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## The Reason for Hearst

ILLIAM Randolph Hearst and his yellow press howling for blood of foreigners and "reds", among whom one finds prominently listed in his latest broadside such pale pinks, with names that clearly reveal their foreign origin, as President Chase of New York University, President Graham of the University of North Carolina, and President Hutchins of the University of Chicago.

· Leaders of the Agricultural and Cannery Workers Union on trial in Sacramento, California, for strike activities last year, and agricultural workers being shot in another strike a few miles away.

Impoverished share croppers and their leaders in Arkansas terrorized by vigilantes and the courts.

Sixteen members of the Drivers Union in Fargo, M. D. found guilty of rioting on the basis of a picketing incident in which police manhandled several strikers, but no one else suffered a scratch.

A new barrage of injunctions against unions and strikers in all sections of the country.

The state of Arkansas, proposing to pass a law under which the mere possession of a radical book or pamphlet by an individual would subject him to a long term in jail, and its possession by a school such as Commonwealth Labor College would mean

Bills in state legislatures requiring teachers and even students to take "oaths of loyalty".

Bills in Congress to finger print everybody. Bills to deport aliens.

Private organizations such as the American Legion and the Elks openly organizing vast propaganda campaigns against all progressive and radical ideas, and secretly organizing vigilante squads.

Against whom and what is this widespread campaign of terror and red-balting aimed?

Against individuals and organizations which have revolutionary aims and carry on revolutionary activities? Only in a secondary sense; and any radical party which encourages the notion, as the C. P. tends to do, that it by itself is the sole or chief objest of this attack, is playing straight into the hands of the reactionaries.

The trade union movement is the object of the present campaign of the reactionaries. They are determined to emash the unions if possible and in any event to keep them from getting a footbold in the basic industries.

The attack is aimed at the entire working class, at the farmers, at the professional and technical workers, at the small business people.

Why has the attack upon the unions, upon all forms of progressivism and radicalism, broken out just now? First of all, the New Deal now stands forth in all its nakedness. The masses see that it is not a way

of salvation for them. It has, for the moment, saved and strengthened monopoly capitalism. Corporation profits have grown under Roosevelt, friend of "the forgotten man". But in this period of capitalist development profits can be maintained only by forcing down the standards of the masses. Thus Roosevelt himself now leads a new drive to force the unemployed to work for an average of eleven dollars a week. How can the rebellion of the masses, of the unions, of the unemployed leagues, be kept down? Make it appear that it is unpatriotic to offer resistance, that only "reds", foreigners, agents of enemy powers, are inspiring opposition to the slave wage standards.

Thus the Roosevelt Administration itself, since it will not fight big capital on behalf of a higher standard for the workers, is chiefly responsible for the present anti-union terror campaign, despite its liberal pretensions and despite the fact that it may be "embarrassed" by some of the cruder attempts to put down labor rebellion.

In the second place, the international situation is tense. Stick a pin into the map at random almost anywhere and you are likely to hit a spot where war may soon break out. The masses must be psychologized and terrorized into submission to warplans. They must not be permitted to stop the schemes of the war-mongers for making profits out of the manufacture of battleships and munitions. But the masses don't want war and they don't care to help the munitions makers coin profits. What is the answer? Again, obviously, put the "red" or the "foreign" label on any opposition to imperialist

Thirdly, a showdown is coming on the question of union recognition in the big industries. A new strike wave has begun. The leaders of the A. F. of L. themselves are compelled to moan that Roosevelt has betrayed them, though the next moment they fondly embrace him. How stop the organizing work in the basic industries? How prevent strikes? How smash strikes when they break out?

Vigorous organizing work and the strike struggles without which the workers in the basic industries cannot get strong and militant unions will be carried out only by the progressive, fighting elements in the unions. Pin the red label on every progressive and militant, therefore. Try to prejudice the workers against them. Isolate the militants from the masses. This is the game of the wage-cutters who are trying to force the workers into complete slavery.

How combat the capitalists' attack and thwart their schemes? The best defense is a strong offen-

Build the unions in every trade and industry! Build the left-progressive movement in the unions, since only thus can the unions themselves be built! Build the Unemployed Leagues! Bind the unions

and the leagues closely together! Strike and demonstrate militantly-against wage cuts, for wage increases, for the 30-hour week, for the right to organize!

