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Protest Lynching; Demand Atlanta Six Freed

JOBLESS INSURANCE MEET SUNDAY

DELEGATES TO PLAN FIGHT IN CHATTANOOGA

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. — Delegates from a number of shop committees in metal and textile plants from a number of fraternal organizations and other labor groups have already been elected to attend the Workers' Social Insurance Conference to be held here at the Trade Union Unity League Hall 16 1/2 Main Street on Sunday, Oct. 20, at 11 a.m.

The conference will work out plans for broadening and carrying on the struggle for unemployed and disability insurance for workers. The Workers' Social Insurance Bill, which as proposed by the Communist Party and approved by the U. S. L. provides a minimum of \$25 a week for every unemployed worker to be paid by the government and bosses, will be placed before this conference for approval.

The conference will take place one day before the bosses of this city open their drives for the Community Chest, the center of charity organizations to which the bosses pay a few cents out of their profits to keep the unemployed and wage-cutted workers from organizing. Commissioner H. D. Huffaker of the department of education has issued an appeal for clothes for the school children. To avoid paying higher wages and giving unemployed insurance the bosses use this method of giving a few patty rags to the workers, just barely keeping some of them from freezing and starving, and keep their own profits intact. Against such charity include the workers' mass organizers and fight to obtain what is coming to them as the producers of all wealth.

Thousands of leaflets, containing the Workers' Social Insurance Bill, and calling the workers to the conference have been distributed throughout the city by members of the Trade Union Unity League.

A. F. of L. Holds The Vilest Anti-Labor Convention

BOSTON, Mass. — Altho President Hoover, secretary of war Hingley and commander of the American Legion were welcome to speak at the American Federation of Labor Convention here, about 50 honest-to-goodness workers were barred from entering the convention hall during the October 2 sessions.

Betray Danville Textile Strike

DANVILLE, Va. — Working in cooperation with the officials of the A. F. of L. textile union, the police court here convicted William Murdoch, national organizer of the National Textile Workers Union, on two counts of "inciting to violence" for exposing the game of the labor fakery. He was sentenced to 60 days in jail and \$25 fine on each count. The case will be appealed. Openly indicating a complete sell-out of the textile workers on strike here, A. F. of L. officials announced that no mass meetings would be held until the officials decide to call them again. This is an effort to suppress the rank and file members who are opposed to the betrayal policies. Scabs are freely permitted to enter the mills and the strikers are discouraged by the officials from mass picketing. At the same time, Paul J. Aymond, president of the Tennessee A. F. of L. and in the strike area, is cooperating with Governor Peahard of Virginia in an effort to settle the strike in the easiest way out.

Thus far the officials have not formulated any definite demands and are waiting the return of Francis J. Gorman from Boston where he has

"Equal Opportunity"



Moneybags Hoover. Deflate his checks by making the bosses pay unemployed insurance, by voting Communist!

Hoover Calls For Attack On Workers

KINGS MOUNTAIN, S. C. — In the heart of the textile industry of the country, where thousands of workers are starving, President Herbert Hoover solemnly declared that "this country offers equal opportunity for every individual scattered by the glowing folds of the American flag."

Hoover's Kings Mountain speech followed other speeches delivered before the bankers' convention in Cleveland, The American Legion and A. F. of L. conventions in Boston. His appearance before these three pillars of fascism was logically followed by his open attack on revolutionary workers through the world at Kings Mountain.

Answer King's fascist challenge by voting Communist!

STATE LYNCH LAW CONDEMNS TOM ROBERTSON

Continuing the barbaric policy of wiping out the family of Robertson Negro share farmers for daring to defend themselves against lynch mobs the state of Alabama sentenced Tom Robertson to die on the electric chair at the State Circuit court here on October 9.

Linnet Robertson, Tom's son, was convicted in a charge of assault and sent to the penitentiary for 10 years.

Four Others Lynched
The conviction of the two Robertsons arises from the "investigation" of the Grand Jury in the so-called

Demand Release To Save Minor

NEW YORK, N. Y. — Robert Minor, editor of the Daily Worker, central organ of the Communist Party is seriously sick in jail from acute appendicitis, and is in danger of death if he is not immediately released.

The International Labor Defense made a formal application to the parole board for his release and submitted statements of physicians showing the seriousness of his condition. Robert Minor, together with William Z. Foster, national secretary of the Trade Union Unity League, and Israel Amter, New York District Organizer of the Communist Party, were railroaded to jail when they attempted to present the demands of 110,000 unemployed workers, gathered in mass demonstration at Union Square on March 5, last, to the Mayor of New York.

Comrade Minor, who is chronically ill, was removed from the hospital on the prison island, following an exposure of the rotten conditions in the jail there by the I. L. D. He was placed with other prisoners away from all medical attention, and his action can be interpreted as nothing more nor less than an effort at deliberate murder.

