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HUNGER MARCH PUT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE AT HEAD OF FIGHT AGAINST HOOVER HUNGER PROGRAM

Carry the Fight Forward

DOUBTLESS the bosses of the capitalist newspapers can compliment themselves on their "success" in concealing the news from Washington on Monday, in hiding the fact that more than 200,000 people, a majority of the population of the national capital, turned out—not without sympathy—to witness the National Hunger Marchers' victorious arrival at the doors of Wall Street's government.

The capitalist newspapers even attained the achievement of writing columns of lies about the Hunger Marchers without revealing what, precisely, the Marchers' demands were. But if the capitalists can get any satisfaction out of this achievement of their press prostitutes, they are welcome to it.

For the fact remained that the Hunger March, arising out of thousands of local struggles, hailed in its nation-wide march (that took on the aspects of a battle against repressive efforts ordered from the White House) by vast masses of workers and farmers, took the capital by storm and left the capitalist authority only the sorry gesture of such "triumph" as remains to those who hide themselves from the masses behind a wall of machine guns.

Alone all, the class difference has been made clear to all, between the "Hunger Program" of the capitalist class led by Hoover and all his wily "commissioners," with degrading dole of miserable charity serving as a fig-leaf to hide mass starvation—and the working class program of Unemployment Insurance at full wages and immediate relief to the destitute.

And upon the basis of this widened knowledge among the masses of the existence of a working class program opposed to the regime of hunger and police violence—the Unemployed Movement must work day and night to organize the struggle until victory is finally torn from the hands of the unwilling bosses and their despotic politicians at Washington!

On the return trip of the National Hunger Marchers, even greater and more persistent effort must be made, to consolidate the masses of workers around the demands of the marchers—definitely multiplying the number of members of the local Unemployed Councils, widening their influence and establishing an unbreakable spirit of militancy that will carry forward the struggle to victory.

Particularly it is necessary that the shameful role of the A. F. of L. leadership as defenders of capitalist profits and police stool pigeons, be taken into every local of the American Federation of Labor so that the honest workers of the rank and file may realize how vile is the treachery of the Green-Wall bureaucracy.

It is necessary that the victorious march on Washington be followed in every city, town and village by the establishment of new Unemployed Councils, Block Committees, the attraction of still wider masses of workers into action to prevent evictions, to enforce immediate relief to the destitute from local authorities, to prevent discrimination and persecution of the unemployed, to bring the movement into an offensive against the capitalist program of mass starvation throughout the land!

The victory of Washington must be followed up by these actions, and the gathering of millions of signatures demanding Unemployment Insurance and immediate relief. And everywhere the masses of employed and unemployed must be rallied around the concrete daily struggles for the mass mobilization in demonstrations everywhere to take place on February 4th—a national day of struggle for Unemployment Insurance against capitalist starvation! Forward with the struggle!

JAPANESE IN NEW DRIVE NORTHWARD

League Pushes Plan
to Partition
China

Mass Fight Growing
Soviet Press Scores
League Hypocrisy

Over the bargain counter of the imperialist vultures in secret conferences in Paris, the Chinese city of Chinchow was practically handed over to the Japanese yesterday. Chinchow is clearly to be included in the Manchurian loot of the Japanese in the imperialist plans for the partition of China, and war against the Chinese Revolution and the Soviet Union. A Paris dispatch to the New York Times reports Japan in a demand to exclude Chinchow from the proposed "neutral" zone, "leaving

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EX-SERVICEMEN DEMAND BONUS

Washington Conf. Will
Score Delay

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—The ex-service men, mostly veterans of the world war, held a special conference last night and made plans for an intensified struggle not only for unemployment insurance and winter relief, but for the soldiers' bonus and other demands of their own.

They also prepared to further expose the fascist led Veterans of Foreign Wars and other militarist organizations. The Veterans of Foreign Wars, aided by Admiral Robert H. Coontz and Representative Patman, plan to hold a rally Friday and Saturday night on the bonus question.

The ex-servicemen themselves will also hold a rally Friday and Saturday night to announce real plans for the struggle and to expose the trickery and treachery of the leaders of the Veterans of Foreign Wars. A great many world war veterans have come into Washington to demand immediate payment of the bonus.

