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PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 27. - An

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one thousand miners at the Atlas-

burg, Macdonald and Ceder Grow

The National Miners Union organ

ized the strike and put forth the fol-

lowing demands: 52 cents a ton, re-

cognition of the mine committee

checkweightmen and payment for

The present wage scale is 44 cents

Seven mines in the Avella district

are preparing to join the strike this

Eight hundred miners of the Vesta

Eight mine near Scott Run, W. Vir-

ginia, struck and invited the National

Miners Union organizer in. This is

a direct result of the convention of

the National Miners Union held

about 2 weeks ago. The possibility

A meeting of the District Com-

mittee of the N.M.U. will be held

soon and will mobilize the entire

of spreading the strikes is good.

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Stories like the following are

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MICHIGAN TROOPERS TRY TO STOP HUNGER MARCHERS

# The Fruits of Treason.

**O**<sup>N</sup> MAY 11th Mr. Walter White, secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, wrote a letter "To the Editors of the Colored Press", which Mr. White marked "Not for Publication" intended to influence the Negro newspapers privately on the Scottsboro case without allowing the readers of those papers to know what wires were causing the queer results in the policy in such papers as could be influenced in the underhanded manner.

The effects of Mr. White's letter are already being seen among a few Negro newspapers and other organizations under the influence of the reactionary leaders of the NAACP and subject to the cowardice to which Mr. White appealed.

One effect was to cause the Pittsburgh Courier (which had already printed a giant headline calling the 13 and 14 year old Negro boys "rapists"), to throw itself all the more heartily into the united front with the lynchers of the boys. The latest result of Mr. White's crusade against the defense of the nine Scottsboro boys comes to our eyes in the columns of the Jackson County Sentinel, published at Scottsboro, Alabama. This newspaper more than any other screamed for the lynching of the boys and, when Communists and the International Labor Defense came to their rescue, openly bewailed in its editorial columns that the lynchers had not taken "the shortest way out." This paper now reproduces a news item from a Chattanooga paper telling of the effects of Mr. White's campaign upon the Interracial Relations Committee of Chattanooga, an organization under the wing of the NAACP. The item reads in part:

"The local Interracial Committee will take no part in the defense of the Chattanooga Negroes sentenced to die in Alabama in connection with a crime in Jackson County, Alabama, several weeks ago, T. C. Thompson, chairman of the Committee, stated yesterday.

"The statement was made at a meeting yesterday afternoon at the YMCA. It was brought to Mr. Thompson's attention that both the Communists and a protective organization are working on the defense case. Mr. Thompson said he had been advised that the local organization should only interest itself in seeing justice done and seeing the law take its course after a fair and impartial trial had been given, and this was the concensus of opinion of the membership present." . .

This lynching newspaper, which has howled for the blood of the framedup Negro boys either by legal execution or by "the shortest way out" concludes by saying:

"A representative of the Internacial Committee was in Scottsboro several days ago and visited the sentinel office where the editor assisted him to the best of his ability in getting the facts of the Negro case and conviction."

We have said before that the policies of the reactionary leadership of the NAACP are in fact a united front with the open murderers of the Negro boys. Many timid persons were appalled by our "harsh" statements and thought that we had gone too far in criticizing such nice gentlemen as the NAACP leaders. But here we have the words from the columns of the chief lynching newspaper of Scottsboro to prove that "a representative of the Interracial Committee" (a wellknown NAACP connection) is collaborating with the editor of the lynching newspaper to fight against the defense of the boys.

But this is not all. In the same issue of the lynching newspaper appears a letter from Reverend A. Edward Berry, pastor of the African Methodist Church at Scottsboro, and an ardent supporter of the NAACP. He reflects the influence of Mr. White's recent secret letter by pouring into the columns of the lynching newspaper his own contribution of propaganda to the effect that there must be no interference with the ghastly frame-up verdict of death for 13 and 14 year old Negro boys on the false charge of "raping" two white prostitutes. It will be recalled that Mr. White had described our efforts to defend the boys as being what he called "the most intemperate sort of misstatement, vituperation and villification." Now the Reverend A. Edward Berry follows Mr. White's example by saying that Communist denunciation of the frame-up "is a lie from the deepest hell."

## The stoppage of the Daily Worker at this time would be a crime against the American working class.

No Daily means the millions of starving unemployed left without their fighting champion, their organizer and inspirer of their struggles!

No Daily means the nine Negro boys in Scottsboro deprived of the only newspaper that tore the veil of southern lynch-respectability from the outrageous frame-up against them, the only paper fighting relentlessly to snatch them from the electric chair that the white ruling class has prepared for them!

## Terrific Blow to Workers.

No Daily means the voice of Tom Mooney hushed to a whisper, the voice of the Imperial Valley prisoners silenced-it means a terrific blow to the workers everywhere who are fighting bitterly against capitalist hunger, terror and war!

Yet this great crime against the American workers may become an actuality at any moment. Each day the chief concern of the business office is where to get enough money to get out the next day's issue. But if this crime against the working class is to be stopped, the issuing of the Daily Worker must cease being the concern of the business office alone. It must become the concern of every reader, of every worker who has a spark of loyalty to his class, of every workers' organization!

### Who Will Be Guilty?

Only \$2,934 so far after eight days. If the Daily Worker is forced to suspend, who will be guilty of this crime against the working class?

Fellow-workers, the Daily Worker-your Daily-is speaking straight from the shoulder to you today. It speaks with the voice of the Scottsboro nine, of the five framed textile workers in Paterson, the voice of Tom Mooney and Warren K. Billings, of the Centralia and Imperial Valley prisoners-the voice of the millions of workers everywhere, in jail and out, employed and unemployed, white and black, native and foreign-born. Your Daily speaks and appeals to you:

Dig into your pockets and even if it's your last dollar, send that dollar to save the Daily! Throw all your energy into the \$35,000 campaign, draw your shopmates and friends into the campaign, get your organizations to contribute, organize live-wire Daily Worker Clubs-be on the job day and night collecting and organizing support, doing your all to boost the totals to \$1,000 daily! Stop this crime against the American working class-rush funds today to the Daily Worker, 50 E. 13th Street, New York City!

# Steel Police Break Up Scottsboro Defense Meet; Fear Unity of Negro, White Toilers

# NMU LEAD PA. Crime Against Workers MINE STRIKE OF THOUSAND TO Suspend the 'Daily' HERDED INTO BALL PARK 15,000 GREET MARCHER **15,000 GREET MARCHERS**

Governor Orders Troops to Keep the Unemployed From Presenting Their Demands to the State Legislature for Relief

Women Held When They Try to Enter Ball Park Where Marchers Are Held

## Council for the Protection of Foreign-Born Fights the Michigan Finger-Print Law

LANSING, Mich., May 27.—After marching from all parts of the state, with enthusiastic send-offs by tens of thousands of workers, the hunger marchers arrived today at the state capitol and were herded into the ball park. The hunger marchers were prevented from leaving the park. Over 15,000 workers enthusiastically greeted the marchers when they arrived at the Michigan state capitol. The purpose of the arrest is to keep the hunger marchers from presenting their demands to the governor.

