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WARPATH Gold War at Yank Militarists Prepare For Buckingham Falace Conflict With Russia

THEY WANT HEATHROW AIRPORT

By our New York Correspondent.

HE threat of war is the most recurring cuts. subject of news and propaganda in the United States of America, in- preparation. The Press, radio and cinema creasing in range and tempo during the all join in the chorus. The newsreel films past few months. War with Russia is were the last to join in the Soldiers Chorus. taken for granted; the date is variously but, after listening to the frankly antiforecast as being between 1950 and 1953, Russian war boost, they gave the American with early 1950 as the favourite season.

Let me emphasise this-American pro- think they will be long in catching up with paganda against Russia is much more their more practised brothers. intensive than the similar propaganda put out by Britain. Probably this is because Russia and the Communists have provided, America is much franker and less subtie ready-made, all the propaganda needed for than her British ally. Unfortunately, a full-scale war campaign. Russia and her international fifth column have provided all the propaganda needed by America; it isn't necessary to invent any, and most of the factual anti-Russian articles are well informed, much better informed than is British journalism.

But not all of this propaganda is fact collecting; much of it is just drum-beating. Increasing efforts are being made to increase the general war alertness and recruit men to the Army, Navy, the newly formed Air Force (to be organised on the lines of the R.A.F., even to titles and badges) the army and navy reserves and the National Guard.

Greatest emphasis is on aeronautical preparation, the high-spot of that propaganda being the recent Report of the Air Policy Commission. This Commission, a government-appointed body, comes out strong for a large air force to strike at an unname foe with heavy, long-range super-bombers. Five years of intensive air preparation are needed, save the A.P.C. fixing the day __ 'A Day' they call it—as January 1st, 1953. The Report makes its proposals under four headings:

1. An Air Force of 18,000 planes by A Day. purge communists, fellow travellers and This would be only a peace-time framework to be rapidly expanded once war is declared. The war- fascists from responsible positions in the time high of the American armed forces was 98,000 planes, so that the war-time air force foreseen by the A.P.C. must be at least 200,000 planes, even in inevitable, owing to the alignment of the early stages of the war. It must be understood, of course, that this Air Force is a long-distance offensive weapon. America claims to be building now the largest bombers ever known.

2. A permanent Air Policy Board-an aeronautical General Staff.

3. Systematised and greatly increased aeronautical research, this would undoubtedly, include mental measures, is anti-democratic, how-

study of rockets and such weapons. 4. Increased Federal subsidy to the commercial air lines of America.

is a move to protect democracy. All this, says the A.P.C., would add 3,000,000,000 dollars — that's about gloomy finger at Czechoslovakia; at the £750,000,000—to the U.S. budget. censorship, murders and concentration

Mediterranean Lifeline

methods. The communists are a menace, The daily press goes further than this report. One chain of newspapers recently a fifth column for Russian imperialism. potential and actual enemies in the event published a map showing air bases in Europe, Asia and North Africa needed by of a third world war. the U.S.A. to bombard Russia . . . one of The C.P. yelps back from the columns these was Heathrow, London Air Port. of the "Daily Worker" about "the No paper denies that the establishment of enormity of the crime committed against an air base in Libya by the U.S.A., against democracy and human rights by the which Russia protested, is aimed at Russia Government's decision to remove persons in case of a Bolshevik advance through from their work on the grounds of their suspected political beliefs." ("D.W.", Greece to the Mediterranean.

During the last few weeks, it has been 13.3.48). made clear that the U.S. Government regards the Russian threat to Britain's they are both right, and if the situation Mediterranean life-line as the most danger rested there, we could get some amusement ous of many Russian moves. Eisenhower from listening to the two bands of political himself has just said so. It all reads very racketeers slanging each other. Unfor much like the article, "Russia, Britain tunately, behind the Government' and the Coming World Conflict," which announcement there lies a real danger "Direct Action" carried in May, 1946. every real working-class militant. There it was suggested that the most The sole arbiters of who are to be purged threatening seat of World War III was are the State police organisations (M.I. the ancient land bridge where meet Asia, and the Scotland Yard Special Branch). Africa and Europe . . . the Middle East, Against their decisions there is to be no Iran, Turkey, Palestine, the other Arab countries, and Greece.

ence, what any anti-governmental, anti-America is interested in Iran, not only because of its strategical interest, but also, of course, because of its oil. America is alarmed because of its comparatively low oil reserves, which might be so low as to be a danger in case of war. There is likely to be a move to curtail shipment of export oil, in order to build up the war reserves

U.S. Auto Workers Demonstrate Against Communists path that leads to the totalitarian police

Workers of Briggs body works, a subsidiary of State. Fords, at Detroit, angrily demonstrated for three days against Communists employed by the firm. They then struck work, refusing to work alongside Communists any longer. The C.I.O. United Automobile Workers, local 212 officials tried to prevent the strike, but were swept aside.

The final trim and assembly shop at Vernor Avenue, Detroit, where the strike occurred employs 1,100 men, all of whom were idle.

Churchill (in top coat)

this is openly called for, in spite of previous

FASCISM MARCHES ON

two miners were fined £39 each, on a charge

of breach of contract. Their crime was

that of having taken part in a stay-down

strike last month. The case had been

Had such a case been brought under

Tory Government it would have been the

signal for a general strike throughout the

coalfield concerned. Direct action is still

Purge Procedure

Civil Service has, for a long time, been

British foreign policy with that the

almighty dollar coupled with the im-

perialist expansion of Russian state

The purge, like so many other govern-

The supporters of the purge point a

camps of the Communist states. They

claim to be carrying out a far less ruthless

version of the standard communist purge

right of appeal. We know, from experi-

easy stages. Remember, the smallest box

and eradicating the hard-won rights of the

LATE FLASH

come in stating that Harry Pollitt and Willie

Gallacher are leaving the Communist Party to take

up commissions in the Salvation Army.

