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## "Give Us Work; Give Us Bread!"

MONDAY'S events in Budapest, where the workers went into the streets to demand "Work or Bread," are of the greatest significance to revolutionary workers everywhere. These events, to begin with, again emphasize the world-wide character of the capitalist crisis and the growing militancy and revolutionary determination of the workers in resisting the universal efforts of the capitalists to make them carry the burden of the crisis.

Out of a total population in Hungary of 7,000,000, over 500,000 workers are jobless. As in the United States these unemployed workers receive no unemployment insurance or any other form of relief. In addition to those totally unemployed, there are here, there are many thousands who are working only part time at greatly reduced wages and with much greater intensity. It was these conditions, constantly becoming worse with the deepening of the crisis, that provided the basis for the September 1st events.

Of most importance, however, is the turn which Monday's events took in exposing the class role of the various political groupings, and the reaction of the working masses.

The demonstrations were called, according to press reports, by the social-democrats (the Hungarian counterparts of Thomas, Hillquit and Brown) under the pressure of the masses. The workers, unable to stand the daily worsening of their conditions and determined to stop the bosses' pressure, forced these reformist hirelings of the bosses, who control the trade unions, to issue the call for Monday's demonstrations. The Hungarian dictator, Count Bethlen, immediately issued orders barring the demonstrations, whereupon the "socialist" leaders (true to form) immediately beat a retreat. The central organ of the social democrats, the "Nepszava," twenty-four hours before the demonstrations, declared that they would suppress any "disorder" during the demonstration, which was already a warning of their bloody betrayal which followed.

The Communist Party of Hungary, carrying forward the revolutionary traditions of 1919, got busy, warned the workers of the inevitable betrayal by the social-democrats, and called upon the masses to broaden their struggle for "Work or Bread" into a political struggle against the Bethlen fascist dictatorship and its social-democratic props.

On this basis the demonstrations went forward despite the prohibition of Bethlen and the sabotage of the social fascists. Over fifty thousand workers, according to press reports, gathered by ones, twos and threes in the public square and on the city's main thoroughfare. Many of these were employed workers who struck work in order to participate.

Then came the collision. The police attempted to smash the demonstration. The workers responded by stoning the police, determinedly holding the streets and square which they had won.

When the police failed to break the workers' ranks, the first reserve of the bourgeoisie was called; a socialist deputy, Karl Payer, was brought to the scene. He tried frantically to divide and confuse the workers by launching into a bitter tirade against the Communists, but for his pains, he was badly beaten by the workers and, after being rescued, "taken to the hospital with serious injuries." He having also failed, Bethlen then ordered mounted troops and tanks. By machine gun fire and sabre attacks, the streets were finally cleared after "two workers were killed, fifty-seven seriously wounded, some of whom are dying, and one hundred fifty less seriously." Over 300 were arrested.

But this is only the first skirmish. From it many lessons can be drawn. The capitalist press sums up the first lesson in the following terse sentence:

"The moderate socialists did their best (for the Hungarian bosses—Ed) but lost all control." The second lesson equally well put is the following:

"The most alarming feature... was the extent to which the Communist extremists gained the ear of workmen embittered by economic distress."

The third most important fact to be noted is the quickness with which the Hungarian masses recalled their revolutionary experiences of 1919, and when for 132 days they maintained a workers' Soviet Republic, and threw up barricades in the streets and behind them heroically resisted the armed attacks of the police and the troops, fighting from 11 in the morning until 5 in the afternoon against the greatest odds before retreating.

With the experience of the socialist betrayal of Monday added to the previous experience of the Hungarian working class it is safe to declare that more will be heard from Hungary. The struggle for "Work or Bread," coupled up as it was with the demands: "Down with the bourgeoisie!" "Long Live Soviet Hungary!" will go forward stronger than ever before, this time with the leadership of the Hungarian Communist Party greatly strengthened.

## Another 'Socialist' Speaks

PRESIDENT JOHN BEARD, in his report to the opening session of the British Trade Union Congress, shows more clearly and brazenly than ever before the course that the social democrats of the world are following. He went out of his way incidentally to state that his speech was fully in line with the policy of the MacDonald "Labor" Government.

"I still fully trust the Labor Government," he said, "and in these times of tense danger (for capitalism)—Ed. stand by the captain—James Ramsey MacDonald."

From this he went on to declare that there was "no present substitute for capitalism," and to ridicule the "Socialism in our time" slogan of the Independent Labor Party.

He followed the line of the big bourgeoisie in declaring against the traditional free trade policy of British imperialism and for a policy of free trade within the empire protected from foreign imperialist competition by high tariff walls.

"We might, of course, end capitalism," said Beard, "but I am not certain there is any kind of organization capable of working the change without tremendous dislocation of the social and economic life of the nation."

This, of course, if accepted by the British masses, would give capitalism a permanent franchise on which to operate in Great Britain. But he goes even further than that. He declared that he was "not appalled by the over 2,000,000 unemployed in Britain" and completely called off any struggle against capitalist rationalization when he stated:

"Whether we like it or not, nobody can set up a claim to spend more time on a job than is required nor justify making goods not wanted."

This speech, which incidentally is the most noteworthy declaration of any English labor leader since the Trade Union Council's betrayal of the general strike, marks the complete abandonment of all struggle against capitalism there, and the open appearance of the British Labor Party as a Party of anti-socialism. After such a speech it no longer requires any great mental effort to understand the shooting down of workers and peasants in India, Palestine or Egypt, or the regular smashing of strikes of English workers at home. This represents an open embracing of fascism by the English "labor" leaders.

Norman Thomas, Morris Hillquit, James O'Neal and their co-betrayers in the American socialist party, who have been busy trying to square their pretensions to struggle here with support of MacDonald's mass murders in India can now attempt to explain away the speech of Beard, which very plainly was the policy of MacDonald.

Without waiting, however, for their explanations the workers here will continue to rally around the election campaign of the Communist Party and the struggle for the Unemployment Insurance Bill.

## Part of 25,000 in N. Y. Demonstration Who Will Carry On Fight For Jobless Insurance



## 'SOCIALIST' FOR LABOR PARTY TO SAVE CAPITALISM

Though Its Rottenness Too Much For British

NEW YORK.—Seldom is a proposal made and refuted so instantly by facts as that of the "socialist" Louis Waldeman in a Labor Day speech, calling for the formation of a "labor" party, and the news, printed on the same page of New York capitalist papers telling how the delegates at the British Trade Union Congress, who are largely "socialists" themselves, rebelled against the outrageous capitalist policy of the British "labor" party and "labor" government.

Waldeman spoke to several hundred at Unity House in Forest Park, N. Y., and urged that "a political labor party be organized in this country along the same lines as the labor party of England," said the N. Y. Times Tuesday.

On the same page, dispatches from Nottingham, England, where the British Trade Union Congress opened on Monday, told how even the social fascist "socialist" delegates booed and cried "Shame!" at the rankly pro-capitalist speech of John Beard, president of the F. U. C., and remarked how that "only twenty of the hundreds of delegates applauded when he defended Premier MacDonald" against the labor party left wing.

It must be said that Beard's speech touched a depth of vile capitalism.

## 500 AT "FREE" AGENCY MEET

Fascists Try to Break Up Meeting

NEW YORK.—Over 500 unemployed workers attended the open air meeting called by the Downtown Unemployed Council in front of the fake Tammany "free" employment agency Tuesday morning. On the previous occasion this meeting was broken up by the police and several workers beaten up.

The crowd of unemployed responded enthusiastically to the demand for the passage of the Unemployment Insurance Bill.

In the discussion that followed the meeting, an unemployed worker, Edward Bradley, told of being arrested in Atlantic City on a vagrancy charge and held for six days at the termination of which he was given a farcical trial and sentenced to a six months suspended sentence

## AT STEWART & WARNER

Where Layoffs Pile Up Heavily

(By a Worker Correspondent.) CHICAGO, Ill.—Department No. 2 of the heavy punch presses laid off the men and put girls in their place.

The pay of the girls is 35 cents per hour as compared with the 60 cents that the men received per hour.

Only 40 girls are now employed in that department.

Department No. 45. While it might be gloomy in various departments, nothing can happen in department No. 45, for the simple reason that this department is entirely shut down,

and 200 men that used to work at the Auto Hokers are walking the streets looking for jobs.

In general, the plant is now very quiet. Out of 5,000 workers who were formerly employed, only about 600 are working now.

Also, wage-cuts is not a new occurrence in the Stewart & Warner. They are laying off the workers, telling them to come back later, and when the workers come back for their old jobs, the bosses re-hire them back for lower wages.

What we ought to do is organize a shop committee of the Metal Trades Industrial League and put up a fight.

## "Jobless Day" Demonstrations Prepared Wider Struggle for Unemployment Insurance Bill

Charlotte, N. C. Meet Exceeds March 6th Demonstration; 29 Jailed in Frisco

"Unemployment Day" Sept 1st, saw the initiation of a mighty mass movement throughout the country to broaden the fight for the passage of the Unemployment Insurance Bill of the Communist Party. Under the leadership of the Trade Union Unity League tens of thousands of workers gathered in militant demonstrations in many industrial centers, enthusiastically cheered the reading of the Unemployment Insurance Bill, and pledged a continued struggle for the demand of social insurance. In some instances, the size and militancy of the demonstrations exceeded even those of the historic March 6th unemployment demonstrations for "Work or Wages."

The following are special dispatches to the Daily Worker giving details of some of the demonstrations:

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Sept. 2.—Over 3,000 workers attended the "Unemployment Day" demonstration here. There was a larger and more militant crowd than on March 6th. Police on motorcycles attacked the meeting for over an hour, but the workers' splendid defense completely defeated the police attack, and the demonstration continued for an hour with great enthusiasm and cheering for the Party candidates and for the Unemployment Insurance Bill.

10,000 in Milwaukee. MILWAUKEE, Wis.—Ten thousand Negro and white workers and (Continued on Page Three)

## Y.C.L. ARRANGES DEMONSTRATION

Indoors: September 5; Outdoors: September 8

NEW YORK.—In the midst of the last imperialist war, when the socialist parties the world over had betrayed the interests of the workers by becoming patriots of their respective countries, in the city of Berne representatives of various Socialist Youth Leagues met and set aside Sept. 8th as an international day of struggle against imperialist wars by the working youth. This meeting laid the foundation for the Young Communist International.

The Young Communist League of New York is calling a series of indoor demonstrations, which will be held Friday, Sept. 5, in the following places: Downtown, 66 E. Fourth St.; Bronx, Prospect Ave.; Harlem, Harlem Casino, 116th St. and Lenox Ave., in preparation for a series of outdoor meetings. These outdoor demonstrations will take place on Monday, Sept. 8, throughout the city. They will be held at the following places: 120th St. and Lenox Ave., at 7 p. m.; Battery Park, at 6:30 p. m.; Adams and Myrtle Ave., Brooklyn, at 5:30 p. m.; 138th St. and Southern Blvd., at 5:30 p. m.