CHATTANOOGA MASS PROTEST THURS. NIGHT

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. — Under the leadership of the American Negro Labor Congress and the International Labor Defense, white and Negro workers will protest against lynching and demand the release of the Atlanta comrades at a mass meeting to be held at New Market and Main Sts. on Thursday, October 17, at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting is being called by the Provisional Committee for the South of the A. N. L. C. and the International Labor Defense, which also carries on a fight against lynching and is leading the six Atlanta organizers who will cooperate. Jennie Cooper, Southern organizer of the I. L. D., who personally investigated the recent lynchings at Thomasville and Cartersville, Ga., will be one of the principal speakers. Mary Linton, one of the six defendants in the Atlanta lynch case, will also speak.

It is the state of Georgia, in which 30 lynchings have taken place already this year, seven during the last two months, that is now seeking to send six organizers to the electric chair under the old slave insurance law. The trial is scheduled to begin at the end of October with the state bringing an attempt to try Herbert Newton and Henry Storey, Negroes, first and by making use of the French law spirit get their conviction and make it easier to get the death penalty for all the defendants. The International Labor Defense is at present carrying on a campaign in Atlanta, having distributed 2,000 copies of the SOUTH-ERN WORKER there last week and preparing to distribute 50,000 copies of a pamphlet on the case as well as 20,000 leaflets. The I. L. D. supports the Anti-Lynching conference called by the A. N. L. C. at Chattanooga on November 9, and at Charlotte, N. C., on October 27.

JOBLESS WORKER FAINTS
ELLENVILLE, Ga. — E. C. Williams, unemployed worker of Brooklyn, N. Y., aged 60, fainted from hunger and fatigue here, after going from city to city in search of a job.

A THOUSAND AND ONE LIES

By SEATON WORTHY
(Communist Candidate for Senate from Alabama.)
The boss press keeps up "Good things are just around the corner." How long will we believe these lies with conditions growing worse every day?
Millions are starving in the richest country on earth. They say we should have saved our money and it is our fault but at the same time they are the everybody to buy things and help money pouring. The boss papers have a thousand and one lies with which to confuse the people and blind us as to who our enemies are.
The enemies are the bosses and the system of government. They are the ones who are making the people poor and the people are the ones who are making the world better for our movements. Next time it will be quite different.

are not needed. The crooked politicians, professors, racketeers, crooks, thieves, hypocrites and deadbeats do well under this kind of government, but the workers have all the misery.
The only way out is to join the ranks of the revolutionary forces of the Communist Party. When we are united we can give the bosses hell. We will overthrow their system and establish a workers and farmers government which will operate industry for the benefit of all. Only that will end starvation, misery and war. Only that will end the rule of the bosses and the rule of the Social Union and end keeping the people in ignorance and making us fight our own class enemies. I was in the world for the last 60 years. Next time it will be quite different.

AFTER HOOVER, THE BLACKSHIRTS

CHARLOTTE, N. C. — The drive against the Communist at the Kings Mountain only, organized from the Atlanta headquarters of the Blackshirts in cooperation with local mob leaders attempted to form a branch of the fascist organization at the Louise Mill village in Charlotte.
Just a few days before the employees of the Louise mill had decided to install the 12-hour day in place of the 10-hour day beginning last Monday. The fascist recruiting meeting was evidently held under the full approval of the mill owners to combat the growing Communist and N. T. U. influence in the mill. The Blackshirts' crowd of Goetzels with Beltracchi at its head gave full cooperation. Marvin Eick, one-time U. S. Attorney and former city attorney, made the introductory speech.
A few minutes were devoted to

the meeting together with foremen, superintendents and neighborhood business men by a mysterious unsigned circular which invited only grown men over 21 to attend. The Blackshirt organizers pictured a wonderful, glorious South, unoppressed by Reds who "institute our good Negroes and make them discontented with the status in life in which God has pleased God to call them."
Only six party bosses and local business men showed up. This was the first concerted effort to organize a branch of the Blackshirts in North Carolina for the purpose of leading lynch mobs against militant workers.
Substantially no money for Congress and opposed to him are made work on the Communist Party. They will support the drive to keep them out of Congress by voting for

SENTENCE RED SPEAKERS IN HOUSTON MEET

By Al W. McBride

Houston, Texas

I was railroaded to the Pea Farm here. We had an A. F. of L. city O. what a frame up! Comrades McCann, Schuler and Sila were fined \$100.00 each and I was given a \$100.00 fine. We appealed the case. We were charged with seditious conspiracy for speaking at a Communist meeting.

We were taken out of the Court room of the Pea Farm. I had to wear three days peking shoes and black eye-glasses. Woke from daylight to dark. Six hours and a cup of hot soup at 4:30. Light lunch at noon—rice and peas. Supper at 7 p.m.—peas and rice, cornbread and water. Some food for a worker who had his pants cut out with a bayonet in the world slaughter in Europe! I had to work 14 hours a day and sleep starvation. The only meat we got was the maggots and weevils in the pie.

The "Communist" Houston and my comrades and I also sat again to fight for the C. P. We four don't intend to let the bosses have the best there is to get while we are on top of the earth. We want some good breaks while we are here.