**FASCIST OUTFITS** at 1:30. The police were waiting for them. They were refused lodging and were kept moving on the capital grounds. Finally, permission was SEEK TO COUNTER given for them to sleep in the ball cark, surrounded by state troopers. not letting any one out. Women who NAT'L YOUTH DAY came to the park were also detained. Protests against this outrage are pouring in from all parts of the state. But Young Workers to Give Answer May 30 in Passaic, N. J.

At the time the Daily Worker goes to press the hunger marchers are still virtually under arrest for the crime of wanting to present the demands of relief for the hundreds of thou-In an effort to counteract and, if sands of Michigan unemployed possible, prevent, demonstration of before the state legislature and the young workers and workers' children

governor. Fight Finger Printing.

The action of the Lansing poles

are in line with the passage of the

compulsory registration and finger-

printing bill. The Council for the

Protection of Foreign Born of Detrei.

has issued the following statement to

all workers' organizations, calling for

a united front to smash the finger-

printing and registration of foreign

"The Michigan state legislature

passed a bill providing for compul-

sory registration, finger printing and

photographing of foreign-born work-

ers, and for the mass deportation

of those who are unable to comply

"This bill was passed under the

direction of the motor manufacturers

of Michigan, with the direct support

of the federal immigration authori-

ties. It constitutes a serious menace

not only to the foreign born, but to

all working people in the state of

workers would inevitably lead to a

similar<sup>®</sup> measure against the native

workers and in this manner a Czar-

ist passport system would be estab-

lished, with every man, woman and

child subject to police supervision

over all of their mayements.

with the provisions of the bill.

born

nder the orders of the gover

The marchers arrived in Lansing

The reverend gentleman under Mr. White's influence continues: "Those eight boys if guilty should be dealt with according to law,

and personally I believe they have been given a fair trial and I speak the sentiment of the better class of Negroes when I say such."

That is the logical result of the policies of White, Spingarn and the other reactionary leaders of the NAACP is shown by the curious parallel between the above words of the corrupt preacher of the African Methodist Church at Scottsboro, and the recent statement of the NAACP which rejected our demand that the boys be immediately freed (which Mr. White's secret letter describes as "a manifestly absurd and impossible demand"), and insists on there being "but one object, and that is a fair trial for them before the courts and exact justice to them regardless of race.

The Jackson County Sentinel places in the center of the first page of its same edition an editorial in big type which itself imitates the style of Mr. White's secret letter in denouncing the Communist efforts to defend them as being "the most vicious literature imaginable . . against our people and the court and its verdict." Of these boys who were sentenced to death on perjured testimony of prostitutes, without any defense, were slated to death within a few hours after the frameup was made, without even lawyers of their own choosing nor time even to investigate the evidence: "Judge Hawkins seemed to go to extremes in giving them every comfort the law could offer." And, "It is the general opinion of our people that these Negroes were not done an injustice and that the law took its proper and just course in the case."

These are the effects of the deadly policy of the reactionary leaders of the NAACP-a policy of collaboration with the lynchers and bitterest hatred against the Negro and working class masses who insist upon defending these innocent boys even at the cost of disrespect for the murderous jim-crow capitalist courts.

But in sharp contrast to the tragic record of shameless cowardice and treason of these gentlemen who control the top organization of the NAACP, is the splendid rallying of the masses of Negro people and the working class, Negro and white, to the United Front Conferences going on in all important cities. The reports from the Chicago United Front Conference bring splendid evidence of the mounting tide which already includes many sincere and honest members of the NAACP who have not sold themselves to the cowardly "handkerchief-head" policy of the national organization.

# N.Y. POCKETBOOK MAKERS STRIKE

union for strike struggle.

Against Wage Cuts, Reorganization Plan

NEW YORK .- The administration of the International Pocketbook Makers Union announced that strike is to be declared today at 10 . m. in all association shops in which the workers were locked out a few weeks ago. This strike does not apply to the independent shops which Killed a Brutal Chain

agreement expires the first of August. The decision for this strike was nade at Cooper Union meeting, May 18. The administration tried by all means to avoid a struggle and continued negotiations after the members decided to strike,, even agreeing to arbitration, which was rejected by the employers.

at the State penitentiary here, while The left wing group in the union Mrs. G. C. Howard, daughter of the has called upon the workers to conduct a militant strike, to picket all dead slave-driver, gloatingly locked shops, to broaden the strike comon. She had received a special permittee and to draw in active rank mit to indulge her vengeance by witand file workers in the day to day nessing the execution conduct of the strike.

the starvation level.

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FOR SELF-DEFENSE

Gang Guard

COLUMBIA, S. C., May 27 .- Nor-

man Blakely, an 18-year old Negro

ing in self-defense a brutal chain

youth, sentenced to death for kill- workers.

Youngstown Has Spirited Defense Conference; Protest Action of Farrell Cops

FARRELL, Pa., May 27.-In open co-operation with the southern boss lynchers who are attempting to legally murder nine innocent Nego children in Alabama on the framed-up charge of raping two white girls, police of this steel town viciously attacked a Scottsboro defense meeting called by the International Labor Defense and

NEGRO 'EXECUTED' the League of Negro Rights. the League of Struggle for

> Hundreds of white and Negro workers who turned out to protest the murderous frame-up of the nine Scottsboro boys and support the fight to save the boys were brutally attacked by police armed with tear gas bombs and machine guns. The police blocked the entrance to the Croatian Hall, which was hired

Arrest Two Leaders.

for the meeting, and drove off the

gang guard, was electrocuted today Two militant workers, Joe Dizdar, white, and Arthur Murphy, colored, family lives in. Conditions were so whim the police have been hounding for some time, were picked out of the crowd and arrested, in order to intimidate the workers and try to smash the growing unity of black and

(CONTINUED ON PAGE THREE)

here are helping the street car com-

cut. A wage cut was announced and



after conferences with the misleaders as they did in Portland, Ore., unless in the A.F. of L. building trades un A. F. of L. Misleaders for Pay the workers organize their own rank ions here the leading Chicago build-Cutting Conference ing bosses put forward a proposal

merely brought the workers closer to fare raised to 10 cents.

