

FASCISTS MARCH ON UNION SQ.

Stop Fascism In America!

Will Father Coughlin Become
Dictator of the United States?

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Mussolini Promises Everything to Everybody

First Benito Mussolini added the title *Il Duce* to his name. This was to give whatever he said an air of positive authority. He bolstered this authority when he orated with a glower that wrinkled his forehead. He tossed back his head, shot out his jaw pugnaciously, and raised his arm in a powerful salute.

These actions impressed the hounded and desperate people outside the labor movement who hungered for someone with enough boldness and audacity to lead them from their scarcity to the plenty which Italian industry could produce.

Then *Il Duce* began promising. He assured the stockholding capitalists that no matter what happened they could depend on him to *preserve private property*; that is, to see to it that the nation's industries continued to run exclusively for their private benefit.

In Italy, where large sections of the workers understood very clearly that the fundamental cause for the depression and their misery was *private property*, it was necessary to do this not too loudly.

Having reached a thorough understanding with the big stockholders, including some heavy greasing of his treasury with cash subsidies, Mussolini whipped up his *public* campaign.

To the workers he promised a slashing attack against the capitalists.

"We are taking action not against the working class, but for it. We have so little concern for the bourgeoisie that we have put at the head of our program a demand for expropriation of large private fortunes, for confiscation of war-time super-profits, for heavy taxation of capital. We will accept no kind of dictatorship." (Popolo d'Italia, July 23, 1919. Quoted in *The Plough and The Sword*, p. 34.)

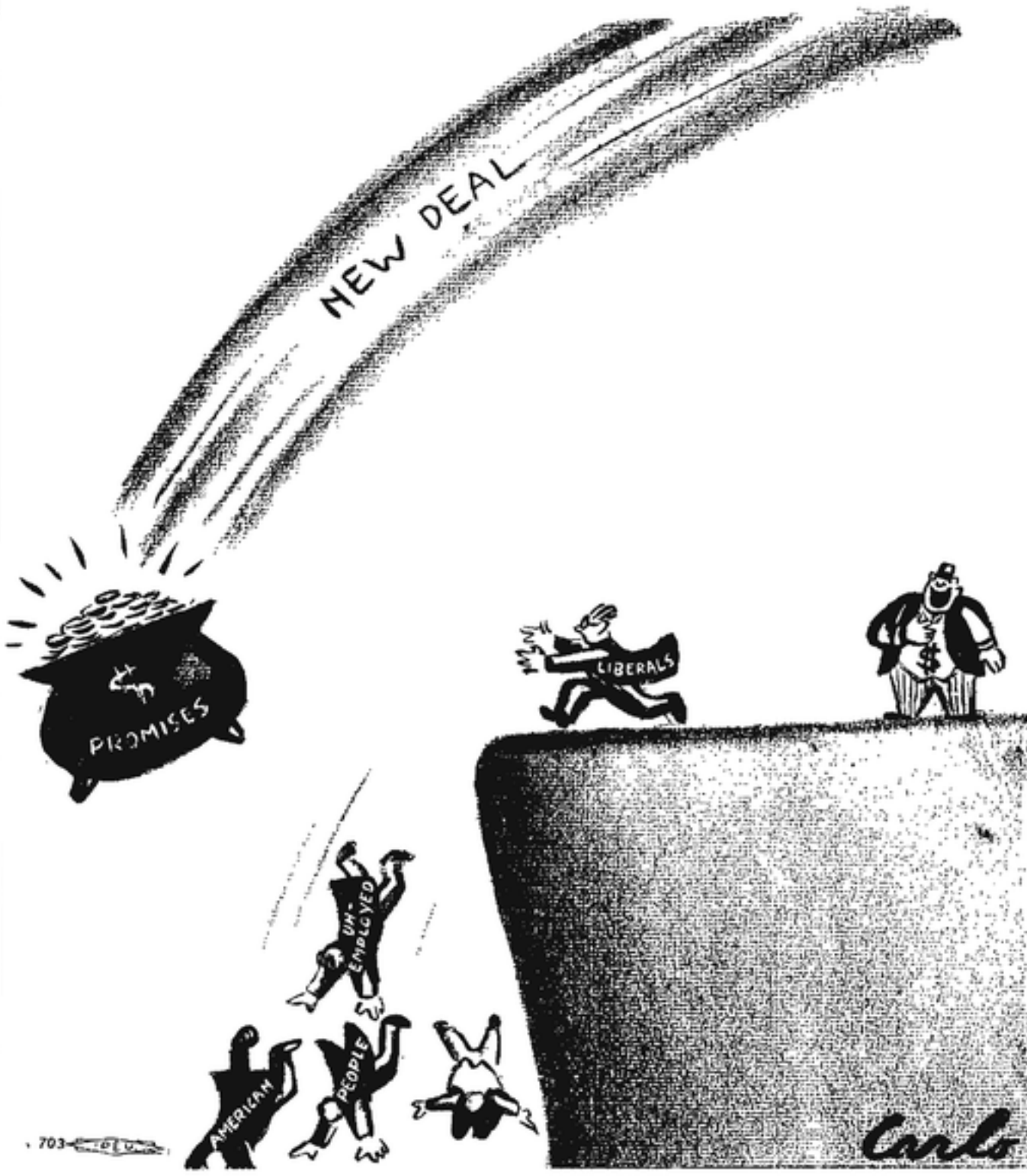
Il Duce in his public speeches even supported some of the strikes of the workers.