Build a great nation-wide Non-Partisan Labor Defense movement which will tell the boss class in unmistakable terms to keep its hands off militant

Build the revolutionary party of the workers! For in the showdown there is no alternative but to let the capitalist reaction establish Fascism or for the Pact. workers to take power and build a new world.

There is where help is needed and where help The answer to Hearst, the answer to the warmongers, the answer to the Rossevelt's wage-cutting

gampaign, is organization in steel, rubber, automebiles, textiles, the onward movement of the organized masses of the workers!

BUILD THE REVOLUTIONARY PARTY OF THE WORKERS!

## The Set-Up



Bill Green: "Am I getting too rough, Franklin?"

## Elevator Strike History In Newspaper Headlines | keep the union in the public eye and strength," says President Bill Green of the A. F. of L. . . . Dan Tobin of the Teamstern Union in the public eye and strength," says President Bill Green of the Teamstern Union in the public eye and strength," says President Bill Green of the Teamstern Union in the public eye and strength," says President Bill Green of the Teamstern Union in the public eye and strength," says President Bill Green of the Teamstern Union in the public eye and strength," says President Bill Green of the Teamstern Union in the public eye and strength, and gives an impetus to organization.

NEW YORK. - The elevator | Nov. 19-Sudden Strike Call Exstrike has been postponed-this is pected. the latest news, and has been the latest news for the last three months. A short history of local 32B of the Building Service Workers International Union is given in the headlines:

Oct. 17-Tie Up Threatens Garment Center.

Oct. 27-Walkout Looms. Nov. 1-Strike Plans Put Off. Nov. 2-Strike Called in Garment

Nov. 3-Strike Called Off Under Nov. 4-Strike Planned in Fin-

ancial and Home Zones. Nov. 6 - Strike Threatened in

Hotels. Nov. 9-Strike in Garment Area

Nov. 13-Strike Likely in Garment Area.

Nov. 14-Strike Again Postponed. Nov. 15-Strike Threat in Commercial and Apartment Buildings.

Nov. 20-Mayor LaGuardia (the friend of labor) Bars Strike. Nov. 21-Arbitration Pact Signed

(it was not signed by the union) Dec. 29 - Bambrick Threatens Strike.

Jan. 9-Strike Held Near. Feb. 14-3,000 Out On "Unauthorized" Strike.

Feb. 15-City Wide Strike Plan-Feb. 16-City Wide Strike Voted Over Bambrick's Protest.

Feb. 17-Ed. McGrady arrives from Washington to-Arbitrate! Feb. 18-Elevator Strike Set for 10:30 A.M. in 1,000 Buildings. Feb. 19-City Wide Strike Called so-far ineffective program of "spen Off After All Night Conference.

Feb. 20 - Six Months Truce Signed. Feb. 22-Call For Waikout Mon-

day Expected. Feb. 25 - Walkout Postponed When NLRB Intervenes.

What can be said of this history? The constant use of the strike

remains inactive, as rapidly as they Bill Reich. foined it.

That time has come!

# Washington News Letter

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ding our way back to prosperity".

The lunatic policies of A.A.A.crop curtailment, plowing under, driving share croppers from the soil-will be continued. The Department of Agriculture, it would seem, is slowly coming to realize that the drought of 1934 is driving up prices to the point where it may be expedient to desist from continuing wanton destruction. But what enable the vast majority of the (beefy Los Angeles Red Squad the Department's experts may people to take back from a tiny captain) could not contain his glee. think will have little effect upon minority the property which that Sam Darcy rubbed his chin contem- the President and his inspired adminority has stolen, and to make platively. By all odds this "stool visers. They are still in the grip it available for the benefit of all pigeon" was a very strange bird! of the "overproduction" fallacy; to Mini's testimony opened with a induce revival you must starve brief outline of his life story. Born wage earners and pay the farmers "What will you do if a majority inate a condition in which millions in Sacramento, he went to the pub- for performing the task. The pollic schools and was a member of icy has the added merit of driving the National Guard. He won an a wedge between the interests of interesting light was cast appointment to West Point in a farmers and workers who might

Foreign trade? A few more treaties of negligible import; but complete neglect of one vast market -Russia-where big scale transactions might be carried on. Banking? Increased centralization of credit in the hand of a governmentdominated Federal Reserve Board are ordinary workers and the pro- to the end that monopoly finance paganda the officers fed me at West capitalism may function with fewer Point made me think that workers restraints. Military affairs? More, are scum; so sometimes I felt bigger and costlier battleships with Before Mini stepped down from ashamed of my father and mother, an eye to imperialistic war in the

But at least the Brain Trust is henceforth out of the picture. That is something the President will no Expelled from West Point, he longer be able to pretend that he sought a job in New York, where acts on inspirations which come to

> severest grilling, Mini revealed that, while the Communist Party did not train him for the practical class struggle, his self-obtained socialist education is not deficient.

