ACROSS THE COUNTRY

With Cannon And Muste

From A. J. Muste, national secretary of the Workers Party, comes further word of the tour he and James P. Cannon, editor of the New Militant, are making to present the program of the W.P. to the workers of the country. Reports indicate that Comrades Muste and Cannon's tour is a march of triumph.

By A. J. MUSTE

MADISON, Wis .- The University of Wisconsin is becoming more conservative. Phil LaFollette, of the new Progressive Party, is trying his hand at doing something for the masses with a reformist progrem. He has an allbi, however, since the Progressives do not control the legislature and so the moral may not be so obvious to the masses as it should be.

An old Brookwood graduate, though not a W.P. sympathizer, got up a meeting here at short notice. They planned to have it in a house but had to transfer to a hall because over fifty wanted to come. If the Chicago District got estabished, it ought to have little trouble in forming a branch here.

Here our first taste of northwestern cold begins. The train is due at 1 A.M. It crawls in about 3. We are due in Minneapolis at 8 A.M. and get there 5 hours late. Over 30 degrees below zero and a cutting wind. What a reception!

Having now spent five days in tered. Minneapolis, maybe I'll be accused NATIONAL RUN AROUND'S of "putting it on thick" I must NEW MANEUVER here. Nothing is clearer than that But the President's order consing the praises of the movement

the trade union members of our it under a whole series of industrial branch the other night and had to relations boards. The ostensible wait until nearly eleven because a purpose of these boards was to ference of Bakery Workers and an cordance with Section 7a-trade organization committee meeting of union recognition, collective agree-Northern States Power employees ments, and the rest. were on, and our comrades and the 574 boys were taking leading parts in each. While waiting around, we had a session with a group of progressives from the railroad unions. The Northern States Power employes have a charter from the International Brotherhood of Electrical

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Latest Order By F D Hides New Threat

Section 7(a) Likely to be Replaced by New Legislation

By ZACK ELDER

WASHINGTON .- It was by no means extraordinary that the President should buckle under to the newspaper publishers by ordering the National Labor Relations Board to keep its hands off the Jennings

(Jennings, a reporter on the San Francisco Bee, a Hearst paper, was fired for his attempts to organize the newspaper men of this paper into the Gulld. The case was brought before the San Fransisco Regional Labor Board which took sides with the employer. It was subsequently brought before the National Labor Board and made a test case. Richberg allied with the publishers but the decision of this Board was favor. able to the Guild .-- Ed.)

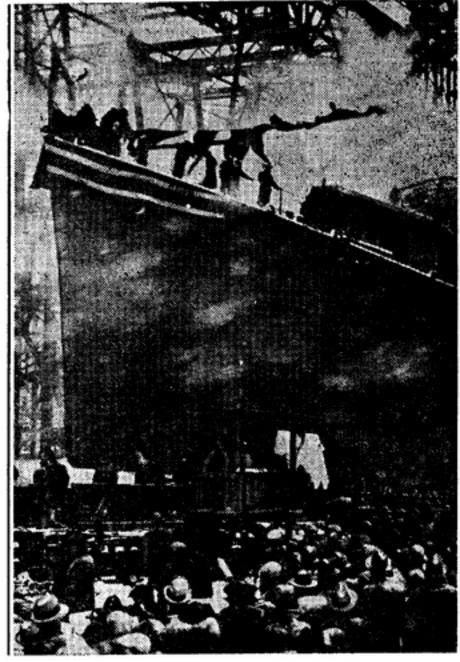
Buckling under to the openshop employers is the one talent MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.-Those of which the President bas never us who have heard former C.L.A. failed to manifest throughout the comrades go into ecstasies over the tortured history of Section 7a. He Minneapolis strikes, Drivers Local gave in to the automobile employ-574 and the Minneapolis militants ers when he set up the ineffable generally, have sometimes said to Wolman Board. He gave in to the ourselves: "They may be good in iron and steel employers by hand-Minneapolis, but they can't be that cuffing the Steel Labor Board in good." There must have been many, the exercise of its theoretical electoo, who have had a fleeting doubt tion powers. He gave in to the as to whether Toledo and Minnea- cotton textile employers by ensnarpolis could live up to their reputa- ing the striking workers in the tions, whether the magnificent bat- meaningless recommendations of tles of 1934 had been a "flash in the the Winant Commission. The Prespan" or were being followed up in ident is thoroughly aware on which a persistent and militant fashion. side the loaf of capitalism is but-

both here and in Toledo our forces ceals a new maneuver on the part are stronger today, have a firmer of the National Run Around. While hold in the unions, and are working the strike wave ran high, during harder than they were a year ago. 1933-1934, it was convenient to We tried to have a conference of smother labor unrest by blanketing