We are unable to confirm a late report that has

political police of the State machine.

ever loudly its supporters may cry that it

Sets Precedent

brought by the National Coal Board.

the remedy.

capita'ism.

At Neath County Court on March 18th,

Complains 2,000 Demand

Altogether, the atmosphere is one of war which have been going on for over 18 months, and thousands of human beings were assassinwhich came to a head on January 8th this year, ated there by Hitler's butchers. Today, when the Treasury refused to grant a 12s. 6d. a week increase to their employees, nearly 2,000 Stalin's agents have taken over,—that is civil servants, engineers and lift attendants em- the only change. ployed at Buckingham Palace, Admiralty, Governfleet's visit to the Mediterranean, I don't Marlborough House, Ministries in Whitehall, the House of Commons, Cabinet Ministers' residences and at museums, struck work in defiance of the

The pity of it all is, as I said before, that Unions on March 15th. Out of 39 employed at Buckingham Palace, 38

Guardsmen were ordered to stoke the boilers at the Palace. This was through a suggestion pu forward to the King by the Government! It was so cold in the Law Courts that Mr. Justice Humphreys left the King's Bench Court and continued cases in a private room where there was a fire.

The Paymaster-General, giving a Press Conference at Montagu House, pulling up the collar of | "At Suchenwald, there are, naturally, still some his overcoat, said : "I think we'd all better keep our coats on."

Churchill, in top coat, complained. In the House of Commons he asked Mr. Isaacs for the stated that if the strikers did not go back to work he might take "other steps" against "our fellow workers in this building." We remember the policy action against the Savoy Hotel pickets la November in this connection.

The stokers, maintenance staff (£4 17s. 6d.) and liftmen (£4 11s. 0d.) have received no increase in pay for 18 months, although the cost of living has steadily risen during that period. They have all demanded a rise of 12s. 6d. per week, which, even Secret Police so, is not enough to bring them up to the present bsistence level. While M.P.'s draw their £1,000 a year, these

men are having a struggle to make ends meet. Instead of another Royal cruise in the Vanguard", what about meeting these demands? And what about the 3,000 women cleaners in number of prisoners when checks are made. The measures recently announced to hour?

IN BUCHENWALD Terror Camp Maintained by Russians

(IWMA) Thousands of anti-fascist prisoners are today held in the Buchenwald concentration camp in the Russian zone of Living Wage Germany. Buchenwald gained its infamous As an outcome of lengthened negotiations, reputation during the days of nazism, when

socialist daily "Arbetet," who was able to see the camp during February, writes :-

"Before the entrance to the camp there is a huge portrait of Stalin.

"Today the nazi regime has been liquidated, but Buchenwald concentration camp remains, sur rounded by ten-foot high walls and barbed wire. "Before the entrance to the camp is a huge picture of Stalin. All night long the whole camp is swept by searchlights, and the baying of bloodhounds can be heard.

Nazi prisoners, but they represent an insignificent working-class are expected to supply the minority. The great majority of the internees are cure. From the workers is to come more anti-nazis, of whom the greater number are work, more production—they are to get in Jose Agua, received a sentence of 30 years' im-Government to assume full responsibility for main- socialists. According to an approximate estimate, return less food, less clothing, less houses prisonment. The first three comrades are now taining the heating services, etc. Mr. Isaacs about 12,000 anti-nazis are at present interned in and frozen wages. This is the "socialist this camp, and it is generally stated that the vast policy. majority have never been charged. They have been interned without being either accused or condemned.

"There are some women in the camp, who are treated in the same way as the men, and wear the same clothing. Conversation between male and female internees is strictly forbidden.

prisoners is lamentable. Suicides and attempted the end of the year. suicides are the order of the day.

"When prisoners succeed in escaping, the the street outside, so that there may be the correct Forces. Government offices, who are getting only 1/61d, an this way 17 people have already disappeared from the district surrounding the camp."

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Events Crack the "Great War Leader" Fable

foundation the Great Man Theory rests. peace. By repetition of a phrase you can convince some people that anything is true . . . you of all nations lost their lives; German can even convince yourself.

During the war Liberals and Conservatives daily hailed Churchill as a great war capitalist organisation can expect from the leader, but for irrational blind praise they prolongation of war prevented Germany were excelled by the Labour Party. The Communists, from the beginning of 1939 to The Labour Party has a method of October of that year had called for there now, to many, seems only a choice working that Continentals regard as being Churchill to be Prime Minister. He was between domination by Russia or America. "peculiar to the British nation." Working then Public Enemy No. 1 to them until by small and often apparently unimportant, June 22, 1941, when once again he became their hero. Within a week they had exceeded the Labour men in servile praise of can eat the largest cake if he tackles it their reinstated hero. Their favourite one slice at a time. The Government is form of outing was to carry ten-foot high acting in the same way, trimming down portraits of him to Trafalgar Square on working-class. We are moving steadily, finding new words of praise for the great war leader.

Let us examine, without prejudice, the claims made by Churchill's friends for his great strategy."

