In the

out the life of the Wagner La- just and necessary demands of resist the employers' efforts to to spring one of its most sensa- announced that he would fight pretty smug bureaucrat to for-America against the Goodyear and for the establishment of a them out into battle only for Tire & Rubber Co. of Akron, guaranteed annual wage. Ev- the closed shop. The miners

velopment and the results of every chance of success. They their claim to economic betterthe sit-down strikes in the giant would have commanded, in ment. No wonder the employrubber plants in 1936 will be such a fight, the unquestioned ers and the politicians think unfolded, and this is a subject moral, financial and physical Lewis and Murray are "brilon which both the company and support of every affiliate of the liant negotiators. the C.I.O. are extremely sensi. C.I.O. and many local union

Neither side is anxious to have this hot potato occupy the center of the stage but it is inevitable. For it was in resisting the onsweep of the rubber worker through their effective sit-down strike that Goodyear earned its notorious reputation as a scab outfit.

The Ku Klux Klan, the Black Legion, the Goodyear Stallmate Club and countless other anti-union organizations had mushroom growth and decline during this period while the Goodyear officials experimented to find a way of stopping union growth. Spies, stoolpigeons, Mr. Paul Bergoff himself; the Law and Order League, ex-Mayor C. Nelson Sparks and the war veteransall the potential and fascist scum took a crack at breaking the union but still it established

Bribing politicians, giving every other conceivable method was used by the company to stop the rubber workers.

Headlines Are Due

In the revealing of this story before the N.L.R.B., America

Goodyear, P. W. Litchfield, company president, Akron city officials and others should be in for some very unpleasant publicity.

The company will probably try to avoid the issues by the simple device of raising the cry of "revolution" and "Soviets" against the sit-downs of which quite a few dozen were pulled

In particular, on May 20. 1936 Goodyear yelled that the workers formed a Soviet at plant two when a group of coolheaded union committeemen took charge of the plant to prevent considerable bloodshed which threatened because of the provocations of company unionists and stooges.

Although 21 union men were arrested for "rioting" the

Boomerang Statements

plant, according to the unionown good. Of course, this incident will be termed "insurrection" by the company. There is no question but that

an intelligent answer will stop higher wages." the company's counter-offensive when the hearings begin. Unfortunately, prominent union year Local president, and Stan-

ever. For the first time in ber 1934, after announcing at union contracts. C.I.O. history, the whole story a press conference that "The of sit-downs, etc. from every time has come to take the profpoint of view is going to be its out of war," Roosevelt went

REFUGEE NEEDS A TYPEWRITER

The American Fund for Political Prisoners and Refugees needs a typewriter for a refugee recently arrived in this country. In order to enable him to earn a living. a typewriter is an urgent necessity. If you have a typewriter you can give or lend this refugee, please communicate with the American Fund for Political Prisoners and Refugees, Room 1609, 100 Fifth Avenue, New chine.

320,000 Miners Solid in Strike

Lewis Drops Miners' Economic Demands; Holds Out Only for Closed Shop

John L. Lewis and Philip miners out on strike for the Murray, leaders of the U.M. closed shop, W.A. committee in the current | The closed shop is an impor-While the politicians in Wash- negotiations, therefore made a tant union weapon to consoliington are proceeding to carve pretense of fighting for these date the union position and to bor Disputes Act, the National the coal miners. At the begin- break up the union organiza-Labor Relations Board is ready ning of the negotiations, Lewis tion. But one has got to be a tional hearings in the case of for the 30-hour week, an in- get all about the economic dethe United Rubber Workers of crease in the basic daily wage mands of the workers and send erything favored such a battle are striking anyhow, but have The amazing story of the de- at this time; the miners had already, in advance, given up

> organizations of the A.F.L. The miners, the best organized group of men in any industry of the U. S., could have halted the present backward shut down every mine tight as movement of the C.I.O. and taken the leadership in the forward march of all American tive.