The Black Shirts, of course, continued "taking action not against the working class but for it" with knife-blows in the backs of the workers.

To the terribly oppressed agricultural workers who slav-

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The End of the Rainbow



AUTO WORKERS WIN UNION RECOGNITION

Flying Squadrons
Become Permanent
Union Institution

(Special to the Socialist Appeal)
FLINT, Mich., Aug. 7.—The Tool and Die strike conducted by the UAW-CIO has ended in a victory for the union, and as men went back to work today, the CIO was assured recognition and bargaining rights in 42 of the 53 General Motors plants.

In Flint the strike met with no violence, although Martin's goons made several attempts to mobilize sufficient numbers to start a battle. Their attempts to provoke CIO members into fist fights in front of the union headquarters across the street from the huge Fisher body plant met with failure also.

The fact that "Papa" Knudsen, General Motors president, was forced to recognize the CIO, after calling CIO members "scum and rabble," was a source of joy to every union man in Flint.

Permanent Defense Guards
The most notable development of the strike was the effective organization of "Flying Squadrons," patterned in many ways after the "Union Defense Guards" of the Minneapolis unions. The Flying Squadrons were made up of squads of six, each squad equipped with a car, the squads working in shifts to guard the union hall, patrol the struck Fisher Body No. 1 Plant, largest body plant in the world, and keep an eye on union leaders.

These Squadrons are now a permanent institution of the Flint UAW. They are made up of the tested militants of '37 and the best union fighters. There is still considerable looseness in the organization of the Flying Squadrons, and their tasks are not clearly enough defined, but their institution as

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Favors for Coughlinites, Stiff Fines for Anti-Coughlinites

NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—Mayor LaGuardia's whitewash of the Coughlin sympathizers in the police force has given an inspirational cue to certain judges in the Magistrates court. Magistrate Farrel imposed the unusually heavy fine of \$25 or 5 days in the workhouse on Peter Torr, who had been arrested while selling "Coughlin—Fascist Demagogue." The charges were "disorderly conduct," "causing a crowd to collect," etc. Testimony brought forth the fact that the arresting officer Schmauder had actually arrested Torr on "general principles" and had concocted the charges in the station house.

Cop Favors Coughlinites
Torr countered Schmauder's charges by claiming they were absolutely false. Schmauder's sympathies were made clear when it was revealed that he had forced the Anti-Coughlin salesman from the corner and replaced him with a seller of "Social Justice." On the way to the station house Schmauder defamed the Jewish race and said that "every one of these blank blank Jews ought to be wiped out."

