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OVER 200 SHOPS OUT ON SECOND DAY OF DRESS STRIKE

Guard of Ky. Miners Thwarts Lynching of Strike Leaders

MASS DEMONSTRATIONS AT ALL SHOPS TODAY

Strike Spreads Despite Police Attack; Unemployed Rally to Picket Shops

NEW YORK.—The second day of the dressmakers strike finds the ranks of the strikers increased. The strike is spreading like wildfire. Many additional shops answered the call and came down to register in the halls, elected strike committees and are now in the fighting ranks of the dressmakers.

The strike is spreading not only in Manhattan, but in the other sections—Bronx, Williamsburgh, etc. The attempts of the company union agents to minimize the response of the dressmakers so that they can more readily put through their fake strike

lockout, met with strong resentment among the dressmakers. The first meeting of the strike committee, consisting of delegates elected by the striking shops met yesterday afternoon at Manhattan Lyceum. The committee elected the following main officers, J. Migdol, chairman, Charles Phillips, vice chairman, Tom Seracusa, vice chairman and Ben Gold, secretary, and also approved the various sub-committees.

Ben Gold, secretary, reported that a check-up early this afternoon showed about 200 shops out on strike, with the strike spreading almost

hourly. He also spoke about the importance of proper organization and mass picketing in order to assure a victory of the workers, stressing the need for the organization of block and building committees so as to bring down the shops that have not as yet answered the strike call. He also reported that the machinery for the registration of the strikers in the halls is working well.

All shops met yesterday to discuss the general demands and the concrete shop demands to be presented to the bosses.

In a frantic attempt to stop the

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SHERIFF BLAIR THREATENS TO JAIL WRITERS BRINGING AID TO KY. COAL STRIKERS

To Distribute Truck Load of Food at Strike Points In Cooperation With Local Workers International Relief

PINEVILLE, Ky., Feb. 9.—Only the hastily assembling of armed miners guards thrown around the Pineville jail last night prevented the handing over of the nine jailed strike leaders to the Harlan County gun thugs.

This is the second threat made by the coal operators to kidnap the arrested leaders of the National Miners Union, the Workers International Labor Defense.

KNOXVILLE, Ky., Feb. 9.—Bloody Sheriff Blair of Harlan County, gunmen of the Harlan County Coal Operators Association, has issued a threat of arrest to the group of famous writers now here preparing to take food to striking miners and to demand elementary rights for the miners and their organization. Sheriff Blair, who is an ex-Baldwin Falls killer, said that "if they make any red neck speeches we will throw them in jail."

The group of writers which arrived here several days ago held its first meeting at the Farragut Hotel last night and planned its trip to the coal strike area. On Tuesday they are going to La Follette, Tenn., Wednesday to Pineville to attend the mass meeting arranged by the National Miners' Union, to Four Mile and Clearfork and then to visit the prisoners now in the Pineville jail for their strike activities. They will go on to Harlan, Maythel, Wallins

Creek and Swimming Pool. They will then return to Knoxville for a Workers' International Relief mass meeting Thursday evening, going to Frankfort, Ky., to interview the governor of Kentucky on Friday, where they will protest against the denial of constitutional rights to the strikers.

At each place they will distribute a truckload of food, co-operating with the local W.I.R. relief committees, visiting families of miners and investigating conditions. They will demand the restoration of the elementary rights of the miners.

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Mass Tag Days Feb. 13-14 for Mine and Dress Strike

NEW YORK.—Mobilization for the city-wide tag days on Feb. 13th and 14th for the relief of the Kentucky-Tennessee Striking Miners and the New York Striking Dressmakers sweeps on as squads of dressmakers under the guidance of captains are appointed to act as shock brigades for the Dressmakers United Front Committee.

Thousands of collection boxes are already in the hands of relief com-

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Special Bulletin

Unless we get \$7,500 by Saturday the Daily Worker will be cut down to TWO PAGES next week.

So far only \$3,731 has come in. This is not even enough to keep the danger down to its present level.

Rush all possible funds at once to Save the Daily Worker!

INTERNATIONAL WORKERS ORDER APPEALS

DEAR COMRADES—

The Daily Worker faces suspension. It must raise \$50,000 now! We must help it. The Daily Worker is our paper. It is the fighting newspaper of the entire working class. The continued existence of the Daily Worker is the best security for the growth and militancy of all workers' organizations. Through it we unite all other workers for our every-day struggles.

