which many of the arrested comrades hind him stands the powerful chain of At Perales de Tajuna, on May 30, com. had been engaged, were practically edit- the Hearst papers, that make it a policy bourgeois order. And at that defense- rade Henri Lacroix was arrested while ed from the prison cells. Most of the to play on the heart strings of the small Ryan Walker, well known labor car- against all its enemies, undoubtedly with- engaged in a conversation with friends articles bear the address of the Carcel business man and the small manufactur- can teach the American worker only one toonist, died a short time ago in Mos. out omitting the revolutionary proletar- on a street corner. The Civil Guards Celular, the prison in which the editor- er. But Tammany Hall stands in his thing and one line of action. The

N. Y. Call, and since that time his draw. country where the S. L. I. is strongest, marched him through the streets with months of prison in Badajoz, has also ings have appeared in the Illinois Miner the S. L. I. remains silent, does not say his hands up and warned that they had been released. He is a member of the (Ameringer's paper), the N. Y. Graphic, a single word on the paths for the con- orders to act drastically upon any move National Committee of the Spanish Op- South and West in line. and the Daily Worker. No one can say stant, unrefenting, merciless struggle for on his part. Since there is no jail in position and had been arrested for lead-

bearing 24 signatures (it further follows: organizations, address themselves to us "and others") the South African com- with a request to be taken into our midst the questions of the Chinese Revolution. them through a number of tests on all to charge him with criminal syndicalism. This interest should be recognized as the questions of program; wet them unfully grounded. Precisely the working der the rain, dry them in the sun, and

It is quite a different matter when we

ing significance for the liberation move- are approached by a group of Negro workers. Here I am ready to consider beforehand that we are achieving agree- crude. Hynes, who arrests, imprisons ment with them, even though this is not and holds Communists on far less evidyet obvious; because of their whole ence, had to let Foster go for the reason position they do not strive and cannot that he wanted to "keep peace in the strive to degrade anybody, oppress any- city." The real reason is of course, that body or deprive anybody of his rights, it is not so easy to arrest presidential They do not seek privileges and cannot candidates even though they may happen rise to the top except on the road of the to be Communists. The wave of resentinternational revolution.

the consciousness of the Negro workers. of the Chinese workers, of the Hindoo workers, all these oppressed colored races ist election campaign has been successrade Rosanoff, a party member since of the human ocean to whom belongs fully crushed. 1917, a heroic fighter in the famous the decisive word in the development of

-L. TROTSKY.

# in Los Angeles

William Z. Foster, Communist candidwhile attempting to speak in a protest demonstration, was released the next

The meeting at which Foster was armasses of the oppressed peoples who then after a new careful examination tion of a meeting where he was billed rested was called to protest the prohibito speak and which was to protest the elementary national rights and for hu- The matter changes basically when ten shooting of an unemployed worker by man dignity, stand the greatest risk to workers connected with the masses come Captain Hynes police thugs. John R. suffer from the confused teachings of the to us. The difference in our relation to Hynes, the notorious red baiter and per-Stalinist burearcracy on the subject of the perty bourgeois and to the proletar- secutor of the Los Angeles workers, arthe "democratic dictatorship". Under ian groups does not require any ex- rayed a little army of Legionaires and this false banner, the policy in the style planation. But if the proletarian group bluecoats, armed with sub-machine guns, of the Kuo Min Tang, that is, the com- works in a district where there are sawed off shotguns, blackjacks, etc., to plete deception and the unpunished crush- workers of various races, and in spite see to it, that the meeting did not take ing of the toiling masses by their own of this, it consists only of workers of a place. When the workers demanded to "national" bourgeoisie, may still do the privileged nationality, I am inclined to hear Foster, the police and the thugs tive thing it has achieved, is the indefin. Stalinist apparatus. This fact, which, the toilers. The program of the permandealing with the workers' aristocracy? democracy feels like—over their skulls. ent revolution based on the incontestable Isn't the group poisoned by slave hold. When Foster began to speak, he was thrown into jail "on suspicion of criminal syndicalism."

> But this move was too brazen, too ment that would follow, would certainly We can and we should find a way to make it too hot for Capt. Hynes' liking.

The first move to block the Commun-

On with the campaign! Vote for Foster and Ford!

Vote Communist!