Young workers, demonstrate against imperialist war and for the defense of the Soviet Union. Demand unemployment relief.

"The Communist Party has proposed a Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill which provides for weekly aid of \$25 for a jobless worker, plus \$5 for each dependent. The fund is to be raised by the government and administered by a National Committee of unemployed and employed workers elected at a national conference. The funds now used for war purposes—five billion dollars—shall immediately be directed into the unemployment insurance fund and be increased by capital levies and taxes on income above \$5,000.

"The workers will not starve, they will fight. The barricades on the streets of Budapest on Monday is one of the signs of our present period of capitalist decay and of rising militancy on the part of the workers 'the world over. In the coming months many American cities will witness bitter struggles for 'work or wages.' The headlines of the coming winter are already forming."

## AFL FAKERS WORK OVERTIME "LABOR DAY" FOR BOSSES

Muste Has Scheme to Fool Jobless

NEW YORK.—A. F. of L. fascist officials, from Green, Morrison and Ryan, down to the Rev. A. J. Muste, worked overtime on "Labor Day" working up schemes to protect the bosses against the demand for unemployment insurance, advocated by the Communist Party and the Trade Union Unity League.

Joseph Ryan, president of the New York Central Trades and Labor Council, one of the Tammany henchmen who said on March 6, that a little more vigorous clubbing of the unemployed would prevent a revolution later on, devoted a good part of his "Labor Day" trip to an attack on the Communist Party.

But the slimmest attack on the unemployed workers came from Rev. Muste's yellow dive in Katonah, N. Y., where all the petty-bourgeois fakers and social-fascists from Brown to Gorman of the United Textile Workers had an enjoyable time "debating" the ills of the workers.

As a result of this conference of the Musteite fakers in their pleasant summer retreat, a fake unemployment insurance scheme was concocted in order to mislead the fight for real unemployment insurance which is being taken up by hundreds of thousands of workers.

The Musteite scheme, according to its inventors, is not designed to hurt the bosses any more than compensation insurance, of which they highly approve. All workers who have had any experience with compensation insurance, which is one of the greatest boons ever handed to the American bosses, will understand the real purport of the Musteite unemployment insurance scheme. Both are built along the same lines.

In order not to hurt the imperialist war plans of the government of the "50" rich rulers in Washington, the Muste scheme side-steps the issue of turning over the war funds, amounting to a billion dollars, to the unemployed. Instead, Muste asks for \$100,000,000 by the federal government. This would last about a week and a half, if the 8,000,000 unemployed were given the average minimum sum asked by Muste of \$10 per week.

In the fight for the Unemployment Insurance Bill, advocated by the Communist Party, and being made one of the main issues in the Communist election campaign, every worker should attack and expose these fake schemes which meet the approval of the bosses. They have only one purpose—to divert the militancy of the workers into channels which are safe for the capitalists.

Tammany grafters go free—the Unemployed Delegation is in prison—vote Communist!

## LAYOFFS IN HOUSTON

Workers Must Not Starve Quietly!

(By a Worker Correspondent.) HOUSTON, Texas.—Conditions are rotten down here now, thousands of men are laid off. Houston tool plant expects to lay off a thousand workers on the first. They have laid off nine hundred and fifty workers already and have cut wages fifty per cent already. The Trinity Cement plant has closed down and laid off 1,100 men. This effects about six hundred workers.

## COMMUNIST CAMPAIGN, JOBLESS CONFERENCE FIGHT FOR INSURANCE

Will Carry Struggle For Relief of Unemployed Into Capitalist Legislatures

New Wave of Wage Cuts and Lay-Offs; 5,000 Thrown Out in Studebaker Plant, South Bend

Following the mass demonstrations of unemployed and militant workers Monday, the drive for unemployment relief and insurance of the Trade Union Unity League, Councils of the Unemployed, Communist Party and many sympathetic workers' organizations, develops in several ways. It is going forward under the impetus of the mass demands voiced on Unemployment Day, and the desperation of ever new swarms of jobless workers.

The latest is that 5,000 have been laid off in the Studebaker plant at South Bend, Ind.

The fight is bound up with the struggle of the workers still inside the shops for efficient organization and for the 7-hour day and 5-day week under a general slogan, "Organize and Strike Against Wage Cuts"—and also against all speed-up and worsening of conditions.

The Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill is the central issue in the Communist Party election campaign. The Communist Party proposes to carry the fight for jobless relief and insurance right into the capitalist legislative bodies. Thousands of street and factory gate meetings will hear Communist candidates and other speakers outline the struggle to win from the national government (the executive committee of the whole capitalist class) those billions of dollars now set aside for war and to use them for unemployment insurance. The bill provides that a total of \$5,000,000 shall be raised for this insurance to guarantee at least \$25 a week to each of the jobless. The insurance is to be distributed by committees elected by the workers in a way outlined in the bill. In addition to war funds, the bill provides for a capital levy and a tax on incomes over \$5,000 a year to provide for unemployment insurance.

The Trade Union Unity League made the Unemployment Day demonstrations a means of bringing before the workers throughout the country its "Organize and Strike" program, and called upon all, not only to join the militant unions and

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FSU CONFERENCE ON SEPTEMBER 4

T.U.U.C. Issues Statement Endorsing Meet

In endorsing the Friends of the Soviet Union Conference, O. Fisher, secretary of the Trade Union Unity Council issued the following statement:

"The conference of the Friends of the Soviet Union called for Sept. 4, at Manhattan Lyceum, is of great importance to the American workers. The capitalists of this country are in every way possible trying to prepare the workers for the coming war on the Soviet Union.

"The same capitalists and their agents are waging a war against the American workers. This expresses itself in wage-cuts, unemployment, speed-up, the clubbing and jailing of the workers, murder of the workers who fight for better conditions.

"It is the duty of American workers to prepare for the defense of the Soviet Union.

"The Trade Union Unity Council endorses and calls upon its affiliated union and leagues as well as the rank and file workers in the A. F. of L. unions to send delegates to the conference of the Friends of the Soviet Union."

Hungry has a population of only 7,000,000 men, women, old and young, workers, peasants and parasites. Out of this, half a million workers are jobless. The New York Times special cable after describing the extreme efforts made by the socialists to aid the police crush the demonstration which had got out of their hands, quotes an (apparently official) eye witness as saying:

"The moderate socialists did their best but lost all control.

"The most alarming feature of today's violence for those able to read the signs of the times was the extent to which the Communist extremists gained the ear of workmen embittered by economic distress."

Clashes between police and demonstrating workers are reported in the towns of Szeged, Debrecen, Miskolc, Győr and Kaposvár. Several persons were injured in each of these towns.

NEW YORK.—A tremendous mass protest meeting for the release of Guido Serio and Rade Radekovich, the militant workers who have been ordered deported to Italy and Jugo Slavia, respectively, where fascist murderers wait to deal death to revolutionary workers, will be held on Wednesday evening at Manhattan Lyceum, 64 East Fourth St., at 8 p. m. under the auspices of the New York district of the International Labor Defense. A writ of habeas corpus for Guido Serio has just been obtained by the International Labor Defense, temporarily delaying his deportation. Radekovich is still languishing in jail where he has been since last February. Both workers have been denied the right to choose a lawyer where they will be safe from the fascist murderers.

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The dredges doing government work here are working with one half the former crew and are doing the same amount of work they formerly did with a full crew.

The I.L.A. are scabbing on themselves (the Jim Crow I.L.A.). The Southern S.S. Co. has cut the working weeks two days laying off workers that much time.

—AL McBRIDE



# ALLIANCE OF BOSSES, GANGSTERS, AFL, HIT CHICAGO CLEAN-UP

## Bosses Too Much Mixed Up With Gangland to Allow Any Real Exposure, Reporter Admits

### Gangsters Control A. F. of L. Unions; Union Leaders Mere Cover-Up Men For Thugs

(Special to The Daily Worker.)  
CHICAGO.—"You can't tear the lid off Chicago because too many big shots are sitting on it."  
This is the way one cynical newspaperman expressed himself concerning the so-called press revelations following the murder first of the Chicago Tribune reporter-racketeer Jake Lingle and more recently the machine-gunning of the vice, gambling, booze, king-pin of the north side Jack Zuta.

Like all cities where the boogie is large, Chicago is divided into camps. Although "Scarface" Al Capone's leadership is pretty well recognized, he is given some serious competition by the north side Aiello gang of which Zuta, former Capone man, was the brains. Naturally, the political groups, who draw their largest graft and campaign money from the racketeers, side now with one and now with the other depending on the power of the gangsters and their ability to come across financially and with votes.

Likewise the press being caught in the political tangle and serving as the mouthpieces of various political groupings are guardedly but none the less effectively mixed up in the marriages between gangster and politician rings.

Thus when the observing reporter talks of big shots, he means everybody from leaders of the two major parties through the editors

of the big dailies to Sam Insull, James Simpson and other representatives of large capital whose interest in local, state and national politics is unflagging and always lucrative for politicians.

There is still another hook-up that cannot be overlooked. Since the days of "Skinny" Madden, many A. F. of L. unions in Chicago, chiefly in the building trades, have been hopelessly enmeshed in the gangster skein. "Si" O'Donnell, Mossy Enright, "Big Tim" Murphy and a corps of other gangsters have subjected various unions to their sovereignty until today, the larger organized labor groups exist on the basis of the unquestioned overlordship of common thugs. Through the racketeer and political connections of these mobsters who pose as labor leaders, organized labor is entirely bereft of its class purpose and constitutes a rich field for gangster booty and a handy playground for crooked politicians.

It is for this reason that the Federation News, ignoble successor to the New Majority (issued during a period following the 1922 depression when the Chicago labor movement for a while regained some of its traditional class spirit despite the gangsters), must cynically defend the assassination of a member of the Trade Union Unity League by Painters' union thugs. And it is for this reason that President Fitzpatrick and other once outspoken leaders of the Chicago Federation of Labor are now mere cover-up men for the brigandage and treachery that every day mark the misleadership of Chicago workers by stick-up men holding union office.

This sordid melange which includes in its scope the whole gamut of the so-called elected representatives of the people, the press, organized capital and organized gangsterism, also digs its corrupting hand deep into the labor movement. No wonder nobody is willing to lift the lid.

The same cover-up maneuvering that hid the important factors in the investigation of the slaying of "Jake" Lingle are now at work to protect possible higher ups from the Zuta revelations. This gangster was a wise head. He kept records. Every check, every note, every letter that passed through his hands he put in safety deposit boxes. These were his clubs. Judges, state, county and city officials were made to squirm.

