

Unity of Western Hemisphere Attacked by Wall Street — Browder

Says U. S. Oil Trusts Fight on President's Good Neighbor Policy Gives Aid to Fascism

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 5.—The unity of the American continent against the threat of fascist penetration is being menaced by the Wall Street monopolist allies of the Rome-Berlin-Tokio alliance, Earl Browder, general secretary of the Communist Party, U.S.A., warned in a speech before the Seventh Communist Party Congress of Mexico, meeting here.

The speech last Friday, full text of which has just been released, exposed the Standard Oil-Wall Street combination working to defeat President Roosevelt's "Good Neighbor" policy in Latin-America.

Browder declared that President Roosevelt was striving to establish harmony and equality among the American nations on a common goal for peace, but that the reactionary oil interests in the United States by their own powerful "embargo" on Mexican oil are aiding the fascist war-makers.

Browder called upon the Mexican and American peoples to unite and "wipe out the contradictions between two policies operating from our country."

The full text of his speech which was one of the highlights of the most successful and far-reaching Communist Congress ever held in Mexico, is given below in full:

It is not my task to express opinions on the many difficult problems faced by the Mexican people, problems which this Congress will help to solve through firmer unity of the working class and the whole people. But some of your problems are international, can only be solved by the cooperation between nations and peoples. Of some problems of this nature I must speak. And when I report to you some of the difficulties we face in the United States, it is possible that you may find some striking similarities to your own, in spite of the disparities existing between our two countries.

Only four months ago Hitler and Mussolini met in Munich to receive the surrender of Chamberlain and Daladier. Some people thought that it was only Czechoslovakia that was sacrificed in Munich. Then it was revealed to them that Spain also was a victim. And now it is clear to the whole world that what was surrendered in Munich was the last remnant of an ordered world, of stable international relations. The revision of the world by military force was placed upon the order of the day by Munich, with the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo war - alliance on the offensive, while the rest of the world is disunited.

There are four centers of active resistance to the program of world-conquest of the Rome - Berlin - Tokyo alliance. They are Spain,



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China, the Americas, and the Soviet Union. Let us consider them, singly and as a whole for a moment.

The Spanish Republic was attacked by its own army, by Moorish hordes brought from Africa, and by the combined military power of Hitler and Mussolini. It was abandoned by almost all governments from which it had the right to expect aid, and instead of aid from them was placed under an embargo. Among the great powers, only the Soviet Union remained true to its international obligations. The Spanish Republic nevertheless, despite the overwhelming odds against it, has demonstrated such glorious heroism, such marvellous capacities of the people to defend themselves, as to become the despair of the fascist dictators and the hope and inspiration of all freedom-loving peoples throughout the world. Even the loss of Barcelona, evil fruit of the Munich betrayal, and a heavy blow against freedom everywhere, by no means seals the victory of fascist conquest of Spain. Military experts agree that central Spain can effectively continue its war of liberation for another two and a half years even under the present relation of forces. And who can doubt that the heroic Spanish people will continue to fight to the last!

And who can question that the Spanish Republic, if it had been given merely the right to buy

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WEATHER
Fair early today, followed by increasing cloudiness and rain.

Loyalists Bolster Central Front

Gov't Rallies Populace, Makes Shifts for Catalan Struggle

PARIS, Feb. 5.—Strengthening of the central front by reinforcing government and army leadership in Madrid and Valencia was the answer of Loyalist Spain to Franco's claim to the conquest of Catalonia, reports from the Spanish border here stated.

With Italian fascist troops heading a Franco drive closer to the French frontier to the north of Catalonia, Premier Negrin and Foreign Minister Alvarez del Vayo were reported to have left for sections of Spain where they could function best.

In Madrid and Valencia the people were rallied to exert the maximum efforts so that the central front would be turned into a base for the strongest Loyalist resistance.

Demand closest unity Loyalist government leaders emphasized that the "motherland's needs" demand the closest unity and the greatest sacrifices.

