

Peace & Plenty

Back from a trip from Labrador to Siberia, Senator Reynolds of North Carolina wants the United States to add the following to its colonial empire: Bermuda, Newfoundland, and a strip across Western Canada for a highway to Alaska...

This sounds like the days of McKinley and "Manifest Destiny," though when the imperialists of those days went after Spain's possessions in this hemisphere they were careful not to omit anything.

The U.S. War Department has blocked plans for a Royal Netherlands flying service between the Philippines and the East Indies.

American aircraft manufacturers have just had the most prosperous half year in their entire history. Earnings for the six months ending June 30 were 80 per cent over those of the first half of last year.

President Roosevelt is not overlooking the place of electric power in his war plans, and has appointed a committee to draw up a program. This program, as outlined during a conference between the President and authorities on the power-defense question...

The death toll by war since it was outlawed by the Kellogg pact, as given by Washington military experts, and including only the major hostilities:

Table with 2 columns: Year, Deaths. 1932-35 Bolivia-Paraguay 100,000; 1935-36 Italy-Ethiopia 55,000; 1936-38 Spain 1,000,000 to 1,500,000; 1937-38 Japan-China 1,000,000.

The German government has told women to get back into business and industry to take the place of men drafted for the current military maneuvers.

When "more than 100" jobs as city porter, paying \$960 a year with the possibility of future increase to \$1,200, were advertised in New York City, over 5000 men lined up in front of the Municipal Building.

Even the New York Times was shocked to learn that one-third of all American families and individuals had incomes of less than \$780 in 1935-36 and two-thirds less than \$1,450.

Damning Evidence in Sedoff Murder

Trotsky Bares Further Proof of G.P.U. Guilt Investigation Discloses Direct Tie-Up Between G.P.U. and Hospital Staff; Laxity of Police Assailed

Mr. Judge: Supplementing my statement of July 19, I have the honor to add the following considerations: (1) I have consulted competent physicians. None of them, naturally, would venture to counterpose their opinion from afar to the opinion of the highly qualified French specialists who performed the autopsy.

Hides Behind "Professional" Secrecy (2) The incompleteness of the investigation is most clearly confirmed by the attitude of the surgeon, Mr. Talheimer, himself. He refused to give explanations, appealing to "professional secrecy."

A "Bolshevik Sympathizer" (4) According to police information Dr. Jirmunsky, the director of the clinic, was considered a "Bolshevik sympathizer." Nowadays this is a very definite characterization. It signifies a friend of the Kremlin bureaucracy and of its agencies.

Blames "Trotskyites" for Sons' Death (8) We cannot proceed without mentioning one exceptionally significant circumstance which I permit myself, Mr. Judge, to bring to your special attention. As is known, Mr. Simkoff had the misfortune this year to lose two sons, victims of a land-slide.

Story Documented (9) With regard to the personnel of the clinic, beginning with Mr. Jirmunsky, the police investigation invariably repeats the formula of the "non-participation" of these people in active political life, apparently considering that this circumstance frees them from the necessity of further investigation.

Legal defense has been provided by the Workers Defense League. The American Fund for Political Refugees cooperated in the raising of bail.

Relief Long Refused For eleven weeks, Luben, who is an unemployed, single, unattached young worker, has sought relief at bureau 79. Each time some new red tape, some new postponement, his case is only a single example of the plight of youth in New York as a whole.

Police Cause Violence All the charges are patent frame-ups. Responsibility for the disorder at the bureau falls on the shoulders of the police and the bureau officials.

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to conclude that Mr. Simkoff, who informed Jirmunsky in advance over the telephone of the arrival of the patient, concealed from his closest collaborator the real identity of the "French engineer, Marten." Is this likely?

(5) A "Bolshevik sympathizer"—this is a definite characterization. Here the investigation clearly stops mid-way. Under the conditions of Russian emigration this "sympathy" does not remain nowadays a platonic one.

(6) Somehow nothing is said in the documents about the political sympathies of the owner of the clinic, Mr. Simkoff. This is a grave omission.

(7) Dr. Simkoff is a contributor to the medical periodical "Oeuvre Chirurgique Franco-Russe." What character does this publication bear—is it a product of a bloc of French physicians with the Soviet government, or, on the contrary, do White emigres appear in the name of Russian medicine?