But strangely enough, the only documents that were released for publication were those affected smaller fry like the chief of police of Evanston, (Charlie Daves' home town) ex-judge Eller, whose record couldn't be made blacker anyhow and a few petty racketeers. And more strangely still, no documents were "discovered" bearing dates subsequent to 1928. It so happens that the statute of limitations is eighteen months. Nobody will be hurt, attention will be diverted from the details of the Lingle killing, involving much more important people, and another crisis will have been hushed. The election will soon be in full swing and a few if any politicians or newspapers will so far lose their common sense as to in any way connect up those seeking office with the gang world.

There is only one political force that is free to and has the courage to expose this rottenness, in Chicago and elsewhere, and that is the Communist Party. What about the City Club liberals and the socialist party? These people are impotent and have consistently shown it. First they lack courage. They must remain respectable. The only way you can stay respectable in Chicago is to keep your mouth shut. Every time you open your mouth about corruption you step on somebody's toe. The City Club and the socialist party can't afford to step on anybody's toe, at least not hard. The only possible role they can play is a negative one. They can shake their heads. They are perfectly willing to say: it's too bad. But they dare not open up with a serious fire because they are afraid of the consequences.

There are no consequences of which Communists are afraid. They have been beaten by union thugs. They have been beaten and one of their number killed by union thugs. They have led organized unemployed workers against police lines and they have faced cops and thugs at factory gates. At their peril they have spoken to and organized among the Negro masses of the south side. These are consequences that have already fallen with deadly blows. What is there then for the Communist to fear when he tells the workers of Chicago the truth about corrupt politics, crooked newspapers and labor union grafters? It is only the Communist Party that the worker in Chicago, employed or unemployed can look for courageous outspokenness and working-class leadership.

# DRIVE IS ON FOR WORKING WOMAN

## Appeal For Funds and Subscriptions

NEW YORK.—The September issue of the "Working Woman," a special "Vote Communist" number is off the press. Articles by the leading Communist candidates give an interesting picture of the living and working conditions of women workers throughout the country.

Beginning with Sept. 1st, the "Working Woman" is launching a drive for a sustaining fund of \$2,000, for 1,000 new subscribers, and for the formation of 25 women workers' correspondents circles.

During this campaign we must reach and make contact with tens of thousands of women workers. We must prepare them to "Organize and Strike" against the brutal exploitation by the bosses. The drive itself is a means of building our work among women. Even the raising of funds means making sympathetic contacts not merely collecting money.

With the growing number of women in industry, whose conditions are unbearable, with the growing importance of women in this period of war preparations, a revolutionary paper for women workers, a spokesman for the most exploited section of the working class is becoming of greater and greater importance.

Every militant worker, man or woman, must help spread the influence of the "Working Woman" in the shops and factories, must get donations and subscriptions and build the correspondents circles, must help to push the drive "over the top." A successful drive will lay the basis for a mass working women's paper in the U.S.A.

# FINE MEETING AT NATIONAL BISCUIT

At the National Biscuit Co., 15th St. and 10th Ave. today a meeting conducted by the Food Workers' Industrial Union, rallied 200 workers who listened attentively to the speakers outlining the need for organizing and building shop committees. The workers were very enthusiastic.

The police, who came on the scene towards the close of the meeting with the pretext that they had been sent for by the bosses who reported that there was some trouble, who could see no reason for their being there and resented their interference. The meeting was successfully concluded. Notice of all future meetings were announced at the end.

A combined shop meeting of all the cafeteria workers, will take place today Wednesday, Sept. 3, at 8:00 p. m., at our headquarters, 16 W. 21st St. The recent developments in the union and also the recent strike on the Royal will be taken up. Every member of the shops must be present without fail.

Thursday, Sept. 4, at 8:00 p. m., there will be an important meeting of the Executive Council, at 16 W. 21st St.

Demand the release of Foster, Minor, Amter and Raymond, in prison for fighting for unemployment insurance.

# TWO NEEDLE CONFERENCES

## Cloakmakers and Mens Clothing, Saturday

NEW YORK.—Two conferences of utmost importance to needle workers will be held Saturday, Sept. 6. One is the great united front conference for all cloakmakers, either registered or working open shop or members of the Industrial Union. The other is the shop committee conference of men's clothing workers. The cloakmakers of all trades: operators, finishers, pressers, cutters, etc., meet in Irving Plaza Hall at 1 p. m. The purpose of their conference is to plan a united fight, against sweatshop conditions, wage cuts, and unemployment—the sort of fight that can only be carried out to a victory by a union of all the exploited workers in the cloak trade—sinking their differences, forming shop and united action committees, refusing to recognize the orders of Schlesinger and his crew, and actually struggling.

The Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union calls to men's clothing workers to form shop committees at once and send their delegates to the shop committee conference at Stuyvesant Casino, 142 Second Ave., at noon, Saturday.

United Front in Shops.

"Every shop committee a united front of all workers in the shop against reductions, speed-up, piece work, and 'reorganization,'" says the N. T. W. I. U. to the men's clothing workers. The Industrial Union points to the terrific unemployment, during the season, in the men's clothing trades, the attempt of the bosses to throw the burden of the crisis entirely on the workers, and the active assistance Hillman's "Amalgamated Clothing Workers" gives the bosses in this attempt.

The men's clothing workers are warned by the Industrial Union against Hillman's and the bosses' scheme to pit Jew against Italian, and everyone against everyone by a piece work system. "Unity and organization must become our slogan of the day!" says the N. T. W. I. U. "Organize and strike against reductions, speed-up and reorganizations! Organize to fight the check-off; don't allow your boss to take a cent off your pay! Organize shop committees in every shop!" The Industrial Union urges the men's clothing workers.

# Vote Communist!

**"ROMA" GANG BEAT WORKER**

Refused to Cheer Murderous Fascism

NEW YORK.—Because he dared object to cheering for fascism, a worker tourist aboard the Roma, of the Navigazione Generale Line, was set upon by the pursers and a few choice fascist sluggers and severely beaten.

The worker tourist was returning from Naples, where he witnessed the fruits of the murderous fascist regime.

After slugging him in a most cowardly fashion, the fascists dragged the worker before the commander, who threatened to throw him into the brig unless he would recant.

The worker stoutly refused and hurled defiance in the face of the fascist gang, for which he was summarily thrown into jail, though an American citizen and a paid passenger.

He was kept in the brig until the Roma arrived in New York, and he was let out the very last one.

# Communist Activities

**Special Membership Meet**  
Thursday, 8 p. m., in which new policy will be discussed. Weiner to speak at 308 Lenox Ave. All unemployed workers must report at 10 a. m. Monday at 208 Lenox Ave. sharp.

**Section 4, Open Air Meets**  
Wednesday, 8 p. m., at 151th St. and Fifth Ave.; Friday, 8 p. m., at 137th St. and Seventh Ave.

# ILD Annual Solidarity Picnic On September 7

"We will make the September 7th Annual Solidarity Picnic of the New York International Labor Defense Branch, at Pleasant Bay Park a mass demand for the immediate release of the only workers' candidates—the Unemployment Delegation, now serving prison sentences for leading the unemployed on March 6," says the local International Labor Defense office today.

At Pleasant Bay Park, the M. O. P. R. film, "The Road to Freedom" will be shown during the afternoon. This picture gives an exciting portrayal of the growth of the workers' movement throughout the world.

The day will include a colorful program of sports, dancing and other festivities, as well as speeches by important leaders in the working class movement.

Organizations should get their tickets now at the local office of the International Labor Defense, Room 410, 799 Broadway. They are 25 cents to organizations; 35 cents to individuals.

# CHI. TRACTION GRAB AIDS ONLY THE INTERESTS

CHICAGO, Sept. 2.—Two months have passed since the traction grab went off! During the campaign to put it across it was argued by the city politicians, the traction magnates and the A. F. of L. fakers that the passage of the traction ordinance would solve the unemployment situation by creating jobs for thousands and thousands of workers on the elevated and surface lines, etc.

The Communist Party was the only organization to fight against the attempt of the Insull interests to take over the streets of Chicago for ever. But with the enormous sums of money thrown into the campaign by the traction magnates and the resultant backing of the capitalist press, the Chamber of Commerce, the so-called civic organizations and the always dependable tools of the bosses—the A. F. of L. fakers—the grab went over.

Two months have passed and unemployment has not only not decreased in Chicago, but it has increased enormously and is increasing daily. The Chicago Federal Reserve Bank admits in its last monthly report that "Payrolls fell off to a greater extent as a result of further reduced time schedules in many plants and wage reductions in some lines. Data received from 2,306 firms showed a decline of 1.6 per cent in number of employees and 7.3 per cent in pay rolls between June 15 and July 15."

To distract the attention of the workers from their miserable conditions and to induce forgetfulness of past fake promises, the bosses are now "whooping it up" with a war show. The air races were staged to imbue starving workers with patriotism and prepare them psychologically for an attack against the Soviet Union.

# BOSSES' POLICE BREAKS MEETING

## Jail Negro Comrad; Organizer Beaten!

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Sept. 2.—The September 1st demonstration here was broken up by a large body of plain clothes police who were guarding the park where the meeting was to be held.

Gene Braxton, Negro Communist leader, was arrested and is being held for "investigation." Tom Johnson, district organizer for the Communist Party, was taken "for a ride" by four of the bosses' policemen and twenty miles out of town he was severely beaten and warned that he would be shot on sight if he returned to Jefferson County. Comrade Johnson caught a freight back to Birmingham and arrived in town late last night.

In an interview with the I. L. D. attorney here today, Jones, who is head of the Birmingham City Commission, stated all Communist organizers would be driven from town and that any and all methods would be used to smash the revolutionary labor movement.

# YOUTH DAY MEET IN JERSEY CITY, SEPT. 9

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Sept. 2.—The Young Communist League here announces that the International Youth Day mass meeting at Newark and Jersey Aves. will be held on Sept. 9 in spite of refusal of the police to grant a permit.

Today the Y. C. L. served formal notice on the city commission that the capitalist press of Jersey City says that the chief of police has declared he will not give a permit, and the Y. C. L. officially demands a permit from the commission.

This is the latest act in a comedy the city officials tried to play last week with the young workers of this city. Four times the committee of the Y. C. L. went to the police station, and was sent to the city hall. Twice they went to the city hall, and were sent to the police station. Several times the chief pretended to be out. Finally, after he had been trapped in his office by a phone call, and had made an appointment with the committee, he was caught sneaking out by the committee, which had arrived a little early.

# Section Six Membership Meeting

A very important membership meeting of the Communist Party, Section Six, will be held this Thursday, Sept. 4, at 8 p. m., at the Section headquarters, 68 Whipple St.

All Party members must place aside all other engagements and come to this important meeting.

Comrade Hoyswood, District Negro Director of the Party will speak on the problems confronting our Party in our Section at the present time. The meeting will start at 8 sharp.