We were brought to court to show the citizens what "communists" (as they call us) look like. Everybody was badly disappointed when four American attorneys filed a writ of habeas corpus to get us out of there. The judge refused to grant a writ and we were kept in the jail. None of the four of us believed in the judge, so the judge was up a stump. He brought a white and then asked if he would tell the truth. We said yes.

The first witness up was the cop who arrested us. Lieutenant McCoy could not express himself with many people around. He had a bad case of stage fright and was afraid to tell his end of the story. When Comrade McCann asked him why he sent him to arrest the four defendants he got mixed up in his testimony. He told the jury that he was on a riot call and saw a crowd of Negroes listening to four white men on a street corner telling them that the "communist" party had a Negro worker from Houston running for Congress. McCann asked him if we were more dangerous than the riot call he was out for and received no answer. The cop said I was a man who might start a revolution anytime. He asked when I was first arrested whether I was a pervert and if I used dope. He was badly disappointed.

Arresting Many Seamen
When the I. L. D. got us out the second time in ten days the police started to clean up the Houston ship channel. They are beating up and arresting all seamen that have no discharges off of ships less than 60 days old. This is some more of the dirty work of the Seamen's Institute and the manager is stooling all workers carrying M. W. I. U. books and seeing to it that the police know us all. A worker with a disability from the boss's big daughter like I am, struggling for a mere pittance to live on, must stand up and tell this kind of bosses' tool that when the Red flag with the hammer and sickle flies over North America the workers will be free from persecution from the bosses and the American consular.

Order bundles of Southern Worker for distribution in the places you work. One cent a copy is made for you.

Happening in Danville



The A. F. of L. officials always stab the workers in the back. Wipe them out of the way! Build the revolutionary union! Vote Communist!

Vilest Anti-Labor Convention Ever Held

(Continued from Front Page)

Birds of a Feather

William Green who promised to work that he would not permit any strikes during the economic crisis and help the bosses, spoke at the American Legion convention, whose members have again and again been mobilized to protect scabs and fight strikers. Sessions of the A. F. of L. on Oct. 7 were adjourned so that the delegates could march in the Legionnaires' parade.

Just as 5,000 workers demonstrated in Cleveland when Hoover spoke to the bankers, workers will again demonstrate under the leadership of the Trade Union Unity League and the Communist Party at the A. F. of L. convention held on Tuesday, Oct. 14, against the fascist A. F. of L. officials and for unemployed insurance.

Favor War

Secretary of War Hurley praised the A. F. of L. as a "bulwark against Communism" and "New Deal" commander of the legionnaires pointed out the similarity in aims between the A. F. of L. and his organization. Both organizations had headquarters at the same hotel during the convention and probably used the same bootleggers.

The metal trades department of the A. F. of L. in line with Hoover's big war speech at the Legionnaire convention, has a resolution favoring a big navy. Resolutions have been placed before the convention against communism and demanding boycott of Soviet products in this country. It is one of the vilest anti-labor conventions ever held.

Tom Robertson To Die On The Electric Chair

(Continued from Front Page)

face riots at Folsom, Ala., on July 4 of this year, when four of the Robertson family were lynched and two white men killed when the Negroes defended themselves. The grand jury returned no indictments against any members of the mob. Governor Graves of Alabama offered a reward of \$200 for any member of the Negro family caught.

The white ruling class legally lynched Tom Robertson after leading the lynch mob which killed four other members of the family. Declared the Provisional Organization Committee for the South of the American Negro Labor Congress in a statement issued to the press: "That was the method in which they investigated and punished the lynch mob. Another grand jury has just completed its investigation in Marion, Ind., without returning any indictments against the members of the mob which lynched Abe Smith and Thomas Shipp on the courthouse lawn on August 7. The lynchings are well known and were exposed by the International Labor Defense.

Anti-Lynch Meets

No one had been punished for the 38 lynchings so far this year and it is useless to expect that anyone will. State officials from the Governor to the Sheriff, show themselves to be allied with lynch mobs. A successful fight against lynching depends directly upon the Negro and white workers.

Building The Southern Worker

Seattle, Wash.

Dear Comrades:
Replying to your recent letter, we distributed the 300 copies of the SOUTHERN WORKER here among the Negro workers and the comments were simply grand. The black workers were amazed that a paper that fights lynching on the front page "dares" right in the heart of the lynch land to call upon black and white workers to unite!

The result of the distribution of these papers was that the Negro workers saw and they said so, that the Communists practice what they preach.

Comradely Yours,
Sidney Bloomfield, Dis. Communist Organizer, Seattle District.

Two thousand copies of the SOUTHERN WORKER were ordered, paid for and distributed in Atlanta, Ga. last week by the Atlanta unit of the Communist Party. They wanted 3,000 more, but we didn't have them. They will get them next week. Get busy, comrades! Atlanta serves a good example. Order bundles for distribution.

Be sure to let us know immediately how many copies of the special ATLANTA INSURRECTION CASE number of the SOUTHERN WORKER you will want to distribute. It will be the issue dated October 25. Money must accompany all special orders. It depends upon you to make this issue the biggest yet published.

What about the suits, fellow workers? Get busy and get some results in our BUILD THE SOUTHERN WORKER drive. The results have been so poor thus far that we've assumed to publish them. But wait.

