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For a One Day General Strike!

At First **GLANCE**

By JAY LOVESTONE

WE have a hunch that some of our comfortably "left" liberals will shed too many tears over the Supreme Court decision on the NRA and its consequent weakening of the prestige of our "progressive" President Roosevelt. Crying on such occasions as the demise of the NRA is of a pattern with the weep ing over the dead in whom virtues are suddenly discovered as the last shovel of earth is thrown on the coffin.

Under these circumstances it is most appropriate to call for some light from Professor Wm. Trufant Foster, veteran lecturer and professor at Harvard and Columbia, who back in 1926 was a lodestar amongst liberals. Professor Foster, recently addressing the convention of the New Jersey Bankers Association, evaluated the liberalism of Roosevelt and his administration in this fashion: "We have been saved from industrial suicide by one man. We shall continue to withstand the assaults of the inflationists because this week the President has gained the support of many conservatives who had hitherto condemned him. Roosevelt and Eccles stand staunchly between the impotent donothing crowd on the right and the irresponsible do-anything crowd on the

For once, Professor Foster is right. We venture to add that the NRA decision will drive Roosevelt still more to the right. This Supreme Court verdict will further lay bare the pretense of the President to liberalism.

ESPITE the successful peace policies of the U.S.S.R. no one can say that German imperialism is really isolated. It is becoming ever more clear that the British are leaving more than one door open for agreement with the Nazi regime. This was particularly evidenced in the reactions of leading British statement to Hitler's last "peace" speech. Baldwin saw some rays of light. Apparently he did not wish to recognize them for what they were-streaks of the war flames now in preparation.

And, alongside of the "liberal" and "radical" Marquess of Lothian, Lloyd George continues most persistent in his pro-Hitler propaganda. To this former spokesman of British imperialism, who may soon again be in the cabinetespecially if there be any emergency-"Der Fuehrer" is an angel of peace, the dove of European peace doves! No one genuinely interested in preventing, or at least delaying, another imperialist war Buisson cabinet will last is unimportant can fail to be aroused over Lloyd What is significant is that Buisson, who George's estimate of Hitler's last speech. has been a social-democrat all his poli-It follows: "There is, in fact, not a tical life and who has only recently re-It follows: "There is, in fact, not a single issue on which the British government, at any rate, has formulated its own views, on which he (Hitler) is not prepared to meet us wholeheartedly and more, in some cases, than half way.'

It is precisely on such attitudes becoming dominant in England that the ency" decrees will perform this trick for Nazi warmakers are speculating. Here the big bourgeoisie—especially during is another keg of dynamite in the powder magazine called Europe.

ONE, John Powers, writing in the New Leader chides the Communist International because the world revolution has not yet come. Poor Powers! Why don't you ask why the proletarian revolution hasn't come yet in Germany, Austria, Italy, etc.? Maybe the Reichswehr generals could refer "Comrade" Powers to the famous documents describing how the Social Democratic leaders of Germany murdered Liebknecht and Luxemburg and saved the necks of the Junkers and big business men from the hands of the proletariat. If Scheidemann, Wells. and Kautsky can't help Powers secure these revelations, we will.

Perhaps this New Leader expert has forgotten how his Socialist Party of Italy made a peace pact with Mussolini's Fascist gangs to respect each other's safety in the class war. Assuming that Power's tears are already dry over the death of Pilsudski, we are tempted to ask this "student" if he still recalls the role played by his Comrade Pilsudski against the Soviet Red Army and in behalf of the French and British imperialists.

Why hasn't the proletarian revolution won in Germany, Austria, etc? The best people to answer this question are those who answered it-in behalf of the capitalists-from 1919-1923-the leaders of the Social Democratic parties

THE voiding of the NRA, by unanimous vote of the United States Supreme Court, is unquestionably an event of major importance in the recent history of the country. Its significance should be estimated not merely from the point of view of its immediate consequences but above all from the angle of the effect it is bound to have upon the trends of economic development, upon the relations between labor and capital and upon the course of the class struggle in general. For labor especially is a clear understanding of the meaning of the Supreme Court decision essential since the new situation will certainly bring new problems and new tasks-and the future of the labor movement will be determined, to a great degree, by the initiative and clarity it shows in the present crisis.

NRA LOST FAVOR IN CAPITALIST CIRCLES

If it is to be understood, the decision of the Supreme Court must be regarded in the light of recent shifts in attitude of various sections of the capitalist class towards the NRA and the "New Deal" as a whole. For the fundamental factors determining Supreme Court decisions of such weight are not so much the legal or constitutional considerations involved as the underlying class forces moulding the viewpoint of the decisive social

For some time before the Supreme Court action it had been clear enough that the NRA had lost favor in some of the most reactionary big capitalist circles, among precisely those elements who had originally championed it. Echoing this sentiment, the New York Times declared editorially (May 28, 1935): "The Recovery Act had done its work . . . and had come to be almost universally regarded as a piece of legislation now obsolete and ineffective." Originally big capital had sponsored the NRA in a desperate attempt to meet the emergency of the acute economic crisis, to stave off the collapse believed to be looming, to rehabilitate the badly shaken economic structure. Within twelve or eighteen months, however, the emergncy in all its acutness had passd, a measurable de-

Statement of the Communist Opposition

gree of confidence had been restored and the prospect of economic collapse was no more believed to be at all imminent. In very important capitalist circles the NRA soon came to be looked upon as no longer useful or necessary, as a distinct hindrance, in fact. The occasion no longer called for such "drastic" measures of economic stimulation and rehabilitation.

LABOR MILITANCY SCARED **CAPITALISTS**

This sentiment was decisively strengthened by the totally unexpected by products of the NRA in he way of labor relations. Instead of serving to render the workers docile, submissive, as had been confidently looked for by its sponsors, the NRA was in actual fact accompanied by a marked resurgence of labor militancy, by the spread of trade union organization and industrial unionism, by a gigantic strike wave, by a growing tendency of the workers to look upon organization and collective bargaining as guaranteed rights. Nor did it escape notice that, with the NRA, the mass demand for social legislation was notably stimulated, the people becoming accustomed to looking to such legislation as a remedy for existing evils.