Their true purpose, however, was to end and avert strikes by soloning out endless miles of administrative red tape, and by gulling workers into the belief that the government would see that justice was done to them.

As strke-breaking agencies the Workers under which they are boards did their best. Woe befell building an industrial union of util- the wage-earners who were simpleity workers, including the office minded enough to walk into the

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The 1,500-ton destroyer Dale is shown above as it slid down the ways of the Brooklyn navy yard. It's the latest product of the navy's building campaign, and the money came from New Deal funds. Washington observers predict that a large part of the new unitemized \$4,800,000,000 relief fund will also go for war preparations.

Liberty of 18 Jeopardized As C.P. Splits Defense quarters of Drivers' Local No. 574. Fifty delegates, from unions numbering 10,000, attended the confer-

class in Labor Dramatics, a con- govern industrial relations in ac- of members of the Communist party take out one prisoner. when under orders from New York agreement reached January 15.

the American Civil Liberties Union, the Shipyard and Allied Workers the prisoners and the Berkeley sub- of workers. section of the C. P. had voiced dissatisfaction with the attitude of the Communist party and the I.L.D.

the meeting Saturday morning, the Decker. Stalinists managed to sabotage the united front mass meeting schedagreement in other ways. At Saturday's meeting they came out in the open, repudiating the united front agreement, rejecting all compromises and took a line which forced a break.

By this action the leaders of the Communist party have once again demonstrated their complete calthe 18 workers now facing long private conference, which in view in other parts of the country and in sands Not On Relief Rolls," and their shoulders full responsibility for destroying a united mass movement of defense.

The Non-Partisan Labor Defense, immediately after the Stalinists had destroyed the united front, set the wheels in motion for a reconcentration of all honest labor and sympathetic elements into a militant unified defense. On Monday night the united front committee will re assemble minus the disrupters, and will take up unhampered the prac-"Don't walk, ride in subway, tical questions of the defense fight. For months after the arrests in "If both hands are frozen put July the C.P. and I.L.D. developed colder one inside vest and keep the no publicity around the Sacramento

USE FLYING SQUADRON

Five hundred workers of the Doll and Toy Federal Union, New York local, struck Wednesday es below the NRA minimum of \$12 in the industry.

On the first day of the strike flying squadrons of militant workers pulled out several hundred untoy department.

ognition and a wage scale from a symbol of America. FOLLOW THE NEWS IN THE skilled cutters to a minimum of \$18 etc. to the Political Committee, National for each skilled cutters to a minimum of \$18 etc. to the Political Committee, National for each dependent."

| Maximum of \$50 per week for skilled cutters to a minimum of \$18 etc. to the Political Committee, National for each dependent."

| All interstate trucking was stopmust not be issued; the only way not be interestate trucking was stopmust not be issued; the only way not dependent." maximum of \$50 per week for Send all suggestions, drawings, lars per week and not less than area, both rail and boat, in trucks. they take action. That injunction

I.L.D. made no efforts to raise ball and reactionary leadership only if until the N.P.L.D., at the request they are firmly organized and unite Between the first meeting of the of Warnick, began its own camtheir efforts; and general united front committee and paign and bailed out Warnick and the need and will in fact be smash-

Not until December did the C.P. begin to set up any sort of pressure uled for Feb. 1 and to violate the drive to support the defendantsand then they did it on the usual Stalinist basis: the C.P., the I.L.D., begun the organization of the prothe regular brood of Stalinist off- gressive forces in the northwest shoots, a few liberals and, symbol- region; therefore be it ically, the HOLY (wholly?) INNO-CENTS CHURCH of San Francis-

ingness to cooperate loyally and

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suggested symbol



What is it? What is that lightning bolt across the world? It's a obey the instructions, although the per week and to extend unionism suggested symbol for the Workers a minimum wage of thirty dollars Party.