Negotiators Give Way the 30-hour week is beyond them. These smug union polithe miners must have great imbearable economic conditions, brilliant negotiators proceed to more lenient terms. give away one point after anand tear gas union pickets, and give away the guaranteed an- pelling reason to cement an nual wage. Then they go ahead honest fusion between the two and call the miners out on houses of labor. Labor, as the strike! For what? There is no present strike indicates, needs disagreement between the two all of its strength to fight the

(Continued from Page 1) (Lewis and Muray call the

Strike Effective

The miners, with the splendid discipline and courage for which they are famed, have a drum. To date the strike is pretty near 100 percent effec

Behind the stubborn demand But obviously Lewis and Mur- for the closed shop lies the fear ray did not take this fight very of Lewis that the mine operaseriously. The very idea of tors will utilize the fight beleading a great pioneering tween the A.F.L. and the C.I.O. movement in their industry for to break the organization of the mine workers. The reactionary A.F.L. Executive Council has ticians do not understand that already attempted to convince some of the soft coal operators provements in their present un- not to sign an agreement with the U.M.W.A., as the Progresor the miners will lose their sive Miners of America, an confidence in and their loyalty A.F.L. affiliate, might be wilito unionism. So these supposed ing to sign an agreement on

While all union men are ralother. They give away the 30- lying to the cause of the valiant hour week. They give away soft coal miners, the present the increased basic wage. They strike is seen as one more comnegotiating committees now on reactionary employers and wages or working conditions, their anti-union campaign.

will get a concise picture of the whole story of the difficulties and problems that faced the C.I.O. in its early days. Tom Girdler as a member of the Board of Directors of

(Continued from Page 1) fixing provision: "I am suggesting, Mr. Chairman, that after the word 'article' the word 'service' be inserted, so stays at home." that we shall very specifically know that this legislation shall apply to wages." When a Sen-

"Everything."

Pretexts to Cut Wages

ator asked, "You mean a clerk

Nye Committee in 1934 that the tually states: "Many of these N.R.A. labor administrators regulations and restrictions are were to be used to fix maximum wages for workers.

wages will be cut have already a national emergency much of frame-up charges were exposed been indicated. One is the plea this expediency is lost and the launching of a gigantic proand the union militants freed, that since prices are being operation of these regulations rise. Colonel Taylor can be pended." The restrictions are cited here again because, being listed as those "issued by vari-Another time Cliff Slusser, an unofficial representative of ous authorized Federal and vice-president of the company, the War Department, he could State agencies, by agreements got drunk and tried to get tough afford to be franker on this with trade unions, and in other with union militants in the delicate topic: "There is no ways." question that during the world ists, and he was ejected for his War the pay of workers was forced to follow the rise in the cost of living. But, with prices remaining stable, there would not be such a demand for

slogan of "equalizing the bur- event of war," inquired Sena- relief and W.P.A. workers by BEER PARTY & DANCE: Saofficials like John House, Good. dens of war" as between the tor Clark of the Nye Committhe use of generals, captains. soldiers at the front and civil- tee. "Merely a tentative draft, and other army officers in the ley Denlinger, attorney for the lans at home. This slogan is not passed on or approved as administration of relief, W.P.A. U.R.W.A., have made some ill- popular among the veterans as yet," replied Col. Harris. This and N.Y.A. advised statements on sit- a protest against war profiteer- will be a special board, the downs, etc., and these can easi- ing, but with typical demagogy, Legal Division, charged with Roosevelt turned its point in the illegal task of suspending One thing is certain, how- another direction. In Decem- this selected list of laws and on to deplore the fact that scrapped will be those dealing soldiers who enlisted or were with women and child labor. drafted into service served the There will be a Reserve Wo-U. S. in a hazardous manner man Power Division: "The spefor \$1 a day while munitions cific mission of this division is workers received possibly \$10 a to recommend methods for the day." (N. Y. Times).

week later, Colonel Harris employed, into industry, comcomplained that such a spread merce, and auxiliary services." 'wasn't ethical," neither of them mentioning the swollen also "for duty with the armed salaries and war bonuses paid forces," the Plan specifically the strongest possible moveout to the patriotic presidents states. There will be a Council ment of resistance to war and of DuPont, the Hercules Powder Co., etc. Conclusion? below 18 into industry. "Equalize the burdens" of the

a day too! An American Legion organ letary of War Johnson, who is York City, Algonquin 4-8649, summed up the plan casually in charge of the I.M.P. and arrangements will be in the following manner: "This made to call for the ma- draft plan, as you know, pro- Johnson replied. "So far as I poses to draft all workers and know, one of perfect satisfacall manufacturing plants into tion. . . ."

