

We Can Rely Only On Labor to Fight Coughlin's Gangs

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FINAL INSTALLMENT

The Final Answer to Coughlin

Democratic capitalism is doomed in the United States. It can offer nothing but war, unemployment, misery, death.

In its desperate dying struggles capitalism will attempt anything to survive.

That "anything" is fascism.

The whole fascist movement is built upon the collapse of "democracy" and complete scorn and rejection of democratic institutions, except where they can be utilized to further fascism.

The entire working class, employed and unemployed, youth and aged, and their brothers who toil on the farms, must unite in common struggle to throw out the present government which represents the capitalists and place in power a government that will represent the workers and the farmers.

First step in placing labor's own government in power is to organize labor's OWN POLITICAL PARTY.

Every worker must begin thinking INDEPENDENT LABOR PARTY, talking INDEPENDENT LABOR PARTY, organizing INDEPENDENT LABOR PARTY.

This must be done immediately.

There is not a moment to lose.

ORGANIZE AN INDEPENDENT LABOR PARTY.

The Socialist Order of Plenty

Democratic capitalism is doomed.

Although it loaded them with chains and branded them with irons, even a slave state could feed and clothe its slaves. But democratic capitalism can provide neither jobs nor food for those who toil.

It deserves no other fate but to be crushed by socialist revolution.

Clean away the rubbish of democratic capitalism!
GOOD RIDDANCE!

The productive system is ready to pour out fabulous riches.

Open up the vaults and the granaries!

Open up the bursting warehouses for every working member of society!

Harvest and distribute the crops that ripen in the fields! Open the idle factories and man the machines that will produce undreamed quantities of wealth!

An end to the blind alley of despair in America!

Fight with the Socialist Workers Party for the SOCIALIST ORDER OF PLENTY!

British Labor Skates Raise War Clamor

Diplomats Play at Game of Bluff While Waiting for War Signal—Laborites Call for Revolution—in Germany!

War did not quite break out in Europe this week-end. That is the only way to describe the continuing game of bluff and counter-bluff that is coming perilously close once more to a showdown.

In Danzig the police force was swelled into an army by the addition of thousands of young recruits freshly back from Germany. Fortifications, banned by treaty, were being rushed along the Danzig-Polish frontier.

In Warsaw the Polish colonels waited for a signal from London and Paris to resist the completion of "cold Anschluss" between Danzig and the Reich.

In London and Paris, amid shrieking threats, Chamberlain and Daladier withheld that signal in the vain hope that if they threatened loudly and often enough Hitler would back down.

Ambassadors Cool Heels
In Moscow Stalin kept the British and French ambassadors waiting in his anterooms while he waited to see what would happen in Danzig.

Chamberlain and Daladier and their respective fellow ministers have been "warning" Hitler that they would carry out their pledges to Poland to fight if Poland's "independence" were threatened. But neither one mentioned Danzig or what they would do if Danzig—already 99-44/100 Nazi—proclaimed its adherence to the Reich.

Clamor for War Measures
In England, however, heavy pressure was being brought to bear on the government to force the war issue immediately. Loudest of all in the hysterical clamor for war measures was the Labor Party.

The Labor Party, committing itself to support the masters of the British Empire to the last drop of the workers' blood, called for revolution—in Germany! In a radio appeal which the government gladly

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Socialist Workers Party Convention Calls for Fight Against Boss War

Overflow Meeting Hails Opening of National Convention

Many Turned Away as Hall Is Filled to Capacity—Socialist Workers Party Spokesmen Hit Imperialist War Preparations

BRAZILIAN 4TH INTERNATIONALISTS GREET U. S. ANTI-WAR CONVENTION

The following greeting to the convention of the Socialist Workers Party has been received from the Leninist Workers Party, Brazilian section of the Fourth International:

"To the second annual congress of the Socialist Workers Party, United States section of the Fourth International, the Central Committee of the Leninist Workers Party sends its fraternal greetings, expressing its hope and its certainty that our American brother section will emerge from its convention stronger and better armed for the struggle against the threatening imperialist war.

"The Socialist Workers Party, which is today the standard-bearer of the Fourth International, will become in the anti-war struggle the standard-bearer of the workers of the entire American continent in the struggle against Yankee imperialism, the most powerful of the imperialisms and the greatest oppressor of the colonial and semi-colonial peoples of Latin America. In our sector of the struggle we shall wage, along with you, the revolutionary struggle until victory is won. Long live the Fourth International!"