War materials, planes and troops in North Catalonia which could not be transferred to the central front were being salvaged and kept out of the way of the Italian fascist invaders by transference to French territory. Such Loyalist troops as are crossing over into France arrive in orderly formations.

The Loyalist government has 11 provinces on the central front and is determined to keep up the fight. It took Franco and allies more than two and one-half years to conquer a territory of similar size.

Allies of Spanish fascism are seeking to make the most of the Loyalist government shifts.

Lifting of the embargo, nevertheless, is the decisive issue in Spain's future. Madrid and Valencia which halted innumerable fascist drives are able to hold back the invaders. They need arms, however, and by spreading false reports, the fascist enemies of Spain hope to hamper the growing campaign to arm the Spanish people.

Gerona Lost Only After Last Loyalist Bullet

(Cable by Spanish News Agency)
PARIS, Feb. 5.—Republican troops fought stubbornly for Gerona Saturday, and withdrew only after

Premier of Spain



JUAN NEGRIN

Kill 500 Wanhsien Civilians; Church Hit

Chinese Send Several Regiments to Aid Guerrilla Force

CHUNGKING, Feb. 5 (UP).—Reports from Wanhsien in Eastern Szechuan province, scene of terrific incendiary air bombardments yesterday, said today that the French Catholic Church in that city was among the numerous buildings wrecked by Japanese bombs.

Japanese planes dropped hundreds of demolition and incendiary bombs on Wanhsien and Kewiyang. Fires still raged in both cities and casualties were estimated at more than 500.

Chinese reports said that Japanese air raiders had attacked and destroyed Yishan in north Kwangsi province, dropping 130 bombs and causing casualties of more than 600.

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)

SHANGHAI, Feb. 5.—To strengthen the guerrilla struggle being waged in the district around Shanghai, Nanking and Hangchow the Chinese command has transferred several powerful divisions of Chinese troops to the area to aid the guerrilla drive.

A strong force of guerrillas was reported today to have attacked the Hunchao airport near Shanghai and to have completely wiped out a large Japanese defense unit stationed there. After the brief skirmish, the victorious Chinese raised the national flag over the recaptured airfield.

Wagner Act Amendments Of A. F. L. Tories Danger To All Unions, Says C.I.O.

Tories Plot New Drive On Defense Plan of FDR

Hearst Mouthpiece Leads Sabotage in Senate

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 5.—Isolationist foes of the President's national defense program prepared to launch another sabotage attack on the furtherance of defense measures in Congress this week.

Sen. Hiram W. Johnson, R. Cal., Hearst mouthpiece, leader of a small Congressional bloc, is slated to open fire on New Deal foreign policy tomorrow when the Senate convenes.

The anti-defense group hopes to create enough furor around the issue of Roosevelt's recent meeting with the Military Affairs Committee, under the pretense of demanding that the details of plans discussed there be "made public"

The Tory bloc hopes to create, through such subterfuge a delay to the enactment of the Administration's emergency national defense program.

The President has already described as a "deliberate lie" reports emanating from the isolationist bloc, that he had privately told the Military Affairs Committee that the American frontier now "lies on the Rhine."

THEIR REAL PURPOSE

Roosevelt declared that opponents to the defense program were placing exaggerated stress on the so-called "secrecy angle" of the meeting, in order to whip up discussion and place obstacles in the way of a proper defense plan.

Some Republican leaders, however, were reported to be wary of starting a Congressional fight against the program at the present time, feeling that defense measures have the overwhelming support of the American people.

[The United Press, in a story last night stated:

CIO News Charges Proposed Changes Blow at Collective Bargaining — Says Amendments Not Authorized by AFL Convention

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5 (UP).—The Congress of Industrial Organizations charged tonight that Wagner Labor Relations Act changes being sponsored by the American Federation of Labor Executive Council are intended not only to break up CIO unions but endanger collective bargaining, as originally contemplated by the act.