Government service, the same as it does the men in the army. nor would there be any high wages paid to the man who

Contracts Voided The government intends to

have an easier time with rein a store should have his sal- spect to other working condiary fixed?" Taylor replied, tions. All legislation on hours and conditions, as well as trade union agreements on these subjects, will merely be declared Colonel Harris reported to the null and void. The I.M.P. acexpedient rather than necessary to the well-being of either Some of the pretexts whereby the Nation or the workers. In 'controlled." wages need not and restrictions should be sus-

> In line with this, in 1934, the to include section 7a of the tions" to be scrapped. "I would a housing program, and like to ask if the War Depart-

Profiteers Pleased

Among the first laws to be recruiting, training, and infil-In the same vein, about a tration of women, not gainfully -and not only in industry but movement who share our views of Minors to impress children war-mongers.

"What is the attitude of insoldier and worker by-bring- dustry toward the plan?" ar ing the latter's wage nearer \$1 interviewer from the "Nation's Business" asked Assistant Sec-

"One of perfect cooperation,"

of Carlo Tresca's participation in the working class movement was celebrated last Friday night in New York City with a banquet in his honor in which representatives of many political shades of opinion joined. Comrade Trotsky sent the tollowing letter to the wellknown anarchist fighter: Dear Comrade Tresca:

In spite of all the profound divergences, which neither you nor I have the habitude to deny or attenuate. I hope that you will permit me to express the deepest esteem for you, as for a man who is every inch a fighter. Your sixtieth birthday is being celebrated by your friends and I take the liberty of including myself among them. I hope that your moral vigor and revolutionary ardor will be conserved for a long time to come. I embrace you whole-heartedly.

Yours. Leon Trotsky April 10, 1939.

Rapid Growth Reported In Membership of Organization

(Special to the Socialist Appeal)
NEW YORK — A city-wide convention of the Unemployed senting 22 locals, adopted a resolution denouncing Roosevelt's war-mongering and declared the firm opposition of the U.P.W.U. to any war the United States may enter and demanded that a people's referendum be granted so that the working class of America may The delegates further demanded that all war funds be transferred to the unemployed and

The officers' reports were acson was applauded when she announced that the U.P.W.U. had grown from 13 locals which split from the Workers Alliance last fall, to 22 locals-a gain of nine-with 17 unemployed locals and four W.P.A. locals. The anti-war resolution adopt-

ed was as follows: Whereas; today the world is threatened by a war in which the workers and farmers will once more be called upon to lay down their lives to protect and expand the imperialist interests of the bosses, and

Whereas: the unemployed workers will be among the first to be slaughtered, as in the last war, and

for war are a mortal danger to all workers - unemployed as well as employed-and include gram of over a billion dollars for arms, twelve hundred millions additional for warships, and whereas the relief appropriation of 1936 was \$1,425,-000,000 as compared to 1938's Day demonstrations throughout \$725,000,000, and

Whereas; the billions of dollars being appropriated for destruction and death are being War Department was planning taken from the mouths of the unemployed and could be used feels that under the circum-N.I.R.A. as one of the "restric- for W.P.A., food, clothing, and stances, the May Day tradition

Whereas; the Roosevelt govment has prepared a list of ernment is already engaged in Another pretext will be the statutes to be suspended in the a campaign to militarize the

Therefore Be It Resolved: 1. That the Unemployed and Project Workers Union of New York, voicing the determination of more than 3,000 unemployed and W.P.A. workers, declares its firm opposition to any war launched by the govern-

2. That we support a people's referendum on war so that the employed and unemployed workers shall have the right to voice their opposition to war. 3. That we demand all war funds to the unemployed.

4. That we shall join with all other forces in the labor for the purpose of consolidating

WANTED: Comrades to share bungalow on Lake Hopatcong. New Jersey. swimming, boating, fishing, hitchhiking easy. Answer F. H., c/o Socialist Appeal, 116 University Pl.