# Section 7 Membership Meet Thursday Night

All members of Section 7 are required to be present at the section membership meeting this Thursday, Sept. 4, at 8 p. m. at 48 Bay 28th St., Brooklyn. A representative from the district will report upon very important organizational questions.

At the last meeting the units are represented as follows: Unit 1-5, Unit 2-10, Unit 3-9, Unit 4-17, Unit 5-5, Unit 6-11, Unit 7-7. A much better record is expected this time.

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# Faker in Federation of Jewish Charities Has Grafting Racket

NEW YORK.—An attempt to graft on unemployed workers who apply at the Committee On Homeless division of the Federation of Jewish Charities was exposed today by a jobless worker who went there for aid. This Jewish charity dispensing outfit likes to brag of the great services it does to the "poor," but in reality it is one of the capitalist props.

The unemployed worker applied for some clothes, as he was practically down to socks and underwear. Levin, the bureaucrat in charge, tried to get him to promise to pay back for the clothes on weekly installments, and when the unemployed worker told him this was a new graft scheme, Levin hushed the matter up.

The usual system of handling unemployed workers in the Jewish Charities or any other charities is to bandy them about from one fat office official to another, until the destitute worker is exhausted and disgusted.

# MERGENTHALER LAYS OFF MEN

## Section 6 Holds Shop Meetings

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—Workers from the Mergenthaler Linotype Co., in Brooklyn, are facing lay-offs every week. Last week the bosses began to put into practice a scheme which will help them to reduce the working forces twenty per cent in the shortest possible time.

The conditions of the workers here in the plant to say the least are miserable. Those workers who work in the milling department and in the drill press feel the exploitation more and more every day. They are now forced to make the work they were doing before in five-and-a-half days in four-and-a-half days. But the pay is just as low as it was before.

Hold Shop Meets.

At today's shop gate meeting held by the Communist Party, Section Six, the speakers correctly exposed the schemes of the bosses. The workers here are very responsive to the Communist calls, and the continuation of our work at the plant will bring about the organization of the Mergenthaler workers into the Metal Workers Industrial League of the Trade Union Unity League and the most class-conscious workers will join the ranks of the revolutionary Party of the working class, the Communist Party.

Against the lay off now put into effect by the Mergenthaler Co.

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Calling upon the union for an elevator operator, the leasees refused to hire the worker sent by the union and instead employed a non-union man. The protests of the union were met with further violations of the agreement, the leasees off-hand firing the housekeeper in spite of the agreement that employees after being employed for one week shall not be discharged without the consent of the Shop Committee and the representative of the union.

The union has issued a statement to the tenants of the building, calling upon them to support the struggle against the leasees. The union demands the payment of one day's wages to the operator sent by the union and not employed; the payment of the wages of the housekeeper who has been summarily fired; the reinstatement of the

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# "Torch Song" Exceptional Good Drama at Plymouth

The Salvation Army has arrived on Broadway via Kenyon Nicholson's play, "Torch Song," which Arthur Hopkins is presenting these nights at the Plymouth Theatre. Portrayed in the usual Hopkins' manner it turns out to be a fine play and, with the exception of the ending, is one of the best dramas seen in many a day. It is a pity that after such an honest recital for two and a half acts the play flops into an unconvincing ending. However, on the whole it is a superior play and one that is worthy of attention.

The story concerns Ivy Stevens, singer in a small Ohio town roadhouse, who is deserted by a traveling salesman. The drummer, Howard Palmer, reasons that although Ivy is the girl he loves, the boss's daughter is a better financial investment when it comes to choosing a wife.

Almost a year later Howard finds himself in another small Ohio town on a Saturday evening. Just as he is preparing for a night of carousing Ivy walks into the hotel lobby.

The girl is now a member of the Salvation Army, which she joined after Howard had deserted her. She appears to take her religion seriously and tries to have her former lover "come to god" in the usual Salvation Army style.

In her zeal to drive "sin" out of the life of Howard, Ivy suddenly finds herself in his arms and before she realizes what has happened spends the night with him. She then comes to the conclusion that her religious activities have been a failure. She states she is going back to her old job at the roadhouse. Later a male member of the organization openly displays his love for her and the curtain falls with the impression being created that she will return to the Salvation Army, marry the religious fanatic and once again try to save souls. Any ending but that would have been logical and satisfactory.

Perhaps it was tacked on to soothe the debunking of religion that takes part in the earlier parts of the

# A.F.L. Men Disgusted With Green's Speech

NEW YORK.—Grafting officials of the International Union of Operating Engineers will be in accord with the A.F.L. president, William Green, and his boost delivered in a "Labor Day" speech for Governor Roosevelt of New York State. Green says Roosevelt is a "friend of labor." But members of this union hasten to explain, wrathfully, that under Roosevelt's administration there has not been one union engineer employed on either the Hudson River bridge, the Poughkeepsie span (just opened), the new bridge over Croton Lake, or the New York subways. These state jobs work open shop, nine hours a day, in violation of union conditions. The sewer job at Mt. Vernon pays its operating engineers well under the union scale, and pays only twice a month.

The Operating Engineers' Union is in the grip of an unusually ruthless clique, some facts about which will be exposed in a coming issue of the Daily Worker.

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# LETTERS FROM THE SHOPS

## COUZENS, AUTO BOSS, NO 'FRIEND' OF AUTO WORKERS

### Auto Workers Must Vote Communist

Detroit, Mich.

Dear Sir:— I am sending a newspaper clipping of a speech made by Senator Couzens.

In his address to the public he admits that he did the following (out-poured on the clipping). Discharge at least two thousand men, turn them out and then turn a hose on them in zero weather because they did not leave the gates.

Couzens a Ford Slave Driver.

He in turn raises the wages of the remaining men from \$2.30 to \$5.00 a day (this was in 1910).

Mr. Couzens could have, if he was the working men's friend, re-hired these men for their original rate, saved the time period of all men and still be 20 cents ahead per man.

A man that would turn a hose on the working class in zero weather could easily turn his back on them, and get in power.

I for one will save my vote for a man that carries the name of Philip Raymond or anyone upholding this platform.

—A READER.

Editorial Note:—A definite sign of the growing class consciousness of the workers is the recognition of the fact that the bosses are their enemies. The boss class outlook, which only now is beginning to break under pressure of the great economic crisis, has been carefully cultivated for decades by the A. F. of L. bureaucrats, the "socialists", liberals, and pseudo-progressives of all shades and stripes infesting, in varying degrees, sections of the working class with the idea that they are their immediate bosses could be "friends".

Couzens, the millionaire who got his money from the exploitation of the Ford workers, is certainly no friend of the workers, but on the contrary a most bitter class enemy.

The anti-working class policy of "appealing" to the bosses to better the conditions of the workers must be destroyed as swiftly as possible. Diligent, uncompromising class struggle is now the order of the day.

## With the WORKER CORRESPONDENTS

To Cleveland, District 6, go the first honors of responding to the call of the Central Bureau for Worker Correspondents to organize a district committee to organize and guide the worker correspondence work in the districts.

We are looking forward to the organization of shop groups of worker correspondents in some of the big steel plants in the Cleveland district.

The Soviet workers are anxious to correspond with American workers and help dispel the poisonous lies spread by the kept press. The workers in the Leningrad electrical plant want an answer to the letter they recently wrote to American electrical workers. Will some workers in the General Electric or Western Electric answer the Soviet electrical workers?

Worker correspondents should remember that it is important that their shop read their letters. Order a bundle of the Daily, or get your local Daily Worker agent order a bundle, for distribution when you send in a letter.

## Negro Church Refuses Building For Anti-Lynching Meeting

HARTFORD, Conn., Sept. 2.—An anti-lynching protest meeting called by the American Negro Labor Congress at the Mt. Olive Baptist Church (Negro) in this city had to be held in the street when at the last minute the preacher refused the use of his church to Negro and white workers to protest the brutal crime of lynching.

The meeting was held directly in front of the church with speakers denouncing the preacher for his cowardly, treacherous attitude. The police and the American Legion greeted word that there was an anti-lynching protest meeting soon appeared and attempted to terrorize the workers. This failing they proceeded to yank the speakers from the stand. The organizers of the meeting then invited the workers to the Labor Lyceum, a fifteen minutes walk from the church. Fully half of the crowd, of one thousand, followed the speakers to Labor Lyceum where they heard Herbert Newton, national organizer of the A. N. L. C., who had just arrived from New York.

At this meeting 35 Negro and white workers joined the A.N.L.C.

Fight For Social Insurance!

## Force Polish Workers Into Vicious Anti-Soviet Meet

Chicago, Ill.

Editor, Daily Worker:

Yesterday I went out to Humboldt park to see the celebration of the tenth anniversary of the so-called "victory" of the Polish army over the Bolsheviks in 1920.

On the way out I passed through the Polish section and saw a lot of old men, women and children being mobilized by the priests at each catholic church. Those people which were mostly workers had to walk in the parade for about three miles in the hot sun, while the priests and business men rode in automobiles.

Workers Forced Into It.

Most of the people did not listen to the speeches but went off and sat down under a shady tree. The capitalist politicians and the military General Parker used the occasion to lecture them on how to be good docile slaves to the church and the capitalist system. Shanahan (speaker of the Illinois house of representatives) told them the most important thing to do was to practice their religion, go to church regularly and support the priests.

Anti-Soviet Speeches.

Governor Harding of Iowa told them that a lot of people were interested in where they were coming from or came from than in where they were going, which is another way of saying "if you don't like this country, why don't you go back where you came from."

But the most significant thing

happened when he said "the greatest mistake the Soviet government made was the attitude it took toward religion" and only three or four applauded. He was so disappointed with the applause (or rather lack of it) that after he paused for a moment he shouted "do you agree with me?" And still no applause.

Politicians Fail.

I thought myself he would get a big hand as these people were religious and came right from the churches. But it proves that even the most backward and religious workers don't believe the lies the capitalist politicians tell them about the Soviet government.

Slender Negro Soldiers.

Parker, the militarist, slandered the Negro soldiers that fought in the world war. He said when he was going up to the front—which is a lie as no general ever got that far—he met Negro soldiers hurrying back towards the rear and he asked them where they were going. The soldier said he wasn't interested in where he was going, he was only interested in where he was coming from.

There being no Negroes present he felt safe in slandering them. After being insulted in such a manner it ought to be a lesson to the foreign born and the Negro workers. But I as a native born American know that they (the bosses) care no more about the American worker. —James Prendergast.

## "Farmer-Labor" Corpse Revived to Weaken Farmers' Struggle

To Daily Worker:

BONETRAILL, N. D.—Just across the line, from where I live, is Sheridan county, Montana, where this year a "farmer-labor" party ticket is to be placed in the field. A meeting is to be held at Plentywood, September 6, where a "program" will be adopted and candidates nominated.