and file committees to take over and push the strike. . . . \$12,000,000,000 wage cut during 1930 to refrain from striking. The street

**Teachers** Pay Cut did not "stimulate any business." It car company last year had street car MARION, Ohio. - A 10 per cent pay reduction for all city employes and the discontinuance of two schools was announced by the Board of St. Louis Street Car Cut Education here on Tuesday. ST. LOUIS .- The union misleaders

. . . **Miners Pay Cut** 

The little shack Eugene Williams'

PITTSBURGH, Pa. - Four thousand miners at the Purgsglove and Paisley mines are getting lower wages lead the men bound them before the The men voted to walk out in the than any other miners in the Pitts-

burgh district, admitted Patrick T there is little doubt that the A. F. not to strike. The men get starva-Fagan, president of District 5 of the tions, is that wage cuts will "stimu- tion wages and asked for an increase. of L. fakers will get together with United Mine Workers. Fagan, feeling late business." Of course, this liar Instead, they got a wage cut, and the company, tie the men up to a the pressure of the men, is talking VER'S PROGRAM OF HUNGER doesn't mention the fact that the their misleaders got them to promise "no strike" decision after arbitration, "strike." WAGE CUTS AND PERSEOUTION!

ciated War Veterans of Pa announced a Memorial Day Parade at Second Ward Park.

at Passaic this Saturday, the Asso-

The main speaker at the imperialis Memorial Day meeting after the parade will be Rear Admiral William A. Moffett, U.S.N. Many fascist organizations will march, together with the police force.

However, the militant young work ers are preparing to answer this challenge. At the N.Y.D. demonstration at First Ward Park, Comrade I. Amter, district organizer of the Communist Party, will speak. He will answer Moffett's war speech. At 2 p. m. the Youth Day Parade will begin. ending with a mass meeting at which Amter and Bill Siroka of the Young Communist League and one of the leaders of the great Passaic strike will speak.

Fight War Mongers The Y.C.L. district office, in a statement issued vesterday, calls upon the young workers to turn out for National Youth Day in even greater Michigan. The registration and finnumbers as an answer to the chal- ger printing of the foreign-born lepge of the fascists and Moffett. The statement, in part, follows:

bad that the 14-year-old boy was "On National Youth Day the young forced to leave home to hunt work workers must demonstrate their determination to fight against the war to help his starving family. He mongers who are now preparing to was picked up and framed by the send millions of the working youth into the next world war for bosses profits

"N. Y. D. will be a demonstration also for the release of the nine innocent Scottsboro boys. This first Youth Day will show the solidarity of the masses of Negro and white

oung workers. "We call upon the working youth of New York to demonstrate with our comrades from Boston, New Haven. and Philadelphia this Saturday at Passaic at 2 p. m.

### VOLUNTEERS WANTED IN DAILY" TODAY! URGENT! Several hundred coupon books must be sent out today. The **Circulation Department of the** Daily Worker will appreciate the help of anyone who has some time to spare today and can assist us in getting out this important material in connection with the campaign for \$35,000. Please take elevator to eighth floor, 35 E. 12th St.

the ferries mentioned above and on the Jersey Side take the Paterson Plank Road to Passaic. At Passaic inquire for 1st Ward Pk. Tickets for train include the two day events (75c round trip). Those coming by cars and trucks

or more delegates to this confere

"The bosses will use this bill to intimidate and terrorize the workers. break strikes and prevent the starving unemployed from demanding relief and unemployment insurance and thus reduce the standard of living of the entire working class.

"The Council for the Protection of the Noreign Born, which unites native and foreign-born workers, white and Negro, is calling a special United Front Conference on Sunday, May 31, at the Finnish Hall, 5969 14th St., at 10 a. m., to fight this

"You are requested to send three

Directions for National Youth Day

Individuals: Take Special Train leaving Erie Station at 12:30 p.m. Daylight Saving Time. Take Hudson Tubes to Erie, or Erie Ferry at 23rd Street, or Chambers St. Trucks and Automobiles: Use GIVE YOUR ANSWER TO HOO-

will pag for the dance in Pessaid.

monstrated, beginning Friday, May tions and representatives of the Chi-29, in the Central Theatre, Broad-Street Car Wage Cut in Portland cago Building Trades Council of the The appearance of the stirring way, twice daily-at 2:45 and 8:45 PORTLAND, Ore. - By a two-to-A. F. of L. The A. F. of L. fakers one vote, an arbitration board roled pany put over a 10 per cent wage will help the bosses put the pay The film shows the progress of the slashes over, unless the rank and file that the street car workers of Portsocialist construction in steel, iron, set their foot down and prepare for land must take a cut in wages aver- an attempt was made to "arbitrate." electrical and other industries, in struggle. aging 71/2 per cent. The fakers who The company refuses to arbitrate. The propaganda issued by the bosses, through E. M. Craig, executive arbitration board met on a promise event of a refusal to arbitrate, but secretary of the Employers' Associa-

for wage cuts for all building trades

The wage-cutting announcement

will be taken up more definitely at

a meeting of officials of the Build-

ing Construction Employers' Associa-

"He who has the youth has the

workers.

Year Plan, is, therefore, more than agriculture, and in the everyday life of the workers and peasants of the Union

Scottsboro-Textile special edi-

tion of LABOR UNITY is off the

press. All workers' organizations

should call for bundles at 16 W.

21st St. Price 2 cents a copy.

crasable impression future"-Liebknecht

This film, with its explanatory speech in English, leaves an un-

### "The Five Year Plan" will be de-

film "The Five Year Plan," showing p. m.

The Five Year Plan

To Be Shown at the

**Central Theatre Fri.** 

The pages of the bourgeois press

are lately full of accounts about the

Five-Year Plan and its victories on

for the first time in U.S.A., through

the eyec of the camera, the power

and greatness of the Soviet Five-

the socialist front.

timely

### Page Two

DAILY WORKER, NEW YORK, THURSDAY, MAY 28, 1931

# AMERICAN 'BIG BUSINESS' SCHEMES TO CAPTURE WORLD MARKETS

### By HARRIET SILVERMAN.

Under the slogan: "Greater Properity through Greater Foreig Trade," decorating the platform, the first session of the National Foreim Trade Council opened yesterday ? the Hotel Commodore. James A Farrel, president of the United States Steel Corporation, preeted the delegates, about 1.500 of whom were present, representing the biggest industrial leaders, shipping interests and bankers of the capitalist class in this country. This is the 18th resenting the 59 bankers who rule America

Farrell, who has been chairman of the National Foreign Trade Council for 18 years, informed the audience did everything except lick the boots that "New York is the center of world finance." Both Farrell and Willis H. Booth, vice president of Hall gangsters whom he represent the Guaranty Trust Company of Newq York, felt compelled to admit And if there is anything in the city that there is "a very close line between politics and economics. one usually depends upon the other," and that "about 60 per cent of the terests of business, make it known terests of business, make it known terests of business, make it known world's population is unstable as to gentlemen. We must not stand in the character of its government." the way of business. Remarks made later in the session The concluding speaker, Wallace pointed to the reason for this state- R. Farrington, former governor of ment.