By RUTH JEFFREY and TONY CHAPMAN

One thousand people crowded into Irving Plaza Hall in New York City last Friday night at the opening session of the Anti-War Convention of the Socialist Workers Party. Many were turned away after the hall had been filled to overflowing.

Leading labor militants from all sections of the country denounced the war plans of the Roosevelt administration, and declared their resolve to oppose the coming war for Wall Street profits.

Sounding the keynote of the Anti-War Convention, which will be in session from July 1 to 4, Max Shachtman, editor of the Socialist Appeal declared, "We are gathered here to mobilize and prepare our forces for the struggle against the impending world war. The Socialist Workers Party is the only party in the United States that is intransigently, militantly, consistently and uncompromisingly opposed to the war. And, in that, it represents the feelings and aspirations of millions of toilers in this country."

Prominent Speakers
Prominent speakers included James P. Cannon, national secretary of the Socialist Workers Party and active in the American revolutionary movement since before the World War; Genora Johnson, leader of the far-famed "Women's Battalion" during the 1937 auto strikes at Flint; Vincent R. Dunne, leading figure in the Minneapolis labor movement and the S.W.P. mayoralty candidate in 1938; Reuben Plaskett, recent S.W.P. candidate in Newark for the New Jersey State Legislature, who, as a recognized leader of the Jersey unemployed, polled the largest vote of the minority parties; Glen Trimble, member of the California State Committee of the S.W.P.; George Clarke, fresh from the scene of the recent auto strikes at Flint; and Nathan Gould, national secretary of the Young Peoples Socialist League.

Expose War Deal
Reporting for the National Committee of the S.W.P., on the present war crisis, Shachtman exposed the rottenness of the Roosevelt administration's war plans. "The Roosevelt War Deal," Shachtman declared, "is striving to replace the forgotten man by another unknown Soldier. The Roosevelt administration is steering

denied relief, and some one hundred of them who refused to go to the camps at \$16 a month are now on the bum or are living in Rochester sleeping under bridges or in box cars.

Branding these camps as wage-slashing institutions and denouncing the forcing of individuals to leave their homes and live in the camps as "Hitlerism," the A.F.L. central body, the C.I.O. Council, the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, and the Socialist Workers Party have been supporting the Street and Sewer Workers in

permitted to go out over the stations of the British Broadcasting corporation, the leaders of organized labor in Britain in effect urged the workers of Germany to overthrow Hitler while they, of course, stood fast under the coat tails of the rulers of Britain.

"Workers of all lands," said the Labor Party appeal, "must insist that disputes be settled by reason"—i.e. by what Britain's rulers regard as reason—as though the British Empire were not as war-guilty as Hitler!

Some time ago the Relief Bureau notified all such veterans that they would have to get a job, go to these work camps, or get off relief. Since that time all of these men have been

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—A special women's committee of the Street and Sewer Workers Unemployed and W.P.A. Union Workers, headed by Mrs. Burt Johns, long a militant fighter for the unemployed, has been leading a campaign for the past several weeks to put a stop to the practice of the Veterans' Relief Bureau of forcing unemployed single veterans into W.P.A. work camps.

Action, Not Talk, Will Stop the Enemy!



Delegates Discuss Anti-War Activity

Branches in 32 Cities Send Worker-Delegates to Convention

NEW YORK, July 3—Striking at capitalist slavery with the might of revolutionary ideas and militant action, more than 100 delegates and alternates convened Saturday morning for the regular sessions of the Second National Convention of the Socialist Workers Party.

Coming from 33 cities in 15 states stretching from the Atlantic to the Pacific coasts, 75 delegates and 34 alternate delegates are now in session working out a program of anti-war activity for American labor. Auto-workers, seamen, truck drivers, needle trades workers, steel workers, unemployed workers—all of them active militants in the trade union and unemployed movement—are contributing their experiences, their ideas, to the solution of the immense problems facing the American worker.

War Main Point
With a realization of the menacing reality of war's approach, with the understanding that only by revolutionary action can wars and the system of exploitation and oppression which breeds war be eliminated, the major portion of the agenda is devoted to war, its blood-brother, fascism, and how to wage the battle against both.