The Atlanta unit is all excited about how easy it is to get the Southern Worker to the workers and recently placed up nerve to challenge one of the Chattahoochee units. What do you say, Chattahogans?

Special Issue Of Southern Worker On Atlanta Case

The Atlanta Insurrection Trial is just around the corner. It is only a matter of a week or two when our six comrades will be called before a lynch law jury in Atlanta to face a possible electric chair sentence.

We must plaster the SOUTH with this case and arouse mass defense around the Atlanta trial.

The October 25th issue of the SOUTHERN WORKER will be a special ATLANTA INSURRECTION CASE number. It must be distributed in tens of thousands of copies.

Prepare now for it. Discuss with the comrades how many copies of this issue you will be able to handle. Order extra bundles right now. Send in the money to pay for the extra bundle with your order. Let's make it an issue of at least 50,000 copies! Incentive the country, especially in the South.

The Provisional Committee has called the Anti-Lynching conferences at Charlotte, N. C., for October 27, and the one at Chattanooga, Tenn., for November 9, in preparation for the national conference to be held in St. Louis on Nov. 15. Calls have been sent to Negro and white organizations asking them to send delegates to the conference. All interested organizations are asked to correspond with Frank E. Baker, Secretary, Treasurer, Box 218, Chattanooga, Tenn.

TWO HEAVENS



That's the way the boss sees it. Neither that kind nor any other kind of Kingdom Come do we want. We want work or food. Do away with lynching here. Vote Communist!

LYNCH LAW AT WORK

LIVINGSTON, Ala.—Tom Robertson was sentenced to death on the electric chair after being convicted of murder by the Sumter Circuit Court. Ernest Robertson was sentenced to 10 years in prison on an assault charge. Tom is to be the fifth of a family of Robertson sharecroppers killed by lynch law for defending themselves at Folsom, Ala., on July 4.

WEST JEFFERSON, N. C.—Fauldberg, young Negro chain-link prisoner, was shot to death by Abe Ashley, a camp guard. The guard said that the Negro threw two stones at him.

CORDELL, Ga.—Ted Welch, 23-year-old Negro prisoner, was shot to death at the Crisp county prison farm by Tom Bradwell, one of the guards. The guard said that Welch was "boisterous."

MOULTREE, Ga.—Reuben Golden, unemployed Negro worker, was shot and killed by a farmer near Cotton, when Golden asked for a piece to spend the night.

ATLANTA, Ga.—Ad. General Homer C. Parker of the National Guard in the report of his investigation absolved a company of troops under the command of Col. Neal of all responsibility in the lynching of George Grant and Fred Bryan at Marion, on Sept. 8.

MARION, Ind.—No indictments were returned by the grand jury against any members of the mob which lynched Thomas Shipp and Abe Smith on the courthouse lawn here on August 7. The lynchings had been fully exposed by an I. L. D. investigation.

HUNTSVILLE, Ala.—Thomas Ross, son of the man whose murder almost caused the lynching of two Negroes here last week, has been arrested together with F. Matheny, foreman of the Ross plant and charged with the murder.

KINGSTON, N. C.—Charles Simmons, 40-year-old Negro factory worker, died here from internal injuries and paralysis as a result of being beaten by white men. It is reported that Simmons said to be drunk, went to sleep on a hammock on the porch of a dwelling occupied by whites. He was beaten up and thrown off the porch. No action has been taken against the whites.

STE. GENEVIEVE, Mo.—More than 100 Negroes, the entire colored population of this town, moved out on Oct. 13, when lynch mobs were formed after three Negroes were arrested charged with killing two white men.

Elect delegates to the Anti-Lynching Conference at Chattanooga on November 9, and at Charlotte, N. C. on October 27.

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New Orleans	20	20
Atlanta	25	25
Elizabeth	25	25
Whitney, Ala.	25	25
Total	140	150
DISTRICT	Subs.	Subs.
Charlotte	50	50
Winthrop Salem	50	50
Bessemer City	50	50
Gastonia	50	50
North Belmont	50	50
Greenville, S. C.	50	50
Charleston, S. C.	50	50
Richmond, Va.	50	50
Suffolk, Va.	50	50
TOTAL	400	400
Houston, Texas	200	200

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Hoover, Law and Order, Booze and Communism

BOSTON, Mass.—Fed up as President Hoover's speech about "law and order" and "willing booze," the American Legion here passed a resolution condemning Communism. These examples of American manhood, who fought to "make the world safe for democracy," left 238 of their chosen number in Boston hospitals out of a total of 1,200 delegates, from the effects of their patriotic jamboree.

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FROM THE MILLS, MINES AND THE FARMS

A COMMUNIST TO A FARMER

(Continued from Last Week)

The Communist asks the farmer to vote for the Communist candidates and the farmer asks why. A conversation follows in which is explained the difference between the cooperatives in the Soviet union and here. The Communist explains how the co-operatives here give the big banking interests control of marketing. The conversation continues:

Farmer: But how do they do it so easily in Soviet Russia?