The perspectives are admittedly poor. A prejudiced jury; a judge in league with a venomous prosethe I.L.D.; the lack of a mass protest movement, glaringly revealed by the complete failure of the C.P. tify little optimism as to the out-

No serious turn in the situation week or two. Were a verdict to be dig their own graves. None have that there had BEEN great devel- given today, there is little doubt yet died.—Bill Reich. opments under capitalism, but that that it would be against all the the system has entered the stage defendants. Should sufficient protests come in from outside the state, things may brighten up a

# left iabs

By BILL SHERMAN The New Title

The column appears today under its new title, Left Jabs, sent in by A. D., Philadelphia, who wins the prize of a year's subscription to the New Militant. We again wish to thank the many readers who sent in suggestions for the title, and trust that all will continue with contributions that will make LEFT JABS the best column in the New Militant.

"My Country 'Tis of Thee"

"We Communists yield to no one in our love of our country. It is because we love our country that we support the Workers Bill."-Earl Browder, Daily Worker, Feb. 13, 1935.

#### A Governor, Child Labor and Bolshevism

Gov. John M. Slaton of Georgia came "up No'th" to speak to the President of the Federation of the Bar. The Child Labor Amendment was his chief topic, and the "Southern gentleman" got blue in the face denouncing it-"It is hard to trace a difference between this suggestion and the extremist decrees of Bolshevism under Lenin, which destroyed the integrity of the family and made children the wards of the State," declared the Governor.

#### Our Hope and Strength

"Roosevelt is our hope and But! The same constant threat, Jim Farley with a check of \$10.006 keeping the workers at a high pitch "as a mark of appreciation of what of expectancy, can have the most the Roosevelt administration has destructive reaction, unless the done for labor" . . President Roosthreat is actually carried out. There evelt's new relief scheme calls for is a certain point beyond which the wage cuts and provides a maximum enthusiasm of the workers turns of \$50 per month per family. . . . cold, and they quit the union, if it Gawd, what 'ope and strength!-

#### The Cuckeo Clock

A peasant presented Stalin with a clock which signals the hours with music, as Stalin's picture pops out in front. A very appropriate

Religion, A Moral Force

Holy Mount Athos, a monastery on a mountain rising 6,000 reet from the Agean Sea, possesses more pieces of the True Cross than any other shrine. . . . Dr. Reinhold Krause, Nazi churchman, says "God cannot be against Hitler, he alone has God's orders for the Fatherland"

. . The Goodwin Plan by which American churches, Ladies Aid Societies, etc. may raise money for foreign missions and preachers' salaries, proposes to market in 5,600 towns such products as BVD's, Northern Toilet Paper, Zemo Oint ment, Champion Spark Plugs, and Winget Kickernicks. Excluded are wines, cigarettes, poker sets, contraceptives and bust developers. . . Bill Reich.

Theory and Practice

Educator Walter Pitkin says that a knowledge of psychology is essential for success in business. . . . William McDougal, foremost American Psychologist, who studied the hereditary characteristics of 37 generations of rats, was swindled of \$20,500 by oil stock promoters.—Bill Reich.

Arms Control & League of Nations The Arms Traffic Committee of the League of Nations was holding one of those endless discussions on arms. Article 2 of the American draft was the subject. A Fascist admiral said that Italy prefers the 1925 convention because it "provides for the suspension of all of its few restrictions in war time." Mr. Wilson for the U. S. "stressed the moral importance of the question." He held that "birth certificates should be given for cannons just as for men". The French delegate thought the birth certificates should go into "the pre-natal stage". A British Lord thought such certificates required too many statistics. So the question of "birth control" for arms versus "birth certificates" was debated. Nothing was settled, no conclusions

'Til Death Do Us Part The English Parliament has

Crisis, 1929-35, by M. L.

passed a regulation making it cri-"united front" conference held in minal for dole recipients, of which San Francisco on February 10, jus- there are 17,000;000 not to make "honest efforts" to find work. . . . To save expenses, the aged inmates of the Yellowstone County (Mon-

reached, and the League of Nations

called it a day. -Reviewing the

WE NEED A LARGER PAPER Because of lack of space a number of important articles had

to be emitted from this issue, including the third installment on "Should Revolutionists Build a Labor Party? " by Hugo Ochler, and a second article on Father Coughlin by Dan Eastman, These articles will appear in the next issue.—Ed. Note.