Commenting on AFL amendments introduced by Sen. David I. Walsh, D., Mass., the CIO news said it would fight the changes "with every means at its disposal" and

Mortimer Exposes Ford Stooze Union Plot With Martin

Auto Union Eastern Leader Charges Ousted Head Called Rump Session Fearing to Face Aroused Members; Tarrytown Officers Reinstated

By John Meldon

Homer Martin, ousted president of the United Automobile Workers of America, called a rump convention of his followers prior to the legal convention set for March 20, because he fears to face the membership of the UAW, and knows that he would never be reinstated for his treasonable acts, Wyndham Mortimer,

Eastern regional director of the union charged here yesterday.

Mortimer is a vice-president of the U.A.W. He carried the battle against Martin's split tactics to the East last night when he journeyed to Tarrytown, N. Y., and personally handed letters of reinstatement to five former officers of the big Tarrytown local.

The letters were in resolution form, recently adopted by the International Executive Board of the U.A.W., reversing the expulsion of the five officers made six months ago by Martin. At that time, Martin had sent one of his dictatorial emissaries East to "take over" the Tarrytown local. The Martin agent, Burt Harris, has since returned to his Flint, Mich., headquarters.

REINSTATED OFFICERS

The reinstated officers of the Tarrytown local are: Paul Phillip, former local president; Ed McCabe,

asserted that the two "worst" amendments which Walsh offered were not authorized by the AFL convention, despite claims to the contrary.

"The whole Walsh bill is an outright attack on the rights of self-organization and collective bargaining embodied in the Wagner Act," the News said. "It is essentially an employers' program for crippling and defeating the purposes of the act. A. F. of L. unionists are already demanding an explanation from their leaders as to how they came to sponsor such an anti-labor program.

"The defense of the Wagner Act against the Walsh bill and all other amendments is an issue on which all genuine labor unionists can unite."

"DANGEROUS TO ALL UNIONS"

In its first comment on the A. F. of L. proposals since they were voted at the Houston, Tex., convention last October, the CIO said that the two proposed amendments which were not presented to the convention were "dangerous to all unions and can benefit only union-fighting employers."

"Yet they have been introduced in Congress in the name of the A. F. of L." the CIO said.

"These are the amendments which would permit employers to call for elections at the time best suited to their anti-union strategy, and the amendment to allow employers to call upon the courts for subpoenas for the production of evidence.

"The latter amendments would permit the courts to expose the most confidential union files to public view and inspection by the employer, without regard to time, place or circumstance."

The CIO made public a letter sent by General Counsel Lee B. ...

Unity of Western Hemisphere Against Fascist Aggressors Object of Wall St. Attack --- Browder

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Communist Party Leaders at Shrine of Mexican Independence

arms in France and America, would long ago have crushed Franco and driven the invaders from her soil? This is an unquestionable fact. In this fact is the living proof of the invincible strength of the freedom-loving peoples of the world, the proof of the fatal weakness of fascism, the guarantee of the final defeat and destruction of the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo war alliance. If Spain alone could have stopped and defeated the fascist aggression long ago, given only free access to supplies, then fascism is not the formidable power it parades itself to be. It grows strong only on treachery and betrayal among its intended victims. If we defeat the traitors in our own midst, we will wipe fascism from the face of the earth.

Consider the situation of China. Almost unarmed in the modern needs of armament, deserted by the powers sworn to defend it, invaded by the full powers of one of the most modern military machines—the Chinese people have displayed miracles of unity, organization, and military powers, in resisting the Japanese invasion. They have fought the Japanese to a standstill, they have brought the economy of Japan to the verge of collapse, they have created a situation in which every Japanese military victory now brings Japan closer to losing the war. And the Chinese people have been able to do all this with almost no help from the outside, except that which comes over the long inland route from the Soviet Union. Only in the last weeks has the United States broken its shameful neutrality to make a friendly gesture to China with a loan of \$25,000,000. Who can doubt that prompt and serious help to the Chinese people, from the very beginning of the Japanese invasion, would long ago have brought victory to the Chinese Republic? And what a revelation this is of the mighty power of the people as opposed to the fascist war machines!