COAL BOSS KNEW OF KY. KIDNAPPING

Mac Sumner Still Is
Missing; Gunmen
Took Him

NEW YORK.—R. W. Creech, owner of the Creech mine, where MacSumner, kidnapped member of the National Miners Union lived and worked before he was blacklisted, said that MacSumner's friends will hear of him in a few days. MacSumner was kidnapped nearly a week ago by coal operators gunmen because of his activities in connection with the forthcoming District Convention of the National Miners Union to be held here December 13. Up to date not a trace of MacSumner's whereabouts has been found by searching parties of miners.

R. W. Creech, who said something would be heard, is president of the Harlan County Coal Operators Association, the organization that directs the courts, prosecutor and judge of Harlan County, as well as over 400 armed deputy gunmen, paid by the coal operators. The armed thugs never go into a mining camp without the knowledge or without orders from the coal operators. Creech knows who kidnapped MacSumner and where the miner is.

Good reports are coming in from Rank and File Committees covering the mines for the district convention. One hundred and twenty workers joined the National Miners' Union in one mine on one day. Fifty-five joined up at another mine. Fifteen Tennessee mines have been covered.

The convention call and leaflets of the National Miners' Union have been distributed throughout Bell and Harlan counties. The Glendon miners have almost completed building a Workers International and Relief soup kitchen.

Every meeting and mass demonstration must show some solid gain. Among the most permanent successes that can be registered is the obtaining of Daily Worker subscriptions. Make special efforts in the present campaign for 5,000 12-month Daily Worker subscriptions to get new subscribers at every mass meeting and demonstration.

Greet Hunger Marchers At 8 p.m. Union Square

NEW YORK.—Over 400 National Hunger Marchers of Column 1 (from southern and eastern New York and all of New England) will enter New York about 8 p. m. today, and will be met at Union Square by a demonstration of workers and unemployed workers.

The delegates will immediately proceed on to Stuyvesant Casino, where they will be given a banquet arranged by the Unemployed Councils of New York.

Only the delegates will eat, but at the meeting which takes place with them, all are invited to hear their reports and the plans for continued struggle for unemployment insurance and relief.

Mass Demonstrations In Many Cities Dec. 7 Support Marchers

6,000 IN CHICAGO

Demand Real Food For
Marchers, Pittsburgh

Demonstrations were held in many large cities throughout the country Dec. 7, in support of the demands of the National Hunger March, for immediate winter relief and Workers Unemployment Insurance. Masses of workers and unemployed workers showed their support of the delegates they had sent to Washington. The New York demonstration took place at Brooklyn Borough Hall, and included among its speakers strikers from the Mehrige Silk Co., and Coney Island bread strike. Some of the other demonstrations have previously been reported, notably the one in the city hall at Buffalo, which forced the city council to telegraph Congress and ask that the National Hunger Marchers be heard. Others are reported below.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—The 1,670 National Hunger Marchers in their Washington Auditorium meeting yesterday adopted and ordered sent to Tom Mooney, whose 16th birthday in prison on a frame-up charge is today. The telegram says:

"Today, although faced by the most elaborate display of police and military force ever mobilized against workers in the history of the Capitol City, 1,670 National Hunger Marchers, thundered demands for your freedom with the demand for Workers Unemployment Insurance at full wages before both houses of Congress and the White House and A. F. L. headquarters.

"Both Congress and Hoover refused permission to the delegates, who were instructed to demand the publication of the Wickersham report, to enter Congress of the White House. But the demonstrations were witnessed by the overwhelming majority of the Washington population and for two hours demands for your release and for insurance reverberated through the Capitol grounds and the Capitol itself as the joint opening session of congress was meeting.

"Three thousand workers in mass unemployment conference in Washington Auditorium here following the demonstrations greet you on the occasion of your 49th birthday anniversary and pledge to carry on the struggle until your release."

The telegram was signed by Herbert Benjamin, as National Secretary of the National Committee of the Unemployed Councils.

