# A Vote for Shachtman and Paine Is a Vote Against War!

LET THE PEOPLE **VOTE ON WAR** 

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# G-MEN FRAME UP TEAMSTERS UNION LEADERS

#### Workers of Manhattan and Bronx, Your First-Choice Vote Must Go To Labor's Anti-War Candidates!

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he war in general and to this

With last minute preparations completed for a whirlwind finish to the New York Councilmanic campaign, Max Shachtman and George L. Paine, candidates for the Bronx and OF KUOMINTANG of the elections, declared, "We are confident that many workers of both boroughs will underscore the anti-war program SEEN AT END of the Socialist Workers Party by casting their first choice votes this Tuesday for the only candidates who have publicly demonstrated their irreconcilable opposition to the second

Behind the Lines

By GEORGE STERN.

Japan is making desperate ef. Japanese generals had forced

forts to relieve the frustration it postponement because they saw

world war and the efforts of in the Bronx and Manhattan the Roosevelt administration have shown their interest in the to fling the American workers campaign, conducted at tremen dous odds. It gives them the op-

Assured that their vote will portunity of casting a protest vote against the war and against equal in size the enthusiasm its instigators and its apologists. shown at election rallies for Let the workers of both borthe anti-war program of the oughs rally to the candidates of the Socialist Workers Party in a Socialist Workers Party, can-manner that will make the instididates Shachtman and Paine gators of war seriously contemstated, "Thousands of workers

tied up closely with the course of

before the present European war other.

isfied the Japanese who regarded point of Japanese policy!

calculations into Hirohito's cock- country in particular than any-

ed hat. The government respons- thing that happens in the Bal-

naturally because it seemed to

Britain as the main obstacle to

their expansion in China proper.

momentarily to knock all these

moved and its ambassadors re-

called. Japan retracted visibly

from all its previously-estab ish-

the field clear for a fresh orienta-

tion. It signed the truce with

Russia. It eased off the anti-Brit-

ish campaign and the Tientsin

blockade. It appointed a foreign

minister who was boomed as the

great and good friend of the Un-

For a time it began to look as

though the Hitler - Stalin pact

might have as one of its results

the temporary patching up of

Anglo-Japanese and even of An-

American pressure worked on

all cylinders to bring this about.

the 1911 trade treaty and sent his

ambassador back to Tokyo there

units of the US fleet and air

Harbor, Hawaii.

ited States.

thle for the axis policy was re- kans.

C.P. SUPPORT

inist Indicates New Line in Statement

The Chinese Communist Party, reacting swiftly to the coordinated change of Comintern and Soviet foreign policy, is preparing to withdraw its support from Chiang-Kai-Shek and the Kuo-

In an interview with Edgar marked "delayed by the censor, able as yet to decide where its Britain and the United States on had ever submitted to the Kuomaximum advantage lies as an the China issue. But a few days mintang.

conquest of China. But the grind- stretching this time from Tokyo answered: "Such action is quite ing pressure of Russia to the east through Moscow to Berlin and within the possibility of Leninof it and the US to the west of it possibly still to Rome. They ism." is making itself increasingly felt know such a bloc is the ugly specter that haunts London and Soviet policy in Europe as a "log-Whether the Japanese militar- Washington like a milignant de- ical part of world liberation, and

ment of their adventure in China, es to Japan last Tuesday did not "Soviet help to China," he said, as we have long foreseen, will be exactly help exorcise the ghost. "depends on the continuance of the war against Japan, and clos-The Japanese army mouthpiece the general war, the development in Tokyo, the Kokumin Shimbun, er association with the USSR. China cannot be unified until the of the war alignments, and the fi- came out bluntly with the statenal choice of the main battle- ment that Japan was subject to Kuomintang dictatorship is abolished and replaced by democracy Russian and American pressure Japan was tied up in the anti- and had to come to terms with in which the communists are rep-Comintern group with Germany one in order to deal with the

And the army organ-no less of the Herald, but not yet officialpromise the prospect of forcing violent in its day against Russia ly confirmed, declares that the Russia into a war on two fronts. than Hitler's papers—pronounced Soviet Union has presented de-Simultaneously the anti-British in favor of making a rapprochemands to Chiang Kai-Shek, which basis of the Hitler drive fully sat- ment with Russia a cardinal into Stankiang and Inner Mongoia, and the sovietization of North-The tug-of-war that shall now The Hitler-Stalin pact seemed ensue is of far greater import to west China.