The "Unconditional Surrender" Policy

ABOUR PARTY men excuse their Germany, on terms similar to those of N.C.B. is said to be between £4,000 and war-time support of Winston 1918; even crack German regiments were £5,000 per annum. Many other chair Churchill and their peace-time surrendering en masse to the Western warmers get far more (Hyndley gets attacks on him by saying: "We don't Allies, but Churchill, with Roosevelt, in- £8,500). Is it any wonder that the first agree with him in peace, but you must sisted on "unconditional surrender" and year of coal nationalisation showed a loss agree, he was a great war leader." We Germany fought on, even her third-rate of £20,000,000. don't agree, and the claims of these persons troops fighting often to the last bullet. The new elite do themselves remarkably for their leader show on how slight a under the new threat of a Carthaginian well, considering that the economic system

> The war was prolonged, and many more cities were pounded into dust, the bombing of London went on, and much more of Europe was made into battlefields. The assisting the recovery of Europe, and so weakened Britain and Western Europe that

The Yalta Agreement

When Churchill, Roosevelt and Stalin met at Yalta, Teheran and Potsdam we from the murky past: were not told what had been agreed among them. Some of us guessed; all of us were soon to know. Some of the allies of Churchill were to learn in the concentration camps and condemned cells of Stalin the effects of this secret diplomacy. Let us list briefly the chief fruits of the great mens' strategy:

YUGOSLAVIA: After backing Mihailovich, King Peter and the Government of Yugoslavia; after The summer of 1944 brought the oppor- encouraging the people of Yugoslavia to resist the tunity of peace, with an already defeated

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THE PARASITES Workers Faced With Further Restrictions

OIR STAFFORD CRIPPS has unloosed, on a suitably prepared Britain, the gloom-ridden complexities of the "Economic Survey for 1948." It is a grim documentary of a periodic capitalist crisis, and a revelation of just how "socialistic the Labour Party really is. Not only does A correspondent, writing in the Swedish it indicate a further lowering of our already low nutrition ration, and a decrease in the clothing ration . . . to make its plans work the Government will increase its pre-war years. powers, expand its bureaucracy and encroach ever more on the limited freedom a first-hand picture of the latest terrorism of working-class action.

> The Survey shows just how dependent British capitalism is on economic aid from

In the White Paper, Labour economists analyse the present period of capitalist- were suddenly put on trial for their activity state indigestion, and then indicate that the

£9,000,000,000 as against £8,600,000,000 in 1947. his activity with the resistance forces in that The total working population is likely to drop region. His life is in the most extreme danger. "The physical and moral condition of these will add 133,000 making a total of 20,100,000 by Rafale Cayuela were arrested on January 15th at

Russian guards simply pick up anyone found in vants and 35,000 to feed, arm and clothe the Liberty" and "Free Youth"). Gomez and his

create "transitional unemployment' and juria and Matilde Pajares were arrested in then to shunt the workers concerned into more important industries. They weep Ventas Prison in the same city. Matilde Pajares crocodile tears over the fact that many workers' families will suffer . . . but the capitalist system must be propped up!

Two Million in Government Offices

The State finds it necessary to take shortage. Why? In this country we have more than 6,000,000 completely unproductive workers—over 2,000,000 of them in local and central government offices. Why not let some of these move instead of taking men from producing building materials.

The State Coal Board needs another 102,000 miners, for about 70,000 men now working will retire during the year owing to age, ill-health and accident (for "i health and accident" read silicosis, rooffalls, explosion and death). Yet we have masses of parasitical bureaucrats, well paid and far safer behind their desks than the man behind the coal cutter. The salary of the Public Relations Officer of the

is in such grave disorder. Harry Hartley of the B.O.A.C. (in one year State air lines do Citrine (electricity), Hurcomb (railways), Forbes (Steel Board).

hardly feeling the "financial draught." speedy trial on the action was ordered. Fellow-West Riding Worsted and Woollen Mills traveller Pritt spoke for Lewis, Aluminium had an unfrozen increase of Industrial Officer, declaring that Lewis failed to £755,000, bringing their total profit up to carry out instructions not to strike. the unprecedented height of £2,125,000. William on is an orthodox Union official and believes that negotiation is the basis of trades-They are but two examples from far too many. Strange that our "socialist" administration should have such pleasant February 16th, at the Peckham Co-op Hall: "Don't results—for the capitalists.

Finally, let us recall a few labourisms

economic life of the country in order to ensure catering. good homes, food and clothing, social security, This fits in with the new Party policy, exposed amenities of life for everybody."

it again after this war, too!"

to increase our exports after the war by 50 his worth." per cent. '. . Expanding exports are the Catering workers! Wake up! Reject these

MANY SOCIALISTS CAPITALISM Death Sentence

CRIPPS LOOKS AFTER While Marshallite Govts. Discuss Franco for Western Union

> While the Governments of the Western capitalist bloc are preparing to accept Franco Spain into their midst-the proposal to this effect by Portugal at the recent 16 Nation Conference in Paris was a straw in the wind—an intensified attack is being made on anti-fascist forces in Spain by the Franco authorities. This news is being withheld from the British press and the B.B.C., the butcheries of Spanish fascism are being covered in silence by the British Labour Government, just as were atrocities of Hitlerism in the

The following report from Spain gives of the Franco regime, directed mainly against the Anarchist and Confederal Movements—the spearheads of anti-fascist

During February four Anarchists, who had been in prison since the end of the Civil War in 1939, against fascism in the years 1936-39. They had no previous notification of trial. Three of them, Cosme Gonzales, Alejandro Lopez and Carlos Terceria, were condemned to death, the fourth, awaiting execution by Franco's firing squads.

Gabriel Cruz, whose arrest in December we reported two months ago, has been sent mad by the The "Survey" precises the following tortures inflicted on him in the barracks of the Civil Guard in the district of Vallehermoso, Madrid. He has recently been transferred from the Ocana Estimated national income for 1943 is Prison to Saragossa for enquiries to be made about

by 323,000 in 1948, but releases from the forces | In Carabanchel Rojo, Madrid, Juan Gomez and the house of the former comrade, where the fascist A heavy drain will be the 1,300,000 for defence- police discovered the printing press used for the 730,000 actually in the Forces, and 580,000 to underground Anarchist publications "Tierra y look after them (230,000 non-industrial civil ser- Libertad" and "Juventud Libre" ("Land and wife were flogged by the police. Taken to the Estimated cost of imports and our "invisible headquarters of the Special Brigade at Valleherneeds" will amount to about £1,750,000,000 in moso, Gomez and Cayuela were held incommunicado 1948. At best, exports will bring in £1,500,000,000. for 20 days. (According to one of Franco's So there is a minor matter of some £250,000,000; laws", no-one may be held, without being

charged, for more than 72 hours). The Government therefore decides to In San Sebastian, two women, Martina Jera-January. After being taken to the Vallehermoso Prison in Madrid, they are now held in the

> accused of having given refuge to anti-fascists. Gonza'o Calleja was arrested in Guadalajara on January 4th, simply because he was suspected of not being a supporter of Franco's regime. He is now awaiting trial at Saragossa, after having been savagely flogged by the police.

