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## The Herndon Hearing

VEXT Tuesday a hearing will be held in Atlanta, Ga., on a writ of habeas corpus to free Angelo Herndon, heroic young Negro labor leader sentenced to 18 to 20 years on the Georgia chain gang for leading a successful relief demonstration of Atlanta Negro and white unemployed workers.

The results of that hearing, as the result of the petitions to Governor Eugene Talmadge for a pardon for Herndon, depend on the extent to which the working class and the entire American people are drawn into the fight for Herndon's freedom.

· It is only the organized expression of protest from millions of American people that has so far saved Herndon from being tortured to death on the chain gang. It is only a mighty intensification of this protest that can now wrest him from prison and the chain gang. Governor Talmadge must be flooded with thousands of resolutions from trade unions and other organizations, impressing him with the determination of the American toilers to rescue Herndon from death on the chain gang. Hundreds of thousands of more signatures must be obtained to the petitions demanding Herndon's freedom and abolition of the slave-law under which he was convicted. Money must be forthcoming to make possible the present legal steps and continuation of the mass campaign, and should be sent at once to the International Labor Defense, 80 East 11th Street, New York City.