The "leaders" over in Sheridan county might have been sincere and somewhat correct sometime in the past, but today no poor farmer should follow them. They talk in favor of us farmers, it is true, but they can be depended upon not to do anything to hurt the rich—the bankers and the business class.

FAKE PROMISES.

These "farmer-leaders" promise to clean house in the county this fall, but what did these same "leaders" do when they had control of nearly every county office? Did they make any effort to boycott the banks and the capitalist authorities? No, they "treated everybody alike" (which

means that the rich control), they played right in with the big fellow, received favors and support from the system.

No leaders and officials, who are not prepared to fight the system and all its works regardless of consequences to themselves, can serve the poor class. Is not this clear?

USE RADICAL PHRASES.

The Producers' News may talk against bankers, business men, "kulaks", and even say Communism is the right thing in some columns, while in other columns there will be loud praises showered upon reactionaries and farmers and big advertisements for trusts and bankers. You see, they want to be sure they don't lose their pie!

Fellow-farmers, beware of such leaders! They are traitors to our cause and our worst enemies, worse than Hoover, because they try to fool us behind our backs. They only monkey with the capitalist system, but don't fight it.

We must follow the Communists and vote their ticket.

## Militant Bricklayer Exposes Local Fakery

Chicago, Ill.

Daily Worker:

I happened to attend a meeting of the Bricklayers Union No. 21 of Chicago, last Tuesday evening and I have seen a young bricklayer by the name of Balash, who practically all the bricklayers call a game radical, get upon the floor and expose Wm. Green and the local No. 21 clique at whose head is J. Strech.

Fearless Young Worker.

This young man denounced them left and right as bureaucrats, robbers and gangsters who live upon the workingmen backs as parasites do. This bricklayer, I understand, is a Communist and he sure is a fearless man, which he claims every Communist is.

If there were a few more Com-

munist like him the local sure would have a real leader, whom all the bricklayers are proud of, for some day he will be a good leader.

His life has been threatened on two occasions by the A. F. of L. gangsters, but he tells them to go to hell and "if any stool pigeon is man enough to give him a fair scrap let him get up."

None got up either. He also demanded the floor to talk and explain to the bricklayers about the TUUL and unemployment insurance and the Building Trades Industrial Union, but he was refused and was getting late.

But the young bricklayer told about that outside of the meeting. He also has a good influence.

—K. L. P.

## Negro Student, Son of Poor Farmer, Joins Workers Struggle

Washington, D. C.

Editor Daily Worker:—

I am a student at Knoxville College, Knoxville, Tenn. At the present I am in Washington, D. C. working for a dry-cleaning firm.

I was born in North Carolina. My parents are poor farmers and are making a great sacrifice to send me to school, so that I could get an education that will enable me to better the conditions of the millions of the oppressed Negroes of this country.

This college does not teach the students how to fight discrimination, jim-crowism and lynching. They only give us religious teachings. As a young Negro I feel the oppression of my people. I am very much interested in fighting jim-crowism and racial oppression.

By accident last Monday night

I stopped by a meeting of the American Negro Labor Congress at Tenth and U Sts., Washington. The speaker was denouncing discrimination and lynchings of the Negro race. I became very interested and joined the A. N. L. C.

I joined the organization because it is against the oppression of the Negro masses and carries on a fight for the unity of the Negro with all other races and fights for full social, economic and political equality for the Negroes.

Such an organization will play a tremendous role in fighting against jim-crow schools, colleges, etc.

The college I attend has all white instructors except three. The students have no voice at all. If they disagree with any of the religious teachings they are immediately kicked out of the school.

—L. W.

## CONDITIONS STEADILY WORSEN

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Compared to a year ago there have been severe decreases here in postal receipts, flour and linseed products, copper and iron ore output, marketing of cattle and hogs and also in the retail and wholesale trade. Despite the heavy demand for harvest workers, the unemployment situation grows steadily worse

## WAGES SLASHED TEN PER CENT

AKRON, Ohio, Sept. 2.—Last week the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company, and yesterday the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company announced a ten per cent slash in the wages of all office and sales employees. But the wage slashing was not to stop there. Today the Sibelrubber Company announced a wage-cut of ten per cent for its office and sales help

## Communist Party of Brazil Calls on Sailors to Redouble Their Revolutionary Activity

### Shows Why Sailors Were Discharged From Fleet—For Communist Work

The following manifesto, addressed to the sailors of the Brazilian fleet and the ranks of the army, was published recently in "The Working Class," the official organ of the Communist Party of Brazil:

"Sailors! Soldiers! Comrades!

"The dominant feudal bourgeoisie and its policy have demonstrated once more what is the real role of the army and fleet in the present regime.

"Scores and scores of sailors have been discharged and demoted lately from the fleet.

"Why? For the 'crime' of sympathizing with the Communist Party and for having demonstrated it; for sympathizing with the only Party that fights for the workers and peasants, their class brothers, because the majority of sailors, like the soldiers, are workers and peasants.

"That which the ruling classes want, in order to maintain their rule and the rule of their imperialist masters, is that the sailors and the soldiers, under the pretext of 'serving the fatherland,' shall be blindly at their service in the fight against the exploited and oppressed, against their own class brothers.

"The Communist Party calls upon the recently discharged sailors—all those who are workers and peasants—to continue struggling among the masses, side by side with them, maintaining contact with them and

especially with the comrades who remain in the fleet. Never, by any means, to lose this contact.

"To the sailors that remain in the ranks, as also to the soldiers remaining in the Army, we, the Communist Party, say to you: Redouble your efforts, strengthen your revolutionary organizations in the heart of the fleet and the army, in order to support the great mass struggles that are approaching!

"Sailors and soldiers!

"The workers and peasants, your class brothers, are vigorously preparing, under the leadership of the Communist Party, for the great revolutionary combats approaching against imperialist domination, against the yoke of the feudal bourgeoisie.

"Your class duty consists in making a united front with the revolutionary workers and peasants in the struggle for the emancipation of all the exploited and oppressed. This can only be realized under a government of workers and peasants, based on Councils of Workers, Peasants, Soldiers and Sailors.

"Signed: The Presidium of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Brazil (Section of the Communist International).

"Rio de Janeiro, July 30, 1930."

A few days after the above manifesto was issued, the Presidium of the Central Committee of the C. P. of Brazil changed its headquarters to another city.—Translator.

## CAMPAIGN GOES ON FOR JOBLESS DEMONSTRATION ON SEPTEMBER 1

### Condition Worse; 5,000 Off At Studebaker's

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leagues of the T.U.U.L., and if unemployed, the Councils of the Unemployed, but to build the central "Strike and Struggle" fund by which the strikes against wage-cuts and unemployment are made effective.

As part of the further drive for unemployment organization and insurance and relief, and to crystallize in organizational form and immediate action the splendid mass enthusiasm of Unemployment Day, further city and state conferences of the jobless will be held. All shop committees, groups of workers in shops, minorities in the T.U.U.L. unions and leagues, and particularly the Councils of the Unemployed in New York, are called to send delegates to the Unemployment Conference to be held here September 28.

This conference will further the organization of the Unemployed Councils, work out plans for more co-operation with the strike and organize campaign of the T.U.U.L. unions, devise ways and means of effective support to the Communist Party's Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill, and make immediate demands on the city treasury for relief to be paid for by the treasury surplus and by cutting in half the bloated salaries of the Tammany city officials and the money appropriated for capitalist class justice on the workers.

At the Unemployment Day demonstration, Monday, in New York, 25,000 workers elected Foster, Minor, Amter and Raymond, the leaders of a committee to be added to by the militant unions and unemployed councils. This committee is to call on the board of estimates and make demands for immediate relief as outlined above.

Meanwhile, following the admission of the director of census that there are really 9,000,000 out of work at the present time, a flood of new wage-cuts and lay-offs sweeps the country. The census figures deal with events in April. There has been a continual worsening of conditions since then. The horrors of the coming winter, following a summer of idleness in which what little savings the workers have had has been eaten up, and over 1,500 workers' families evicted, thrown out on the streets in New York alone, can only be surmised.

### To Broaden Struggle For Jobless Insurance

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unemployed demonstrated at Red Arrow Park here. Three platforms were put up from which speakers addressed the crowd. There were 12 speakers including Dave Mates, for the Communist Party, Burke, Ross and Clark for the T. U. L.

There was enthusiastic approval of the bill. The police attempted to break up the demonstration by arresting Lydia Oken, one of the speakers, for distributing leaflets. They tried to provoke a fight but were unsuccessful.

After an hour and a half, one thousand workers marched down Wisconsin Ave. for a mile and a half behind a band of Negro workers. It was decided to send a delegation to the state legislature to present the bill. The 10,000 workers demanded the release of all class war prisoners.

In Waukegan, Ill., 800 workers demonstrated. Legionnaires and detectives mobilized to smash the demonstration, but the militancy of the workers scared them. Failing in this, they called the fire department trucks, police cars, and Legionnaires' autos which blocked traffic, blew horns and sirens to break up the meeting. But this failed. Applications were handed in for membership in the T.U.U.L. Speakers were Ross, Caldwell and Johnson.

## 3,000 Demonstrate in Minneapolis

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—The Sept. 1st demonstration was a great success. The crowd numbered three thousand. Four hundred paraded down the main streets of the city, stopping traffic. Many signs and banners were carried in the parade. Eighty-five signatures were obtained for the Communist candidates. Loud applause and cheers greeted the exposure of the counter-revolutionary Trotskyites by Carl Roove. The fake farmer-labor party and the A. F. of L. was exposed to the workers. Twenty-two

## 29 Jailed in Frisco

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—Several thousand workers took part in a militant demonstration for unemployment insurance here Sept. 1st at the Plaza. The police viciously broke up the demonstration and arrested 29 workers. Four are held on suspicion of criminal syndicalism. An enthusiastic indoor meeting was held at night, with over 500 present. Thirty-two joined the T. U. L.

## 1,000 in Sacramento, Calif.

SACRAMENTO, Calif.—The unemployed demonstration here was attended by 1,000. The speakers were McKinney for the T. U. L., Pearl, for the Young Communist League, and Daniels for the Communist Party. Twenty-two applications were obtained for the T. U. L. The meeting was held despite the denial of a permit by the police department and threat of arrests. There was a good response to the Unemployment Insurance Bill, which was unanimously endorsed. Many copies of Labor Unity and the Daily Worker were sold.

## 2,000 Meet in Buffalo

BUFFALO, N. Y.—There were between 1,900 and 2,000 in the "Unemployment Day" demonstration in Buffalo. The mobilization of the workers from the shops and of the unemployed workers were much better than for the August 1st demonstration. Thousands of leaflets were distributed at mill gates.