That is the present situation in Spain where the cases we have mentioned are 15,000 men out of the building materials typical of thousands more. The Anarch industry, in spite of the chronic housing ist Federation again calls on the British workers to wake up to their responsibility for the fate of these fighters for workingclass rights. Bevin and Attlee, already linked commercially with Franco, are preparing a full-scale alliance with him.

Workers! The Labour Government are allying themselves with the discredited remnants of international fascism. They must be stopped. They can be stopped by a complete beycott on goods going to and coming from Spain being enforced by your direct action.

STALINISTS PLAN BREAKAWAY UNION IN CATERING

Bombastic Arthur Lewis, Communist fellowtraveller, political playboy of strike action in catering, power-seeker, praise-lover and Stalinist idol, has lost his job as London District organiser of the N.U.G.M.W.

While catering workers get fired without remuneration, Lewis gets three months' salary in have lost £10,000,000) gets £8,500, so, too, lieu of notice. He has taken legal action against the N.U.G.M.W. to restrain them in their decision until he has stated his case in court.

In the Chancery Division, Lewis has been re-The openly-avowed capitalists too, are fused an interim injunction against the Union, and

had a profit rise of £350,000, bringing the N.U.G.M.W., and quoted an affidavit by Tom year's loot up to £898,500. British Williamson, their General Secretary and National

unionism. Just in passing, we wonder how many gas workers believed him when he said, on

worry, your wages are not going to be frozen"? Anyway, the signs are that Lewis's action will fail. We have information that in this eventuality Lewis intends to form a strictly communist-ATTLEE (1945): "Labour will organise the dominated and controlled breakaway Union in

employment, leisure, freedom and the in the January "Direct Action." The C.P. is under orders to exploit industrial unrest-the STRACHEY (1944): "You remember the old Party's policy up to Russia's entry into the war. Produce more! 'cry? I suppose we shall get Very soon we shall be hearing something like this: "Your heroic leader has been unjustly dismissed BEVAN (1945): "We are told by some people because he so bravely dared to stand for catering who ought to know better that we shall need workers—support him now—he alone has proved

will-o'-the-wisp private enterprise is compelled manoeuvres! Boycott the Stalinists! Join the Catering Action Movement!

The Makhnovist Movement (3)

Trotsky's

monarchists who were massing forces in the Don Valley and the Kuban. Here is the text of the

part of the Red Army on the following conditions: (a) The insurrectionary army keeps its old

interior order. (b) It receives political commissaries nominated

by the Communist authorities. Command in purely military operations.

(d) It obtains munitions and provisions on the George and Clemenceau. same scale as the Red Army.

its black flags."

openly. general Dybenko, declared that the third Congress by an emissary-who was immediately executed.

held by the Revolutionary Ukrainian Council was counter-revolutionary. This congress assembled 72 districts, representing two million men. In this way the Bolsheviks passed to the attack, at first through the press, against this free community, organised on a grand scale, which

demonstrated the social uselessness of their government. "Revolutionary Military Council" must be dis- tentiaries in order to establish a military and mental violence. solved, so that the Soviet powers would not be political agreement.

rivalled.

It was Trotsky, recently arrived in the Ukraine. which, according to him, "was only a movement of of the Red Army." rich farmers, (Kulaks) seeking to establish their The agreement was signed by Frounze, compower in the country." (2)

made corrupt proposals to Makhno by letter. The Gusev. Makhnovists inserted the letter in the 3rd number of the newspaper "The Road to Liberty." The jesuitical deceit of the Bolsheviks then reached its lowest depths.

paper and published it in their columns, stating had liberated the whole territory. The good reorganisation will, no doubt, arise in the co-operatives dealt with in the second transport system. On the other hand we shows that discussions on the subject of a union began to darken with the elimination of Wrangel. have taken place between Makhno and Ten days after the triumph over the White army,

Chkouro." (1) Soon the Bolshevks instituted a blockade of the the Crimea. Ukraine, depriving the Makhnovists of munitions. They justified this treachery by spreading the the Causasus, the Don and the Kuban, was insurrection against the Soviet government.

the Bolsheviks attacked them in the North. The be integrated in the Red Army. Russia "with a broom of iron".

few days he took Ekaterinoslav and turned successes of Makhno against the Bolsheviks resulted large establishments, where it was impos-Kharkhov. Thus Makhno decided to fight both from the weaknesses of the Red Army conscripts. sible for all personnel to meet at any one

cendiarism, and, as Makhno had successes. massacres and hangings-provoked the grouping movement had lost nearly 300,000 men. of an important body of partisans, "the thousands The summer of 1921 saw the final suppression and followed Makhno's army."

was liberated from the hordes of Denikin. With- nucleus of his troops. out the stubborn resistance of the Makhnovists in Thus came to an end one of the most formidable Moscow.

War Against Wrangel

On the 20th October, 1919, a congress took place (1) "La Revolution Bolcheviste," by Antoncelli. to co-ordinate the life of the Makhnovist territories. (2) "Histoire du Mouvement Makhnovist 1918-21, Voline was chairman.