Judge Farrel struck out all testimony tending to show that Schmauder had pro-Coughlin leanings. His sole question was a stodge "Did you say that about the Jews?" addressed to Schmauder. Schmauder, of course, denied it. That was enough for reactionary Judge Farrel.

Anti-Labor Practices Laid At Door of Armour Meat Co.

Packinghouse Workers Union Accuses
Company of Violating Wagner Act

(Special to the Socialist Appeal)
CHICAGO, Aug. 7.—Charges against Armour and Company for vicious anti-labor acts were filed today with the N.L.R.B. by the Packinghouse Workers Organizing Committee.

The PWOC, a CIO affiliate, charged Armour and Company with violating the Wagner Act in the course of a labor board election in Armour's Oklahoma City plant.

The CIO union claims that Armour's "vicious and illegal actions have demonstrated that an honest election in any Armour plant is impossible."

The loss of the Oklahoma City election by the narrow margin of 333 to 308 on a "yes or no" ballot was attributed by union officials to anti-union circulars signed by Armour and Company and urging employees to vote against the union, and to visits made by company

foremen to workers in their homes.

Charges against the company were filed together with a demand that a scheduled poll of Armour workers in Ft. Worth, Texas, be called off due to the company's illegal actions. Similar charges had been filed in Chicago following the distribution of an anti-union circular on the day previous to the election won by the PWOC in the Chicago 31st Street by-products plant August 3.

CIO UNION WINS ARMOUR ELECTIONS

(Special to the Socialist Appeal)
CHICAGO, August 4.—CIO packinghouse workers yesterday scored a signal victory in a National Labor Relations Board election at Armour's 31st Street auxiliary plant here. On a "yes or no" ballot the Pack-

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Workers! Rally Aug. 19 Against Fascist Invasion of Labor Center!

An Appeal to the Communist Party For United Front Action

The following letter was sent by Local New York of the Socialist Workers Party on August 11 to the New York District of the Communist Party when it was learned that the Coughlin fascists were planning a march on Union Square:

New York District Committee, Communist Party, U.S.A.

50 East 13 Street, New York, N. Y.

Dear Comrades:

Father Coughlin, America's Number One fascist, is mobilizing his storm troop "Christian Front" for a parade at 6 P.M. Saturday, August 19 from Columbus Circle to Union Square.

This challenge in the teeth of the labor movement is the first action on the road of terror and violence announced by Father Coughlin two weeks ago in his speech, "The Call to Action."

In that speech over a nation-wide radio hook-up, Father Coughlin declared civil war on the labor movement. He attacked the "Bolshevik" leaders of the American trade union movement. He attacked the "non-religious Jews." He declared that he was taking the way of "force." That he intended to fight the forces of labor "cheek to jowl" and "shoulder to shoulder." "We will fight you in Franco's way!"

On August 19 Father Coughlin will take the next step in his campaign to bring *Franco's way* of violence, terror, and murder to the United States.

It is time to unite against Father Coughlin!

Father Coughlin has created a tremendous wave of hatred against the Jews in America. Father Coughlin is preparing a lynch campaign against the Negroes.

Father Coughlin is preparing to wipe out the labor movement in the United States, both the CIO and the AFL, in the same way that Mussolini wiped out the labor movement in Italy, in the same way that Hitler wiped out the labor movement in Germany, in the same way that Franco wiped out the labor movement in Spain.

It is time to unite against Father Coughlin!

Father Coughlin began by spreading anti-Semitic and anti-labor propaganda in the United States. His followers have hawked this vile propaganda in ever-widening circles.

Fascism began the same way in Italy and Germany.

Father Coughlin next launched a few minor forays against the labor movement. His followers stabbed an anti-fascist school teacher, Samuel Appelbaum. They broke into the headquarters of the Debs School. They attempted to break up American Labor Party meetings.

Fascism began the same way in Italy and Germany.

Father Coughlin has now launched the next stage of his drive to establish a fascist regime of murder in the United States.

His storm troop "Christian Front" is marching from Columbus Circle to Union Square next Saturday to demonstrate to the whole world of Big Business that Coughlin can slap labor in the face unchallenged, that he is the American Hitler.