Finally, certain aspects of the NRA (price fixing, production, control, etc.) had long become burdensome to a number of important capitalist groups, mostly in light industry and distribution. Indeed the process of paring down the NRA in these respects had begun many months before the final voiding of the act.

MIDDLE CLASS AGAINST NRA

This dissatisfaction with the NRA was accumulating in big capitalist circles. At the same time, distinct opposition was being manifested also in important sections of the petty bourgeoisie and smaller business men. Among farmers many voices

were raised against the NRA because of its effeet in raising the prices of manufactured goods while the smaller business men were hostile to it because of the monopoly it vested in the hands of code authorities controlled primarily by big capital (see the Darrow commission report).

Arrayed against the continuation of the NRA were therefore important sections of both the big capitalists and the smaller business men, altho of course, for different and even opposed reasons. And this accounts for the striking unanimity of the Supreme Court. For the unanimous vote voiding the NRA was the result of a "united front" between the ultra-reactionary section of 'the Supreme Court, opposed to the NRA from the viewpoint of big capital, and the so-called "liberal" elements, expressing the hostility of the smaller business man and farmer. It was surely no mere accident that the action of the Supreme Court was hailed in almost identical terms of gratification by the heads of big trusts and Carter Glass, on the one hand, and by Senators Borah and Nye, on the

In voiding the NRA on the ground that Congress had no right to regulate wages, hours and labor conditions in intrastate commerce, the Supreme Court took the position, already indicated in its ruling in the railway pension case, of ban-ning in advance any sort of Federal social and labor legislation, of declaring such legislation unconstitutional in principle—with the obvious aim of counteracting the growing movement for social and labor legislation that is gaining wide support throughout the country today. Here too the Supreme Court was merely giving clear voice to the attitude of the most decisive sections of big capi-

ECONOMIC EFFECTS OF VOIDING NRA

The immediate economic effects of the annulment of the NRA are not likely to be very marked. In the most important basic industries, controlled by huge trusts and combines, the codes were dead letters anyway except insofar as they coincided (Continued on Page 3)

In French Gov't

Class relations in France continue to sharpen at an accelerated pace. This is clearly indicated in the establishment of the new cabinet headed by the Social-

The dictatorial powers which the Chamber refused to grant to Flandin, preceded Buisson as premier, will undoubtedly be accorded to the head of the "public safety cabinet". Its main object is to save the franc, to check the drain of gold from France, to stem the tide of pessimism and utter lack of confidence marking the French economic

signed from the French Socialist Party on sentimental grounds, will now put thru a number of "economy measures" at the expense of the workers, small peasantry, and urban middle class. Very likely a series of extra-ordinary, "emergthe summer when the Chamber of Deputies will be away on its vacation.

hailed this cabinet primarily, The Echo de Paris confessed, on the ground that "M. Buisson is a Left man who has moved to the Right and is playing regular politics." In the new cabinet are found such outstanding Socialists as Frossard, Minister of Labor, and the Frossard, once a Communist, has in re cent years been a bitter opponent of communism and of the united front between the Socialist and Communist Parties. He and Lafont just resigned from the Socialist Party in order to join the Party is not participating in the govern-

Of course, the new cabinet has re tained the worst reactionaries of the Flandin setup. Generals Mourin and Denain continue in the Ministries of War and Aviation and Pietri as head of the Marine Ministry.

Renegade SP'ites Progressive Union Leaders Demand Action to Stop Anti-Labor Drive

ist, M. Buisson.

developments in recent weeks.

How long or how short a time the Buisson cabinet will last is unimportant.

It is of the greatest import to register the fact the big business press has "militant" Lafont, Minister of Health. cabinet, since, officially, the Socialist

In the ranks of the Socialist workers dissatisfaction. Many suspect that the formal resignation of Vandervelde from acute class conflicts.

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ber of leading industrialists that codified hours and wages will not be changed "for the time being", cases of changes in both are multiplying rapidly. The textile industry is beginning to return to the 48 and 50 hour week. Right here in New York there are numerous cases of changes from 36 to 48 hours of them by taking the offensive.

to be seen. In the meanwhile a number the of outstanding progressive leaders have rights. spoken up for the immediate mobilization of the entire labor movement on a war time basis to hold on to present conditions and push ahead where possible.

STATEMENT OF CHARLES ZIMMERMAN (Manager Local 22, I.L.G.W.U.)

Charles S. Zimmerman, manager of Dressmakers Local 22 and vice-president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union, branded the Supreme Court decision on NRA as "extremely reactionary" and as tending "to begin a vicious drive to restore sweatshop conditions in industry." He called upon the organized labor movement "to get into action to defend its gains against the re actionary onslaught and to drive ahead for increased power and improved con

The following statement was issued by the Executive Board of Local 22:

It is clear that the action of the Supreme Court in voiding the NRA is likely to become the signal of a concertthis development has caused profound ed drive on the part of the employing class to increase hours, to slash wages resignations" of Frossard and Lafont to destroy unionism, to bring back the from the party are on a par with the sweatshop. We declare most emphatical ly that we will not tolerate the slightest the Executive Committee of the Second step on the part of the employers in our International upon his acceptance of a industry to undermine our conditions. post in the cabinet of King Leopold of We won our agreement on the picket line Belgium which is also in desperate fi- in the great general strike months benancial straits and in the throes of fore there was any NRA dress code at ers, we have repeatedly stated that only shoe workers. Whatever shoe workers all and we are determined to enforce a fighting wide awake Union could ob-

The Supreme Court ruling voiding | rigidly every right of the workers under | tain and keep conditions. Using the deour gains won thru long and bitter strug- and wages. considered. An emergency session of our gains won thru long and bitter strug-the Executive Council of the A. F. of gle are preserved, that our conditions are Union which will take immediate action to see that the workers get their rights!