Finance capital is plainly worried sion, brought out the road U.S. imabout China, India, Australia, and perialism intends to follow in the Latin America, no less than it is struggle to dominate world markets haunted by the fear of Soviet Rus- Farrington's topic was: "The Pasia, though it took pains not to men- cific Area." Declaring that the tion the Five Year Plan of the U.S. population of the earth according to S. R. in the opening meeting. The the League of Nations estimate in indirect hints however, show that "two billions of people," "one-hal the capitalists have their eyes direct- live and do business in the Pacific ed straight at the Soviet Union. and area." "Asia is no longer far off. this conference will not adjourn says Farrington, and trade is passwithout some definite decisions as ing from the Atlantic to the Pato what "big business" intends to do cific," while the U.S. holds the key on the question of credits and the position in capturing foreign trade hypocritical charge of "dumping." The recent victory of the Soviet tions, such as the exclusion law ap-

vinoff made the only real proposal also for keeping a stranglehold on for world peace, and for a practical the Philippines instead of granting solution of the tangled fight over them independence from U.S. imworld markets, was in the minds of perialism. "The strategic center" these representatives of Wall Street. for the bosses of the U.S., savs Farorder of business at least for the cific, in Hawaii." opening of the three day convention. The plan is to drive American im-

Thos. W. Lamont as well as the night club hound, Jimmy Walker, addressed the convention.

It was Farrell, however, who de- Islands of Polynesia and Australia.



League

Young Defenders Branch No. 2

nating fact of Mis speech is that American imperialism knows no bariers and will stop at nothing to sweep aside anything that stands in the way of the U.S. taking control over world markets. "No one can have any doubt." stated Farrell "that we," meaning Wall St., "pos sess within ourselves the power to ead the world in trade recovery Farrell is worried over the fac that "our total commerce with Latin America last year amounted to little less than 11/2 billion dollars i comparison with \$2.080.000.000 i annual convention of the forces rep- 1929. Imports and exports fell off in equal proportions about 29.7 per

Jimmy Walker who greeted th of these representatives of Wall St government," declared Walker, "tha does not function to the best ining accomodations for the young workers from Boston, Conn., and

Hawaii, at the first morning's ses-

C. L. District office, 35 East 12 Street, on the 5th floor. MRS. WRIGHT IN Scottsboro Mother at Farrington is for removing irrita-NEW YORK .- Every class con-Delegation at Geneva, where Lit- plied against the Japanese. He is cious worker and sympathizer who

has at heart the interests of the 9 Scottsboro Negro youths who face legal lynching on July 10, should turn out tonight at the Needle message, a worthy successor, the Trades protest meeting calle for 8 Catholic church has moved to ful-It was plain that diplomacy was the rington, lies in the "midst of the Pa- o'clock at St. Luke's Hall, 125 West fil its role as agent of the master 130th St.

perialism with bombing planes, and the Needle Trades call to all work- action! cruisers across Hawaii through the "The unity of white and Negro The pamphlet, however, does not Panama Canal, through the Pacific ers. workers will save them. Only by

NOTICE

All comrades who have sleep.

Philadelphia over Saturday night

should communicate with the Y.

Protest Meet

"Prosperity pre-



# BOSS SCHEMES IN RELIEF GUISE Role of Church Ruth- Clothing Cutters Committee Urges All Cutters to Vote Down Propositions 'A' and 'B'

point out.

member should vote "Yes" on th

Two Bosses Proposals

The scheme for a 10 per cent as-

essment of the employed members

has proved to a failure. Little of

the money reached those who need-

The second proposition termed 'B'

nour pay, with provisions against

any increase in cutting costs, is

merely a speed up scheme. It will

provides for a 36-hour week for 36-

on the first proposition.

NEW YORK .--- On May 25, the very NEW YORK .- In a leaflet issued cutters. In order not to create any day that the Catholic Church and to the clothing cutters of Local 4 greater confusion, however, every the pope formally released their vici- of the Amalgamated Clothing Workous attack on labor and Commun- ers, the Cutters Unemployed Comism, International Pamphlets, 799 mittee warns the workers against the

By New Pamphlet

lessly Exposed

Broadway, New York, are putting in treacherous referendum on "relief" that the local misleaders are seeking the hands of workers an analysis to palm off. and brilliant expose of its real mean-

"Our officials are submitting a ed it. ing. This is contained in The Church and the Workers, by Bennett Stev- referendum which is a cheap and shameful trick. It is made up in ens. It is No. 15 in the Internasuch a way as to confuse you and tional series of 10 cent pamphlets. make it impossible for you to ex-In this little book it is shown precisely how, both in the notorious en- press your real feelings on the unemployment crisis we are experiencyclical delivered 40 years ago by pope Leo XIII, and in the present cing in Local 4. Under cover of "relieving the unemployed" Orlofsky is planning to continue the 10 per cent assessment - most of which never reaches you. The Hillman

class, attempting to divide the workclique, Abe Silverman, on the other "The nine Negro workers of ers according to religion and sub-Scottsboro must not die!" 'declares stitute the doctrine of humility for hand, is planning to put over the vicious standards of production system, with its speed-up and piece-

work evils-not in your interests (for

The Trade Union Unity Council meets tonight to consider important reports of organizations. In addition there is also to be a discussion on the Resolutions of the Red International of Labor Unions, which Comrade Jack Stachel will lead. The meeting begins at 7.45 p.m.

sharp. All delegates are urged to attend without fail.

# Foil An Eviction Lower Manhattan

NEW YORK .- The Downtown Unthat he was speaking for the Exployed Council went into action resterday and put back the furniture f an evicted worker, Stanley Stanislaus, 228 East Third St., a member of the council The janitor of the apartment

increase unemployment, the cutters house tried to stop the workers from returning the furniture but the stiff The leaflet calls upon the cutters resistance of the council members o vote down the last two proposals made him give way. The furniture by an overwhelming majority and was set in the rooms and a little aise again the local decision for a meeting held outside.

40-hour week, with 36 hours work The daily meetings of the Downand 40 hours pay to help the untown Branch at the City Employemployed, and to fight for unemment Bureau, 59 Leonard St., will loyment insurance continue as usual at 11 a. m



## WESLWarns of **Expulsion of Walsh**

NEW YORK .- The Workers' Ex Servicemen's League, Branch No. 1, has expelled from its ranks one known as James Walsh. James Walsh became a member of this organization in the month of Janury, 1931.