It is time to unite against Father Coughlin!

We cannot depend on Mayor LaGuardia to protect the labor movement from Coughlin's storm troop "Christian Front."

LaGuardia's cops are themselves sympathetic to Coughlin. They arrest salesmen of anti-Coughlin literature. They assist Coughlin salesmen.

Now LaGuardia is giving Father Coughlin's storm troop "Christian Front" a permit to march through the very heart of New York and to strike a violent blow for fascism in the very citadel of the most advanced sections of the American labor movement: *Union Square!*

It is time to unite against Father Coughlin!

Brother workers of the Communist Party!

We call on you to unite your strength with ours in defending Union Square from Father Coughlin's storm troop "Christian Front!"

Workers of the Communist Party, join with us in a United Front of defense next Saturday evening against the marching columns of Father Coughlin's storm troop "Christian Front!"

United we can deliver a blow that will send fascism in America covering in retreat!

The future of the labor movement in America is at stake. Our very lives and the lives of our families are at stake. If Coughlin is allowed to continue unchallenged then it means that the labor movement in the United States will go down in blood before his fascist storm troops!

STOP FASCISM IN AMERICA!

United Ranks next Saturday!

Rally in Union Square at 4:30 P.M.!

Answer "Franco's way" of the machine gun and bomb with labor's way — **UNITED RANKS AGAINST THE COMMON ENEMY.**

Brother workers of the Communist Party! Let's have a **UNITED FRONT AGAINST THE FASCIST FATHER COUGHLIN!**

S.W.P. Issues United
Front Call—200,000
Circulars Printed

Under the guise of an "anti-Communist parade", the Coughlin fascist organizations of New York on August 9 called for a fascist mobilization in Columbus Circle and a march from there on Union Square on Saturday, August 19.

Shouting "Buy Christian", Coughlin agents distributed leaflets announcing the march throughout the city during the following days.

In choosing as their objective Union Square, traditional meeting-place of labor organizations and gateway to the Jewish East Side, the fascists made a brazen thrust for domination of New York.

United Front Appeal
Immediately upon learning of the fascist plans, Local New York of the Socialist Workers Party issued an appeal to various labor and fraternal organizations to unite labor's forces in a counter-demonstration against the fascists.

Simultaneously the Socialist Workers Party issued 200,000 circulars for distribution among New York's workers, calling them to rally at Union Square on Saturday, August 19, at 4:30 p.m. to protest against the fascist provocation.

Text of Circular
"After weeks of anti-Semitic propaganda, 'Buy Christian' campaigns and anti-labor attacks, these Fascist mobsters on August 19 will try to carry out their threat to invade Union Square, the heart of New York's working class district," said the SWP circular.

"This Fascist parade is no manifestation of Christianity. It is a mobilization of strike-breakers, thugs, Jew-haters and union busters.

"Let the Fascists see the anger and the might of the working class! Come out and protest!"

Recall Feb. 20 Victory
"When the Fascists met in Madison Square Garden on February 20, the anti-Fascists of New York threw a mass picket line of 50,000 around the area.

"On February 20 the Fascists got more than they bargained for. They will not, they must not, go unanswered on August 19!"

"Don't wait for the concentration camps—act now!
"Protect your unions! Protect your liberty!
"All out to Union Square!"

ANTI-FASCISTS MEET COUGHLIN CHALLENGE

Cops Rush to Scene
To Protect Fascists
From Workers Ire

Two riot trucks packed full of uniformed cops with riot sticks came to the aid of a Coughlin Christian Front meeting Wednesday night, at Fordham Road and Valentine Ave. in the Bronx, when nearly a thousand anti-fascists converged on the meeting.

The previous Wednesday night the Coughlinite speakers at the same spot had dared the "Jews and radicals" to hold a counter-demonstration. The young workers of the neighborhood, Jew and Gentile alike, accepted the challenge. Neighborhood clubs and groups, informed of the Christian Front threats against the unions and

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