The Supreme Court decision has implications that are extremely dangerous legislation as such is to be banned. will soon be pepped up when the larger looking sections of the people. The only * * *

STATEMENT OF LOUIS NELSON

(Manager Joint Council Knitgoods Workers Union)

Reaction and open war against trade unions and union conditions, return to the sweatshop, is the challenge flung at labor by the decision of the Supreme Court. This decision is the signal for employers everywhere to begin a drive lower the already tragically low standard of living of the workers. This has already manifested itself in a number of industries, by immediate wage cuts and lengthened hours.

In the knitgoods industry the Supreme Court decision will give impetus and encouragement to the employers in the drive they have already started against Union conditions. Workers of non-union shops are already reporting that several employers have posted notices in the mills calling on the workers to return to the 48-hour week, using the abolishment of the N.R.A. as a pretext. Our Union won the present agreement through the struggle of a General Strike, not as a gift from the N.R.A., we have kept the Union wage scales and hours in the shops only through the watchfull- by shoe workers of their combined ness and militancy of the Joint Coun-Our Union has never relied on the N.R.A. or any other governmental decree to obtain conditions for the work-

NRA has caused consternation in the the agreement with all the resources at ranks of the leadership of the A. F. of our command. With the united and loyal hours will not help the employers, the L. William Green has conferred with support of every dressmaker, our Union Joint Council will not yield one inch on President Roosevelt but no information has been made public on the matters will certainly see to it that the old this issue, we will continue to demand sweatshop conditions do not return, that

Our Union has always emphasized that has already been called.

Despite the announcements of a numerical possible of the conditions prescribed in the agree-lemployers into trade associations and ment should be promptly reported to the that it never could organize the workers. The abolishment of the N.R.A. leaves the employers strongly organized and serves as a pretext for organized capital to start a drive for the open for the workers. Apparently the decision shop. Organized labor cannot sit with means that Federal social and labor folded arms waiting for events to occur. We must now realize that only in our work with no increases in pay. What This is a direct challenge to the whole is being done now on a slower tempo labor movement and to all forward- ed fight against this onslaught of the employers can we maintain our condiindustries swing in, unless labor can stop effective answer to such a challenge is tions and drive forward for improved for labor to declare its political inde- conditions. Upon the shoulders of the William Green and Gorman have made very strong statements but what they will do when it comes to action is still the rising tide of reaction and assure swer to this challenge of the employers. progressives lies the historic task of workers their most elementary Progressives must rally the workers around the battle slogans, onward to the 30 hour week, for the outlawing of company unions, for adequate social and unemployment insurance. Labor must stop depending on the capitalist parties, we must imediately declare our political independence and begin to unite our forces for the building of a powerful party of Labor.

STATEMENT OF ISRAEL ZIMMERMAN (General Organizer United Shoe & Leather Workers Union)

Israel Zimmerman, General Organiz-er United Shoe & Leather Workers' Union today issued the following statement on the Supreme Court decision on N.R.A.

The decision of the Supreme Court will, no doubt, be used by the employers in a concerted drive to undermine existing wage levels and working conditions. Now more than ever is it necessary to point out that any hope for the improvement of conditions of the shoe workers lies primarily in organization of all shoe workers into one national organization, an organization that will not look to Messiahs for support but will depend for its strength upon realization strength and power as the most dominant factor in the industry.

The N.R.A. cannot in any sense be considered to have been a boon to the (Continued on Page 3)

NOTES

By GEORGE F MILES

are sorry to state, however, that the youngster is already up to those old U.S.S.R. and the World Revolution.—EDITOR. tricks which made his parent—the TUUL -so notorious. Among the organizaference was the New York Chapter of icy has been provoking so much heart-

My interest was aroused. Being member of the former organization and knowing a few members of the latter, I had no difficulty in getting the facts straight. An inquiry in the case of the Brotherhood brought the information that they were not represented and authorized no one to speak on their behalf at any such conference. My own union flatly denied ever having considered the matter or having sent delegates to this conference. It is of course possible that the Daily Worker unit of the Guild was represented but that's a dog of a differ-

sin answer this one.

Weinstock Figures

the audacity of such claims. But thinkthat Weinstock's statement was dictated by the most severe restrictions of modesty. Then again he did not say the one million were all in good standing!

Mr. Collins Forgets

One of the chief differences between of humans to learn from experience. This brings us to A. F. of L. organizer Collins who, altho presenting all superart of learning from experience.

One would suppose that anyone exper-

Federal Council

meeting of the Council of Federal Unions ultra-left line has brought such disaster betrayal by the Socialist leaders. The meeting of the Council of receral Unions untra-left line has brought such disaster, and said that in the Middle West there and said that in the Middle West there to the Communist movement that it is new coalition government therefor repair to the Council of the are many cases of federal local unions being felt even in the highest cadres of presents a defeat to the working class. ousting the leadership of the Central Labor Unions. The "top leaders", said Colbro tion the C.I. is forced to cut loose from the capture of Social Democlins, are therefore very suspicious of the a tactical course which is dragging it ratic policy in Germany, Austria, and lins, are therefore very suspicious of the federal unions. He went on to state that he did not like the way the New York Council was doing things. It is, he said, a nest of Communists and Socialists and therefore he proposed that

Never had he received such "overwhelm- ican party may be presented with a docuing" support before. Suspecting a deep ment closely patterned after the one in Progress In The plot he promptly withdrew his proposal Belgium. and there matters stand at present.

There is no question that Collins expressed the wishes and the desires of the locals Moguls of the Central Trades.
The federal local unions will do well to watch Collins closely. It might not be in discussing the political situation and agitation which was not at all concrete Charleroi. Most of the time was spent watch Collins closely. It might not be a bad idea to write to some of the boys in Detroit to find out exactly how they "did it."

Baseball And Unions

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come to grips with it. We have carefully examined the records and find that the trade unions are credited with one victory and one defeat.

The laurel wreath goes to the St. Louis east. How about it Local 22?

snoe. "Gabby" must have said plenty to change the orientation, to do concessful or not depends upon the influence and knowing the President (Mara) and the union (B & S) we'd say he could not by has this year, trade unionists are possibly be far from the truth. The Boot a united front against hunger and workers in the lumber industry, especialmaking a real sacrifice in boycotting and Shoe continues to worry more about fascism.