Communist: By revolution the workers and farmers seized the government power from capitalists and landlords and abolished private property in land. It belongs to the nation and the farmers paid no rent, but they taxes in what they raised. Many big estates, more all the time, are owned by the government. In Soviet farms, they recently 4,000,000 small farms were united into 82,000 collective farms; land, machinery, animals, everything. And the Workers and Farmers Government—not the private banks as here—gives them credit, sets up machine repair and tractor stations to help them plow and sow.

This way, with less work, the same number of farmers farm more land, get better yields per acre (the government gives the best seed) and each makes a better living working with others than by himself. They build big community houses (what you call hotels) with central theatres, libraries, schools. Here in America there are a few large scale farms, but nothing like that, is there?

Farmer: I should say not! Here poor farmers are shut out, the big farms belong to one rich farmer or a company. They have the tractors and we have a spotted male or two.

Communist: Correct, and what's more they can't use tractors to the full capacity while on Soviet farms they run day and night and reduce cost that way. Just listen to this, what the man who is the head of agriculture in Soviet Russia says about farms here and over there:

"In the United States the tractor is the monopoly of the rich farmer; in our country it is the monopoly of the State and collective farms represent the united small farmers."

"The rich farmer cultivates an area of 250 to 500 acres, our collective farm an area of 2,500 acres and the Soviet farm and area of 25,000 acres."

"In the United States the tractor cannot find its way to the overwhelming majority of the farms, and is entirely beyond the means of four fifths of all farmers, in our country it is within the means of the majority of the farmers, confined in the collective farms, and it is only the handful (rich farmers) who cannot afford it."

"In the United States the tractors are scattered here and there. One tractor for each rich farmer; in our country the tractors are concentrated, dozens of tractors being collected in one machine and tractor station, or in one Soviet farm."

"In one word—there in the United States, the capitalists are in power; here in the Soviet Union—the working class is in power."

(To Be Continued Next Week)

Wage Cut on S. P.

The S. P. Ry. has cut the laborers down to twenty cents an hour and they are working eight hours a day. This company has one hundred locomotives in the shop all ready to move in case of labor trouble on the account of wage cuts. The new government of Texas wants a third of this

Workers Walk Out When Wages Are Cut to 20 Cents Hour

By a Worker Correspondent
Elizabethton, Tenn.

There was a new plant started up in Elizabethton a few weeks ago crushing rock and loading sand for concrete purposes. They work day and night and the men were paid the magnificent sum of 25 cents per hour for sleighing rocks with an 18-pound sledge hammer in water up to their knees. The bosses decided this was too much money to pay out for an easy job of this kind. On last Saturday they reduced wages to 20 cents per hour. All the workers quit except one old man who was too feeble to get out of the hole.

—A Worker

Workers, farmers—write for the Southern Worker.

Miss. Mill Barons Plan Wage Cuts at Banquet, As Men Starve

By a Worker Correspondent
Meridian, Miss.

I want to inform all the comrade textile workers that conditions are deplorable and wages have been cut in the mill workers at Magnolia, Miss., McCaleb, Miss., Laurel, Miss., and Meridian, Miss. cannot earn enough to live on. Several families at Laurel and Meridian are unable to purchase sufficient clothes for their children and in many cases the young girls and boys have to slave 10 hours a day in the mills and help their fathers and mothers earn enough to support the family.

I saw one family at Laurel eat white beans and bread and coffee for Sunday dinner while the fat mill owner was at a businessmen's banquet trying to devise some scheme to reduce the cost of production and the slave wages.

The owners of these mills also own mills in Carolina and they know the National Textile Workers Union and fear it. There are several class-conscious workers in these mills and they are all ready to join the National Textile Workers Union and all they need at present is someone to organize them and lead them. They have adopted the stretch-out system

BOUGHT CHEAP

Bill Tyler and Grange, the two policemen who arrested Harry Jackson, Trade Union Unity League organizer in Easley, Alabama, at the mass unemployed demonstration here, got their rewards from the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company. Tyler got one pair of shoes and Grange got one hat, value 45 cents. Pretty cheap, aren't they?

BETRAY DANVILLE TEXTILE STRIKERS

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gone to consult Green and the others on the best way to end the strike. The last mass meeting was held here on October 5, with only about 200 workers attending. The National Textile Workers Union is continuing its efforts to spread the strike, bring about mass picketing and dump the Inks leaders.

When Stearling saw that he was elected to the bosses' chair in the State of Texas, the first remark he made was bigger and bigger jails and a worker ought to be satisfied with a dollar a day. Also a pair of overalls and denim shirt is enough

LYNCH LAW

I WANT MY WAGES!
LYNCH HIM HE RAPED A WHITE WOMAN



That's the way it usually happens. In the name of "white womanhood" put the "nigger in his place." Send delegates to the Anti-Lynching Conference. Vote Communist!

Leave Cotton in Field; Is Not Worth Picking

By a Farmer Correspondent
Houston, Texas.

Farmers are leaving the cotton in the fields as they cannot afford to have it picked on the Barber Hill road out of Houston. Most of this year's crop is in the barns and in the out-houses.