What do you think of it? Do you

New Deal Launches Another Gunboat 194 Strikers Arrested in Fargo N. Dakota by 300 Vigilantes

4,000 Subs by May 31 Take Town Is Our Goal-Here's How In Effort to

subs opens today. It opens on of five dollars in books. new note-Prizes! Yes Sir, we are offering prizes.

Our goal is four thousand new subs in four months, one thousand per month, two hundred and fifty per week. If we are to make the mark you will have to help us out with thirty-five new sub every single day from now until May 31.

The Prizes-Ah! There are 12 eer Bookshop. A chance for you thousand by May 31. If we each every month.

he biggest number of subs for the That's just to give you an idea.

Seek National

(By Special Correspondent)

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.-Vigorous,

gressive union forces, the other de-

manding a genuine Workers' Secur-

ity Program, were adopted at the

one-day meeting of the Northwest

Unity Conference, held at the head-

pering 10,000, attended the confer-

The resolutions follow in full:

basis; and

ing class; and

"Whereas, the workers of the U.

"Whereas, the masses will find no

outworn craft unionism and auto-

cratic union leadership which bases

its policies in collaboration with

employers and the government,

who are the enemies of the work-

"Whereas, the militants and pro-

gressives can carry on the battle

for the organization of the unor-

"Whereas, this is a national prob-

em and local groups cannot meet

ed by reactionary elements in the

"Whereas, this Conference has

"Resolved, that we declare for a

national organization of the hon-

estly militant and progressive ele-

ments in the unions and instruct

ment for a national organization."

Resolution on Workers' Security

Program

"Whereas, the great problem

facing the American working class

is economic security; and whereas,

numerous persons and groups, in-

cluding employers and the govern-

ment, are proposing various meas-

curity; therefore be it resolved,

that this Conference goes on record

endorsing the following as essen-

tial parts of a workers' security

"First, the national thirty-hour

"Second, an appropriation of ne

less than ten billion dollars for

public works which will benefit the

masses, such as housing for wage

workers, farm electrification, etc.

this sum to be expended immedi-

program:

ures for a program of workers' se-

labor movement; and

Progressives

HE campaign for New Militant | entire four-month period a prize

For the branch which sends in the greatest number of subs and the biggest bundle increases, paid up, there will be a prize of ten dollars in books (branches will be third prize of two fifty, all in books.

got a sub every day we would have For the individual who collects a circulation of sixty thousand!

Speakers Will Bare Hearst's Organization Labor Record

NEW YORK .-- A mass anti-Hearst meeting will be held in New York Sunday, Feb. 3 at 8 P.M. at hard-hitting resolutions, one condemning reactionary union leaders the Central Opera House, 205 East and going on record for a national 67th Street. The speakers, many of them atorganization of militant and pro-

> campaign, will uncover Hearst's re-Heywood Broun will speak on Hearst's attitude toward his own

> tacked by Hearst in his anti-Red

newspaper employes. Prof. Sidney Hook, chairman the Department of Philosophy of New York University, and Prof. James Burnham, of the same de-

on them in the Hearst papers. Prof. George S. Counts of Columbia University will speak. He distion to organize and a willingness 'students" were Hearst reporters. to fight desperately for the right to His exposure of Hearst's tactics organize and against the whole campaign to put them on a pauper Congressional investigation support but only new betrayals in

his attacks on education. Provisional Committee for Non- formed. Parisan Labor Defense, under whose auspices the mass meeting Northwest should realize that the will be held, will tell of Hearst's Fargo strikers are waging a fight activities in California, and the for the labor movement of the Hearst press role in the Sacramento | whole, Northwest, and should give

Break Strike

FARGO, N. Dakota,-Three hundred deputized vigilantes swept down on the headquarters of Genjudged on a membership basis), a eral Drivers local No. 173 on Sunsecond prize of five dollars and a lay, tear gassed strikers, their wives and children, and arrested Comrades consider-If we each 34, including William Cruden, separate, magnificent prizes. For and every get one new sub every president of the union, and W. W. the individual who collects the two weeks we will reach our mark. Hughes and C. R. Schwalde, union most subs every month during the If each and every one of us get a officers. They were charged with campaign there will be a prize of sub every week we will have a rioting and inciting to riot, bail two dollars in books from the Pion- circulation of at least fourteen was set at \$500 to \$1,500 for each unionist arrested.