FULL CHARGE BOOKKEEP-ER, 9 years experience, good mail. 7c in bundles of 10 or references desires position. Call AL 4-8547.

TROTSKY GREETS TRESCA ON 40th YEAR AS FIGHTER The fortieth anniversary The fortieth anniversary

Previously Disclosed Evidence Points to Link With Soviet Secret Police

(Continued from Page 1) Harry Zuckerman couple, Mr.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Zuckerman, it is clear that, as intimate friends of the Stalinist defendant Sharfin, they must have been aware of both his political connections, although they deny this, and of the activities of the passport ring. Witness, for example, that Zuckerman was the main link between Sharfin and the forgers, and the Tammany politicians who facilitated the certification of the phoney passports. That ment witness can only mean that, to escape trial, he offered to snitch on his friend of 13 years' standing, Aaron Sharfin.

Next government witness of importance was introduced by the man whose name and birth- tich. Sarkolich testiffed that he the assistance of Blatt, was le- | Phillipovitch.

gally changed by court order Trainer, secretary of the Bos- paper must be set up in adprosecution. They were the fom Adolph Rudewitz to Adolph ton Branch. Arnold Rubens, in which name Adolph Rudewitz and John Sar- a passport was obtained on LAST CALL FOR April 7, 1936. The witness testi- MAY DAY APPEAL: fied that he had never applied From the testimony given by for a passport and had never met Edward Blatt.

Missing Defendants Again: Although there are three defendants on trial, other day. April 22 in which to place defendants are listed, each of their extra bundle-orders, send whom is missing. They may, of in their greetings and collec-Rubens couple, who were not averse to using more than one pseudonym. Among the missing defendants at this trial is one, Gerald Mark Moren.

The prosecution brought out

that the name Gerald Mark Zuckerman has turned govern- Moren was obtained by court order. Blatt had affected the change to Moren from Marko Phillipovitch. To prove that the defendant Blatt was aware that he was arranging for a passport under a phoney name, the Prosecutor Werner. He is prosecution introduced a Gary, Adolph Rudewitz, of Chicago, Indiana, grocer, John Sarkodate were used by "Robinson" knew Marko Phillipovitch but in obtaining a passport. From had last seen him in 1932 in a the introduction of evidence, Gary hospital where he later followed by the examination of died. Sarkotich identified a pic-Rudewitz by Werner, it was ture of the dead man and idenlearned that the Chicago man's tified himself as the person name was taken over by the whose name appears on the so-called Robinson and, with naturalization papers issued to

Columbus Circle Rally and Project Workers Union, attended by 82 delegates repre-

(Special to the Socialist Appeal) New York of the Socialist Workers Party is planning a May Day rally at Columbus Circle for the afternoon of May 1, E. R. McKinney, City register its opposition to war. Organizer, announced today. years, as well as slogans cepted as read and Sister Pear- W.P.A. lay-offs, for increased united front. The Socialist relief and for the six-hour day.

colorful affair with banners own banner. The Party invites and music. A joint committee all workers who want to fight of the Party and Young Peo- against war and fascism, all ple's Socialist League is work- workers repelled by Stalinist ing on the arrangements.

united front May Day in New stration. All unemployed and York this year. "The object of W.P.A. workers who want to party statement points out, "is and for higher standards of reto involve masses of workers lief, and all workers who want in genuine class struggle dem- to carry on a relentless strugworking class slogans."

Stalinists Violate Tradition

The demonstration called by involve masses. But the charbe clearly patriotic, class col- onstration will be announced in Kremlin. laborationist and in favor of the | coming issues of the Socialist | so - called collective - security | Appeal. front of the "democratic" capitalists against the Rome-Bering from the "Provisional May the years, the tradition of struggle against the bosses and their wars, will therefore be clearly violated.

The Socialist Workers Party can best be upheld by a dem-

ANNOUNCEMENTS

turday night, April 22 at 9 P.M. Greek Workers Center -167 W. 29th St FREE BEER! Admission: Men 50c gressive Cafeteria Workers.

comes to New York. Saturday, April 22, 916 Ninth Ave. (59th St.), New York City. French orchestra. Auspices: French Workers Committee.