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India, of:

"The insurrectionary army becomes a constituent of the Red Army transmitted to the Makhnovist al The manoeuvre was as follows: to bolshevise the democracy would return. Ukraine while dispersing the insurrectionary army which protected it. Advancing on the Ukraine the Bolsheviks exexcuted huge numbers of peasants.

(c) It is only suberdinated to the Red High A new threat appeared: the intervention of

After having accused Makhno of making a pact (e) It maintains its name of Revolutionary with Wrangel, the Soviet authorities contradicted Association of Insurrectionaries, and keeps themselves in the "Proletaire" of the 20th October, 1920, stating that they had been inspired The duplicity of the Bolsheviks was not slow in by rumours. But the press campaign based on showing itself, at first with guarded cunning, then these rumours reached such a pitch that Wrangel, On the 10th of April, 1919, the Bolshevik Makhno, sent him a note on the 18th June, 1920,

> In July and August 1920, the Council of the In- Portugal . . . hopes so strong that Anglo-American surrectionary Army asked Moscow to suspend prestige was almost unlimited. hostilities against the Makhnovists in order to carry on the common war against Wrangel.

The Final Treachery

This agreement spoke of ending the persecutions of Makhnovists, and of the liberation of Anarchists "All Means are Good" imprisoned by the Soviets. It was clearly stated that the insurrectionary Army "should retain its that the insurrectionary Army "should retain its inner structure previously established, without who poured insults on the Makhnovist movement- adopting the forms and principles of organisation

mander of the Southern front, and by the members In May, 1919, the reactionary general Chkouro of the Revolutionary Council, Bela Kun and

> The fourth clause of the agreement mentioned respect for libertarian institutions.

On the 15th to the 20th October, the Makhno They took the letter from the Makhnovist news- vist army attacked Wrangel. In three weeks it the Bolsheviks were attacking the Makhnovists in

Now the latter turned to face Denikin, who, in rumour that the Makhnovists were preparing an lead to the grouping of effectives, without of the railway centres and docks. All these existed

Even when Denikin began to attack in June, the General Staff of Melitopol, Frounze, in violation 1919, the Bolsheviks persisted in their attitude, of previous agreements, demanded that the Insurdetermined to finish with the libertarian forces. rectionary headquarters should liquidate their While the Makhnovists fought Denikin in the East, forces into many small groups and allow them to

destruction of free communes, the execution of This time Bolshevism had sufficient forces to were engaged upon. militant anarchists, was carried out under Trotsky, crush the Anarchist communes, and the Ukrainian who had promised to sweep anarchism out of peasants were weary of fighting. Makhno's army dropped to 3,000 combatants against 150,000 During this time, Denikin was advancing. In a Bolsheviks. Henceforward the paradoxical trative council would be elected. In very

The excesses of Denikin's followers-rape, in- In the three years' battle it had fought for the time, a method of election by which all birth of a libertarian society, the Makhnovist workers could be consulted would have to ducts of the industrial federations—having

of peasant families who abandoned their villages of the Insurrectionary Army. Crippled with wounds, ill, and with a price on his head, Nestor In 8 or 10 days, all the south of the Ukrain: Makhno went over to Roumanian territory with a

December, 1919, Denikin would have marched into of revolutionary epochs, to give place to the most cruel of tyrannies.

MARZINO. (trs. from "Le Libertaire," by J. Pinkerton.

by P. Archinoff.

AGAINST

friends, England, France, etc.) and the U.S.S.R. helped by the "Peoples' Democracies" (Poland, capitalism.

they know too little.

militarism is not that of the brave Gandhi, how- mentioned. ever—although we had a great sympathy for him.

The basic organisms for the distribution of the Confederate and mysteries. I know one Klavern in southern canaly officer N. B. Franch and D. Franch an Englishmen, Americans, Belgians, etc., that refused violence. We must revive the slogans of the First International: "The Workers have no Country

PORTUGAL: COLONY of Anglo-American IMPERIALISM

by Mario Martins

decided "that the workers should everywhere dis pense with every authority and arrange their lives One day they proclaimed the celebrated British diplomatic protection to Salazar's needed the support of the dictatorial regimes in The pamphlet, which is extremely practical in its Atlantic Charter—a document which was despotism is manifest. Financial and commercial Spain and Portugal. This speech, aimed at pronecessary to finish off the counter-revolutionary In October, the larger part of Makhno's army never genuine. The radio and the press agreements, oft-repeated receptions where producing an international reaction, was an admission necessary to finish off the counter-revolutionary in the Don headquarters the order to go to the Polish front. the victory of the United Nations, British High Command, make the manoeuvre all future base of military operations in Europe

> the fascist regimes in the Iberian Peninsula . conspiracy of silence cloaked the Salazar-Franco Portugal. General Wrangel who had the support of Lloyd coalition, western outpost of the nazi-fascist Axis. Anglo-American diplomacy sustained the Governbridgehead for the manoeuvres on the European

> > promises given them by the Allied leaders, that the war was to be the final crusade against fascism.

The end of the war aroused new hopes in

When Salazar announced, in October, 1945, that elections were to be held, the political field was On the 5th of May, 1919, Kamenev, "endowed It was only in September, when Wrangel comwith extraordinary powers by the Council of manded Ekaterinoslav, Badionosk, Alexandrovok, with the police terror that followed against the Defence of the Republic" went to confer with Goulai-Pole and Sinelkovo, that the Central Com- underground organisations, frustrated all these Makhno and his staff, telling them that the mittee thought fit to send a delegation of plenipo- hopes, and Salazar restored all means of govern-

The silence of the "democratic" and "labourst' powers, the farce at U.N.O. with regard to Spain, together with the sterile imperialist conflict among react? the three big powers, produced a feeling of surprise The explanation of this mystery is to be found to end our slavery.

section of production the workers concerned

At the periodic assemblies of the whole

personnel of the co-operative, the adminis

commune. This section's function will be

Delegates from the regional federations

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mittee, or a committee based on whatever ledge and experience.

the co-operatives when they are article.

democracy" found support in London and New theme that misery and fear were the products of Peninsula.