"Spain and China teach this lesson to the whole world: Any people ready to fight for its freedom, any people to whom freedom is more precious than life itself, any people which prefers death to slavery, such a people can never be conquered, but will inevitably come victoriously from the struggle with both life and liberty. Because there are many such peoples in the world, therefore the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo alliance is doomed to defeat and destruction.

What about the Americas? The unity of our continents against the aggressor powers is undermined and threatened by the great trusts and monopolies, which constitute Yankee imperialism. This exploiting power of Wall Street, which sucks the blood of the people of the United States, doubly oppresses and exploits the peoples of Latin-America. For the first time in generations, this Wall Street power finds itself excluded from unconditional control of the U. S. government in Washington. President Roosevelt has, by the "good neighbor" policy, which establishes the equality of the American nations, and excludes the use of U. S. armed forces in settling any questions between them, laid the foundations of a possible Pan-American unity against world fascism.

But the "good neighbor" policy does not work automatically. It will become fully effective only if and when the people of the United States, and the peoples of Latin-America, themselves unite all their forces to guarantee that their governments really put it into effect. Especially in the United States must find a way to wipe out the contradiction between two policies operated from our country, that of President Roosevelt on the one hand, and that of Standard Oil-Wall Street on the other hand. When Standard Oil, in conspiracy with Royal Dutch Shell, can place its own world embargo against Mexican oil, and force this oil, against the wishes of both the Mexican and United States' peoples and governments, into the channels of the alliance of war-makers—then indeed, facing such bitter facts, we begin to understand the full menace of the program of world conquest of fascism. The fascist powers are arrogant because they have powerful allies inside our countries; these allies are the great trusts and monopolies, all headed by Standard Oil, and those groups and individuals ready to enter the service of the great money power. The fight for peace and international order, the fight for social progress and national security for each country and people, is a fight against the trusts and monopolies within each country—first of all within the United States—and against the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo alliance which unites the reactionary forces of the whole world.

To maintain the Americas, against the fascist powers, as a family of peoples working out their destiny as independent and



Delegates to the recent Seventh Congress of the Mexican Communist Party deposit flower wreaths at the Mexican Independence Monument. Left to right in first row, Blas Roca, secretary of Cuban Communist Party, Rafael Carillo, Valentín Campa, Alexander Trachtenberg, behind him Roy Hudson, fraternal delegates from the Communist Party, U.S.A., Hernán Laborde, secretary of the Mexican Communist Party, Earl Browder, secretary of the Communist Party, U.S.A., Leslie Morris, leader of the Canadian Communist Party, Rafael de los Rios, one of the deputies at the Constitutional Convention of 1917, and Vicente Guerra, Jorge Fernandez, and Miguel Velasco, members of the Central Committee of the Mexican Communist Party.

democratic nations, we need above all the unification of the people's forces throughout the Americas, as well as within each country. In the United States we cannot keep our government out of the clutches of Wall Street unless we learn how to receive the cooperation of the people of Mexico and of all Latin-America. The peoples of Latin-America can win their full independence, and begin to realize their own destiny fully, only when in cooperation with the people of the United States they have pulled the teeth and trimmed the claws of the Wall Street monopolies, of Yankee imperialism, which is allied to Rome-Berlin-Tokyo. That is the common task, the common struggle, that bind together the fate of all the peoples of the Americas.

What about that other stronghold that stands against the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo alliance, that is, the Soviet Union? In the great Soviet Union we have the strongest guarantee for the defeat of world fascism, for the victory of the people everywhere. The Soviet peoples have found the sure way to a better life. In its 21 years of existence the Soviet Union has risen from the position of most backward economically of all the great nations, to that of first place in Europe and second in the whole world only to the United States. The year 1938, for example, with the rest of the world in crisis, the Soviet Union increased its national income by a sum more than double the total national income of the country in 1913, just before the world war. The income of each worker and farmer increases in greater proportion. A nation of prosperous and happy people, multiplying its wealth and strength each year, is certainly something to take into account and study. And this great and prosperous land feels calm and secure in our dangerous world because it is protected by its own army and air fleet superior in every respect to any other in the world. The Soviet Union is the great and powerful friend and ally of the working people of every country, and the support of every government which wants peace and orderly international relations.