MARCHERS WIRE MOONEY THEY DEMAND RELEASE

Will Carry On Fight
Throughout the
Country

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MARCHERS CALL FOR INCREASED JOBLESS FIGHT

Feb. 4 To Be National
Demonstration Date;
Demand Insurance

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—The National Hunger Marchers, assembled in a national conference on unemployment last night in Washington Auditorium here, adopted the following statement:

Statement of the National Hunger March and the Washington demonstrations for the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill, by the National Hunger Marchers Conference December 7, 1931. "The National Hunger March and the Washington demonstration witnessed by the overwhelming majority of the population of the capital city, the hundreds of conferences and mass

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Hunger March Took Masses With It Throughout Capital

By BILL DUNNE.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—The Hunger March has shown, even to official Washington egypted on by Hoover and his provocative administration press, that workers who are expressing the demands of millions, and whom masses of workers, consider their representatives, cannot be clubbed, gassed and shot down before the myriads of eyes focused upon Hoover and Congress—without most serious results accruing to those responsible.

The Hunger March met force and intimidation but not terror. It smashed through the steel web of armed attacks that have been visited

Holding Mass Meets
All Cities To Report
And Intensify Fight

REACH N. Y. TONITE

Elect National Comm.
To Lead Struggle

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—The 1,670 National Hunger Marchers started back this morning to retrace their route to the capital city, and report back to mass meetings of workers in each city the refusal of the government of the capitalist class to do anything to save the lives of starving millions of the unemployed.

The hunger marchers will carry with them the decision of their Washington national conference for intensification of the local struggles for relief and against evictions, leading to a great national day of demonstrations, Feb. 4. They will start the campaign to collect millions of signatures to demands that Congress pass the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill, calling for full wages to each unemployed and partially employed worker, funds to be raised by a tax on incomes over \$5,000 a year in addition to immediate appropriations from the U. S. treasury.

The National Conference on Unemployment, made up of 1,670 elected delegates of the National Hunger March meeting in Washington Auditorium yesterday, elected a National Committee of the Unemployed Councils, a committee of 30. The committee went into session immediately after the conference, and chose a National Bureau, composed of delegates on the National Committee from New York. The bureau is made up of Herbert Benjamin, national secretary; Carl Winter, A. W. Mills, William Z. Foster, George Lynch,

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ELECT WORKERS' CANDIDATE IN WINDSOR, CANADA

Elected on Program of Fight Against Terror
for Jobless Insurance; Communist Leaders
Are Out on Bail

(Telegram to Daily Worker)

TORONTO, Canada, Dec. 8.—Tom Raycroft, workers' candidate on ticket against Section 98 of the Criminal Code, for unemployment insurance, representing the demands of the workers in a united front election campaign committee, was elected Alderman in Windsor, Ontario. This victory is the first break in the solid Tory front in Eastern Canada and is a repudiation by the workers against the outlawing of the Communist Party. Raycroft is the only workers' representative in the Canadian city government.

Hoover Message Calls for Greater Attack on Workers

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Filled with wholesale attacks against the working class, continuing the program of hunger for 12,000,000 unemployed, and providing for more stringent deportation laws, Hoover's message to Congress was read today.

Hoover's message to Congress, which was to suppose to contain ways of ending the crisis, was greeted in Wall Street by stocks and bonds dropping to the lowest level of the entire crisis thus far. A heavy wave of selling followed the reading of the message. One of the leading stockbroker firms failed just a few hours before Hoover's message was read.

The Hunger President was forced to admit that there was a "continued world wide economic disturbance" of the capitalist system. Then he proceeded to his usual sly lies about "fundamental national gains,"—perhaps he referred to the huge gains in the army of the unemployed; and he talked about "the country

being richer in physical property." Hoover said not a word about the hundreds of thousands of workers being thrown out of their homes; the growing suicides and death by starvation or about the "fundamental national gains" made by the workers whose wages have been slashed in the past year.

The message declared against any form of unemployment insurance. He called for increase in taxes. But said nothing about the rich paying.

One point in the message declares: "The deportation laws should be strengthened." This is one of the points in the program of Ham Fish, and means increased terror against the foreign born workers.

(Note:—The Council for the Protection of Foreign Born of New York is holding a conference at Manhattan Lyceum, Dec. 20, to plan a struggle against new laws attacking foreign born workers.)

Organize Demonstrations to Receive Reports of Returning Hunger Marchers