OUSEWARMING DANCE at our new headquarters, 51 E. 7th St. Saturday, April 22. ning. Auspices: Downtown Branch S.W.P. and the Leon Sedoff Unit of the Y.P.S.L., New York City.

The ABC of Marxism By HAL DRAPER

A simple, clear and com-

prehensive explanation of basic Marxist ideas - for study classes and self-study. 40 pages, mimeographed pamphlet, printed cover. Published by the National Educational Dept., Socialist Workers Party, 116 University Place, New York City. Single copies: 10c, 15c by more.

onstration which will be clearly NEW YORK, April 17-Local anti-capitalist and anti-war in character.

Begins at 2:30

against fascism, against the deceptive caricature of the laborers on nation-wide hous- generally." Workers Party therefore will The demonstration will be a celebrate May Day under its social-patriotism and union There will be no general wrecking to join in the demonwith us on May Day.

The tenants who remain will good," the inventor concluded, be compelled, if the land is suit- "only the introduction of a able, to buy the machine lest planned economy of abundance they be unable to compete. Mr. based on production for use "A united front of small and Rust, who is not merely an in- will solve the problem of techrelatively isolated political par- ventor but also a man fully nological unemployment. Unties and groups," the statement | conscious of the social conse- | der such an economy new in-The slogans will include the continues, "is no substitute for quences of a practical, com- ventions cannot cause unemanti-capitalist slogans charac. such united action as May Day mercial invention, stated that it ployment but can only serve to teristic of May Days of past requires generally. On the con- was the duty of the government lighten the burden of toil and trary it is a meaningless and to absorb displaced tenants and raise the standard of living

for a ten dollar (\$10.00) greet- some of the New York Branching in the May Day issue of es; St. Louis, Minneapolis, Los the APPEAL for the Boston Angeles. California; Detroit, Cleveland, Akron and others.

"Here's hoping for a slam- We repeat: April 22 is the bang May Day Issue!"-Bill deadline for greetings since the

Likewise, the above branches with the exception of Minneapolis, have failed to send in in-On Wednesday, April 26, the creased bundle orders. This special 8-page May Day issue week is your final opportunity. of the Socialist Appeal will be New York City is planning to handle several thousand extra Branches have until Satur-May Day Appeals. What about your branch?

Watch for the May-Day Apcourse, well be the Robinson- tion lists for the May Day issue. peal! The Voice of Militant Many branches have yet to Labor!

Inventor of Cotton Picker Says Planned Economy Only Way Out

By J. PYTLAK

John Rust, co-inventor of the only practical cotton picking machine, told this reporter that his invention would greatly accelerate technological unemployment. The lot of the share cropper, he maintained, already miserable beyond description, would grow steadily

remaining tenants and sooner States. or later almost all wage labor will become superfluous except housing program, cooperative that necessary to operate ma- farm projects and retraining

ing and cooperative farm proj-

Will Train Workers The Rust Foundation, which

is being organized by both Rust brothers, will have as one of its functions the training of the dise-uployed to use the new machine, so that some of them will find new types of employment at higher wages.

Asked what he thought of the Mr. Rust stated that the trac- A.A.A. and the various governtor had already displaced half ment crop reduction programs, a million to a million cotton Mr. Rust replied that he was tenants. His own picker, which absolutely opposed to them. He is about to be introduced, can is in favor of some type of dodo the work of 50 to 100 hand mestic allotment plan whereby pickers. Large-scale introduc- the farmer will receive a bonus tion of the new machine will on each bale of cotton sold for displace 75 to 80 percent of the consumption in the United

"Although a large scale

Yezhov's Victims In Spain Must Cry Out

Innumerable crimes commit- cles of the population in all

ted on the Iberian peninsula by countries. lin axis. Every statement issu-Day Committee" makes this plain. The tradition of the May Day demonstrations throughout

Party leader is usually ready C. L. R. James was willing to victory. The blinders will fall to argue for hours at a time meet Mr. Ford on a public from the eyes of many a blindabout the necessity of building platform where each would ed man. "our" war machine and stopping the aggressors, or how the Trotskyists with their revolutionary slogans are under- Communist Party leader, when say: "Yezhov is guilty of all mining traditional American institutions.