What's Behind Soviet Foreign Policy?

Revolution." The other articles, in the order of their appearance are: Soviet Diplomacy at Several weeks ago we announced the birth of the infant "JUCITUGNYY". We Bolshevik Foreign Policy in Retrospect, Soviet Work, Debunking Some Hostile Criticism

By JAY LOVESTONE

Why the problem of Soviet foreign pol the Newspaper Guild and the Brother-hood of Utility Employees.

non-recognition as a method of expressing its disapproval of the Soviet Republication and the Soviet Union or the policy of the U. An examination of the various per-And subtracting the Guina and the Brotherhood from the 41,000 members which "JUCITUGNYV" is supposed to have, what's left? We'll let "Mr." Neshave, what's left? We'll let "Mr." Neshave markable progress achieved by the U.S. S.R. in socialist construction; the consequently enhanced economic power and OF DIPLOMACY military efficacy of the Soviets leading Too many look upon foreign policy as til recently, vigorously opposed even to struggle against the capitalist regimes

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The confusion pervading the approach | WHAT DETERMINES

of some to this whole question is brought home to us in the following remarks by Prof. Edgar S. Furniss: "To conclude following:

While we are on the subject of fig- it to play a new role in world affairs something abstract, as intergovernmentures we'd like to pay our respects to our good Comrade Louis Weinstock. We refor the class basis of the states involved of capitalist state determine the foreign this capitalist state determine th cently read his statement on the Supreme Court in which he declares, with a straight face, that he speaks for by Soviet diplomats, the exchange of litical interests, under given conditions, broke the ice by signing the Treaty of by Soviet diplomats, the exchange of litical interests, under given conditions, broke the ice by signing the Treaty of the latest and the speaks for by Soviet diplomats, the exchange of litical interests, under given conditions, broke the ice by signing the Treaty of the latest and the speaks for by Soviet diplomats, the exchange of litical interests, under given conditions, broke the ice by signing the Treaty of the latest and the speaks for by Soviet diplomats, the exchange of litical interests, under given conditions, broke the ice by signing the Treaty of the latest and the speaks for by Soviet diplomats, the exchange of litical interests, under given conditions, broke the ice by signing the Treaty of the latest and the speaks for by Soviet diplomats, the exchange of litical interests, under given conditions, latest and the speaks for by Soviet diplomats, the exchange of litical interests, under given conditions, latest and the speaks for by Soviet diplomats, the exchange of litical interests, under given conditions, latest and the speaks for by Soviet diplomats are speaked by Soviet diplomats.

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day are potentially its sworn enemies of morrow. And its active enemies of vesterday may become the passive and

or the day after tomorrow! 5. The economic and military strength of the Soviet Union, at any particula with a capitalist state a pact that is so much like an old-style military alliance iat has not yet won power in any counomic and military strength or weakness represents a complete reversal of the original Bolshevist foreign policy as derived from the tenets of communism."

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recognizing the Soviet Republic.

For that matter, nor does the form aria, Germany, Hungary, Italy, etc.). At

culties and ruptures featured the U.S. the summer of 1927 the Soviet Union was perilously near war, dangerously near being attacked by Poland, Roumania, and the other lackeys of French foreign policy aiming to achieve peace for the proletarian state thru negotia-

So this "ripper" arose at a recent Comintern sources, that the sectarian, workers were unable to prevent the Comintern sources, that the sectarian, workers were unable to prevent this N. W. Lumber Strikers upon a period of heightened prestige and prowess in its foreign relations, in its the country, the great headway in collectivizing agriculture, the marked eco-SEATTLE, Wash.—The top leadership

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Five Year Plan laid the foundation for cialists and therefore ne proposed that it dissolve itself.

Speaker after speaker arose and argued against this proposal. This did not in the least disturb Collins. You see he is used to such receptions for his proposals. What did disturb him very much was the support of one lone delegate in the Council. He was amazed. Never had he received such "overwhelm-"

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ing, the Northwest Council of the union announced that its demands had been the weapon of the bourgeoisie in its fight against the workers. Considering this situation and Belgium's feverish war preparation, the present isolation of the Minute and a half for overtime, 8 hour day and 40 hour week. The closed show was not even asked for.

When compared with the original strike demands of 75c an hour, 30 hour The political and economic agreements Below we give a digest of the article.

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neadway in recent years. But it seems altogether unlikely that this recession will be anything more than temporary ent scheme of things: with or without

peculiar to the NRA; the latter merely lent it impetus and characteristic form.

Annulment Blow To New Deal Program
All sorts of specific form.

making its whole future uncertain, is ob- ment. but it need hardly be children and the prove ineffective. In general, this will prove ineffective. In general, the prospect is that, after a brief period of confusion, the fundamental trend of development exemplified by the NRA development exemplified by the NRA little advantage to Roosevelt, even the little all dayantage to Roosevelt, even the little all dayantage to Roosevelt, even the little all dayantage to Roosevelt, even the little all the surround Court has become the size.

the starting fact that, some only 15% of big political capital for the Republican sciousness and the political activity of new securities issued and private inter-party, whose basic social philosophy and the masses. There are three possible Main Tasks Of ests 85%, in 1930 the proportion became program have thus been vindicated by so channels into which this mass political authoritative a body as the Supreme program to the masses. There are three possible Main Tasks Of Channels into which this mass political authoritative a body as the Supreme program to the masses. uthoritative a body as the Supreme resentment may flow: it may be conand 8% and in 1934 the government actually took up 97%, leaving 3% for priding capitalist elements, hitherto with Roosevelt "New Deal"; it may be turned place a nation-wide organization and control of the live Roosevelt, will now be precipitated into into broad support for one or another

ism in the United States, a factor hardly affected by the abolition of the NRA.