Without the Daily Worker we cannot carry out the aims and objects of our organization, participation in the class struggle. Without the Daily Worker, working class organizations or individual workers can not be properly prepared for the fierce struggles we must wage against the bosses hunger program and the attack against Soviet China and Soviet Russia.

The International Workers Order, the only international working class mutual aid society in the United States, based upon the principles of class struggle, and representing thousands of workers, calls upon its members in particular and all workers in general to rush to the support of the Daily Worker.

The National Executive Committee appeals to each member to immediately raise a minimum of 25c to help save the Daily Worker.

Help to mobilize the entire working class to save the Daily Worker. Make immediate collections in your branches. Get other workers to donate. Send active workers to the Daily Worker conferences that are now being held. All funds to the support of the Daily Worker! Branches of the I. W. O. send all collections to the National Office, I. W. O., 32 Union Square.

National Executive Committee, International Workers Order

By R. SALTZMAN, General Secretary.

Recruit 1000 Members for Communist Party in N. Y.

NEW YORK.—Tying up its leadership of the struggles of New York workers with the Membership Recruiting Drive of the Communist Party, the New York District has succeeded in reaching 50 per cent of its quota of 2000 new members. The only other district in the country to equal New York in attaining this percentage of recruitment is the Chicago district. With the rent strikes, bread strikes, the building of Unemployed Councils and branches, and block committees as its stepping point, New York has gotten 1000 of the total of 2618 new members recruited into the Communist Party from the beginning of the recruiting drive up to and including January 27th. In addition to connecting the Recruiting drive with the struggles that it is leading in and out of the shops, the New York district has begun the use of a number of methods for draw-

ing in new fighters into the ranks of the Party. Chief among these methods are the holding of the open unit and fraction meetings. This measure has met with considerable success despite the fact that the meetings so held have been entirely too narrow.

A second new method is the sending of letters to mass organizations of workers asking for the arrangement of special meetings on the meaning and program of the Communist Party. Already a number of organizations have responded asking for speakers. As a result of one such meeting at an International Workers Order Branch, the branch voted to send six of its best and most active members into the Communist Party. These six workers filled out their applications at the same meeting. The same step should be taken by other organizations. The sharpened class struggle calls not merely for individual but

for mass recruitment. One weakness of the New York district has been the entirely insufficient attention paid to the recruiting drive in the shops especially in the marine, metal and chemical industry. Equally outstanding has been its failure so far to take advantage of the extremely favorable situation presented it by the intensive preparations now being made for a general strike in the needle trades industry. The strike preparations and the strike itself must be made the basis for the widest possible recruitment of needle trade workers into the revolutionary Party of struggle against wage-cuts, unemployment, terror and imperialist war, the Communist Party.

ATTACK MOVE FOR JOBLESS INSURANCE

Politicians Hit On Scheme to Sidetrack Fight of Unemployed

NEW YORK.—Another move against unemployment insurance is planned by both Democrats and Republicans in Congress, supported by President Hoover, according to a special story published in yesterday's New York "Sun" by its Washington correspondent, David Lawrence.

Lawrence declared that a so-called bill for "federal relief" would be cooked up by the democrats and republicans and "that such a measure will be passed and that President Hoover will reluctantly but inevitably sign it."

Even this talk about "federal relief" which would at the extreme provide not more than a \$10 a year for the unemployed was forced by the growing unemployment demonstrations and organization of fighting unemployed councils.

However, the present move of the federal government is based on the inability of the bosses any longer to hide the fact that the so-called local and state relief is completely breaking down. Recently Hoover had announced that everybody was being adequately taken care of by local organizations. The most meagre provisions for food are being cut down. In Chicago all capitalist agencies admit that there are over 500,000 workers who face death by starvation.

The bill which Lawrence says Hoover "will sign" does not even provide for one cent of direct relief to the unemployed. It is supposed to go out as "loans" to local governments and they can use it as they want to—that is to pay graft first, to pay the charity administrators.

The latest action of the Hoover hunger government shows the need for continuing and spreading the organized struggle for unemployment insurance.

Rush every penny to save Daily Worker or leadership in workers' struggles.

NOTICE!

Workers' Cultural Federation needs more volunteers to help striking dressmakers in their struggles. Comrades and sympathizers who can sing or play instruments (harmonicas inclusive), in solos or groups, or who can act or recite, for the various strike halls during afternoons or evenings, please report at once at 63 WEST 15TH STREET, JOHN REED CLUBROOMS.

between the hours of 10 a.m. and 11 p.m. daily. Phone number is Gramercy 5-5687. Ask for Comrade Pullman.