I asked for a job from one farmer and he told me he would give me a job if I could milk cows, cut wood and run a tractor and he would pay \$25 a month, but I would have to wait until he sold his crop of cotton. He did not say anything about food. I did not take the job.

—A Farm Worker

Speed-Up Kills Negro Worker

By a Worker Correspondent
Houston, Texas.

The Red Wood Line S. S. Dio took another colored worker's life on the speed-up system. This line hauls freight, lumber, general cargo and work-a-days from the Pacific Coast. This is the second death of a colored worker in three months on this company's ships here in Houston.

We, the Marine Workers Industrial Union, have several longshoremen working and organizing on this company's ships. The name of the worker who was killed was George Gibbs. He did not belong to the M. W. I. U. but was one of the unorganized longshoremen of this port.

The only way to fight against this speed-up is by organizing into the M. W. I. U. and fight.

No Shipping Seamen Jailed, Clean Streets

Houston, Texas.

Two comrades just came into the club. They are footsore and worried. They came overland from San Pedro, California by freight train and highway. This is some of the torture they had to put up with.

They were arrested at Yuma, Arizona. They had a few dollars in their clothes and the cops took what little money they had and hauled them before a city judge. He gave these workers 30 days in the city bastille. In this city the prisoners have to clean the streets for the first ten days. These two men are seamen and as conditions were damned rotten in California, these seamen had to leave the Golden State or either starve or rot in jail.

We have seamen coming here from the North, from the West and from the South, Galveston. The same story from all, no shipping.

Must Not Permit This To Happen Helps Boss

PEARL RIVER, La.—Matt Hicks, a Negro road construction worker, was wounded in the arm when a white worker shot at a group of Negro workers who were warned not to take the jobs by whites living here.

This is just what the bosses wish to see. When the workers fight among themselves then they cannot organize. It pleases the bosses' hearts to see the workers fight over the few jobs they hand out instead of militantly fighting together for better conditions and social insurance.

Fight for jobless insurance! Vote Communist!

BARBER HILL OIL WORKERS LIVE IN STIES

By a Worker Correspondent
Barber Hill, Texas.

On the oil fields at Barber Hill the living conditions are deplorable. The workers live in shacks, there are no sanitary conditions, the sties and dirt water run out on the main drag. Where the workers live the sties run down open cesspools and latrines is worse than any place that I have visited.

The children are covered with sores and boils. Mercurpoisoning seems to be more in vogue in this town than on a battlefield.

There is no fire prevention in this town and if one place starts up in smoke the whole town will go.

The Sun Oil company has wells here and Yardley and Huntley have the latest improved rigs. The workers work in three shifts a day, eight hours a shift.

Yardley crews are all Holy Rollers and if you are not one of the kind-folks, you can't get any work on any of the company's rigs, as they are all brothers and sisters in religion. These workers live in the meanest and worst shacks and the innocent children seem to be the sickest and poorest of all the children. I have seen a Texas.

Workers Strike Against Cuts

McCOMB, Miss.—Eighty-five work-

ers employed by the Roger Moore Construction Company excavating trenches for a gas distribution system here at the Citizen's National Gas Company, struck today for half of wages. The workers were getting 20 cents an hour and asked an increase to 30 cents an hour. The contractors announced that they would start work again at the old scale, but would not take back the strike leaders. An attempt will be made to continue the work with scab labor.

This is the third unorganized and unprotected strike of this sort in this vicinity. The workers are striking against wage cuts, despite the official opposition of the A. F. of L. The no-strike, no-struggle policy agreed upon between Hoover and William Green is not and cannot be followed by the workers. Aim a straight blow at wage cuts and layoffs by voting Communist on November 4.

SOUTH AFRICANS LOSE JOBS

JOHANNESBURG, S. Africa.—

The extraordinary lengths to which the Anglo-Dutch population of South Africa will go in their policy of treating the black man as a mere household chattel is indicated by the new proposal in regard to the poor white problem. The South African government has launched a scheme to subsidize employment of whites in jobs at present held by natives and to turn the natives to the mines and agriculture and other unskilled work. The latter fields of labor are at present experiencing a crisis. Many who work in these industries are unemployed. So to drive thousands more to these fields merely drives them to misery and starvation.

SHANGHAI CHINA

—The Red army of Chinese workers and peasants is advancing rapidly through Kiang Province. Soviets are being set up in village after village and the peasants are taking the landowners' land and destroying all records.

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Raise a Mailed Fist Over King's Mountain!

The speeches of President Hoover at the Cleveland bankers' conference and at the twin conventions in Boston, closely followed by the King's Mountain speech, shall go down in history as the launching of a vicious fascist drive against the working class led by the Federal government itself and fully supported by fascist elements like the legionnaires and the official American Federation of Labor.

Never before has a president of this country so officially and openly, with the full cooperation of the A. F. of L. officialdom, launched such a vicious anti-labor drive. With winter around the corner, with 8,000,000 workers without jobs, tens of thousands already homeless, with thousands of farmers officially condemned to starvation, the money-bags president speaks of equality of opportunity and "Heritage of Americanism"! Only with the knowledge that thousands of special deputies and soldiers were at hand to protect him at King's Mountain, could the efficiency liar have collected the nerve to utter this vilest of all American lies in the heart of the textile industry where thousands of textile workers and their families are starving.