The convention began its regular sessions Saturday morning, after an enthusiastic open session the night before. After the organization of the convention, James Burnham delivered the major political report on the United States Political Perspectives in the Light of the War Crisis and the Corresponding Tasks of the party. Comrade Burnham, reporting on the Political Resolution (printed in a past issue of the Socialist Appeal) for the National Committee, penetratingly analyzed the role of United States imperialism, its concentration abroad all else on the preparation for war, and the necessity of moulding the party's activities around the war problem.

Great Task
Along with all the parties in possessing a consistent, revolutionary program against war, the duty of our party is indeed great—to make the workers conscious of the war problem, to initiate struggles against war, to help crystallize the anti-war sentiment, to link the anti-war activity with the fight for jobs, to be ready with a proper program, a proper slogan, a proper answer for every turn of events.

Several amendments to the resolution were introduced by the National Committee; one, elaborating on the social convulsions that will ensue from the coming war; another, elaborating on the possibility of a postponement of hostilities, the severe economic crisis it would entail, the pre-revolutionary situation it would create. In addition, a supplement to the resolution was introduced setting forth the campaign nature of the party's activities under

Roosevelt Signs Bill Wrecking the W.P.A.

Stalinists and Labor Lickspittles of Administration Head Off Militant Action of Jobless by Concealing Roosevelt Role

By RAY ROBBINS

The Roosevelt-Woodrum Starvation Bill was passed late Friday night, and its original author, President Roosevelt immediately signed his name to the W.P.A.-wrecking appropriation.

But that doesn't phase Roosevelt or his lickspittle allies, the trade union bureaucrats and the Stalinist leaders of the Workers Alliance. Roosevelt, in brazen defiance of his own

at his pink slip twice before believing such obvious hokum. The Stalinist method of fighting the relief-smashing program of Roosevelt is exposed now for what it really is: a run-around for the workers. The Republicans are the only relief-cutters, say the Stalinists—hence the Workers Alliance spends all its time picketing the Republican Clubs. Congress is the main battlefield—not the streets in front of W.P.A. Administration office.

Run-Around for Workers
Roosevelt is a polished past-master of the baloney school of politics. Give him the smallest out, like the restrictive provisions attached to his relief-smashing appropriation by a Congressional majority, and he can make a heart-wringing humanitarian spiel. The W.P.A. worker who faces the streets and utter destitution will look

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A Fraternal Hand From the British 4th International

Dear comrades:
Revolutionary greetings and best wishes for the success of your National Convention.

We in England look upon you as an example that we have to follow and the harder you set the pace the harder will we attempt to "overtake and surpass".

Yours fraternally,
C. P. STANTON,
Secretary, E.S.L.
British Section,
4th International

Sidelights On the Convention

From dozens of American cities, in railroad cars (and between them), in hired jalopies, and thumbing their way along the highways, came more than 100 out-of-town delegates, many travelling thousands of miles to represent their distant branches at the Socialist Workers Party National Anti-War Convention.

Dick F., Seattle delegate, got to the convention by hanging on to the blinds of passenger trains. "Hopping freights is all right for others," Fraser said. "But give me the blinds for deluxe transportation." Dick had a narrow escape in the reactionary Bible Belt of the Deep South. He was picked up by the Law in a city just east of the Mississippi, and almost got thrown into the local calaboose for 14 days. How he managed to escape the ministrations of Southern Justice is a story that he refuses to tell in detail. "I

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S. P. Jobless Organization Raises Political Barrier

Violates Principles of Movement by Excluding Members for Political Beliefs

The Socialist Party formed a new unemployed organization in Washington June 24-25 and on the initiative of Arthur McDowell, national labor secretary of the S.P., put a clause in its constitution making political belief and opinion a basis of membership in the organization.

The constitution of this new unemployed organization provides that no worker can be a member who advocates dictatorship either from the right or the left and no local unemployed group can affiliate to the national organization which admits to membership work-

ers who advocate "dictatorship."

Militant and class conscious delegates present pointed out that this was something new and reactionary in unemployed organizations and only to be found today in the practices of the reactionary Stalinist controlled Workers Alliance. These delegates also reported that such a provision was a violation not only of the spirit and principles of the unemployed movement but also of the constitutions of groups that were represented at the conference.