As a speaker he was given the opportunity to speak from the platform of the Workers Ex-Servicemen's League, to carry on propaganda, but instead he started to use the Workers Ex-Servicemen's League platform for his own benefit.

He was warned against it, but in sisted on doing so. When with workers who didn't know him he stated

Servicemen's League, but when members of the W.E.S.L. were around he stated that he was speaking for the Red Builders' Club of New York Faced with the representatives of these two organizations, he was exposed as n old time labor faker, who insists on "making a living" in the

name of any workers' organization of which he might happen to be a mem-On these grounds James Walsh

was expelled from the workers Ex-Servicemen's Leaue. The W.E.S.L. will always rid itself. of such opportunists and by doing so will keep

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# WORKING YOUTH THRUOUT COUNTRY PREPARE FOR YOUTH DAY

# **Elizabethton, Tenn., Rayon Workers** Who Were Sold Out by U.T.W. Officials Now Turning to Revolutionary Union

Worker Tells How Labor Spies, Ann Weinstock and McGrady Plotted With **Bosses In Huge Sell-Out** 

Elizabethton, Tenn.

To the Daily Worker:

Conditions in this rayon town and county continually grow worse. In 1929 the workers in the two big rayon mills including myself had been filled up with so much of the bosses' corruptness that on April 15th we were forced to strike against these rotten conditions.

U. T. W. union which all of us workers term "Nothing." Immediately after the walk-out Wm. Kelly, Matilda Lindsey and Alfred Hoffman "Nothing again" were on the grounds declaring that when one man or woman went back all would go, under a contract. We knew nothing of organization, or of their treachery. My eyes were opened to their tricks one night. Hoffman announced that McGrady was in conference with the mill management and he would have something to give out on tomorrow that would please

They all sang a few religious song and went home to sleep away their troubles. Everybody was at the big tabernacle early to get the news. Finally about noon in came Mc-Grady and his crony Miss Anna Winestock, the government conciliator. She had been here for several days and we didn't know it. They were working in seclusion on the big sell-out. When they mounted the platform and read the contract it was just like throwing a rock in a hornet's nest. Not many workers voted to go back to work on the rot ten contract but they took good card to have the whole population there to vote, men and women who never work in a factory. Blacklist Militants

Well, of course, they ran it over

Labor Spies Help Sell Out. We had a few weeks before commenced organizing in the newed fighting shows the deepening us, and ordered all to re-enlist at the company offices the next day and the contract read: all will be taken back except undesirables. A nice alibi for the company. Then they had arranged for that damnable crook, E. J. Wilson from Passaic, N.J. pended. to say who would be desirable. And it turned out that no strikers were desirable who showed militancy. If there was no militant picketers, McGrady and his gang could never sell out a strike, for the bosses could

lick the workers easily. So he sold us out and then had his pal E. J. Wilson to keep us from working. If anybody doubts this, just come to Elizabethton and see for yourself. Workers Tend to Militant Unions. These lying scoundrels have ruined many families here, and 1 can answer for one that no A. F. of L. union will ever fool me again. Workers, beware of these moneygrabbers. That is all they did down here and they made a good grab. 'he poor ignorant scabs that Mc-Grady and Weinstock got to take our jobs are paying for it now. They are talking strike, and the N. T

W. U. is here to lead them. No more A. F. of L sell-outs allowed around here, especially any of that dirty gang that sold us out.

-A Worker.

MILITARIST WAR Youngstown to Be Centre of Ohio and ONLY \$300 ON TUESDAY; **BREAKS OUT IN** Buffalo Youth; West Coast Preparing SOUTH OF CHINA

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio .- Upon the efusal of the permit by the mayor, Crisis Grows Worse As chief of police and traffic commi Cliques Open Battle sioner for demonstration on National Youth Day, a delegation was sent to

the city council. There the com-Widespread militarist war has mittee exposed the role of the broken out in China between the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Corp Nanking clique of the Kuomintang as being behind the attempt to bar and Nationalist government, headed the demonstration. The president of the council, Buchanan, actually ran by Chiang Kai Shek, and the Canaway from the committee room tonese section of the same imperialrather than answer these charges. ist lackey group. The Cantonese The council passed the buck to the militarists, backed by British imperchief of police, saying that only he ialism, are said to be advancing for has the right to grant or refuse a battle towards the north. The repermit. The committee told the city officials that the city must accept all conflicts within China and the responsibility for any disorder which sharpening antagonisms between all may be started by the police or comthe imperialist powers, the United pany gangsters. The newspapers States, Britain and Japan. carried front page items on National Hallett Abend, Shanghai corre Youth Day, giving the stond of the committee.

spondent of the New York Times, reports that all traffic in the Yangtse BUFFALO, N. V.-The Buffalo River up to Hankow has been susyouth are holding a National Youth Eugene Chen and Sun Fo former fake "lefts" in the Kuomin- Day send-off at Valo Hall, 159 Grider St., on Thursday night, May 28. A order to fool great sections of the Negro orchestra will provide the Chinese masses into supporting this music. Fifteen cars are expected to leave Buffalo for Youngstown. En-

forces are advancing, rallying the CHICAGO, Ill.-A caravan of nearly 660 cars and trucks will leave

The new movement of the Nationalist troops, Hallett Abend reports, has been advantageous to the Red advance:

"The thinning out of the reliable troops has resulted in encouraging the Communists in Honan, and the same group which has held the Rev. Bert Nelson captive since October captured Kwangshan, in Southern Honan, and has killed or captured the garrison of 500 troops."

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A few days before John Radus and

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Attack.

The United Front Scottsboro Defense

Conference, held in this city, de-

Many Hear Moore

ounced this outrageous attack and

**On Tour for 9 Boys** 

NEW YORK, May 26. - Richard

meeting.

italists.

workers from Gary, Ind.; St. Louis, Mo.; Hammond, West Allis, and other cities. On Saturday, May 30, a parade will take place, which will end with a mass meeting and demonstration.

Working youth organizations that the State Conference for the Repeal and to the National Guard have been have never been touched by the rev- of the Criminal Syndicalist Law. Los issued.