The outlook today seems to be that
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GISLATIVE PROGRAM BE its leadership in the crisis. Those unions that have been built up and have made headway thru reliance on their own organized power without grace of the NRA will now be able to meet most effectively the capitalist onslaught, while big capital with a vigorous demagogic drive to regain the support of the massive drive to regain the support of the massive in fact functioned as mere auxiliar.

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Thirdly, industrial unionism become even more vital today than ever. The sabotage of this much needed reform moralization and despair. Nothing isting craft organizations.

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The 30 hour week; prospects are that Roosevelt will com- ganization, on the morale and fighting Adequate minimum wage laws;

What About the Liberals? by Bertram D. Wolfe

0 in the series of questions of an intellectual, ntitled "Things We Want To Know." Here's the question:

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AND REVOLUTIONISTS

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UNDERSTANDING

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But that same breadth of vision must be inextricably linked up with singleness of purpose, surety of direction, intolerance of weakness and vacillation, sharpness of mental focus. Seeing everything in relation to the central task of the control of the central task of the control of the central task of the control of the central task of the central tas CONSERVATIVES, REACTIONARIES ence". When they head a movement of militant union men.

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The abolition of child labor;

The unrestricted right of trade union organization and collective bargaining; Adequate social and unemployment in

In the present situation, the revision of the President's \$19-\$94 starvation unionization drive must be undertaken scales for Federal work relief is esnot be allowed to lose hope and lapse hands of the employers in destroying all drive of such dimensions means a fight to a finish with company unionism. help to maintain wage levels and not de-

The great need of the hour is for will unite and invigorate the ranks of la-Court in banning in advance and in prin Fourthly, a renewed and more ener-ciple all Federal social and labor legislaabove program of labor legislation; to to resist and defeat the new offensive

of capital. Under the present circumstances the question of a Labor Party acquires a new and immediate significance. Never tations of purely economic action clearer thing politically until it declares its poconservatives and some are embryonic conservatives and some are embryonic as your letter makes clear, is of the last ship and control of these large social A movement for a broad Labor party, type. It is liberalism on the road to be- forces. They sigh for the good old days based on the trade unions and other Roosevelt support or from being divert-

coming period.

Northwest Lumber Strikers

sive classes, above all the working class. and platform they once professed. When ineffectualness of what they propose, the

NEXT WEEK "THE RED TERROR"

WORKERS AGE

Central Trades for its appeal to trade One For "Gabby" unionists to boycott the red birds. It appears that Branch Rickey, owner of made out poorly indeed. On the initiathe Cardinals, and Frankie Frisch, mana-tive of District Council No. 14 of the The congress exercised a great deal of Mayor Smith of Seattle who personalger, refused to do anything about the anti-union activity of shortstop Leo tion of Labor issued a public protest C.I. and the "socialist workers belonging last summer's longshoremen's strike has Durocher. The dress factory, owned and run by his wife, being on strike, Leo escorted his wife past the strikers and size of the strikers are strikers as the strikers are strik

the Cards. Incidentally, if the strike is the sales of the employers than the connection of the workers. We cast our vote idea for the New York Dressmakers to for "Gabby."

The congress elected a new leadership whether they can develop sufficient orientation—i.e. the "real line" of the "Continued on Page 3)

This is the first of a series of articles on the "Soviet Foreign Policy and the World WHY THE SOVIET'S PEACE POLICY—PERIODS OF friendly" to the Soviet Union yester-CHANGE IN USSR DIPLOMACY—ITS CLASS BASIS

(Current History, May 1935). Then, in political relations with the capitalist rul-friends or its fiery foes. Here is a question which mirrors the international situation in all its phases and complications: the transitory relationship between the U.S.S.R. and the tentangenisms among

tention, despite all denials from official munists in alliance with the Socialist

Wrong Direction

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C I Self-Criticises

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constructive criticism of specific phases S.S.R. towards it. Italy, with its Fas- iods of Soviet foreign policy confirms monarchy, was not among the first. The tervention lasting approximately from U. S., with its much-vaunted republican 1917 to 1922. These were likewise the form of capitalist state power, was, un- days of open, frontal revolutionary

By EARL LANE

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to call out the National Guard if the

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the May Day manifesto of the Comin- Soviet Union as a proletarian state and, eign relations the Soviet government The relations with Great Britain, France, tern and a statement by Soviet Ambas- therefore, as the base of the interna- must resort to constant adaptation—ad- Japan, Chang-tso-Lin, Roumania, Chiang One of the coner differences between human beings and animals is the ability of humans to learn from experience. Sador Potemkin in Paris urging an East-tional labor movement, the base of the human beings and animals is the ability of humans to learn from experience. Sador Potemkin in Paris urging an East-tional labor movement, the base of the world revolution.

Kai-Shek were considerably strained. In world revolution. ficial evidence of being a human being, nevertheless is totally lacking in the and British imperialism. In these tense days the Soviet government resorted to art of learning from experience.

iencing such an unceremonious bum's rush as Collins got at the hands of the Detroit auto workers, would never forget it. But you don't know Collins. The experience left him neither more cautious nor wiser than he was.

Wants To Liquidate

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Federal Council

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successful and rapid industrialization of

ficial lapse. More pronounced economic effects will probably be noticed in the Middle Class definitely competitive industries and in For the smaller business man there big capital with a vigorous demagogic From the long run viewpoint, there can be little doubt that the voiding of the NRA will be freed from the domination of NRA will bring with it a certain slowing down of the trend towards monopoly and state capitalism that has made such rapid headway in recent years. But it seems altogether unlikely that this recession. is no salvation in the voiding of the drive to regain the support of the mass-

be materially changed. On the one hand, the great advances made in cartelization

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termination under the impact pansion of monopoly capital.