ALSO—if comrades can loan us a piano or radio please let us know promptly.

Expose Secret Plans of Japan for War on China Masses and U.S.S.R.

Plan Called for Armed Intervention Before Completion of Soviet Five-Year Plan

United States Rushing More Warships Against Chinese Red Army; Calls On Chiang for Troops

The war against the Chinese masses and the present war provocation against the Soviet Union are proceeding according to plans drawn up by the Japanese as early as 1927. These plans were presented to the Japanese Emperor in a secret document by M. Tanaka, then Japanese Prime Minister. This document gives the key to an understanding of all that is going on at present in China and gives authoritative confirmation of how near is armed intervention against the Soviet Union. (This document is published in full in the Dec.

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All Out to Giant Anti-War Meet on Thursday 8 P.M. at the St. Nicholas Arena

All out Thursday, 8 p. m., to Nicholas Arena, 69 W. 66th Street, to the mass Anti-War Meeting called by the Friends of the Soviet Union. Jam the arena, show the war mongers, and the imperialist provocateurs against the Chinese masses and Soviet Union, that the working class is awake to the danger and ready to defend the Chinese Soviets and the Soviet Union.

Rally to the defense of the socialist fatherland. Ring the Soviet Union with an iron defense! Demand hands off the Soviet Union! Hands off the Chinese Soviet Republic! Demand the withdrawal of American warships and troops from China! Organize United Front Anti-War Committees in your shops, your unions and other organizations! Stop the war acts of American imperialism! Down with the war provocations against the Soviet Union! Demand all war funds for the unemployed!

Chinese Communist Party Calls for Armed Struggle

In a ringing call to the Chinese workers and peasants to unite behind the Chinese Soviet Republic and the Chinese Red Army in fierce resistance to armed intervention of the imperialists for the partition of China, the Chinese Communist Party declares, in part:

"In this situation, when the imperialist powers are conducting a brutal attack on the masses of the Chinese people, the Kuomintang, in pursuance of its capitulatory policy of 'toleration,' makes a present of Manchuria to the Japanese imperialists, abandons the whole country to European and American imperialism, and thereby directly furthers the imperialist partition of China.

"In concert with the imperialist troops and police in China, it is exercising the most bloody terror, the most cruel policy of oppression

against the growing anti-imperialist movement. Under the slogan, 'unity against the enemy in the North, to repel Japan,' new attacks are commencing against the Soviet territory in the three provinces of Honan, Hupeh and Anwhel. This the Kuomintang is endeavoring, with the most frightful white terror, to choke in blood the revolutionary fights which are increasing throughout the whole of China.

"But this policy of the Kuomintang is encountering the growing resistance of the working and peasant masses in the whole country. The working masses are losing all faith in the Kuomintang. The broadest strata of the workers, peasants, soldiers and students are voicing the slogans issued by our Party: 'Workers strike, school strike, soldiers strike against Japanese imperialism! Smash the Kuomintang which capitulates to imperialism!'"

"The national fight against imperialism is being linked up ever more closely with the fight against the Kuomintang. "The Kuomintang and the imperialists are trembling in face of this revolutionary wave. They are already busily mobilizing all the reactionary forces in order to crush the revolutionary movement. The imperialist press in Shanghai is teaching the Kuomintang government how, in accordance with the example of Tuan Chi Shui, to massacre the 'rabble' among the students. A state of siege has already been proclaimed in all

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More AFL Locals Join Fight for Unemployment Insurance

NEW YORK.—A number of new A. F. of L. locals have voiced their approval of the struggle for unemployment insurance and against the hunger policy of the Vancouver National Convention of the A. F. of L., which voted to support the Hoover government fight against unemployment insurance.

The latest locals to pass resolutions for unemployment insurance and for a widespread struggle within the A. F. of L. to rally the workers behind this demand are the following: Painters' Local 795; Painters' Local 1011; Cement & Concrete Workers 18; Butchers' Union 174; Painters' Local 1035; Brotherhood of Chandler, Brass & Metal Workers of North America.

Typographical Union No. 6 notified the New York A. F. of L. Trade Union Committee for Unemployment Insurance and Relief, 322 Third Ave., New York City, that the Executive Board voted for the unemployment insurance resolution, and that the matter would be brought before the next membership meeting.

This movement was initiated at a conference held in Labor Temple on January 27 at which 41 delegates, representing 19 A. F. of L. local unions, with a membership of 21,000 were present. The conference demanded the government pay unemployment insurance at full wage rates, and that a struggle be carried on within the A. F. of L. for unemployment insurance.