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# Mini in Court Reaffirms His Views as Revolutionist

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information and misinformation as stood solid against the state all to the views of the defendants these trying months. "No," he anwith respect to religion, racial swered. questions and other matters not directly connected with the indict- the conclusion of the cross-examinment. But he now ruled that Gold- ation. McAllister sneeringly put man could not ask Mini questions the following question: relating to the same matters.

Even where Goldman endeavored to ask Mini questions concerning his understanding of revolutionary principles connected directly with the matters in the indictment, Mc-Allister interposed objections at every point. These objections, combined with the judge's rulings, constituted a steady barrage of interruptions so that for the most part Mini's voice came to the jury through a din of competing re-

Not until Goldman turned the witness over to McAllister did Mini really get a chance to voice his the record, the theory being that v'ews. The judge now loosened up the jurors would also be able to again, letting McAllister go into subjects which he had closed to Goldman. Lemmon's entire attitude Attorney Goldman was on his feet during these two days has com- at once: pletely given the lie to his earlier laborious endeavors to appear as

Norman Mini's day in court was He is ready to state what he thinks just after he frankly stated that, about the question of trials in the at the time of his arrest and down to some time in November 1934, he had been a member of the Commu- | mon. nist Party.

## Mini Risks Contempt

"Who were the other members of your unit?" asked McAllister. "I won't tell you," came the firm

gaze from one to another of the defendants with whom he has

Another tense moment came with

### Would Try Capitalists

"And would the Sacramento workers council give a trial to those capitalists who refused to accept the new government and fought to defend their property?" "It would," answered Mini.

Raising his voice to a shout and waving his finger in the air, Mc-Allister threw out a final remark as he took his seat:

"They don't give trials in Roosh-

Judge Lemmon felt obliged to label this crude remark "misconduct" and to order it stricken from strike the remark from their minds. Not believing in magic of this kind,

"Your Honor, the improper remark has been made and on behalf the embodiment of perfect justice. of the defendant Mini, I ask that Perhaps the tensest moment of he be permitted to give his answer. Soviet Union."

"I have ruled," said Judge Lem-

Affirms Marxist Position The major portion of Mini's testimony, especially under cross-examination, was devoted to an explanation of the Marxist-Leninist idea of revolution. He explained to the jury, in simple terms the concepts for immediate demands; the cul-Attorneys and court attaches, mination of partial struggles in a aware that Mini had put himself general struggle; the conditions leaped to his feet, to object to the in contempt of court, gasped. The under which a successful revolujudge was visibly embarrassed, as tion might occur; the role of work- has throughout the long weeks of Manifesto by Marx and Engels!" he apparently would not have rel- ers' councils; the idea of workers' the trial striven to steer the defense whed the publicity and protests control of production the crisis of fight along principled and effective to regard a revolution as an earth-tean save human civilization." which would have resulted, had he the paralysis of capitalist state lines, informed the judge that Mini quake, to be predicted rather than Asked whether he had ever heard cited this young revolutionary for power; the seizure of power by the would not object to answering the as an historical occurrence realize of a thrifty class, Mini answered contempt. He intervened with a workers' councils in the name of question. Gallagher mumbled more able under certain conditions if that he had--"in connection with remark designed to save his own the majority of the people; the objections, but Mini went ahead as human beings act properly. He af- bank failures". taking over of all state functions follows: "Suppose I put the question this by these councils; the proclamation | "The bank robber, like any other preparation by the conscious ele- endeavors to get Mini to state that roaded. Should they go to San way," he said. "Were any of the of the new order; the promulgation capitalist, is engaging in an indiments" for every aspect of the he favored having the workers Quentin, it will be the duty of the of its first laws respecting the ex- vidual act for his own benefit. The struggle. Norman Mini slowly turned his propriation of the means of pro- proletarian movement has nothing McAllister turned away with a vance of the revolution. Under the fight for their freedom.

duction, transportation and commutarian state against sabotage and open counter-revolution; the role of force in securing the will of the people against the will of the exploiters and in defending the conquests of the only progressive class in society, the proletarian class.

objects?" demanded McAllister. "The revolutionary party will not consider-the time ripe as long as a majority objects," replied

"But suppose a majority of captal objects, that is of property?" "Oh! You mean the three percent of the population who own eightythree percent of the wealth?" Mini

shot back. "That's right," said McAllister. their places," answered Mini.