The agents of Hitler, and especially the most despicable ones, the Trotskyites and Lovestoneites, try to spread pessimism and demoralization with tall tales of weakness and disorganization within the Soviet Union. To prove their point they cite the recent treason trials in the Soviet Union. But most people are already awake to this important fact: If the Spanish people had only held a treason trial on Franco and his associates in time, two million Spanish men, women and children, now dead in their graves, would be alive and helping to build a joyous and happy Spain. The Moscow trials wiped out the last allies of Hitler and Japan within the borders of the Soviet Union.

Yesterday Hitler made another speech. Its tone reached a new high point of arrogance. And among other things he is reported to have promised not to disturb the Americas. That is an ominous signal. The danger is immediately great, when Hitler makes such pledges. He guarantees the integrity of Austria—and within a few months Austria was no more. He declared his territorial demands in Europe had all been satisfied—and with-

in a few months Czechoslovakia had been swallowed up. It is a sign of extreme danger when Hitler mentions any part of the world to disclaim his aggressive intentions. That means he is about to strike. He has never denied his wish and intention to seize the Ukraine—which means he is afraid to move in that direction. And the cause of his fear is precisely the strength of the Soviet Union. Hitler's caution in this one part of the world is fully justified.

Hitler is arrogant toward the Americas because he has powerful friends in this part of the world, working in cooperation with him. This is the key to an understanding of the domestic politics in the United States today.

There are two main political camps in the United States, which embrace all politically-active persons. They are described best, not by any formal party names, but by their attitude to President Roosevelt. They might be called the Roosevelt and Anti-Roosevelt Parties.

The Roosevelt Party stands for government work or relief for the unemployed; trade union organization for collective bargaining for the employed workers, with legal minimum wages and maximum hours; social insurance for the unemployed, the sick and the old people; governmental regulation of big business and stock markets; governmental development of hydro-electrical power resources; enforcement of the rights of Negroes; protection of all civil rights; support to students; conservation camps for the youth; governmental aid to maintain agricultural income; aid to building houses for the people; condemnation of and resistance to the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo alliance, and the good neighbor policy to Latin-America.

The Anti-Roosevelt Party stands for abolishing the whole Roosevelt policy, and going back to the unrestricted rule of Wall Street. They dare not say this openly, so they attack details of Roosevelt's program, while making vague promises of "something better." But they are openly for abolishing public works, limiting trade union rights, removing legal restrictions on the employers, limiting civil rights of the masses, cooperating with the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo alliance, and for militarist domination over Latin-America.

The Roosevelt Party has the support of about two-thirds of the people; but it has very little solid organization behind it except the labor movement; the old political organizations are almost entirely in the hands of Roosevelt's enemies.

The Anti-Roosevelt Party controls a majority of Congress, and most of the political-party organizations. It has the support of almost the entire upper classes, unlimited money at its command, and such followers from all classes that always bow before and serve the moneybags. It gains mass support by unlimited demagoguery and confusion. Its main strategy is to divide and split up the following of the Roosevelt Party, and to win by the weight of its own solid unity against the divided majority.

It is interesting to study the means whereby the reactionaries hope to divide and defeat the majority.

(1)—They denounce Roosevelt

and his policies as "Communist," expecting the non-Communists to be frightened away thereby. This has been used so much, however, it becomes of little effect. Hardly a public man of any progressive character but has been called a Communist. I hardly need to tell you that most of them are not Communists, that our Party is still a small minority in the country. With all this advertising, however, the Communist Party rapidly grows in renown and popularity.

(2)—The reactionaries try to set the workers and farmers to fighting one another. They tell the farmers that all their troubles come because the trade unions are too strong, wages too high and hours too short in industry, all of which they tell the farmer causes his increasing poverty. Then they tell the workers that the cause of the high cost of living is the high prices paid to the farmer, and so on. Wherever they get the workers and farmers seriously quarrelling, there the reactionaries always come back into power.