### Communist League has issued 17,000 The Youth Day meet at Fresno printed leaflets, and special leaflets Cory Arbe on May 30 and 31 will coincide with to young farm workers, to children

DISTRICTS 7 AND 8 LAG

i age Three

Only \$306.30 Tuesday in the \$35,000 Save-the-Daily Worker Drivelong way from the \$1,000 a day that must be raised to keep the Daily afloat not only now, but for some time in the future

District 2 (New York) is still way ahead and contributed most of Tuesday's total. Where are Districts 7 (Detroit) and 8 (Chicago), which next to New York have the largest quotas in the drive? Only \$2 from District 8 on Tuesday and not a cent from District 7. Get on the job, The list of Tuesday's contributions follows comrades

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Kozub, Cleveland .50 Pete Rangardye, Cleveland, O. 1.00
Total \$11.00
DISTRICT 8. erman Jensen, Milwaukee, Wis, 1.00
orris Taxer, Chicago, 111 1.00
Total \$2.00
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N, Dakota 5.08
Total, all districts \$ 306.30
Previously received 1,860.56
Total, to date \$2,166.88
The TANK
Turn In All Funds
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At Once!
Party members who have col-
lected money on their Daily Work-
er coupon books are instructed of
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have IMMEDIATELY to their unit
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Don't wait till you have filled your
book because so great is the fin-
ancial crisis in the Daily that
every cent counts. Also include
the number of your coupon book,
so you will receive credit for the
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All districts, sections and units
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DAILY WORKER MANAGE-
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Demand Amnesty!

# More Charity Bunk for California Jobless

### (By a Worker Correspondent)

BERKELEY, Cal.-The '23rd an-, stuff is only to quiet the rising wave nual meeting of the California Con- of protest and strikes which are ference of Social Workers has been breaking out throughout northern that are in the militia are for the held here to throw a lot of hot air California. Workers know that the so-called "social workers" are needed or sons of working class families and about doing a lot of good "at these times when humanity suffers more for the capitalists to have as an alibi the miners should make every effort that something is being done for the o get groups of sympathizers from because of depression.' workers and these personages are do-

Labor subjects assigned to such secretary of the State Federation of Labor, never mentioned a word about organizing and fighting against wage-cuts, fighting for social insurance and immediate relief. Praising speech which is heralded here. Workers know that this hot air

"labor" leaders as Paul Scharrenberg, ing it not as a dole (which they are der to scotch as much as possible afraid workers might think they the bosses' efforts at breaking the want), but as charity of "goodhearted bosses and the government." forces.—Editor.) Workers do not want charity and are organizing for a militant fight his kind was the only note in the for social insurance! Join the Unemployed Councils!

-Worcorr League of Oakland.

While the miners of Harlan have Special Daily Worker Correspondent Describes learned that the militia is used by Bitter Class War Raging in Kentucky the bosses to break strikes, the boys Coal District Around Harlan most part either workers themselves

school boys, but they'll find out what | no financial support. In fact a queswar is soon," say the strikers of tion asked, revealed that the U.M. Evarts, Ky.; by way of showing their W.A. had done nothing but collect the militia. This is necessary in orcontempt for the martial law forces their initiation fee. now policing Harlan County and. announcing some coming events.

strike by means of their armed (By Special Correspondent) would be hard to find. And this in

Yet, opening the set jaws of these Kentuckians was no easy matter. Our A more determined crowd than offer of assistance in their struggle these overall-clad mountaineers and the mere declaration that we were not casual tourists on a curi-

HARLAN, Ky. (by mail) May 24. spite of the fact that their local osity visit did not suffice to win their "Them's not soldiers, somebody leaders are in jail and the U.M.W.A. confidence, seems there are more just put yellow suits on the high is giving them very little moral and places than Missouri where you have to show 'em. Who are you, Union or

do to help us? were questions they

asked us. When we satisfied them

that we had more than a passing in-

guardsmen but the miners are say-

cabs will not be worth a nickel a dozen soon, even to the coal companies

in the company stores. Even the old

saying, "Love will find a way" is be-

ing put to the acid test, for the dash-

ing swains who wear their best over-

alls for the occasion are not permit-

ted in the neighboring camps when

their inclination is "to go a court

All the things that cause class wars

are in evidence here. The bosses

orces are loaded to the hilt. They

have all the implements of war and

soldiers to use them, but Kentuck-

ians don't keep guns for ornaments

Build a Worcorr Group in your

shop! Write About your struggles!

SOLLIN'S

ither. Watch Harlan.

At most of the mines here the men are not allowed to draw any cash or wages, they have to deal it out Bosses' men? Are you for or agains

Flax the operators and the military au-Bath thorities Better than anyone else they know Yuch these me nof the Kentucky moun-

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tains and the determination which is heirs Guardsmen are stationed in every company camp, billeted in company

buildings but in Evarts, there are no company properties and tents are Niche pitched at a railroad siding. All the roads are also patroled by armed

ng, watch Harlan County, for the

Harlan Miners Carry On Determined Fight Despite Slaughters By Gunmen, State Militia

tang, have joined the Cantonese in gang of militarists. In the meanwhile the Communist thusiasm runs high.

impoverished workers and peasants against both militarist and imperial-Chicago on May 29 for Milwaukee ist cliques.

Carrying hundreds of young work ers, they will be bound for the National Youth Day demonstration in the "socialist" city.

Dayton Capitalist Papers Openly Admit War Is Steel Police Break Up Scottsboro Defense Here!

Davton, Ohio. Daily Worker: and fortresses, make arsenals and On May 17. 672 air maneuverer ammunition dumps explode with the from all parts of the country met in violence of a volcano, and sink any Dayton and put on the biggest dem- number of battleships almost in- white workers. The cheif of police lease of the arrested workers. onstration of aerial strength that was stantly. ever attempted.

was issued in the capitalist papers on death and destruction upon every- "What do you want with these nigthese maneuvers.

Safety for Bosses.

"One thing the air maneuvers here war. The earth and anything upon give a permit or allow any such Barberton police. have proved beyond a scintilla of it would be at the mercy of such a meetings. doubt. That is safety." Safety for number of ships. Never again, these whom? For those who are preparing maneuvers indicate, will there be Decolla, two white workers, were ar- adopted and sent to Governor B. M. another world slaughter, so they will be able to demolish any territory halfs years' settlement." By this article we can readily see where the workers will rise in revolt. It goes on further to say: what this means to the toiling

'What such a fleet of ships could masses. Comradely, -A Worker. do in time of war staggers the im-

## Hungry Worker Collapses In Employment **Office** Line

(By an Unemployed Worker) ers for some firm. Employment clerk OAKLAND, Cal. -- Jobs which are called out a name and about half o elusive and non-existing at the a dozen crowded around. One tall, Women's Free Employment Bureau dark, neatly but shabbily dressed office make many only more dis- girl pushed ahead, "Please, madam, couraged and ill. I need a job so badly. Mother put

Sitting in a small close room there me thru business course and spent are about 50 women daily. Some her last penny and now we are have been sitting here day after day starving." But the clerk only mofor weeks. Jobs are not coming in. tioned her aside.