The Death List (11) Yagoda drove one of my daughters to untimely death, the other—to suicide. He imprisoned my two sons-in-law who subsequently disappeared without a trace.

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Rivera Says Trade Union Congress in Mexico Staged by Stalinists (Continued from page 1) open and secret ones, will participate. Question: What do you believe will be its practical result? Answer: The results of the Pan-American Trade-Union Congress will depend to a great extent on whether or not Lombardo Toledano will succeed in subordinating the working class movement of this continent to the orders of his Moscow chiefs.

Question: How does the opposition look upon the Congress? Answer: It is very doubtful whether the opposition will be able to enter the congress. The congress does not consist of delegates elected by the masses. The tasks of the congress were not discussed by the masses.

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EDITOR'S NOTE Once again Leon Trotsky turns a probing searchlight on the circumstances which led to the death of his son, Leon Sedoff, in a Paris hospital. Persistent demands of Trotsky supported by friends and comrades in France compelled an investigation into the cause of the strange death of Sedoff.

testify to the extreme naivete of the police, if the wish to avoid an earnest investigation were not concealed behind it.

Yagoda's Repertoire (10) But, Mr. Judge, without an earnest, intensive, and courageous investigation the crimes of the G.P.U. cannot be uncovered. To give an approximate idea of the mores and methods of this institution I am obliged to quote from the officious Soviet magazine "October" of March 3 of this year.

(11) Yagoda drove one of my daughters to untimely death, the other—to suicide. He imprisoned my two sons-in-law who subsequently disappeared without a trace. The G.P.U. arrested my youngest son, Serge, on a preposterous charge of poisoning workers, after which he disappeared.

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LATE FLASH! Mexican G.P.U. Plot Trotsky's Death!

Laborde, Mexican G.P.U. Head, Spent Months in U. S. Preparing Final Blow Against Trotsky and Friends

An elaborate plan of the G.P.U. to assassinate Leon Trotsky, Diego Rivera, the noted Mexican artist and some of their friends was brought to the attention of the Socialist Appeal just as we were going to press.

A few months ago Hernan Laborde, leader of the Mexican Communist Party "left for Moscow." In reality, Laborde remained all the time illegally in the United States.

But the police, apparently, stumbled on Laborde's tracks. At any rate that was the impression of the leaders of the Communist Party who became terrified of an international scandal and of compromising the New York agency

W.P.A. LOCAL IN SPLIT FROM W.A.

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the City Hall, to fight against the demotions of mechanics to status of laborers. The Stalinist chiefs warned Rourke and his mechanics that any picketing of "their friend" LaGuardia would in public repudiation. The local denounced this open collaboration with the city politicians, while they continued to be given starvation W.P.A. wages.

One of the first actions taken by the new organization was to throw a 24-hour picket line around the City Hall.

Revolt Against Stalinism The real cause of this schism is found in the policy that has been pursued by the Stalinist leadership in New York and nationally ever since the amalgamation of the three unemployed organizations in the early part of 1936—the Alliance, the Unemployed Council, and the National Unemployed League.

In New York, Communist Party control has resulted in discrimination, expulsions and suspensions of those Alliance members who expressed differences of opinions with the leadership. At the last City Convention, Chairman Pearson, of Local 4, threw the session into turmoil when she stated a fact that everyone knew to be true, namely, that the C. P. was discriminating against and transferring from projects W.P.A. workers who were opposed to the Stalinist leadership.

Toledano Follows Suit A parallel campaign, in the words of the reporter, is being carried on by Lombardo Toledano, president of the C.T.M. (Mexican Federation of Labor), who, during his recent trip to Europe, received all the necessary instructions from the G.P.U. and also the necessary material means (in particular, a slanderous film against Trotsky). Among the delegates to the Congress, there are a great number of foreign agents of the G.P.U., whose main task consist in creating in Mexico a "favorable atmosphere" for carrying out the latest Moscow instructions.

The Mexican Communist Party is now fully subordinated to the leaders of the Communist Party of the United States and through them receives all orders from Moscow. This strange order of things is very easily explained. Mexico has no Soviet institutions and the agents of the G.P.U. in Mexico, having no diplomatic protection, are obliged to maintain the strictest secrecy. They, therefore, avoid any direct contact with the local Communist Party, fearing that it might harbor police agents.

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