(3)—They try to set the trade unions against all other classes by involving them in many strike struggles which wear out the patience of those who suffer from them without direct participation. They do this by provoking strikes through breaking agreements, firing men for union activities or trifling issues, and by sending their own agents among the workers with demagogic slogans. During the great rise of the trade unions in the last few years, which created the CIO with four million members, it became necessary for the CIO central leadership to establish a strictly-controlled national strike policy, to guarantee that no strike would occur except when absolutely necessary, in order to defeat employers' provocations designed to divide the workers from the farmers and middle classes.

(4)—They try to split the trade unions and keep them in two warring camps; they try to split up the separate unions; and in all ways set one group of workers to fighting against another group, and break up the power of labor that comes from unity and solidarity. The reactionaries have found that their most effective agents for splitting work among the unions are the Trotskyites and Lovestoneites, who have specialized in disruption for years and now can truly be called experts in this field being more effective than the old simple police agents.

(5)—The reactionaries are deliberately stirring up civil disorders, riotous demonstrations, mob violence, and so on, doing everything possible to break up orderly social relations, and to create an atmosphere of blind strife, passion, hatred and prejudices. Anti-Jewish, anti-Catholic, anti-Negro, and anti-Communist slogans are most commonly used for such purposes, supplemented by direct attacks against the labor movement as a whole.

From this analysis of the reactionary strategy against the people, it becomes quite clear that the camp of the people can win only if it defeats each of these five reactionary aims. First, we must make the great majority of the people understand that the progressive camp are not all "Communist" but that they should welcome the co-

operation of the minority of Communists because we help them to victory on their terms, not on the special program of the Communists. Secondly, we must preserve a close and comradely relationship between the workers and farmers, showing them practically how they can help each other, and how if they do not cooperate, then the reactionaries will rule and rob both workers and farmers. Thirdly, we must keep the trade unions under very responsible leadership, which uses their power very carefully, so as not to hurt our friends, and to strike only when it is necessary to protect an essential right or win an important improvement in life. Fourthly, we must bring the unions into unity and solidarity, defeating all the agents of reaction who cultivate divisions among them, exposing and defeating all enemies of unity as agents of fascism. And fifthly, we must become the active upholders of public order, of peaceful and democratic social relations, the sworn enemies of blind prejudice and strife, and of all ideologies which set gentle against Jew, Protestant against Catholic, white against Negro, and non-Communists against Communists, and so forth.

In the United States we also have difficult problems in facing the presidential elections of 1940. Like in Mexico, the task is to insure the continuance and development of the policies of the President now in office. In the United States we have no constitutional limitations on re-election, but there is a tradition against re-election for a third term, and Roosevelt is now in the midst of his second term. No outstanding candidates for the succession appear who clearly have the majority behind them as Roosevelt has. The Communist Party has taken the firm position that it will not be identified with any particular candidate, but will energetically contribute to the discussion of this problem among the masses, by holding up unity as the main issue, and demanding that all candidates be the servants of unity, by emphasizing the program of improving the life of the people, as the main aim of the peoples' unity, and demanding all candidates stand forth upon that program; and through the broadest discussion among the organizations of the people, beginning from the bottom and finally bringing the decisions up the national leadership of the various organizations, finding that broadest opinion of the people which will guarantee unity of the people around a single candidate.

Here, in brief, you have the picture of the international situation and the situation in the United States, as we see it. I hope it will be of some value to you, comrades, in finding the best solution to your own problems. That you will find a correct road, of that I feel sure, because you are building a Communist Party which studies politics as a science, which finds the general interest in which is dissolved all special interests, a Party which studies the teachings of Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin and ever more knows how to apply their principles concretely in life. That is the guarantee of victory in the immediate struggle, for the defeat of world fascism, and that is the guarantee of final victory for socialism in this and every land.