Only one or so occasionally. Then Then a few of us left the bureau. the clerk chooses some one who On the stairway the girl who spoke seems only a stranger here as we swayed and fell. Men in charge of begin to know each other constantly the building took her outside, revived seeking the same at this place. Those her and advising to go home and rest that have been sitting here for days let her go.

always seem to be left out. Let's fight this. Build a powerful Last week we heard a telephone Unemployed Branch! Fight for imbuzzing and a conversation over the inediate relief and for unemployed phone. It was a call for office work- insurance!



# agination. They could wipe out forts Meet; Fear Unity of Negro, White Toilers

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) | sent telegrams of protest to the Burgess of Farrell, demanding the re-

exposed the reason for the attack Telegrams were also sent to Gov-"The ease with which they are when he snarled at a member of ernor White of Ohio and Mayor Here is part of a write-up which handled would make possible utter the South Slav branch of the I. L. D.: Decker of Barberton, demanding an immediate investigation of the kidthing and anything that might need gers? Keep away from them. Let naping and probable lynch murder to be destroyed to bring victory in them go to their churches, we won't of Louis Alexander, Negro worker, by

> Work Out Plans for Organizing. Resolutions and telegrams were

another war requiring four and a rested for distributing leaflets for the Miller of Alabama, denouncing the frame-up of the nine Scottsboro This shows that in the North, as youths. A plan of work was adopted well as in the South, the bosses are to build up a mass movement for the

afraid of the growing unity of the Scottsboro defense and for the strug-Negro and white workers, because gle to break through the terror of that unity would guarantee a suc- the steel bosses who are attempting in and out of the towns and back cessful fight against the robbery and to stifle the protests of the workers oppression of the workers by the cap- against starvation and lynching.

A crowd of 400 white and Negro workers at the Ukrainian Hall cheered the call of Richard B. Moore **Youngstown Conference Denounces** national Negro work director of the I. L. D., to smash the terror of the YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, May 27 .-

Northern and Southern bosses. Grave Shrtcomings.

The conference was attended by many delegates from organizations and churches and marked a big step forward in the work of mobilizing the masses for the defense of the Scottsboro victims. In the failure to build block and neighborhood committees as a basis for the conference and a lever to swing many more organizations into line in the fight to save the boys, this

B. Moore, national Negro organizer conference, like many others that for the International Labor Defense, is now on a nation-wide speaking have been held throughout the country, showed grave shortcomand organizing tour for the defense ings.

# **Dangerous to Neglect** Pains in Bladder and Kidneys

Heed the warning of burning pains and night rising due to bladder and kid-ney weakness. Doctors warn against neglect and advise action to prevent serious trouble. For rapid relief, ask your druggist for the remedy used for nearly a century by doc-tors throughout the world.

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SANTAL Taukegan Ill., June 8, Kenosha, Wis. Santal

terest in their welfare, we found it hard to keep up with the fighting expressions they made.

> "Listen, brother," one said, "when you cross that thar first railroad track, you'll see a birch tree which is purty well chopped up. Well, I'm a tellin ya it's bullets what chopped it. That's whar the bosses men was killed and them men whats in jail didn't kill them. They's being kept in jail fer spite."

At first in many of the camps the 'soldiers" were welcomed. They were seen as the means to get the "Chi cago thugs" (Yellow Dogs), who posed as deputy sheriffs, out of their camps and towns, but now they see there is no difference, because the

RESTAURANT National Guard marches the scabs 216 EAST 14TH STREET and forward to work. And how long 6-Course Lunch 55 Cents the strikers will stand this is a ques-**Regular Dinner 65 Cents** tion that is agitating the minds of

# The Workers' Health Teacher

he boss press, lay and medical, is speaking lately about the lower mortality from lung tuberculosis in the last ten years as compared with the death rate from consumption 25 years ago or so. Well, what was the decrease due to? To greater generosity of the employers? No, to an improvement in the worker's life resulting from his own forceful and terrific struggle against them and to his great sacrifices .- Remember the big strikes which gave you more spare time, therefore more fresh air, better living rooms, more sleep and leisure to learn how to live! You gained all that yourself - and often even against your old cowardly petty-bourgeois anti-revolutionary "leaders". No doctor could have cured the working class so well of consumption as the intelligent, class-conscious workers did. But, naturally, it has been but partly done-just a small particle of the cure. Tuberculosis, a disease of the proletariat and caused by bourgeois industrial conditions, will be entirely eradicated only through the workers' complete social revolution.

Just now, lung consumption and the mortality from it is on the increase again. It is spreading more than it did within the last fifteen years. The causes of its terrible revival at present are unemployment, poverty, congestion, crowding in the rooms to save rent, poor eating, worry, longer working days for those employed. Fight them! Do not allow the bosses to starve you, weaken you, give you over to the tubercle bacillus as its victims!

Of course, meanwhile be enlightened! Try to have as much fresh air and sunshine as possible indoors and outdoors, and rest enough. See that your shops are sanitary!

DR. A. LONE.

P. S .- In my last article there were a few important printing mistakes, for instance "braining" instead of "training."





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# Workers' Children and National Youth Day

### By MYRA PAGE.

Page Four

NATIONAL YOUTH DAY (May 30-31), has great meaning for all sections of the working class. The first celebration of its kind in American labor's history, it will mark an \_important advance on a strategic class front. Provided all of our forces are mobilized, a tremendous impetus to organization of workers' children and youth will result, as well as a clearer realization in the movement as a whole of its tasks and the revolutionary possibilities among "the youthful guardsmen of the proletariat.

In the past there has been a gross underestimation and neglect of this phase of our work, especially among the children. The activities carried on were based largely on wrong theory and a narrow, sectarian approach. As a result, our influence and organization among working class children has been extremely limited. Recent months have witnessed the beginning of a healthy turn in this work, and the results already achieved-although small compared to what must be accomplished-show the vast reserve of energy and enthusiasm that the working class has in its boys and girls. In spite of the difficulties involved, the situation is ripe for a great advance in this field.

Wall Street and its government, schools, movies and press have long been active among the children and youth, preaching loyalty to the ruling class and its institutions, striving to poison their minds against the workers' cause. and to prepare them for participation in Wall Street's approaching war.

The seriousness of the present situation is shown by these figures: while we have barely four thousand boys and girls organized on the side of the working class, the Boy and Girl Scouts have a total membership of more than a million-the bulk of whom should be in our ranks, instead.

At the same time, the general conditions among the children of the working class, poor farmers and oppressed Negro masses are intolerable, and are constantly becoming worse. This makes them all the more ready for our propaganda and organization.