> Join the Socialist Workers Party

Leading Chinese Stal-By E. SAXE

Snow, author of "Red Star Over China," published in the London Daily Herald of Oct. 21, and Mao Tse-Tung, leading Chinese Stalinist, recently returned from a visit to Moscow for purposes of Like Italy Japan stands today they announced the opening of "information," denied fiatly that between the warring camps, un- concurrent negotiations with the Chinese Communist Party

ally and its minimum disadvan- before these talks were to begin Mao claimed that the CPC prothere was another sudden shift. gram was completely independent Realizing full well that it will The intent to negotiate was de- of the Kuomintang's, and aimed be compelled to make a decision, nied. It became plain that the ultimately at "social revolution." would enter Inner Mongolia and; suffers in its unconsummated the renewed possibility of an axis, Manchukuo, the Stallnist chief

Mao declared that he supported ists like it or not, the develop-

> resented." A Reuters dispatch from Tokyo, published in the same issue nclude the entry of Soviet troops

#### "The Enemy Is At Home!"



### Growing Protest Movement t the Kuomintang's, and aimed iltimately at "social revolution." Asked whether Soviet troops Challenges Watson Arrest would enter Inner Mongolia and

ONE DACHCHUND **EQUALS ONE** HUNGRY WORKER

According to the latest news from Nazi Germany, all dachshunds over sixteen inces high must have ration carde entitling them to meat scraps from food shops.

As reported in the Socialist Appeal last week, hungry men and women in the democratic American city of Gary, Ind., must be equipped with licenses before they can hunt through garbage cans for scraps of

The moral is interesting. In the United States a needy person rates as high as a German dachsund. But in the Germany of the hated Hitler, a dachshund rates as high as a freedom-loving American.

Canadian Defense Committee Calls Creation Of American Watson Defense Fund a True Act of International Labor Solidarity

(Special to the Socialist Appeal) TORONTO, Nov. 2-The Canadian Frank Watson Defense Committee greets the American Watson Defense Fund!

The formation of the Watson Defense Fund in the United States is a striking testimony to the international solidarity of the work ing class movement!

publicly denounced the imperialpation in it, on the streets of the war." Ceronto, represents the first abridgement of civil rights on the American continent as a re-

sult of the outbreak of the new

by the Canadian government has tion in order to justify the vicious with the comment that coastwise demonstrated to the hilt his sentence imposed on Watson. statement at the now celebrated street-corner meeting that "De-

The arrest and conviction of Frank Watson, young English-

ialist war and Canadian partici- mocracy is the first casualty of Lying Testimony

That the imperialist rulers of Canada could not abide this shipping, the companies have adbrave opponent of thier war is amant'y refused to make any demonstrated by the lying testi-The imprisonment of Watson mony introduced by the prosecu- tions. They alibi their refusal

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#### F.B.I. Agents Engineer Anti-Union Cases In Preparation for War

Five Union Leaders Face Unusually Severe Sentence and Fine for Allegedly Damaging Bakery Truck During 1938 Strike

Eight union officials, representing the teamsters union locals in Sioux City, Des Moines and Omaha, were placed on trial this week in Sioux City, in the latest of a series of prosecutions engineered by the G-men-U.S. Attorney General Murphy's Federal Bureau of Investigation-on orders direct from Washington.