For the farmers it is significant. For the farmers it is significant that "rationalization" of the whole govern- of the voiding of the NRA is met be tabled it was carefully guided through and monopolistic organization under the NRA will certainly be retained; the vast appearatus of trade associations and consumptions and insurance companies are not banks and insurance companies are not appearatus of trade associations and consumptions. The sum of the wrote government of the wro

ment) neither originated with nor was Annulment Blow To

the Republican camp—unless, as is not impossible, the Administration will un-ther Coughlin, Huey Long); or it may ized workers in the basic industries must be undertaken in real earnest. Above all, the unorgan-tain to become an instrument in the

of "state NRAs", "voluntary" codes, etc., but it need hardly be emphasized that this will prove ineffective. In general, the prospect is that, after a brief period will be resumed, under other forms certainly, but yet along the characteristic lines of monopolistic state capitalist development in the United States-trade and industrial boards exercising semigovernmental powers and vested with semi-governmental functions.

Progressive Trade Unionists Demand Speedy Action

ism (the fusion of business and govern-

vate interests. This vast oversupply of

available capital is one of the most powerful factors making for state capital-

ism in the United States, a factor hard-

(Continued from Page 1) are organized today, were organized before the adoption of the N.R.A. Praclosing it. All things considered, the strength and striking power of its ortically no progress in organization was made since the introduction of N.R.A. first, because of the mistaken notion of many leaders of shoe workers that the N.R.A. "would organize the shoe workers" and second, because of the "benevilent" interference of the various sections of the N.R.A. wherever attempts

at organization were made. We have consistently pointed out that dependence on the N.R.A. for either organization or improvement of conditions is a dangerous illusion.

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struments for enforcing these conditions | casionally for good intentions." 4. The present political machines cannot be looked to for such legislation. Labor has only itself to depend on for political arena as the unions can in the always receptive to new developments—

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In this issue Comrade Wolfe answers No. cals in a process of degeneration into development of large scale production.

is a dangerous illusion.

The only hope of improvement for shoe workers, as, indeed, for all other workers, lies in concerted action by all workers organized into powerful indus-workers organized into powerful indus-

no doubt terribly in earnest. Hoover tolerable. was patently more sincere (more openly

unimportant, relevant and irrelevant, blurs the vision and ultimately guarantees that you will see nothing straight.

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Socially speaking we can divide men and the elder Laronette, only to nead it me tunior workers must be attended to the fold again, we must their union and take control out of the hands of such leaders as Muir. good revolutionist. A broad man without a point, or a narrow man without breadth—cannot make a good revolutionist make a good revolutionist. A broad man without things as they are and wants to keep them, like the dog in the proverb to his them so. Ideologically his views corbreadth—cannot make a good revolutionist. A broad man without things as they are and wants to keep them, like the dog in the proverb to his its sores, we must expose their ignorespond to the needs of the ruling class, womit, return to the Republican Planty and of the society in which they live tionist. And if we see big things big the individually he may be poor as a again, as did LaGuardia and Blanshard, ance of the society in which they live

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The Time to Fight Is Now!

RGANIZED labor stands at a decisive turning point at this moment; the initiative and determination it shows in this crisis will in a great measure determine its entire future. The Supreme Court decision voiding NRA has become the signal for a menacing attack on the workers along two fronts-from one side, a planned campaign to stem the growing demand for social and labor legisla-tion and even to rob the masses of the little that has already been won; from the other a concerted drive to slash wages, lengthen hours, destroy unionism and entrench the open shop and the company union in industry. A vicious propaganda is being promoted by the employing class aiming to demoralize the ranks of labor by making the workers believe that the voiding of NRA has not only outlawed all ederal social and labor legislation in principle but has even deprived them of their economic power, rendering their organizations impotent and their struggles futile. This is the obvious strategy of capital today.

It is up to organized labor to answer this new capitalist offensive before it is too late! The mood of the masses is now especially favorable for an effective counter-attack. A new wave of bitterly fought strikes is beginning; the indignation and resentment of the workers are rising at the brutal and utterly undisguised attacks of capital. But action must be taken promptly and decisively, before demoralization sets in, before the militancy of the workers is dissipated in isolated guerrila struggles leading to disaster and despair. Decisive and clear visioned action is the great demand of the hour.

Above all the labor movement must make up its mind to stand on its own feet, to rely on its own organized andon that only. Too long has it been trying to limp along on the lame crutches of the NRA; now that the crutches are gone it must either strike out boldly for itself, depending only on itself; or else face certain defeat! The entire official philosophy of the American Federation of Labor must be revised along more progressive and militant lines if labor is to emerge victorious from the critical situation ahead!

A nation-wide organization and unionization drive is first on the order of the day-a drive in dead earnest, involving a fight to the finish with company unionism and the open shop. Wherever necessary strike action must be initiated to prevent the destruction of wage scales, the ruthless increase of hours and the general degradation of working conditions. Such strike action must receive the unstinting support and cooperation of the entire labor movement or there will soon be occasion enough for it to rue its lack of solidarity. A vigorously executed unionization campaign together with well planned and concerted strike action will quickly inspire the masses of workers, organized and unorganized, with firm confidence in their own power and will soon convince the employers, in the only way they can be convinced, that labor does not mean to take a beating lying down And, fundamentally, that's the main thing.

Labor must also take up the challenge thrown down by the Supreme Court in its attempt to ban forever any sort of Federal labor legislation. A new and more determined drive must be initiated for labor's legislative program—the outlawing of company unionism, the 30 hour week, adequate minimum wage laws, the abolition of child labor, social and unemployment insurance. But it should be realized once and for all that the struggle for this program will be largely futile and self-defeating as long as the workers remain simply the pawn in the game of capitalist politics-until they come to declare their own political independence as a class, until they form a powerful Labor Party to express their interests on the political field. The Labor Party is the only fitting answer to the callously reactionary edict of the Supreme Court!

The question of a Labor Party is of vital significance from yet another angle. Popular resentment is high at the recklessly arbitrary and despotic conduct of the nine lamas on the Supreme Court bench. Where will this resentment go, to what end will it be turned? Will it serve to revive the waning popularity of Roosevelt as the champion of "liberation," as the crusader in the cause of the masses? Or will it be converted into mass support for the incipient fascist movements in this country? It will be a bad setback for labor if the former were to occur and a terrible calamity if the latter ever took place. And the only way in which both of these outcomes may be warded off is by a bold and vigorous appeal to the workers to organize politically along class lines in support of their own interests. The slogan of a Labor Party is a powerful weapon at once against the revamped "New Deal" propaganda of Roosevelt and the vicious demagogy of the would-be American Hitler of the stripe of Huey Long or Father Coughlin!