During the war, the political leaders of York, and the fascists themselves trust implicity communism. The Portuguese dictator tried

military opposition movement, which showed itself All this signifies that the Western Powers, inments of Lisbon and Madrid, then under Hitler's publicly. Some of the principal figures of the terested in the political and economic domination of influence, with the aim of later using them as a Army and Navy were removed from Service, and the European continent, and preparing for a future some University professors-among them the best inter-continental war, are supporting the Governbrains of the country-were dismissed. At the ments of Franco and Salazar as their most faith-The Spanish and Portuguese peoples ingenuously same time there was a workers' strike to paralyse ful tools in the politics of world capitalism. hoped that democracy would arrive with the the industry, transport and the port facilities of The Army-the principal strength of fascist believing in the possibility of an agreement with destruction of nazifascism, and they believed the believed death at Tarrafal.

> The Government ordered the responsible military officials, together with workers' representatives and matter what their form may be. some political personalities, to appear before Courts Martial.

Britain would produce a strong reaction among Liberation, composed of high army and navy ferences. the workers and intellectuals. But the dis- officials, appealed to the President of the Republic ignored these demands, and continued his prosecution of those already imprisoned.

This political instability makes one wonder how basis of the weapons of a discontented army. Why objectives. Only an international reaction of the for publishing anti-militarist propaganda in the isn't the Army unanimous? Why don't the people world's workers against neo-fascism and the Federation's organ, "Le Libertaire."

among the Portuguese people, that rapidly turned in the filthy policies of the British and America Governments with regard to Portugal and Spain Portuguese fascism, now styling itself "organic In a recent speech Salazar developed the sophistic

DISTRIBUTION

ERTAIN new phases of internal tributive workers syndicate, would staff the speeding up of some sections of the

Integration

We can now see how production, dis

tribution and consumption will be inte-

In March 1919, Makhno made contact with the Bolsheviks who were then singing his praises.

But our comrade already sensed a great menace to

The fishing port of Figueira de Foz is being turned into a naval base for disembarkation While Salazar has been moving in these inter- Military installations are everywhere a priority But they never said a word about the fate of national political and diplomatic circles signs of a The U.S.A. has large reserves of railway material political breakdown have been produced inside in Portugal, for the construction of a new line from Portugal into Spain. Military training is being Last April, the people were surprised by a carried on at the same tempo as in a war period.

chancellories, the conservative forces are influenced ing a decision to intensify anti-parliamentary The workers and intellectuals are experiencing

the deception of such "democracy", when so-called A rupture developed between the Army and the anti-fascist currents are manoeuvred by the big National Confederation of Labour are both making alive with hopes that the victory of Labourism in Government. A Military Council of National powers who will defend only their political pre-

The Anarchists and the revolutionary workingfor the constitution of a new government. Salazar class of the two Iberian countries continue their are the papers of the Building Workers' Syndicate, titanic struggle against this double concentration Railwaymen's Syndicate, Engineering Workers' of imperialist power.

Salazar is able to continue his dictatorship on the hybrid forces, subjected to influences with differing Anarchist Federation, recently received heavy fines sophistry of the capitalist democracies could help

handcuffs on the peoples of the Iberian

International Anarchism GERMANY: In spite of the loss of thousands

of comrades during the years of Hitlerism and war. the libertarian movement is today in full reorganisation in Germany, and fifty groups already exist in the Western zones. In Hamburg the Cultural Federation of Free Socialists and Anti-Militarists have already commenced the publication of printed propaganda, and we recently received a copy of the pamphlet "Federalism and Free Socialism" by Carl Langer, in which the policy and organisation of the Federation are defined. suggestions for activity in Germany, is an eloquent expression of the will of our German comrades to construct a strong and active

AUSTRIA: From Graz we receive regularly the monthly bulletin of the Anarcho-syndicalists belonging to the Austrian League of Anti-Authoritarian Socialists.Like the propaganda of the German movement, this bulletin, "Die Neue Generation" shows a practical approach to current problems, and a firm appreciation of the need for Anarchist organisation, both in Austria and internationally.

ITALY: A National Convention of the Italian Anarchist Federation was held at Canossa (Bari) towards the end of February. Delegates attended from all parts of Italy to discuss the many problems confronting the Italian movement. Many messages of greeting were received from the were deported to the Concentration Camp of slow ences to continue the defence of the discredited international Movement, including one from the political regime. At the same time, through the A.F.B. Important resolutions were taken, includagainst all aspirations of national liberty no propaganda during the present election period in

> FRANCE: The Anarchist Federation and the syndicates are publishing papers dealing with the problems affecting each industry. Among these Syndicate and Public and Health Services. Two Anti-fascism presents itself as a mixture of comrades, holding responsible positions in the

CHILE: The Government of President Vidiella-The British Labour Government is the elected thanks to the apport he received from the Communist Party—ha: recently carried out many arrests of Syndicalis: militants. Among those rrested are three members of the national committee of the General Confederation of Labour Chilean section of the International Working Men's Association) and the editor of the paper of the Syndicate of Building Workers. The Government seeks to prosecute these comrades by means of new laws, passed during recent months.