While giving a verbal "permit" for the meeting, the police tried to do all they could to break it up. Soon after the meeting started the motorcycle cops surrounded the crowd, kept their motors running at full speed. This was kept up for one-half hour continuously. The whole meeting from start to finish was militant. There were six speakers. Thirty applications were received for membership in the T. U. L.

## Discrimination

NEW YORK.—The Mergenthaler Linotype Co., in Brooklyn, is not only cutting down its force of workers drastically, but is practicing discrimination to rouse national prejudice and split the workers' resistance. Hundreds of Spanish and Spanish-speaking workers are being fired, and only Irish-American workers retained. Some of the Spanish have been in this big plant for 5 years. They are now destitute, with families to take care of. Discrimination rages against the Spanish-speaking workers generally, throughout the country. Some hundreds have been deported recently or otherwise driven from the country, but there are at least 25,000 "almost crazy hunting for something to do," as one of them stated yesterday.

## Unemployment, Wage-Cuts in Toledo

TOLEDO, O., Sept. 2.—This miniature auto center is also feeling the more severe aspects of the depression as, workers are laid off

# INTERNATIONAL NEWS

## Soviet Workers Hit Race Prejudice of Lewes and Divine

MOSCOW, Aug. 18.—The inquiry instituted against the citizens of the United States, Lewes, Divine and others, employed in the tractor works, for the brutal ill-treatment of the Negro worker Robinson, is now ended. It has been proved that the disgraceful maltreatment and persecution of the Negro Robinson, an excellent qualified worker, is the direct result of the "Race hate" reared in the native country of the "Civilized American."

Another charge, that of attacking some women workers of the tractor works, is being brought against Lewes and Divine. The trial will take place on the 19th of August in the club of the tractor works.

This occurrence in Stalingrad has aroused the indignation of the whole public of the Soviet Union. Protest resolutions are being passed in works and factories everywhere against the conduct of these American workers. The Central Committee of the Metal Workers' Union has ascertained that no cultural or enlightening work is being done among the hundreds of American workers employed in the Stalingrad Tractor Works. It further points out the passive attitude of the inquiry commission, which omitted to take steps against the culprits at once. The committee of the Metal Workers' Union for the district of the Lower Volga and the factory council of the Stalingrad Tractor Works has been severely reprimanded for inadequate guidance of the work of enlightenment among the foreign workers. At the same time the committee for the district of the lower Volga has received instructions to arrange for a re-election in the trade union organizations of the Stalingrad works.

## BRITISH TRADE UNION CONGRESS MEETS IN SEPT. FOR BETRAYALS

### German Gov't Plans to Rob Toilers Vote

BERLIN (I.P.S.).—The Bruening cabinet met to discuss the question of franchise reform. The bourgeois press states that one proposal likely of acceptance is that raising the necessary numbers of votes to gain a seat from 60,000 to 70,000. With the same number of votes cast, the Reichstag would then have 50 to 60 members fewer than at present. Besides this, the number of constituencies is to be increased from 35 to 162. In this manner compensation is to be found in the rural districts, still reactionary in places, for the revolutionary industrial districts. The Reichstag is to be done away with, and the single candidate system on the English pattern introduced in the separate constituencies. The voting age is to remain 20 for the present. The whole tone of the bourgeois press shows, however, that the government is extremely dissatisfied, and reserves the plan of raising the voting age to 25. The reason for this measure is stated to be the radicalization of youth.

### Secrecy Surrounds Report of the General Council Aid Beaverbrook's Imperialist Plans

LONDON (I.P.S.).—The British Trade Union Congress will be held in Nottingham in September. The agenda has now been published, containing the resolutions, submitted by the unions affiliated to the congress but not the report of the general council, which is specially dealt with and determines the official policy of the congress.

The resolutions show that the trade union bureaucrats consider it necessary to advance demands corresponding to the needs of the workers, but this is no sign of a wheel to the left in the trade unions. Seven unions demand shorter working hours, in order to counteract the effects of unemployment. The Transport Workers Union proposes shorter working hours, and the provision of work for the younger generation by a suitable system of state pensions for persons over 65. The T.U.W. has however shown often enough in actual practice that it has no intention of fighting for the workers' interests, and the same must be said for the miners' textile workers' and other unions.

The economic report of the general council takes sides, in its recommendation of economic unity in the British empire, with Lord Beaverbrook's strivings for free trade within the British empire.

## Berlin Fascists Have An Internal Squabble

(Wireless by Improcorr)

BERLIN, Sept. 2.—Revolted fascists raided fascist offices in Berlin district on Sunday, demolishing equipment. Many loyal fascists were beaten up. Police arrived, separated combatants, and made forty arrests.

Metallurgical employers of Berlin district notified 140,000 workers that a wage-cut will be forced upon the workers beginning September 30.

## 'SOCIALIST' FOR A LABOR PARTY

### Waldeman Hopes It May Save Capitalism

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talist corruption never before heard from a leader of British trade unions.

Beard called socialism "a dream" and ridiculed the idea of "socialism in our time," the slogan of the social fascist "left." "There is no present substitute for capitalism," he declared amid an uproar of protest, going on to say that if capitalism were overthrown it would mean "tremendous dislocation of the social and economic life of the nation."

In this he showed the openly fascist policy of the "labor" party, which calls the starvation of millions among the direst poverty "order," and objects to revolution on the ground that it upsets the economic life of "the nation"—the "nation" being the comfortable life of the capitalist class.

As proof that the "labor" party thinks only of the interests of the capitalist class, Beard said that the fact that there are 2,000,000 starving unemployed in England did "not appall" him. What appalled this "labor" party spokesman was that some British workers actually want socialism and stand for taking the means of production away from the capitalists.

"Left" Fakers Oppose Revolution.

The argument he used against the "left" was well chosen, since these fakers talk about socialization, but object viciously to the only way it can be done, by revolution. So his thrust at the "left" that any putting of an end to capitalism would "dislocate the economic life of the nation" was a good argument against them, though it may not frighten the ever-growing number of British workers who follow the Communist Party.

Some of the "left" protested that Beard's speech was "a disgrace." But they do nothing but "glib talk," as he well reminded them.

That Beard is enough worried that others besides the "left" have a program for more than "glib talk," was shown by his unconscious admission that "these are times of tense danger," he saying that "in these times of tense danger I stand by the captain, James Ramsay MacDonald." So there is "danger" to capitalism, and MacDonald and the "labor" party are to save capitalism.

Clearly, Waldeman, the American "socialist," is in hearty agreement with this program of the British "labor" party and wants it repeated here. The "labor" party's chief business recently was the attempt at forcing 200,000 textile workers to accept a wage-cut. The workers are, in some mills at least, still fighting against it, led by the Communist Party.

American workers can see from this that Waldeman and the American "socialist" party are disguised capitalist supporters. All workers who know their interests will vote Communist!

## 3,000 in Essen Strike Against Cut in Wages

ESSEN, Germany (I.P.S.).—Three thousand public welfare workers in Essen have carried out a united one day protest strike against a 12 1/2 per cent wage cut. After the protest strike (which was under the leadership of the Red trade union opposition) was concluded, the striking welfare service workers walked in procession to the Republic Square, where a representative of the R.T.U.O. stated the demands of the opposition amid the applause of the Christian, social democratic, and Communist welfare workers.

## NEHRU STATES SELLOUT TERMS

### Bargain Goes Now to Gandhi Himself

NEW YORK.—Censored capitalist press services from India continue to report the progress, step by step, of the betrayal of the anti-imperialist movement by Gandhi leaders. Yesterday the emissaries of the British imperialist government, Sir Tej Behadr Sapru and M. Jayakar, interviewed Motilal Nehru and Jawaharlal Nehru in Naini jail, and received from them a note to be conveyed to Gandhi, who is in the Poona fortress, undergoing a very light and polite form of "imprisonment." The contents of the note are not published officially, but unofficially it is understood that they embody merely some details on the terms of surrender, in so far as the Gandhi gang is capable of making it, of the anti-imperialist movement.

Argue Over Details.

The newspaper, "Pioneer," states significantly: "The key to the settlement of India's strife is in the hands of Jawaharlal Nehru and if he can be won over the additional negotiations with Gandhi should be comparatively easy."

Reading between the lines, opinion here is that the whole Gandhi crowd, which has all along misled the workers and peasants to the best of its ability, into a form of "resistance" which is officially called non-resistance, and which is harmless to the British imperialists, will now, in return for vague promises and some real bribes in the way of office, etc., call on the Indian masses to submit to British rule. Apparently the decision in its main lines is agreed upon, and only the formula is being argued among the Gandhi leaders.

The Indian masses have recently begun to show great resistance to the Gandhi treacheries, and their open sell out is expected to be followed by abandoning of the doctrines of non-violence by many of those misled hitherto by Gandhi, and beginning of real organization for revolt.

## RED ARMY FORCES AGAIN BEFORE CHANGSHA GATES

### Vote Communist!

(Wireless by Improcorr)

HANKOW, Sept. 2.—Changsha again surrounded by revolutionary troops and its fall into the hands of armed workers and peasants is imminent. Japanese authorities have ordered the evacuation of Japanese resident-

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# OUR TASKS IN ILLINOIS AND INDIANA COAL-FIELDS

By BILL GEBERT.

THE Central Committee of the Party very correctly stated that the main tasks confronting the Party is the problem of organization, to organize broad influence of the Party over the masses of workers and into the T. U. U. L. This, indeed, is the main task. However, the Party is not sufficiently aware of the importance of this simple task. There is a gap between the Party influence and the organizational strength of the working class.

As a result of lack of organization, social fascists and fascists are doing their utmost to mislead the workers. We are not on the job in organizing the masses. And when we are not on the job this does not mean that the workers stop fighting. They carry on in their struggle and all kinds of fakery take advantage of our neglect, leading the workers into the channels of submission to the bosses. This is true generally.

**Build the Union.** Especially is it true in the coal fields of Illinois. Our general propaganda and agitation for many months resulted that the miners undertake the struggle and carry on the work themselves. Through the absence of the Mine, Oil, Smelter Workers' Industrial Union (formerly called the National Miners' Union), the miners have been misled by the fake rank and file movement, or by the Howatt-Farrington faction, or they still cling to the Lewis faction.

Despite the fact that we are organizationally not strong, our influence among the broad masses of miners is felt very much. The Benton News, local paper in South Illinois, in an article entitled "Communists Obstructing Profitable Operation of Mines," states: "A gloomy outlook faces the coal industry of Franklin County today as the forces of conservative miners, public officials and leading citizens planned a co-operative effort to check the wave of Communism that is spreading to every shaft in this country." The bosses' paper recognizes fully the "danger" of Communism—"spreading to every shaft in this country." Indeed, this is the "main danger."