How can organized labor concentrate its energies into one great action that shall be the inspiring demonstration of its demands, of its aims and aspirations, of its invincible determination to stand up and fight for its rights? What better and more effective way than by a gigantic one-day general strike, tying up for twenty-four hours the shops and mills and mines and traffic of the entire country? Only two weeks ago President Green spoke very decidedly about a general strike to force the renewal of NRA, whose benefits to labor he himself had this clear, he would have written a pronow to a great one-day general strike in the face of the grave emergency which written an interesting and revealing labor finds itself. Everywhere let the voice of the workers ring out, calling for pamphlet. a one-day general strike:

TO PROTEST AGAINST THE SHAMELESSLY REACTIONARY ATTEMPT OF THE SUPREME COURT TO BAN ALL FEDERAL SOCIAL AND LABOR LEGISLATION IN PRINCIPLE!

TO DEMAND THE ENACTMENT OF LABOR'S LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM!

TO SHOW TO THE EMPLOYERS THAT LABOR WILL NOT TOLERATE THE LEAST STEP TO UNDERMINE ITS CONDITIONS OR TO DEPRIVE IT OF GAINS WON THRU MANY YEARS OF HARD AND BITTER STRUGGLE!

Books of the Age

by Bertram D. Wolfe

A lively expose of that mischievous forgery which has served as an "intellectual" weapon of the dark forces of all churches and governments are des tocols" are supposed to be a verbatim world-wide monarchy under the rule of reproduction of a report by Theodore Herzl to the Zionist Congress at Basie in 1897, a report which took its presenter 24 sessions to deliver. In it he tells how the Jews under the rule of their "secret" al, trashy novel by H. Goedsche, published in 1869.

THE PROTOCOLS OF THE ELDERS vented the class struggle, the stock ex-OF ZION, by Benjamin W. Segel, change, the high cost of living and the Bloch Publishing Co., N. Y. 97pp., gold standard, caused the world war, the League of Nations and the Russian and German revolutions, all in order that they might in the fullness of time, after anti-semitism in many lands. The "pro- troyed, establish an absolute autocratic,

elders have fomented revolutions, assas-sinated monarchs, promoted freemason-ary, developed political liberalism, in-tween Machiavelli and Montesquieu"

By August Thalheimer

Soviet Union

sions would be maintained, as well as

the demand of 35% of the English fleet

and an air fleet as strong as that of the

strongest on the continent. These are

precisely the demands which had been rejected by all and are now being put

up by Germany as minimum demands

Germany are not meant seriously. Hitler

stated that the Germany no longer accepted the military clauses of the Ver-

have not been lived up to. The proposed

marines if all other powers do likewise.

Hitler's speech shows that Germany will

not be at the Danube conference and that

her return to the League of Nations is

The proposal to offer a non-aggression

pact to the Soviet Union vanished alto-

ed. The planned maneuver turned out to

be so weak and confused that it will not

bring any essential improvements to the

The statement of Stalin in reference

to the Franco-Soviet negotiations were

unfortunately not restricted to the usual

attitude of non-interference of the Soviet

Union in the domestic situation of

France. This statement has caused a

One view is—and this a correct one—that the CP will refuse war credits and

reject class peace, fighting for the estab-

lishment of Soviet power and the build-

ing of a Red army. At the same time,

there exists the totally false conception

that the Party would under certain cir-cumstances come out for the "national

defense" of French imperialism. They

often confuse an act of Soviet diplomacy

with the guide of action for the Com

This confusion has been created be-

cause Stalin, speaking as an individual,

has approved of the national defense of

France. This has enabled the bourgeois

and reformist press to describe this as the policy of the 3rd International—

The effect of this statement calls at-

which is, of course, erroneous.

munist Party of France.

tactics of Hitler's foreign policy.

STALIN'S STATEMENT

indefinitely postponed.

ABROAD Following the conclusion of the Franco-Soviet and Czecho-Soviet treaty it was to be expected that Hitler would try to stage a retreat in foreign diplomacy in order to split the ranks of the enemy, to gain more freedom of situation. The decisive thing is that Hitler stated that the 36 military divimovement and to continue re-arming. While Laval was negotiating in Moscow, Litvinov was invited by the Germans to stop off in Berlin on his way to Geneva and enter into special negotiations with Berlin. Laval also received a special invitation. Both refused to enter into special negotiations with Germany. Laval in his official speech with Goering in Krakow declared that France would not enter into negotiations with Germany without first securing the approval of the Soviet Union. On the other hand, Mr. Eden informed Germany thru his speech in Fulham that the England was now as before ready to come to an agreement with Germany (he expressly emphasized that) such an understanding could not be reached on the basis of the present military demands of Hitler which call not for parity but for the military superiority of Germany. Furthermore that England would consider negotiations only in conjunction with France and Italy. Immediately preceding the Reichstag speech of Hitler the Nazi press predicted a decisive change of German foreign policy. The essence of the turn was to be the proposal for a non-aggression pact with the Soviet