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could expect requests for more workers in Nazi invasion, at frightful cost to themselves actually engaged in running the factories, Each centre of population will have its some sections, and requests for greater (Churchill had said "Yugoslavia has found her mines, etc. Professional sections are one warehouses and storage depots, while care in the consumption of goods for which soul") Churchill and Roosevelt forsook their probable form of development. This would behind them will be the special warehouses temporary shortages of raw materials puppets Peter and Mihailovich (Mihailovich paying with his life for the change of line) and handed the Yugoslav people to the slavery of Tito and causing the lack of integrity that is such need a knowledge of certain technics. The assembly of the economic council Stalin.

preparing to strike a heavy blow at the Revolution. On the 23rd November, by Order No. 00149 of a predominant feature of the present Meat refrigeration, banana ripening, the would be able to work the problem out POLAND: Agreed to the Partition of Poland, to trade-union structure. Each professional ventilation of wood stocks, and a thousand through full possession of all the facts, and the recognition of a Communist puppet government section would elect its own workshop com- other problems, all requiring special know- thus formulate the economic programme for of Poland and the eventual suppression of the the ensuing period. Then if 5,000,000 Polish parties, Conservative, Liberal, Peasant and Socialist, which had supported Britain during all yards of cloth were needed, the Federation of the war. The effect of the agreement meant of Textile Workers would split the pro- the complete loss of Polish independence and was duction of this between the various mills, made without consulting the Polish allies of Britain It would be the responsibility of the Miners and the U.S., even while Polish soldiers were dying

Federation to raise so much coal, the Iron BULGARIA: The pacts with Stalin quite and Steel Syndicate so much finished evidently agreed that there should be no Anglo-U.S. So nvasion of the Balkan peninsula, an obvious field of military action, allowing Russia to march into Through these same channels would be Bulgaria and suppress all freedom at birth and execute the leaders of democratic parties and expressed the needs of the syndicates, as members of unions and co-operatives. well as the needs of individuals—the ore, HUNGARY and RUMANIA: It followed from

limestone and coke required by the Iron this military policy in the Balkans that the and Steel Syndicates, the timber, bricks and Socialist and Democratic forces which Britain had encouraged in Hungary and Russia must suffer the fate of their Bulgarian and Yugoslav neighbours. care, and so on. Through the economic THE BALTIC COUNTRIES: Without any Council real planning would replace the attempt to aid, or even a protest, Churchill and Roosevelt watched their friend Stalin annex the small nations, Latvia, Lithuania, and Esthonia. FINLAND: Churchill and F.D.R. allowed Stalin impose brutal peace terms upon Finland, a nation he had attacked without provocation. CZECHOSLOVAKIA: By agreement, the armies

> the We tern Allies were halted just inside the frontier of Czechoslovakia, awaiting the Red Army's advance and allowing the occupation of Prague, which aided the Czech Communists to gain key posts, beginning the process of conquering the country for Stalin. GERMANY: By the orders of Churchill and

D.R. the British and American armies were halted in the middle of Germany, and even ordered to retreat, while they waited for the Russians to occupy Eastern Germany, including Berlin. By Germany were handed over to Stalinist slavery and thousands of German Socialists, political brothers of Churchill's Labour allies, were

Kurile Isles to Russia, though that country had played no part in the war against Japan. KOREA: Half of that country was given, freely and for nothing, into the tender mercies of Stalin. wealth were handed by the "great men" to the

Reaping the Whirlwind

Referring back to the second article in terrorist Klan which wants to reverse the few | In 1946 the Georgian Klan showed that they or two of the outbreak of war, he was an motive is needed. 1914 saw as the pretext the 1948), we mentioned there the statistics Many people here had accepted the Klan leader's of Roscoe Turner for his return. Just then there war gave him the chance of a lifetime to downfall of the Kaiser and the conquest of Alsace- service. This, in combination with the con- wartime statement that the gang had dissolved passed a newly-returned Naval man, Buster be Prime Minister, he became obsessed by Lorraine. Abyssinia and other colonial campaigns summer and producer co-operatives, would Others have laughed at it as an organisation of Johnson, on his way to a hotel job. Mistaking him the idea of the defeat of Germany and was

the Anti-Bolshevik Crusade. All wars have their resources to satisfy the needs of each comterrors", as they like to be known.

Governor of Georgia, Ellis Arnall, ordered the that hungry dictator ever asked for. Tens reasons, but basically there is only one . . . that of mune, We pointed out that this link-up Claiming to be the enemies of negroes, Jews Georgian Attorney General, General Eugene Cook, of thousands of Russian refugees were gun-merchants. The working-class of all countries have no need to kill each other, they want to live, have no need to kill each other, they want to live, of an "cooperate council" which can and Catholics, they also seek to terrorise trade to investigate. One of the first witnesses was the unionists, radicals and any one who is not an out Rev. Grady R. Kent who some warre proviously. gradually be amplified as the series of terror gang. In other words it is a fascist was flogged by the Klan so that he became per-

> of products as (distinct from services) bringing to nought the rights won for coloured folk after dark. Visitors are sometimes taken there by his usual adaptability to a present situaleader of the West against Russia, his high praise of Stalin forgotten, the fruits of his like industry, is a thing of technics, and After some years the Klan languished and supreme head is Boss Green, Imperial Wizard and known plotters. Once again the Socialists

> hygienic methods of handling and storing, developed rapidly, especially in the Middle West, Wherever he operates, he will be a menace to and printed by C.A. Brock & Co. Ltd., (T.U.). 79, Southern Row, London, W.10.

the regulation of questions regarding raw materials, transport, workmen, etc. The local sections, through delegates, will be extended into the regional industrial federations, which will be responsible for From "Direct Action" Special Correspondent | It began to decline about 1928, particularly The hooded Ku Klux Klan is rampaging Dixie- life imprisonment for murder and exposed state land again, threatening coloured folk, labour officials in Indiana. In other states bodies of its

whites who did not enforce a strict colour bar. tion, and will have the job of facilitating Looking around, he asked if his name was on the all during the war. voters' list. On being told "yes" he left without On March 7th, 1940, the body of Ike Gaston,

of an "economic council", which would unionists, radicals and any one who is not an out Rev. Grady R. Kent who, some years previously,

International of Stalinist capitalism.