Through the column of Geo. a chance to debate with C. L. Worker. R. James, famous Negro writer from Great Britain.

Proposéd by Wilkins race in the United States to public platform. hear a debate between two agree on what is the best program for the Negroes to ob- Empire." tain their full rights.

ing class solidarity, equal up and defend his convictions, ternational can and must give rights for Negro workers, and The action of Mr. Ford cannot these revelations such a mass uncompromising struggle but help convince them that character. At present, this is form might be.

press his views in democratic at method. Stalin has tried, by fashion. But Mr. Ford, the a timely removal of Yezhov to approached, "curved like an this-not I." But after all this, Ford absolutely refused to de- cunning which begins to look S. Schuyler in the Pittsburg bate James, and blew off more and more like stupidity? Courier, a Negro newspaper, steam over the proposal in a For the crimes in Spain, Stalin we learn that James Ford, one long letter to Crisis in which himself is personally answerof the hot-shots in the Commu- he gave no coherent reason for able to the world working class Ladies Free Auspices: Pro- nist Party and perennial can- refusing the debate, but mere- both for the perfidious policy didate for vice-president of the ly called James by the most of the Comintern and for the United States on the Commu- selective assortment of names murderous policy of the G.P.U. GRAND-BAL-MUSETTE Paris nist Party ticket turned down to be found in the Daily

Ford has always been willing the world there are people who to debate with apologists for have passed in one way or ancapitalism and with mild lib- other through the hands of the The proposal for the debate erals of every hue, but when G.P.U. After the massacre of came from Dr. Roy Wilkins, he had the chance to debate a Spain, the number of such ineditor of the widely known real Negro leader who is 100 dividuals has enormously in-Negro journal, Crisis. Mr. per cent for emancipation of creased. When forced to free Keep this date for a jolly eve- wilkins thought that it would his race, Mr. Ford found it ad- their victims from the clutchbe of real value to the Negro visable not to appear on the ing claws, the agents of the

James has been touring the ber we have far reaching prominent Negroes who dis- United States, speaking on hands." The fear of this threat "The Decline of the British seals many a lip. We must now

orable.

Yezhov, the former head of the international scoundrels in a united front on May Day," a fight against W.P.A. lay-offs the G.P.U., fell into disgrace Stalin's employ must now infor a number of reasons. But evitably come out into the undoubtedly connected with his open. Scores, hundreds, and fall are the Spanish events. The thousands of witnesses, viconstrations, under genuine gle against the boss are urged rout of the armies of the Re- tims, and participants are now to join in the demonstration publican government, which departing and fleeing from was brought about with the di- Spain to all parts of the world. The demonstration will take rect and most active participa- They will carry with them the Stalinists will, to be sure place at Columbus Circle and tion of the G.P.U., represents a everywhere their testimony will begin at 2:30. The speakers very great danger both for the concerning the crimes of the ernment's frenzied preparations acter of the demonstration will and the program for the dem- G.P.U. and its masters in the G.P.U. in Spain. Truth will become accessible to broad cir-

> If the Republicans had been victorious, many would have clear that the infamous muraverage Communist: Mr. Schuyler reports that served to facilitate Franco's

> > have equal opportunity to ex- In pursuance of his tradition-Australian boomerang." Mr. who will believe this cowardly

Almost in every country in G.P.U. usually say: "Remem-Thousands of workers, Negro terrified ones speak up. Our Ford's program, as is well and white have heard his pas- comrades in all countries must known, advocates supporting sionate words against the un-explain to all former victims the Roosevelt capitalist gov- bearable exploitation visited on and semi-victims of the G.P.U. ernment in the coming world the oppressed of the world, that it is their direct duty to war. James' program as em- They know him for an honest tell everything they know. bodied in the carefully written and sincere Negro leader ready Their relatives in the U.S.S.R. books which have given him an to carry his message anywhere will not suffer if the revelations enviable reputation throughout and to debate it against any- assume a mass character. The liberal circles, advocates work- one with the courage to stand organizations of the Fourth Inagainst capitalism and its op- the Communist Party leaders an extremely urgent task in pression no matter what its are playing a role far less hon- the struggle against the international Stalinist Mafia.