## Demagogues and Bankers Clash in Chicago What Is Behind the Clique Fight at the Democrats' Meet

If the Republican party confab gave social distress on their blood brothers, the the appearance of a graveyard with a Republicans. It recommends, as a remcouple of hired noise makers, the dem- edy "a drastic change in economic and ocratic convention looks like a verit- governmental policies." able madhouse with the inmates acting their natural selves. A casual reading of the proceedings of the convention now in session in Chicago, gives one the impression of a field day of a lunatic asylum. Fist fights, a jig by the sedate William McAdoo, wild and idiotic cheering at the least mention of prohibition repeal, chorus girls applauding Jimmy Walker, and professional entertainers to fill in the dull moments, marked the highlights of the political convention of the 'democracy.'

The Republican convention insulted the intelligence of the people of these United States by putting up Herbert Hoover as the only nominee and candidate to provided "the diminishing resources of squeeze some more profits out of the hides of the working class. But Democrats are no pikers, they give us eight possibilities, all of whom have as much or less in common with the needs of the workers as the "great engineer". Smith has the support of the Wall Street magnate, John J. Raskob. Newton D. Baker let go a couple of loose phrases about capitalist "internationalism", but his able service in sending American workers to the European slaughter house, to coin profits for the Morgan's Du Ponts, etc., makes him wholly acceptable to the big money bags. Ritchie is wholly innoccuous since his only qualification and platform is his dampness. Even Garner won't be objectionable to the industrialists-he showed his caliber in trimming the petty-bourgeois by a huge levy of taxes foisted upon them. And there be such laws (unless it is given Roosevelt the most likely nominee, can to mean, insurance at the expense of the be counted upon in a pinch to do his bit workers themselves), in the future? Most for his master—in spite of his dishwater liberalism.

But Franklin D. Roosevelt, while he class. has a majority of delegates behind him, has no path of roses to trod on to reach aurant. Like a real bandit, never once the nomination. The biggest obstacle; 18th Amendment. Raskob says that it Our comrade Luis Curiel has been ar- withdrawing their gun points from the that stands in his way is the displeasure is the "only economic issue of any imthat the Wall Sree bankers have shown portance in this election campaign". quer his liberal demagogy. The Mort To a starving populace crying for bread gans, Fords and Rockefellers are well these "representatives of the people" ofsatisfied with the service rendered by fer beer and alcohol. Where the money Herbert Hoover. But if it is necessary will come from to purchase these bevermilitant, the former regional secretary of As we go to press we receive the joy- to have another candidate in the field, the official party in Castille and the ous news of the release of comrade An- for the purpose of deception, they want be a grand mystery. Prohibition is, in national secretary of International Labor dres Nin and the other 20 comrades ar- the most harmless one they can lay hands reality, nothing more than a soap bubrested with him on May 30. The last on. This is not the time to play around ble issue. It will be exploded just as

Roosevelt pretends to be the repreway, because as presidential nominee he capitalist system and all its represenmeasures in his post of Governor of N. Y. against the Tammany crooks, to keep the their only hope. The piling up of a huge

The Democratic party in its platform their only course in this election.

The most ignorant person should be able to observe that the tremendous overproduction of wealth and the glut of commodities, on the one hand, and the starvation and unemployment on the other, can be due to nothing else than the system that produces these things. The Democrats are heart and soul for the maintenance of the capitalist system. Their economic existence depends upon it. How then, can anyone hope for a change or a remedy to existent conditions by the election of the "democracy".

A sop is thrown to the unemployed. Federal relief to the states is a plank, the states make it impossible for them to provide for the needy." Just how much money for relief is not stated. And just when the resources of the states are "diminishing", makes the whole business smell like another campaign promise that will be violated as soon as the Democrats assume office.

The Republicans have completely ignored unemployment insurance. Therefore, the Democrats, seeing a good votecatching issue, declare for "unemployment and old-age insurance under statelaws." But the very wording of this plank gives the lie to their "solemh promises". There are Democratic governors in several states, some of whom are now aspirants for the nomination Has unemployment insurance been introduced in those states? No! Will decidedly, no! Unless, again mass pressare is brought to bear by the working

As was to be expected, the main issue for the democrats is the repeal of the ages, with industry prostrate, seems to soon as the workers get wise to this smokescreen used, to cover up the burning problems.

This noisy, rambunctious convention vote for the Communist candidates is