Only a few days before at the Legion convention had Hoover shown that he understood the rising power of the Communist forces throughout the world aimed directly at the base of capitalist society. In his A. F. of L. speech he showed that he realized that these labor fakery were willing to strangle the working class in order to prevent militant struggle. At King's Mountain, at the core of the South, where workers and farmers are undergoing the greatest mass misery they have experienced in recent years, he puts his cards on the table and virtually shouts, "Down with the Reds!" It was an open challenge. If the workers will not accept the starvation role allotted to them by the "Heritage of Americanism", if they would struggle rather than starve, then they are to be mercilessly crushed under the heel of the capitalist government. Either death by starvation or death at the hands of the capitalist state executioner!

All this Hoover said with his eye on the winter, with the knowledge that the crisis is deepening, in spite of his lying census figures, with the fear that rumblings of revolutionary discontent will grow into a storm in the cities and on the farmlands. Hoover again promised prosperity at Boston—but the figures of the Detroit Board of Commerce, for one of the heaviest industry centers, showed an increase of 8.2 per cent in unemployment for the month of September. Simultaneously reports show a further decline in steel production for September and a further decline in freight-car loadings, further drops in the prices of cotton and wheat—all of which show, not returning prosperity, but a further deepening of the economic crisis. In our "equality of opportunity" 8,000,000 of us may look forward to an equal opportunity to be jobless by the time the first snow falls.

King's Mountain must not go unanswered. Our German fellow-workers answered a similar fascist threat by raising a mailed fist—in the form of four and one-half million votes cast for Communism. Here, too, the workers will raise their fist, will give their answer to King's Mountain with their real revolutionary heritage, show their determination to organize and struggle, to fight rather than to starve and freeze submissively—**VOTING COMMUNIST!**

Defend The Soviet Union! Vote Communist!

The Soviet Union begins on its third year of the Five Year Plan advancing at a tremendous pace in the construction of Socialism. Under the leadership of the Bolshevik Party the workers are building up Soviet industry, not on the basis of profit and exploitation as in a capitalist country, but on the basis of building a system in which all benefits of modern science and industry will be divided among the masses, in which there will be no oppression. The peasants of the Soviet Union are fast learning the benefits of socialized agriculture—they are giving up their small individual farms and uniting their land and implements in mass collective farming.

There is no unemployment in the Soviet Union. On the other hand, there is a tremendous demand for labor, while in capitalist countries, there are over 20,000,000 unemployed workers. All the benefits of their development and labor go to the workers and peasants. There are no bosses, no landlords, no financial masters.

Against this swiftly growing land of Socialism the capitalist powers are mobilizing their forces. In France, England, and the United States movements are on foot to bar the products of Soviet industries and agriculture. Efforts are being made to start a world-wide economic boycott of the workers and farmers country. Capitalism has declared economic war on the Soviet Union. It is a prelude to declaring actual armed invasion. The capitalists fear this growing power of the proletariat occupying one-sixth of the earth's surface, fear the example, guidance and leadership it gives to the millions of oppressed toilers through the world. They are afraid of the spreading Soviets in China and the future spread of the Soviets in every country in the world. Pushed on by its own economic crisis capitalism seeks new markets, new areas of exploitation and has its eyes on the Soviet Union. It spells war.

Vote Communist this fall and make your vote indicate an added arm raised to the defense of the Soviet Union!

BALTIMORE, Md.—Samuel Parker, colored, is Communist candidate for governor in Maryland. The Communist Party will have candidates for all leading offices on the ballot for the November 3 elections. A strong drive is being carried on against lynching, Jim-crowism and segregation and for unemployment insurance in the state election campaign.

REGISTER!

The last day for registration for all those voting in the November elections in Tennessee is Wednesday, October 15. Be sure to Register, Vote Communist! Vote for Sam Bernstein for Governor and Sherman Bell for Senator.

"Help The Poor Kiddies, Please"



By Bill Hernandez

The Red Cross and other charity outfits are asking the mill owners for odd ends of cloth to make clothes for the workers' children so that they can go to school. The boss guards his profits, lays off workers, cuts their wages, and gives them some waste cloth. Down with charity! Organize and fight for social insurance. Vote Communist!

MY LIFE

By a Negro Working Woman.

The story thus far:
The Negro working woman who writes this story was born in Pendergrass, Jackson County, Ga. She had six brothers and sisters and her father was a poor Negro worker. When she was ten years old her father became a share-cropper and they moved to a plantation. There the children were put to work, missing most of their school. In the fall they stood knee deep in water for four weeks cutting willows in the swamps. Now continue reading.

Mother always used to say that we girls ought not to have to stand in water like that for some day it would be injurious to us. But the boss said it had to be done and we had to do it. My sister died very young and I am in very poor health now and I am not an old woman.

When the crop was made we had to stay out of school at least two weeks and help mother in her work to get us some second-hand clothes before we could enter school again.