The solidarity exhibited by the Soviet Union and France on the one hand, the statements of Eden on the other, have spoiled Hitler's plans. Thus, his maneuver

published the same year by Maurice Joly. With great skill he uncovers the obscure trail of the forgers. Here is a true detective story which eclipses all gether since it was accompanied by a the fictional uncovering of criminal new crusade against bolshevism. The trails, for it has added advantage of basic policy of Germany has not changtruth and the gravity of issues involved. One serious defect mars the book. The

author tells of anti-semitism and the "protocols" as if they existed only among the masses. "The lower classes," he writes, "continue to profess superstitious convictions long after they have been abandoned by the higher classes." But his own record shows that backward sections of the masses are not alone in this dark superstition. The active promoters or believers in the legend include Count Reventlow, Lord Alfred Douglas, Henry Ford, Adolph Hitler and his lieutenants, Prince Otto Salm, Count Behr, General Ludendorff, Ex-Kaiser Wilhelm, Prince Joachim Albrecht of Prussia the Latin Patriarch at Jone Prussia, the Latin Patriarch at Jerusalem, the Polish Episcopate, the Court of Czar Nicholas, Generals Denikin and Wrangel, Mgr. Jouin and "savants" and student groups in Central European universities. The "London Times" took it seriously and demanded an investigation of the "Jewish conspiracy." The "Morning Post" devoted 23 articles to t, The Deutsche "Tageszeitung" and 'Kreuzzeitung" and other reputable organs of reaction spread it far and wide. In short, altho his work bristles with clues the author fails to discover the real motives and movers of the crime. The driving force of anti-semitism is reaction. The decaying bourgeoisie supports everything that is backward, dying and medieval. Wherever the weakening structure of capitalism is rottenest, there anti-semitism is strongest. The tottering Czarist empire, the Austro-Hungarian prison-house of peoples, the German imperial autocracy, these were the breeding places of modern anti-semitism. And as it spreads throughout the Western world it lays bare the spread of the creeping disease that besets a dying social system. If the author had made found book. But even as it stands, he has

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EUROPE TODAY | Drivers' Union **Ousts Militants**

The rank and file milk drivers of lacked a definite aim as a result of the Chicago, suffering under a tyrannical reposition of England, France and the actionary union leadership, are waging In reality, Hitler's speech in the Reichstag of May 21st represents no turn at militant fight to gain decent working conditions and higher wages. all and did nothing to relieve the tense

At the present time the drivers are vorking 12-14 hours a day and forced to shoulder expenses of \$10-\$15 a week in the form of cut prices, forced sales, dead beat payments, etc.

The growing resentment of the most progressive drivers against these evils has steadily become a menace to both the reactionary union officials and dairy owners alike. A holy alliance between while they appeared to be maximum these corrupt union officials and the demands heretofore. The proposals of bosses has existed for a long time, in bosses has existed for a long time, in order to protect their mutual interests, and for suppression and ousting of the most outspoken and militant drivers.

sailles treaty, she would respect the Locarno treaty—above all the retaining drivers, by both union officials and dairy of the demilitarized zones—provided that owners, has, inside of the last week, the other powers would do so and accept taken a sharper form, due to the breakthe territorial clauses of the Versailles down of negotiations of a new wage treaty. These proposals are just so much agreement. The Western Dairy Co. in bluff as long as Germany is preparing to order to intimidate the most outspoken scrap the territorial clauses of the Ver- amongst the drivers, has, last week sailles treaty thru its military activities taken off the routes seven drivers, to and as long as she makes the preservation of the Locarno treaty dependent on conditions which she can always charge the bosses see fit to offer.

The whole labor movement must come ban on heavy tanks merely means that to the help of the rank and file milk Germany would require a long time to drivers of Chicago in this fight against

catch up to the other powers and that she would therefore welcome a general agreement not to build these weapons. It is obvious that this maneuver will fail. So will the proposal to give up sub-protest of all the mass organizations defeated a conspiracy between the Capitol feated a conspiracy between the Capitol Dairy Co. and the corrupt union officials in their attempt to oust a milk driver because he ran for Alderman on the Workers ticket.

Through the mass protest and the boycott against the Capitol Dairy Co. this milk driver was put back to work and is working today. We can and must do the same thing to the Western Dairy Co.

The progressive milk drivers of

Chicago appeal to all customers of the Western Dairy Co. to help us so that we may help the labor movement as a whole. PROTEST AGAINST THE ACTION OF THE WESTERN DAIRY CO.! REFUSE TO BUY THEIR PRO-DUCTS. DEMAND THE REINSTATE-MENT OF THE SEVEN MEN ON THEIR ROUTES!

We appeal to all labor and mass organizations to protest against the action the Communist Party of France and in officials. Send resolutions of protest to the French working class in general. The most widely divergent views are rampant in the CP of France on this most.

Demand the reinstatement of the seven men on their routes. Protest their right to refuse any kind of wage agreement the bosses see fit to offer. Help in the fight for a decent progressive and militant labor movement.

Send protest resolutions to Western Dairy Co., 1443 Edgemont Ave., Chicago, Ill. and Milk Wagon Drivers Union 2205 Ashland Ave., Chicago. Fraternally,

PROGRESSIVE RANK AND FILE MILK DRIVERS OF CHICAGO

accounts for the fact that the leadership of the C.P.S.U. is confused with that of the C.I.

The demand for a collective leadership of the C.I., raised by the Communist Opposition for a number of years, has tention to the weakness in structure of been justified. The result—unexpected the Communist International, to the harm done by the monopoly of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union in the portant sections of the C.I. and will C.I. leadership. This circumstance alone sooner or later be solved.

THE ECONOMIC WEEK

THE trend of the business week keeps on its downward course. The past week saw the decline continued, as a result of the electric power index which rose but much below seasonal expectations.

The outstanding event of the past week is the Supreme Court decision invalidating the NRA. This does not mean the end of what lay at the basis of the act. State capitalism will continue to grow and crystallize in the Instead of regulating the codes thru the agency of Governmental approval, the industrial trade associations will now have unbridled control of business regulation. Already the president of the Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Sibley, reassures the world that "fair regulation" will continue but "we demand that it shall be in the form of voluntary cooperation and not thru imposed Federal coercion." This is more nearly clarified in the statement of Raymond Moley, appearing in the N. Y. Times (May 31, 1935): "The compulsory codes, now declared unconstitutional, should be replaced by voluntary codes of trade associations.

The international scene presents the serious spectacle of the French gold drain. In the space of one week, France has lost nearly 5,000,000 francs in gold (the franc is currently worth about 6.59 cents-N. Y. Times of May 31). This flight of gold reflects the activity of speculators both within and outside of France, but mainly on the basis of the international currency policies of England and the U.S.A.—the debasing and devaluation of their currencies. This added to bad internal conditions of French economy, has resulted in the flight of capital and is fast leading to a political crisis of major importance.

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