Miners, under the influence of our agitation against the speed-up in the mines, are undertaking the struggle against the speed-up. There is a slogan among the miners in Franklin County—"Slow down on the job and put the mines into slow motion." This method of struggle against the speed-up system is so effective that the Benton News, in said article, admits as follows:

"One of the plans of the agitators is to make the use of loading machines and conveyors impractical. Many instances are related by coal operators where men on these modern mining machines have failed to produce as much coal during the 8-hour shift as one man could load by hand. Agitators of unrest are being sent into various coal union meetings to sow the seed of discontent among the loyal miners, and the officers and citizens jointly are alarmed over the influence these handful of Reds exert over a group of men otherwise considered loyal and obedient to the laws of their union and of their country."

**Miners Resist.** Many miners with whom I discussed personally related facts that the majority of the miners in some of the mines in Franklin County are in "slow motion" to such an extent that the production of coal is decreasing steadily, while the number of miners employed in the mines are about the same. The miners talking these methods of struggle are taking the first steps in the fight against capitalist rationalization in the mines and mass unemployment which is general throughout the coal fields of this country.

In other cases where bosses attempt to speed up the miners, eliminating large numbers of miners, the miners struck and fought against it. There is a determination on the part of the miners for struggle and they have no hope or any illusions that Lewis or Fishwick will be of any help to them in their struggle.

On the contrary, they look upon them as traitors, misleaders, etc. Unfortunately, the M. O. S. W. I. U. is not there as an organization. These fighting miners are under the influence of the fake rank and file movement. This rank and file movement, which held in Belleville on August 26 a so-called state conference with the representatives of the 18 local unions, did not, as could be expected, take up the struggle of the miners. According to the leader of this movement, Füssner, "the rank and file movement had been favored by many operators."

No wonder then that the struggle of the miners was not discussed at this convention. This rank and file movement received support of independent coal operators, just as the Howatt-Farrington movement gets the support of the Peabody Co. and the Lewis union received the support of other coal operators.

**Bosses Benefit.** All three movements are movements in the interest of coal operators. The only decision of the Belleville "rank and file convention" was that they passed a resolution asking the secretary of labor, Davis, and Bill Green, fascist president of the American Federation of Labor, to influence Lewis and Fishwick to resign from their posts. In the meantime the rank and file conference proceeded to set up a "new" union in the coal fields, selecting a committee of three to prepare for another conference at which elections of president, vice-president, secretary, etc., will take place.

There should be a clear understanding that the so-called rank and file movement is not a movement which fights for the rank and file, but a movement of independent coal operators led by several local union officials who want the check-off for themselves and not for Lewis, Farrington-Peabody unions.

**Organize!** It is clear that in this situation the main task confronting the M. O. S. W. I. U. is organization. It is unfortunate that many comrades in the field up to this time could not understand why it is necessary to build an independent union, set up independent mine committees in the mines and lead independent struggles.

One of the organizers of the T. U. U. L. sent to the coal fields to help build the union after a few weeks in the coal fields reports as follows: "The town could be revived very easily if someone could stay here for a few days." This is the same old story of the so-called work of some of the organizers who think that they are not the ones who should build the union, but survey the field, and somebody else would go and build the union.

**Pay Attention to Details.** Comrade Overgaard, in his article on building the Metal Workers' Industrial League, very correctly stated that we should not be too big to pay the utmost attention to the "little" organizational questions. This must be understood by organizers and by leading members of the Party and unions everywhere that we are passing from the period of agitation to the period of organization and organization for struggle, for strikes.

The whole conception of work must be changed. In the past we have been satisfied with holding mass meetings and completely forgetting organizational work. Some of the comrades in the field can make good speeches on the objective conditions of building the movement. Some of them made the speeches for months, but in the meantime they did not proceed to make one step toward building the organization. Such organizers, for the good of the working class, must be taken away.

At present, the MOSWIU in Illinois is concentrating to rebuild its organization in Franklin county, the biggest coal producing county in the state and the organizers have been accordingly instructed to build nuclei of the union in Franklin county to establish a base of organization from which we can proceed to build a movement throughout one state.

This is more important than making flying trips thru the field and not accomplishing anything. We are taking these drastic steps after removing from the field incompetent organizers who have not only done any work, but destroyed everything built before.

There are unlimited possibilities in Illinois. It is only necessary to have a clear conception of the building of the union on the basis of setting up mine committees which shall undertake a campaign to organize miners for struggle and lead them in the struggle on the basis of a united front from below on concrete demands.

The economic struggles shall be linked up with the political struggle of the working class and in the present election campaign, with the candidacy of Freeman Thompson who is now in jail for leadership in the December, 1929, strike in Illinois. It is possible to put the Party and the union in Illinois on a real organizational basis. By stressing so much the organizational side I do not want to minimize an iota of the importance of the political attention of the miners and general agitation, but emphasis must be put on organization.

**Exploit the Possibilities.** The situation we are in in Illinois coal fields is about the same in Indiana and there also are unlimited possibilities for building the organization. A few days ago, an organizational trip to Indiana coal-fields resulted in establishing a Party unit in Bicknell of 10, local union of 40, and a Party unit in Clinton of 5. Also we were able to speak at a meeting of unemployed miners in Oakland City.

These facts, together with the recent strikes in Franklin and Saline county, mass meetings in Zeigler and West Frankford, with mass meetings of unemployed over 800 workers in Belleville with the support of a Communist candidate for U. S. senate, Freeman Thompson, in Illinois coal fields, are signs of how much could be done in the coal fields. It is our duty as Party to help the MOSWIU to build it as a mighty power of the miners.

## Against Political Corruption!

Statement of the Central Committee, Communist Party U.S.A. on "Rovnost Ludu."

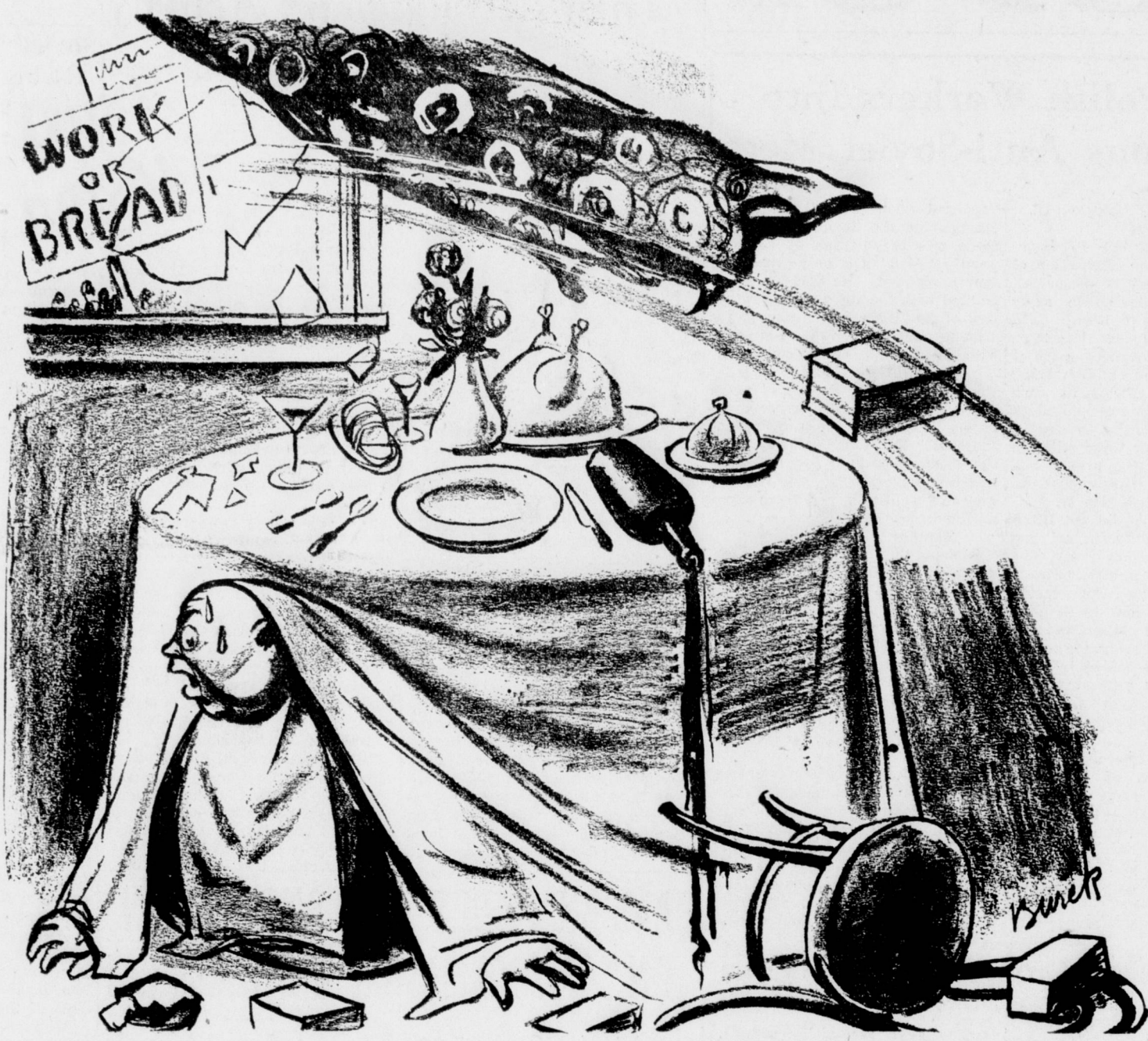
ON June 27, 1930, in a number of copies of "Rovnost Ludu" Czechoslovakian organ of our Party, a half page advertisement and two write-ups appeared, calling upon the readers to vote on the July 1st referendum for the "Traction Ordinance." To fully understand the unprincipledness of the action of those responsible for publishing the advertisement, one must know that in other copies of the same issue, an article, entitled "Defeat the Traction Ordinance" was published, giving the standpoint of the Communist Party, exposing the city government. This article was taken out from copies and replaced with a write-up entitled, "Vote for the new traction ordinance on July 1st" and with another entitled "What other people are saying about the traction plan," containing statements of bankers, real estate men, lawyers, etc., agitating for the Insull interests and an advertisement entitled, "Vote yes and give work to the unemployed."

A copy of this paper was sent to the Party today by a worker and the Central Committee ordered immediate investigation to find out who is responsible for this unprincipled, non-Communist action.

The Chicago District of our Party mobilized the workers for a bitter struggle against this Traction Ordinance of the City Council of Chicago, which was so disgraceful and in a secret manner, without the knowledge of any responsible Party Committee, advertised in some copies of Rovnost Ludu. Prior to the referendum our Chicago District exposed the plan, as one dictated by the Insull interests dominating the city administration, the servile acceptance of which further signifies the complete unification of the finance capitalists and the government. By the new franchise granted by the City Council of Chicago to the traction interests they not only consolidated all the surface and elevated lines in the hands of the Insull finance capitalist group, but practically they turned over to them the 60 million dollar traction fund of the city; opened the way for them to raise the fares; strengthened the grip of the traction interests over the traction workers in their wage slashing and speed up drive, strengthened the fascist terror raging in Chicago, with the completion of the finance-capitalist rule.