That same year I tried to steal but I was caught and it had a big effect on me at the age of 11 years. My mother put me out to helping a white lady, cleaning up and sweeping yards so I could help get myself some clothes. I never had any shoes in the summer and only one pair in the winter which they called brogues. So I mind to steal again.

WELFARE SONG

Sing a song of "welfare"
A pocket full of tricks,
To soothe the weary worker
When he groans or kicks.
If he asks for shorter hours,
Or for better pay,
Little stunts of "welfare"
Turn his thoughts away.
Sing a song of "welfare,"
Sound the horn and drum,
Anything to keep the mind
Fixed on Kingdom Come.
"Welfare" loots your pocket
While you dream and sing,
"Welfare" to your pay check
Doesn't do a thing.

Sing a song of "welfare,"
Forty seven kinds,
Elevate your morals,
Cultivate your minds,
Kindergartens, nurseries,
Bathtubs, books and flowers,
Anything but better pay,
Or shorter working hours.

—Will Herford.

She had a piece of goods hanging on the hutch. It was faded and spotted, and it was almost rotten, but I did not ask the lady for it. I took it and hid it in the grass until I got ready to go home. When she gave me the old shoes and clothes for working two days—they were so good they almost fell off me—I went and got the piece of goods and put it with the rest. I did not know the lady saw me until my mother had made me a little shabby dress out of it. One day after I had gone to school as mother passed this lady's house she called to mother and told her about what I did. Mother told her that she had made a dress out of the goods. The lady said that I should have to come back and work another day and pay for it or she would have me arrested. That night my mother gave me a whipping. I never had one like it before, and I can never forget it. The next day I had to stay out of school and work for that lady. She worked me very hard, much harder than she had before.

The next day I went back to school saying in my heart that if I got naked and hungry I would never steal again. Since then I have been hungry many times. But so well was I taught the lesson of respect for the boss' property by a boss when I was still a child, that I could never make any more mistakes.

(Continued next week)

AN APPEAL

The American Negro Labor Congress, the organization sponsoring the Conference against lynch law to be held in Chattanooga, November 9, has issued an urgent appeal to individuals and organizations for funds to finance the campaign and conference. The appeal points out that over 75 delegates representing thousands of Southern workers will be at the conference and that many of these delegates will have to travel hundreds of miles to attend. To provide food and accommodations for the delegates while in Chattanooga and to finance the printing of the call, etc., funds are needed immediately. Workers and their organizations are called on to immediately start the collection of funds and to forward all money collected without delay to the Secretary-Treasurer of the Provisional Organization Committee for the South, Frank E. Walker, Box 215, Chattanooga, Tenn.

The Reds Say..

By JIM ALLEN

According to reports there were about as many police, state troopers, soldiers and secret service men present at King's Mountain to protect Hoover as there were people to listen to him. It cost the arrangement committee of mill owners a quarter of a million dollars to provide the body guard. Without this police army around him Hoover would not have got his hands on what he did.

The press says that there are a number of workers there who say that Hoover cannot be trusted. They spoke of that "traitor" traitor socialism. Bolshevism. If there was any textile worker at the King's Mountain crowd, Hoover certainly wasted his efforts on them. If there were there they came to hear Hoover and the only reason they didn't was because of the army.

We thought that no one should be allowed to pull the stuff apart from equal opportunities. If anyone got to say that to an ordinary crowd of a street they would be stoned, and if he were to try it in a farm town the farmers would know what to do with their little crops of tomatoes. But this talk went across good with the governors of half a dozen states, and "lynch" please and mob-leader, Baltimore and Jonas and the mill barons and bosses who were all there. The mill workers didn't even have the "equal opportunity" in their pockets, not having the money for fare to get to the battlefield. And maybe that was nothing but pure luck for the White House.

Nearly everybody there was a Democrat except Hoover, the family and his secret service men. They had been saying all sorts of uncomplimentary things about our "great president" the day before. They had all sorts of vile designs against his person. They were all for getting him out of the White House and getting in themselves. But their hearts of stone melted when Hoover hit on the thing for which all bosses stand—down with the Reds! The elephants and the donkeys have both got fascist hearts, and they granted and brushed in hearty approval. And the mill barons left King's Mountain thinking that maybe they would support Hoover in the next presidential election for he gave them a sure promise that he would become the American Mussolini.

Before Hoover came to the battlefield he called his forces. First, he presented his optimism to the bankers at Cleveland and he promised that he would take care of their alright. Then he got the American Legionnaires while they were still sober and got assured of their services both in peace and in war. Finally—and that was an easy job—he made sure that the loyalty of the A. F. of L. officialdom was unshaken and that they would continue doing their best to prevent strikes and struggles and sell them out when they did come. The great climax came at King's Mountain, the end and purpose of it. War was declared on the workers on that battlefield, and a war of extermination against their only true leaders, Reds.

Speaking of the "heritage of Americanism," the workers got a heritage from King's Mountain, too. It was the workers and farmers who fought and won the American revolution. That heritage of revolution belongs to the working class. We claim it as our own and will use it.