The strike of the coal, ice, and transfer drivers has been on since the middle of January. In spite of the sub zero weather the Fargo drivers, using the militant picketng technique developed by General Drivers Local 574 in Minneapolis. had the city of Fargo sewed up tight. The strike was called for union recognition and for the reinstatement of two men discharged for union activities.

Today the entire town of Fargo is in the hands of vigilante thugs, who have set as their goal the crushing of the local labor movement, for years a negligible force -until Miles Dunne, one of the leaders of Local 574, was loaned to the Fargo drivers as an organizer. A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Dunne, charged with inciting to riot.

The rest of the Fargo labor movement is weak; most of the unions have small membership, although under the stimulus of Local 173's organization drive, their milk partment, will answer the attacks drivers' strike of last fall and their present strike, several bundred workers have come into the unions.

The terrorism in Fargo is part of covered recently that prospective an organized campaign against labor which the reactionaries are preparing in the Northwest. Durcaused the most prominent educa- ing the past four months trementors in the country to demand a dous funds have been put behind of the American Legion, hundreds of Hearst's anti-labor activities and chapters have been formed or revived. In Minneapolis special po-Felix Morrow, secretary of the lice posts of the Legion have been

Every trade unionist in the criminal syndicalist trial now going every possible support to Local

Truckmen Stay Injunction

One-Day Strike Prevents Judge from Issuing Writ - He Postpones Decision Until Next Week

York truckmen on Jan. 28 sets a for lack of time, were allowed to new pace for the American labor movement-it was a strike called for the sole purpose of jamming an injunction down the judge's throat. On Jan. 2, Justice B. J. Humphreys, a well-known labor hater,

ssued an opinion, on application of the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce, that opened the way to an injunction restraining the Longshoremen from cooperating with union truckmen by refusing to handle scab goods. The injunction, if issued, would result in the wholesale laying off of union truck-

Last Thursday the rank and file truckmen in a secret meeting elec ted a strike committee of 25 and determined on a walkout for Monday, the day set for the injunction.

This action was taken over the neads of the so-called union leaders, Michael Cashal of the Truckmen. and the notorious Joe Ryan, who tried to sell out the San Francisco strike last summer. These alleged union leaders were all for taking the first skirmish; but they have the injunction lying down. Both Ryan and Cashal disclaimed any responsibility for the strike, and laid it to "communistic influences"

ately, and workers on all public T. E. Smith, one of the rank and projects to be employed on the basis of the thirty-hour week and file strike committee, pointed out that the only "communistic influ ences" involved were the rank and per week and at union rates above file, who knew damn well that the injunction would result in the firing of at least five thousand union Workers' Social Insurance truckmen immediately.

The Monday strike was a success.

The one-day strike of the New | hadn't received notice of the strike drive to their garages and no fur-

Merchants and manufacturers were frantic. They didn't know when the strike would end. Cashal and Ryan couldn't give them any information. B'g concerns, such as Philco, RCA, Western Electric wired their New York agents to 'Ship by Railway Express until further notice." Railway express charges are three times as high as trucking charges. The strike hit them where it hurt most, in their

Under pressure of the strike, Justice Humphrey suddenly changed his mind, consented to receive a brief from the union lawyer, and postponed his decision until "some time next week".

The rank and file committee called off the strike--for the moment. But the real battle is still ahead. The New York Board of Trade, the Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce have been whipped in gained a week in which to connive.

The rank and fife know that the injunction is aimed, not merely to prevent the cooperation of long-

The union leaders, like Ryan and

shoremen and truckmen, but to smash completely and finally every waterfront union in the city. Cashal, talk about an appeal, about three-year legal battle, but the ank and file know that the issuince of this injunction will be the first shot in a campaign to smash The workers demand union rec- the creator of the revolutionary actment of unemployment insur- Taking a hint from the Minneapolis he unions. That is why the rank ance at not less than twelve dol- strike, squads patrolled the loading and file let the leaders talk, while