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Published by "Direct Action" Administration, and shall be successed as the Middle West. Green, however, has chosen by two rivals who at once began to gather in the miserable semi-derelict town on the Tobacco Road Published by "Direct Action" Administration, attractive presentation, and, above all, Klectokens (membership dues). The Klan as his principle scene of activity. PAUL CAMUS These workers, the members of the dis-often attacking the I.W.W. and other unions. white as well as to coloured workers.

The Anarchists cannot support either the articles proceeded. We can now add the The Klan began in 1865, at the end of the Civil the Klansmen. Needless to say, the enquiry has were left to face Stalin's execution squads.

the entire South with a boasted membership of The Klansmen still delight in childish ceremony another war certain. They sowed the

the same type of question on a regional in U.S.A. These federations will be established according to "economic" regions. The delineation of the regions should be based doesn't toe the KKK line. In Wrightsville, strong in some states in the Middle West, South on their natural resources, or on their in- Georgia, the Klan staged a demonstration on the and even in New Jersey. In Georgia the Imperial dustrial organisation. In this way, a eve of the recent Johnson County primary elections. Wizard, Dr. H. W. Evans, acting for certain on We are not prophets. We cannot be sure that mining region will have its limits fixed

administrative council.

war will take place at a determined date. But according to the grouping of pits. if this dreadful thing should happen, we know it this means, the task of liaison between clothes. Parading around the Courthouse, they In 1939 the Klan became allied to the Deutsches will be between two countries, or to be more exact, federations will be easier and more between two tendencies. The U.S.A. (and her Yugoslavia, Rumania, etc.). Two blocs. Authoriof production will form the Union of but out of even this small number, only one declared itself suspended. It was never disbanded,

We always refer to the "coming" war, but in the work of the regional federations. reality it is a war that has been going for fifty years. It has never stopped. For the moment it has a more general character-at least it is ducer co-operatives, we can deal with how through a psychosis that is created by the valets duced reach the consumers who need them. officials are increasingly being threatened by the Eugene Talmadge, at once pardoned them. of lies-press, radio, speeches.

were to "civilise the natives." 1917 against be able to analyse and integrate the in- silly men who love to dress up and play secret for Turner, the Klub seized him, pushed him into blind to everything else. crusades. 1939 the crusade against Hitlerism and fascism. The next conflict will, perhaps, be called help in judging the rational use of Let us sketch briefly the history of the "hooded Johnson recovered and complained. The new more than he ever needed to, or even than crusades. 1939 the crusade against Hitlerism and societies. It is, but it is still dangerous, and those car, and driving him to a wood, flogged him with

Deminform" or the "Cominform." Our anti- function of distribution to those already War, in Pulaski, Tennessee, and soon spread over not stopped the Klan. and "Above the Fatherland, Humanity."

grated. The consumers—the people who will actually wear the clothes, burn the coal, eat the food, sleep in the beds, and be devised. Whatever the method adopted, it should not be obligatory for a worker to be a member of his workshop listed the reserves of raw materials, fuel, committee in order to be eligible for the statistics service would be able to work out This council will constitute the organism the necessary factors. of management, replacing the directors and boards of the present system of capitalism.

These might include such things as intensification of production in certain In each commune a local industrial branches, and slackening-off in others, or section will be constituted, composed of delegates from all the syndicates in the

consume or use the countless other prolisted their particular needs in their periodic meetings and the syndicates having workmen, factory capacity, etc., the

(To be Continued.) KU KLUX KLAN THREATENS NEGROES & TRADE UNIONISTS

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many technical experts, for distribution.

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Indiana, where it had been strongest. There Georgia. Grand Dragon D. C. Stephenson was sentenced to unionists, governors and mayors-anyone who victims were discovered. It was, however, still All were in the usual uniform of white hood and and other companies cornered the sale of asphalt to shirt with holes pierced for eyes and mouth, ex- the State Highways Department for years, until JAPAN: The recret agreement gave the vital cept for the leader, Green, who wore ordinary fined by the U.S. Court, under the anti-trust law. made speeches threatening negroes and those Bund, the league of German Nazis in America, and other fascist groups such as the Silver Shirts. Owing to the poll tax and other anti-negro When America entered the war and the F.B.I. went devices, only 241 negroes were registered as voters. Spy-hunting, the KKK went doggo and in 1943 Manchuria, containing half of China's natural Regional Federations of Industrial Produc. appeared at the polling office on election day. of course, and remained active in varying degrees Chinese Communists.

metal, the Woodworkers Syndicate

cement needed by the Construction Syndi-

many articles of furniture.

Having dealt with consumer and pro- attempting to vote, receiving no protection from victim of the Klan, was found near East Point the officials. and Oakland City, Georgia. The assassins were Such incidents are becoming common in the never accused, but eight Klan floggers were localised, but it still exists. It is undertaken the two inter-act, so that the goods pro- South, especially in Georgia. Mayors and other gaoled on other counts. Governor of Georgia, is very shortsighted—he cannot look ahead.

To be able to set one people against another, a this series ("Direct Action" February, equality in America. short steps which have been made towards racia) were still active. In Atlanta one of its Kavalier equality in America.

to make war. We praise the courage of the con- would be the syndicates of Distributive and in the Civil War. President Grant demanded of winding woodland path to sup with the hooded tion, Churchill will appear as the great war must make war on war, by all means. To Workers' Syndicate would be included Laws were passed and arrests made, but with the The gang has many fancy titles for its officials-

needs the experience of those with know- almost faded out, until it was revived about 1915 Grand Emperor. Although registered in Georgia. will hail the "Great War Leader." We don't want to die for the "Deminform" ledge of it. A library worker should know by an insurance salesman, Simmons, who, seeing the Klan is, according to Ellis Arnall, strongest Happy the people who have no great men.

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