The unification of the surface, elevated and the planned subway lines in the hands of a powerful finance-capitalist interest does not result in "giving work to the unemployed" as the lying advertisement propagates. On the contrary, it results in capitalist rationalization, the introduction of new "scientific" methods

## The Voice of the Jobless Is Heard



BUDAPEST (Wireless By Inprecorr).—They threw the loafers out of the restaurants and smashed the tables, etc.



## Workers' Savings Gone

By I. AMTER, Prisoner No. 52350 (Communist Candidate for 23rd Congressional District, Bronx.)

SINCE last November, Hoover has flooded the country with statements about "prosperity," "returning prosperity," "stability," "soundness of conditions," etc. Secretaries Lamont and Davis and Andrew Mellon have added their voices to the "prosperity" chorus. And each time they spoke the stock market broke.

Wall Street pays no attention to this gibberish, for it knows the actual conditions. The functions are divided—the government plays its part in "assuring" the people and "spreading confidence" in the "basically sound conditions of the country," while Wall Street is working overtime to overcome the crisis; to get industry going, to curb the disaster in agriculture, to speed up foreign trade, to "cut the cost of production," that is, to slash wages and speed up the workers.

Wall Street is not pleased with the existence of an unemployed army of 8,000,000. Wall Street does not like the experiences of the free employment bureaus established, where, as in New York, more than 20,000 workers have registered and not even 1,000 jobs could be assigned—and these chiefly on the basis of "a job for a week."

**Bitter Struggles.** Wall Street knows that this is a crisis that promises to increase considerably the number and the suffering of the unemployed and lead during this winter to the bitterest struggles this country has seen in demands of the unemployed for unemployment insurance and strikes against wage-cuts.

Now comes along James W. Gerard, former ambassador to Germany, who, in listing the names of fifty-nine men who he says control the United States (he later increased the number to 64), has given the names of the kind of people which make up the future national fascist council of the United States. These names range from Rockefeller and Morgan to Green and Woll. Gerard, comparing the United States with Great Britain, states that unemployment in the United States, although greater than in England, is "temporary," while in Great Britain it is "permanent."

**Permanent Army of Unemployed.** We remember some years ago, Harding admitted that in normal times there are 1,500,000 permanently unemployed in this country,

of speed-up and mass dismissals and growing unemployment. When the Communist Party exposed this scheme and led the workers into struggle against it, to print the propaganda material of the Insull group is the worst kind of opportunism, an attitude of "business is one thing and Communism is another thing," which has nothing in common with our revolutionary movement. Our press is the face of our Party. Always showing what the Party stands for and always open to the working class. The Communist Party does not tolerate "double-bookkeeping" and trickery. What is not in the interest of the working class and what we cannot do openly, we will not do secretly. The Party will take severe steps against those, who, with their anti-Communist actions step between the working class and its Party, which leads it in its day to day struggles, to liberation from class rule.

## Strike Strategy

By JOHNSTONE, Article Number III.

STRIKE struggles involving large masses of workers creates favorable conditions for increasing the influence of the Trade Union Unity League, but strike struggles also demand well-planned preparations. Certainly, the calling of a strike such as that which took place a short time ago in a candy factory in Indiana Harbor by the issuance of a leaflet calling for a strike against a wage-cut which had taken place, and the vote to strike was taken by only about a dozen girls out of a factory where hundreds worked, and then the setting up of a picket line of about forty with only two strikers participating, is not the kind of preparation or the kind of strike that will increase the influence of the T.U.U.L.

Dozens of lost opportunities like the one mentioned here can be cited, which shows a wrong orientation regarding leadership and the role of the workers in strike struggles. Revolution-

which number has been greatly increased by new machinery, speed-up and the belt and conveyor system. In other words, our "permanent" unemployed army is even larger than that in England and a large part of the "temporary" unemployed will become permanent members. The fascist Gerard should think twice before making such blundering statements.

The same day, Stanwood Mencken, president of the National Security League, declared in Paris that "the Communist Party will never control America, because patriots, savings deposits and life insurance of the working men of America." If this is true, then why all this worry about the Communists? Why resort to Whalen forgeries, Fish congressional committees, why outlaw the Communist Party and revolutionary unions?

**Savings Disappearing.** Because in spite of his bluff, Mencken knows that the savings deposits of the workers are disappearing, and that many who have pulled through the last winter on savings and loans face the coming winter in despair. When a worker has no money, no job, nothing to feed his family on, faces eviction; when poor farmers are ruined and "farm relief" is merely a graft for the rich farmers; when wages are being cut sometimes down to 50 per cent, and when, on top of it all, the new tariff will raise the cost of living—then Mr. Mencken will see what "common sense" and "patriotism" American workers will manifest.

Mencken "forgets" the million and a quarter of workers who demonstrated on March 6th. He "forgets" the 30,000 men who stormed Ford's factory in Detroit and 20,000 a factory in New Jersey.

If Mencken believes that it is "patriotic" and "common sense" for workers to starve, then he will be sadly jarred. American workers won't starve—they will fight, and the Communists are organizing them for the fight. The first step is the fight for the Workers' Social Insurance Bill.

The Communists thus are proving that they are the only fighters for the working class, and we can assure Gerard that the workers and farmers will also battle against any National Fascist council of the United States, and will not cease till the workers, under the leadership of the Communist Party, have established a Workers' and Farmers' Government in the United States.

The workers must learn their lessons from the statements of the fascists and line up behind the Communist Party, support its program and vote for its candidates in the coming elections.

**Join the Communist Party!** Build up revolutionary unions of the Trade Union Unity League and the Unemployed Councils! Don't Starve—fight! (Written in Hart's Island Penitentiary.)

BY BURCK.



By JORGE

## Another Gag

The Cuban "government" of Machado, than whom no more servile a bootlicker ever licked a boot of Uncle Sam, has arrested some woman on a charge of trying to sell Cuba's military secrets to the United States. That's about like Walker discovering that there is graft in New York City.

If the dear lady was so dumb that she does not know that the National City Bank owns the Cuban government, it serves her right to get locked up for trying to sell the U. S. ambassador the military codes he had already been given by Machado.

The gag comes in on the idea that Machado would be highly indignant if the U. S. got them. By arresting the old girl, he pretends that Cuba is a free and independent country. "About as much as Long Island," as someone else once remarked.

## Hoover's Official Liar

Pity the poor census taker, especially Mr. Stuart, the chief liar in Washington, who is slowly becoming almost convinced that there may be two or three unemployed workers in New York City, and perhaps one or two in Chicago.

Sometimes eight or nine millions take a sudden notion to take a day off, but they are not "unemployed." Only those workers who cornered the census man, tied him to the kitchen sink and by force and violence compelled him to enter them in one special kind of Stuart's 57 varieties of people who are "idle," as the capitalist press calls it, are "unemployed."

Stuart tries desperately to "explain" how it is that there are only 2,000,000 who should really be counted. Here's what he says:

The workers, as a rule, do not work all the time. They have at least one day off in a week, usually Sunday, and perhaps have half of Saturday. Many of them have some vacation.

So, the idea is, that merely because a worker doesn't work for a few years, is no reason for counting him as unemployed. If he's on a "vacation" this year, who knows but what he'll be working next year. Likely he'll die before the 1940 census and settle the whole question. Anything to save the reputation of republican prosperity.

Which reminds us of the saying that there are three kinds of liars; just liars, damn liars and statisticians.

We heard that the Fish Committee is coming back in September, and thought we struck it when we saw the headline: "Fish of Many Kinds Win Exhibition Prizes." But it was only about how the *Pterophyllum scalava eimeke*, which the papers say is "a small fish with exaggerated fins, prominently figuring in all tropical submarine moving pictures," won a prize at an aquarium show of queer fish. Hum . . . Sounds a little familiar, doesn't it? "A lot of little fish with big names," continues the story, took the prizes, which is like Ham Fish, only they come by their big names honestly and not by Act of Congress. At least they never swallowed Grover Whalen's forgeries.

Did you hear about the Birmingham, Ala., business men appealing to manufacturers to "come to Birmingham?" They said by way of inducement: "This city has 106,000 unemployed females of 10 years of age and over, who will work for lower wages than females anywhere else."

Probably they can find a few thousand nursing babies that will crawl to the cotton mills for a bottle of milk a day, and there is no doubt but that any number of small unemployed boys are playing marbles who ought to be getting 10 cents a day and tuberculosis just as they do in textile mills of China.

Isn't it a blessing that the Chinese Exclusion Act gives Americans the "right" to work for Chinese wages, and the Alabama fascist "Black Shirts" demand that only white Americans have this wonderful privilege. Great world! Soon the K.K.K. will demand that only white babies under five years be allowed to do longshore work.

## The Communist Party fights lynching—vote Communist!

tendencies of this character must be ruthlessly fought against and defeated and elements sponsoring them recalled from the committee by the workers.

The control by the workers of the strike committee and the constant contact with the workers by the strike committee, is fundamentally necessary for the proper conduct and success of the strike. This does not mean that the strike committee, cannot under an exceptional situation make independent decisions reporting its action for approval to the strikers, but the general principal should be to bring all important proposals to the strikers for discussion and approval or rejection before action is taken.

**Against Fascist Elements.** The participation of the leadership of the A. F. of L. company unions in strike committees must be fought against, whether they parade as a socialist, a Muste progressive, a Lovestonite or Cannonite. The acceptance of any of these elements on the strike committee means the beginning of a defeat. It is particularly in preparation and during strike struggle that these treacherous fascist elements must be exposed before the workers. All efforts to slacken the fight against these bureaucrats on the grounds that we are now leading a strike, must be condemned. It is during a strike that these traitors become the most dangerous and the fight against them must be increased rather than slackened.

The first necessary steps however, in strike preparation is the successful carrying through of the national campaign launched by the T. U. U. L. for a \$100,000 strike fund. This campaign can and will be successful if brought to the workers, by the revolutionary unions and leagues with a concrete plan of work, every member of the union to be drawn into what factories are to be organized, how is the work, what are the concrete demands around which the workers are being organized to strike for, what are the campaigns and plans for the organizing of the unemployed, what are the strike objectives. The workers are ready for struggle—they will contribute a \$100,000 strike fund and they will strike. All

**Report Every Day.** The strike committee must have the ability to keep in constant touch with the strikers, reporting every day. They must learn to understand their mood and keep the workers at a fighting pitch, continually strengthening itself by drawing in new life elements from the strikers who have shown initiative. The workers, at all times, must have complete control of the strike committee, and not allow the committee to arbitrarily decide important questions, to secretly negotiate with the employers, to accept, or reject, conditions offered by the employers or to call off the strike. All