People Versus Property "We'll just have to put them in "Suppose they refuse to submit. Suppose they won't turn over their property?" "The workers' councils will use

all the necessary force to carry out the law of the workers' state," answered Mini. "Suppose the Board of Directors of the Sacramento Telephone Co. Party.

meets and informs the workers' council that it refuses to turn over the property." "That's a hypothetical telephone company," Mini answered. "The

Sacramento Telephone Co. is run by a board that meets in Wall St. gress of the Comintern. From it and never saw Sacramento." "Well, suppose the local manager

refuses to get out?"

"How do you know?" asked Mc-Allister.

"He won't refuse!" answered

"Well, he will have heard what's going on and he'll be on a boat going places fast." "Now what do you mean," asked McAllister, "when you say you will use force if necessary? Do you

mean like a bank robber who wants unless somebody tries to stop him?" asks. At this point Leo Gallagher

in common with his method or his leer of satisfaction, a vulture sensnication; the defense of the prole- goal. We use force if necessary to ing a meal in the offing. Red Hynes, mankind, so that the race may advance and develop itself and termstarve while a few live in luxury."

Differs With C. P. upon those conditions inside the C. competitive examination but was otherwise come together for revoluvoted militants. It was lack of ed- while at West Point. ucation which caused, for example, last August, when he gave McAl- were ashamed of your parents. lister an open statement of his be- Will you explain that?" ask Mc-

liefs and affiliation. He disclosed that he had never read a single Communist Party pamphlet or Communist International document until after the

indictment! the witness stand, he had made it but now I know better and I am near future with Japan. plain that the beliefs he was ex- proud to be the son of a proletarpounding he had acquired from the writings of Merx, Engels and Lenin, before he joined the Communist

"When I studied the C. P. documents, I began to understand that differed and eventually I got out." McAllister now took up the program of the Communist International, adopted by the Sixth Conhe read the last paragraph:

conceal their views and aims. They work, but managed to go to Chowopenly declare that their ends can chills, and there helped to organoverthrow of all existing social against the Pacific Gas and Elecconditions. Let the ruling class tric Co. tremble at a Communist revolution. In responding to questions which

countries, unite!"" Stands by "Manifesto"

"Why no," answered Mini; "that's the part I agree with.

firmed the necessity of "an active McAllister made repeated but vain

P. which result in the political expelled for anti-militaristic views tionary action. backwardness of even its most de- which he developed through study "Last summer you told me that the foolhardy gesture Mini made while you were at West Point you

> Allister. "Sure!" answered Mini. "They

Was Active In Strike

he experienced life on the bread- him from on high. line. He then returned to Sacramento, wrote a novel satirizing military life and studied the socialist classics. After witnessing several instances of police brutality against unemployed demonstrators, he joined the Communist Party early "The Communists disdain to in 1933. He was assigned to no

The proletarians have nothing to were in reality thinly-disguised lose but their chains. They have a stump speeches on behalf of the world to win. Workingmen of all glories of private property, rugged individualism and a system "which enabled Charles M. Schwab to "Is this the part of the program climb from the bottom of the lad- can be expected during the next tana) Poorhouse were sent out to "Because it's none of your bust- of the vanguard party; struggles to steal the money but won't shoot you disagree with?" McAllister der to the top", Mini pointed out question. Attorney Goldman, who That's right out of the Communist of decay. "There must be an overturn or a collapse into chaos," he Mini added that the C. P. appears added, "and only the proletariat

be attained only by the forcible ize a successful farmers' strike cution; the ill-advised tactics of

Whatever happens, the working class can be sure that in Norman Mini, it has an incorruptible advocate. We must do everything in our power to prevent him and his co-defendants from being railseize industries or banks in ad- working class to launch a great SUBSCRIBE TO NEW MILITANT