

Sorry Lot Testify Against CIO

SAN FRANCISCO.—The cast of characters in the FBI attempt to deport Harry Bridges is a sorry lot, judging from their records.

Together with those that testified against Bridges in the first hearing held in 1939 before Dean Landis, they read like a "who's who" of labor spies, expelled union members, Dies committee witnesses and convicted criminals sprinkled here and there with a few union soreheads. They are:

BENJAMIN GITLOW—ex-Communist, Dies committee witness, who never even mentioned Bridges name during his two days on the stand in which he told about what he said were the inside workings of the Communist party. He said "creation of the CIO was the cul-

mination of Communist policy!"

EZRA F. CHASE—ex-Communist, admitted being a labor spy, admitted making written regular reports to Los Angeles police labor detail when he was a paid official of an AFL furniture workers union, admitted making application for a job with a detective agency for a job as labor spy, as exposed in LaFollette committee hearings. He said a "communist meeting" he had been to with Bridges was when Bridges debated Roger Lapham, American-Hawaiian Steamship Co. president, before 10,000 people in San Francisco civic auditorium!

FARRELL SCHNERING—another ex-Communist who didn't even mention Bridges' name, but said CIO was communistic.

HOWARD RUSHMORE—also ex-Communist, said when he was on Communist Daily Worker, Bridges was treated as a "sacred cow." Others so treated at various times, he said, included President Roosevelt, Mrs. Roosevelt, Mayor LaGuardia, John L. Lewis, the CIO generally, and so on.

SAM DINER—expelled from his union, the International Ladies' Garment Workers, on charges of stealing union funds. Placed Bridges at a Communist meeting but couldn't remember out of dozens of personal friends he met there anybody else except a high Communist official!

THOMAS LAWRENCE—Said he peered through a window and saw Bridges at a Communist meeting. Said he disapproved of Bridges' union policies of aid to Spain and China democracies several years ago. Ex-Communist.

FRANK RYAN—Removed from stand when he denied Lawrence's story. Ex-Communist.

MAURICE J. CANNALONGA—who said "well, yes and no," when asked if FBI threatened him to testify. When he first took stand denied he ever saw Bridges at a so-called Communist meeting.

AMOS F. KELLEY—Seattle hotel keeper who tried to get Bridges to form a CIO union of his employees, when already under contract to the AFL they demanded a pay raise.

DAWN LOVELACE—admit-

ted connections with Portland police department, called well-known conservative member of Portland local and state assemblyman a "communist."

NAT HONIG—who was taken into custody a few weeks ago by Seattle police for shoplifting. Ex-communist newspaperman, he said he had been at meeting with Bridges but he couldn't remember where. Ex-Communist.

ROBERT WILMOT—who was fired from CIO labor paper in Portland, Oregon, incompetence and chronic drunkenness. Now works for group repeatedly condemned by CIO Longshore conventions as anti-labor. Ex-Communist.

RICHARD ST. CLAIR—who was so confused on the stand that even the judge asked him if he had ever been confined to a mental institution.

JOHN OLIVER THOMPSON—out on three years parole for confessed killing of his wife by stabbing her in the back.

WILLIAM McQUISTION—Dies committee witness, expelled from CIO National Maritime Union for goon tactics, tried for murder in New Orleans of NMU Agent Philip Carey, said he stood outside phone booth in New York and heard Bridges in Frisco talk to high communist official! Ex-Communist.

PETER J. INNES—Dies committee witness, expelled from the NMU on charges of stealing union funds, said he was other end of line in Frisco when Bridges allegedly talked to McQuistion's high communist official, but—

DIES COMMITTEE RECORDS—proved that Innes was in San Pedro at the time the alleged phone call was made and that it wasn't made to a high communist official anyway but to President Joe Curran of the National Maritime Union, now a CIO national vice-president.

JAMES O'NEIL—former west coast CIO publicity director, who blasted FBI case sky high.

A. E. REESE—ex-Wobbly, didn't mention Bridges and admitted knowing nothing about the IWW.

FBI Surveillance Hampers Defense

SAN FRANCISCO—Much of the Bridges defense case must be prepared under the hostile eyes of the FBI, because the FBI has refused to allow photostating of documentary evidence.

Instead of letting the defense have photostatic copies made of this evidence, the prosecution insists that any examination of the documents take place under FBI surveillance before and after the hearings each day.

Rogues Gallery Jumps



EZRA F. CHASE
Labor Spy



M. J. CANNALONGA
Victim of Terrorism



BENJAMIN GITLOW
Smeared, CIO



DAWN LOVELACE
Pal of Cops

VOICE OF THE FEDERATION

Through Hoop For FBI In



THOMAS LAURENCE
Peeping Tom



ROBERT WILMOT
Gas Hound



SAM DINER
Stole from Union

Saturday, May 3, 1941

Bridges Trial



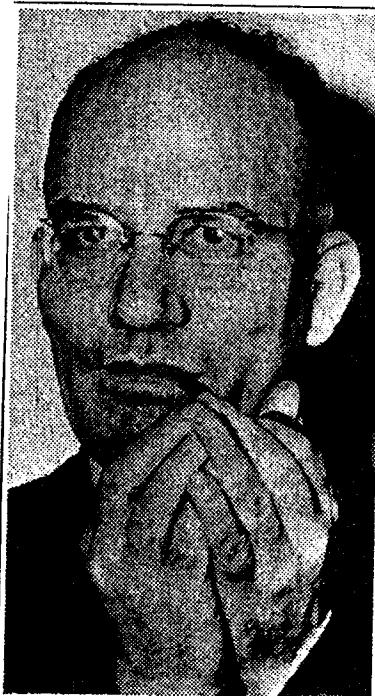
HOWARD RUSHMORE
Hearst "Red" Expert



NAT HONIG
Accused Shoplifter



FARRELL SCHNERING
Midwest Strikebreaker



WILLIAM McQUISTION
Tried for Murder



ROBERT ST. CLAIR
Mentally Unsound?



Pulling the strings in the second Bridges "frame-up" (left to right) are: **MAJOR SCHOFIELD**, immigration and naturalization division chief; **PROSECUTOR DEL GUERCIO**; FBI Agent **CRONIN**; another FBI agent; **TRENT DOZER**, immigration department; **EARL CONNELLEY**, aide to FBI Chief Hoover; **PAUL V. MYRON**, assistant prosecutor; Judge **CLARENCE GOODWIN**, co-prosecutor, and (front) FBI clerk.