Meanwhile the third trial of WPA strikers was proceeding; in Minneapolis, where over 150 workers who participated in the nationwide WPA strike have been indicted on evidence cooked up by the FBI. Eight were found guilty and four acquitted in the first two trials.

Other trials instigated by the FBI against unions are shortly to take place in Washington, D. C., Cleveland, and other cities.

## Could HALT COASTAL SHIPPING

**Bosses Refuse Demands** Of Men Despite Boom In the Industry

NEW YORK, Nov. 3-Coastwise shipping came to a standstill today when 8,500 longshoremen hit the picket line in a strike called by the International ongshoremen's Association in the Port of New York.

More than 70 ships are affectd by the ILA strike to compel new contract from nine steamthip companies. The strike was countered demands of the long- the same sort of anti-labor pothere union for a wage increase litical police which is the instru-Canadian worker apprehended by the Dominion police for having of 10 cents an hour and a reduc- ment of the feroclous dictatortion of the work week to 40 ships in Europe and Asia." Evhours by a proposal merely to ery worker who reads his detailextend the old contract now ex- ed statement will agree with him. pired for an additional 90 days.

Despite a sharp increase in concessions in working condifreight rates have not gone up The witnesses, a soldier and as have ocean going rates.

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Thomas V. Smith, secre-REMEN, tary - treasurer of General Drivers Local 554 of Omaha which bore the brunt of the bosses' blows in the successful struggle of the teamsters movement which finally culminated in a contract covering 350,000 drivers and helpers in the North Central Area, comprising over a dozen states, has issued to the labor press a detailed account of the latest FBI frameup.

It is clear from his account and the proceedings in the Minneapolis trials, that the FBI is systematically persecuting the labor movement as part of the Roosevelt government's preparations for dragging America into the war. Roosevelt wants first to crush the labor movement, especially its most successful and progressive sections.

Brother Smith concludes that the FBI is pursuing "a road" which is surely leading to the called after the operators had development on American soil of We publish it in full below:

#### By THOMAS V. SMITH (Secretary-Treasurer, Local 544, Omaha)

FBI agents, operating according to a prearranged plan, at 4 a.m. Saturday morning, Sept. 23, descended upon the homes of sleeping union officials in the widely-separated towns of Sioux City, Des Moines and Omaha, arrested six union officers and took them to jail. Later, two more unon officials were arrested. They were held on five separate indictments for \$40,000 cash bail.

Behind the arrests is a story woman in America.

This story begins back in July, 1938, fifteen months ago. At that time the bakery drivers in Sioux City, organized in the General were conducting a strike against the local bakeries for higher wages and better conditions. Durtruck had been damaged near the Iowa-Minnesota state line.

The union questioned the claim of the employers that a truck had been damaged, emphatically denied that the union had anything to do with the incident, and charged that if a truck had been damaged, in all likelihood it had been done with the knowledge and consent of the employers as a means of influencing public opinion against the striking bakery drivers.

The strike was eventually won This Sloux Cfty bakery drivers', (Continued on Page 3)

### from all its previously-estab ished policies with respect to the different powers in order to leave CAN WORKERS ACCEPT MOLOTOFF'S EXPLANATION?

By FELIX MORROW

The Soviet press, echoed by the Stalinist press throughout the world, is complaining bitterly that the Anglo-French-American capitalists and press are attempting to "poison relations" between the Soviet Union and Finland and the other Baltic countries. A Moscow external policy over many years as a policy serving the interests adio broadcast of Nov. 3 went further: it accused "certain powers" of the Stalinist bureaucracy and not the interests of the Soviet -obviously the "democratic" bloc"-of egging Finland into a war masses and the world working class. against the Soviet Union.