When It Snows in New York

Magnificent Chance for Jobless Men - - Alderman Who Gets \$100 an Hour Raps Shovellers

descended on New York, 171 inches of snow fell, the temperature dropped to a few degrees above

Commissioner of Sanitation T. W. Hammond (\$10,000 per year) or- succeeded in removing a few doubtdered out 11,000 home relief men, ful cases from relief rolls, at a registered for snow removal, on the evening of the 23rd, but as only to the snow removal business. were sent home, after reporting at headquarters in the zero weather. On the 24th the snow continued became extremely self-righteous. to fall and traffic was badly tied up, all 23,000 registered home re-

llef workers were ordered out. Alderman John Cashmore (it has been calculated that New York to snow removal workers: City aldermen receive \$100 per hourfor sitting on the Board of Alderworkers, claimed they were not reporting, they were shirking, they were not taking proper advantage

of this magnificent opportunity. A "Liberal" Paper

The New York World-Telegram a liberal paper, (editor probably receives \$20,000 per year) took up the noble civic cause in a headline: "Relief Workers Shun Snow Clean-

ing Jobs." The reluctance of the relief workers was ascribed by some to the fact that, although they were promised 50c per hour for a 10 hour day of snow cleaning, actually they received only 25c per hour, the remaining 25c being subtracted from

their relief allowances. Reports from various papers for

"Thomas McClinot, 60, a relief worker of 80 Herkimer Street, Brooklyn, died while shoveling exertion were given as the causes.

"An unidentified man n Queens

On January 23 and 24 a blizzard | fell dead from overexertion while shoveling snow."

four inches had fallen by then, they The World Telegram reported:

How to Keep Warm

men) sharply criticized the relief the frostbitten hand inside your

to clinic, 103 Lafayette St.

other in your pocket.

"Things to wear: A pair of wool- DOLL AND TOY WORKERS en mittens, mittens are much better than gloves; a pair of woolen socks; shoes with thick soles; cap with ear muffs."

A tour of inspection by your reporter revealed that many relief against sweatshop conditions, wagworkers had the audacity not to temperature hovered around five degrees above zero. To say nothing of mittens, many were not even wearing gloves; and as for thick soled shoes and woolen socks, there was flagrant violation of the De-

On Jan. 25 Alderman Cashmore (\$100 per hour) requested that the committee investigating home relief in New York (which has to date cost to the city of \$25,000) look in-

"City Forced to Hire Many Thou-

The Department of Sanitation (Comm. \$10,000 per year) issued a mimeographed sheet of instructions

"If your fingers or ears get numb and look white or frostbitten put vest, notify your foreman, and go

trolley or 'L'.

partment of Sanitation rule.

ence. The security program adopt-SAN FRANCISCO.— The liberty case. They not only failed to start ed was the program advocated by the National Unemployed League. of the 18 defendants in the Sacra- a united front pressure campaign: mento criminal syndicalism trials they started no campaign at all. has been isopardized by the action They raised only enough bail to S. have demonstrated a determina-

The reason is well known in they repudiated the united front party circles and in the labor movement of California: Comrades The agreement, signed by the Chambers, Decker, Warnick, Mini Socialist party, the Workers Party, and several other prisoners had questioned the party line in the union. Documents have already be-Industrial Union, the Non-Partisan come public which reveal how the Labor Defense, the International District Bureau of the C. P. tried Labor Defense, Machinists Local to jockey out of the union Decker, 68. Cannery and Agricultural Work- militant leader of the great and ers Industrial Union and the Com- successful Sacramento and San munist party, was a result of the Joaquin Valley strikes of 1933, and agitation begun by the Non-Parti- to discipline other leaders who ensan Labor Defense after some of joyed the confidence of the mass

> There can be no question that the ganized and against false, corrupt,

Now to complete the disruption of the united front, the Stalinists the officers of this Conference to lousness with respect to the fate of have proceded to call their own make contacts with similar groups terms in San Quentin and took on of the attitude they take can enlist every way to advance the movethe support only of such organizations over which they exert direct control. Instead of a genuine united front in which every participatipg organization declared its will-



the minimum; like it? Good! Or have you any "Third, enactment of the Lunideas for a better one? This is the deen organized workers in the stuffed time for all hidden talent to blos- Bill; "Fourth, Cash relief, pending ensom forth. Immortalize yourself as