Don’t Be So Sure of Your Job!

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You’ve still got a job. But how long will it last? The bosses are laying off hands by the thousands. They say there isn’t any business. So we can go out there and starve!

What do they care?
They have plenty to eat. It isn’t THEIR business that we can’t earn enough for a decent living. It isn’t THEIR business that our children have to go to school hungry. It isn’t THEIR business that our wives have to work to help keep up the household.

NOTHING IS THEIR BUSINESS EXCEPT MAKING MONEY!

They are trying to make bigger profits now. We workers piled up billions for them during the war. They are trying to keep up the record. So they are throwing us into the street and taking us back at their own price.

They know there are millions of unemployed ready to take our jobs. These poor fellows are willing to work for any wage and under any conditions. You can’t blame them — they are starving!

Now the bosses see their chance to break up the unions. They are introducing the “American Plan.” That is the fake name for the OPEN SHOP. They don’t want to deal with us workers as an organized body. They want to handle us one by one, so that they can grind us down still more. They intend forcing lower wages and longer hours on us.

The National Manufacturers’ Association, the Chambers of Commerce, backed up by the Bank Trust with BILLIONS OF DOLLARS BEHIND THEM, are in league to kill organized labor!

We’ve got a job today. We may not have it tomorrow!

So we must line up with the unemployed.
We must help organize them. That is the only way they can fight.
WE MUST HELP THEM FIGHT!
THEIR FIGHT IS OUR FIGHT!

Agitate in the shops to help the unemployed! Fight for them in the unions! Organize Committees of Action to work with them! Force the government to take care of them! Fight for shorter hours with no reduction of pay, so they can get back on the job! Fight for opening up trade with Soviet Russia, so there will be work!

Get ready to STRIKE for these things!
Show the bosses we mean action! Show them that one worker will stand by the other!
That’s the only way we can win!

Of course, the courts will issue injunctions against us. The government will send troops against us. Soldiers, police, thugs, legionaries, and vigilantes will be lined up against us.


The Russian workers showed us what to do. They overthrew their BOSSES’ government and set up a WORKERS’ Government. They took over the industries and ran them ONLY for the workers. They threw out all idlers and bloodsuckers!

They put an end to unemployment. They became the OWNERS OF THEIR JOBS!
THAT IS WHAT WE WILL HAVE TO DO!

ORGANIZE NOW! The time for action is coming!

DOWN WITH UNEMPLOYMENT!

DOWN WITH CAPITALISM!

ON WITH WORKERS’ CONTROL OF PRODUCTION!

ALL POWER TO THE WORKERS!

The United Communist Party.

PASS THIS ON AFTER YOU HAVE READ IT.

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