It is certainly true that the American press is being inspired by the Roosevelt government to beat the drums for war against the USSR. In the City of Flint incident, in the comment on Molotoff's, glo-American differences in the speech, the retort of the White House, etc., it is clear that Washinginterest of a new anti - Soviet ton is deliberately inciting a hostile attitude toward the Soviet Union, and Washington is, of course, acting in concert with the

The "democratic" incitement against the Soviet Union is a fact Roosevelt had already abrogated and a fact which should cause us to treat with the greatest skepticism all comment in the American press on the relations of the they are acting in the interests of the world toilers! Soviet Union with Fin'and. But th's fact does not exhaust the China. Simultaneously, fighting ing foreign affairs before the "Supreme Soviet."

The Stalinist regime today asserts it claim to the support of tions in the Pacific. Great bomb-the ground that it defends the interests of the toilers of the world. Stalinist moves in the Baltic. ers were sent in formation to the The Soviet press suddenly reminds us that the demands on Finland

divisions were posted at Pearl the Socialist revolution." By last week the Japanese had Socialist revolution. But is that the motivation of Stalinist foreign of land cessions, disarming the SovietFinnish frontier on the Karebeen so deeply impressed that policy?

What Is the Record of Stalin's Policy?

Stalinist foreign policy is, like all foreign policy, a continuation of its internal politics. We have characterized both its internal and

When the Stalinists say they are defending the cradle of the Socialist revolution, the blood of those who made the revolution and were murdered by Stalin cries out in protest. When the Stalinists say they are defending the interests of the world toilers, millions of martyrs give them the lie: the revolutionists they murdered in Molotoff's Promises - Second Chapter Spain, the French working class which they shackled to its "own' bourgeoisie in the Peoples Front, the Chinese masses whom they Stalinists promised support of Poland against Hitler and called upon emloyers claimed that a bakery delivered-twice!-to Chiang-Kai-Shek, the American workers the workers to do likewise; whom they taught to swear by Roosevelt, etc., etc. The entire record of the Stalinist bureaucracy confounds their belated claim that

The Stalinist bureaucracy comes before the court of proletarian to deliver a resounding blast ag- question. We have at hand, not only "democratic" comment, but public opinion with unclean hands. Never mind what the democratic ainst Japanese military actions in also Soviet statements, notably Molotoff's speech of Oct. 31, reviewworkers throughout the world, who are irreconcilably hostile to their "own" bourgeoisie, do not accept the Stalinist version of the annexaforce began taking up battle sta- the masses of the world in all questions, including the Finnish, on tion of Western Poland, and view with the greatest suspicion the

Molotoff's speech motivated the demands on Finland on the Philippines. The major fighting are motivated by the need for defending "Leningrad, the cradle of need for increasing the security of Leningrad. He denied any claims against Sweden and Norway, emphasized how modest the claims Today as always, we are prepared to defend the cradle of the against Finland are, that compensation is provided for-in the way lian isthmus, improved economic relations, etc.—and an assurance

that Finland's independence will in no way be impaired. Can the Finnish workers or the revolutionary workers of the world, accept Molotoff's version of the Finnish situation at its face concern to every union man and

They cannot. The Kremlin has forfeited the right to the trust of the workers. We need not recapitulate its reactionary course of the last fifteen years to demonstrate that. We have only to refer to the most recent event-the invasion of Western Poland.

What did the Kremlin ask the workers to do in connection with Drivers Union, Local 383, AFL,

On Aug. 23, the day the Stalin-Hitler pact was signed, the

"The people of Poland, whose national independence is in imminent danger from the threats of fascist aggression and Chamberlain's appeasement schemes, now as before realize the firm position of the Soviet Union in uncompromising support for their freedom and independence. And as they gather their strength to resist the fascist threats and to defend their national independence, this support will be continued and further

"It is also clear that by entering into these negotiations for the conclusion of a pact of non-aggression with Germany, the Soviet Union is seriously weakening Hitler's hold upon the Ger-

", , , The Polish people will be further encouraged to resist both the threats of fascist aggression and the underhanded conspiracies of the Municheers." (Daly Worker, Aug. 23, 1939.)

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