Wherever the correct methods are being used in approaching the kids, their response has been immediate. One example of this is the way they have received their New Pioneer. The magazine aims to appeal to their various interests and direct them into organized, revolutionary channels. Within four weeks from the date of publication the youngsters, with the help of the rest of the movement, had sold out the first edition of fifteen thousand copies. The kids have gone into the subways and streetcars, selling their paper. Many hundreds of new subs have been turned in. Ten of the fifteen thousand have already been paid for, with the outlook for full payment very good. This is a record, but one which they intend to beat, next month.

This shows clearly what the youngsters want and what they'll do, once they see they've a chance of getting it

National Youth Day must serve as a further mobilizer of our Party and League for organizing and directing the workers' children and

The day's celebration must result in lasting benefits-new Pioneer and W.I.R. Scouts organized, as well as junior sections and clubs of the T. U. U. L. unions, I. W O., ILD and other mass organizations



# Graft and Gangsters

Previous articles in this series after tracing rise of gangsterism in the early history of the United States, the development of racketeering and gangsters in the A. F. of L. showed how J. P. Morgan early made use of gunmen

## Gangsters, Unemployment and Wage Cuts

 $W_{\rm est}^{\rm HEN}$  American capitalism entered the severest crisis in its history, beginning in 1929, over 10,000,000 workers lost their jobs and were thrown on the streets to starve. Unemployment had been growing even during so-called "prosperity" periods, with the development of rationalization, speed-up, higher technique, improved machinery and more efficient methods of squeezing profits out of the workers.

To combat the widespread starvation of the workers the Communist Party and Trade Union Unity League organized Unemployment Councils, led the workers in demonstrations demanding immediate relief and unemployment insurance. On March 6, 1930, over 1,250.000 workers demonstrated throughout the United States for unemployment insurance and against starvation forced on the unemployed by capitalism.

At these demonstrations a reign of terror was unleashed against the workers. The gangster element and the same police who are aligned with the gangsters in every city slugged, beat and murdered workers.

Factory gate meetings, attempting to rally the employed in the struggle together with the unemployed, were set upon by company gangsters and gunmen, by police and the usual run of sluggers that the employers mobilize to break strikes.

for profits. In Chicago the police department obliged Al Capone by executing his gang rivals by the wholesale.

workers. In this field, the gangsters played a dual role. They tightened the ranks of the skilled unions, preventing organization of all the workers in the trade, and they guaranteed the bosses against strikes. For this they received a double graft-from the union members and from the employers. The usual game is to keep the books of the union "closed" and force prospective candidates for membership to pay sums as high as \$500 for the privilege of receiving a union working card. Many of the misleaders who rule through gangsters are silent partners in construction companies in whose favor they operate their union powers. Others receive a regular salary from the bosses as "strike insurance.'

The labor bureaucrat who held perhaps the record for corruption and betrayal was Robert P. Brindell, one time president of the New York Building Trades Council. In 1921, Brindell, together with a number of his gunmen in the building trades unions, was indicted by the grand jury on evidence arising out of the socalled "Lockwood" investigations. It was estimated that Brindell's graft ranged between \$300,000 and \$500,000 per year.

# Smash the California Bosses' New Frame - Up!

Daily Worker, 50 E. 13th St.

New York, N. Y. Dear Comrades:

Smash the frame-up! The Imperial Valley prisoners call upon all workers to crush the attempt of the lumber barons to frame up Comrade Arne Thompson. The California boss class has again resorted to the use of its courts in a destardly attempt to frame up a militant worker, just as it did in the Mooney-Billings case. The present attempt is in a small lumber town of Fort Bragg, on the northern coast of California, where about the third of May a disastrous fire occurred in the lumber yard of the Union Lumber Co., in Fort Bragg. The fire-fighting apparatus had been put out of order in dynamiting lumber piles out of the way to check the spread of the fire. The company officials had this done at an unnecessarily great distance from the fire, evidently to let the flames devour more of the over-production. The lumber, of course, was insured.

It is clearly a case where the company officials themselves are responsible for the fire. About a week later, Comrade Arne Thompson, secretary-organizer of the Communist Party for District 13, was arrested at San Francisco. charged with having started the fire (or having something to do with the starting of the fire). Workers, crush this attempt of the California oss class to put through this m up against this young, militant worker, whose only crime is that he has joined the ranks of the militant revolutionary workers, fighting for the interests of the working class. This frame-up is a further attack by the ruling class of California against the Communist Party, the International Labor Defense and the Trade Union Unity League, in the attempt to outlaw them. This case has a direct bearing on the Imperial Valley case. The Imperial Valley comrades are due to appear before the Prison Board, for determining the definite lengths of sentences they are to serve. It is part of the raging fascist terror campaign of the employing class against the working class in its attempt to destroy the workers' militant organizations, the Communist Party, the T. U. U. L., the lynchings of the Negroes, the deportation of the foreign-born workers, etc.

Fort Bragg is a town of about 3,000 population, built around the sawmill of the Union Lumber Co., which operates also logging camps in the redwood forest in the vicinity. The Union Lumber Co. is the virtual ruler of Mendocino County, the company owns the railroad that connects Fort Bragg with the North Western Pacific Railroad at Willets. It owns the steamships which carry lumber by water from there and bring ocean freight in. To prevent competition, with its transportation system, the company has effectively blocked the attempts to put a good paved highway through; it has likewise blocked the attempts to establish a good harbor in the vicinity of Fort Bragg, other than its own. It has its own detectives who work with the sheriff's office. Several years ago, Deputy Sheriff Reess arrested Oscar Erickson for I. W. W. organizational activities.

At the trial on the witness stand Reese admitted being in the pay of the Union Lumber Co., at \$150 per month, and received mileage for use of his obile. The company maintains a store which carries quite a complete stock of groceries, wares, cattlefeed, etc. This, until recently at least, the company has not declared it obligatory for the workers to purchase from its store, but particularly more recently it is actually obligatory, because the wages are not sufficient for sustenance, the majority have to buy from the company on credit and they have no money with which to buy elsewhere. The lumber industry is one of the industries worst hit by the present economic crisis. The smaller lumber companies on this part of the coast have shut down completely; some mills have been running with but a fraction of their usual force, while the only logging woods running recently have been those of the Union Lumber Co., and those only by part of the usual force. The Union Lumber Co. is one of the most vicious labor baiters. It has driven out by mob force the labor organizers who have ventured within its domain. It is a most relentless slavedriver and wage-cutter. Since the world war the average production per worker has about doubled, while wages have been continually scaled down. The wages and employment is about a part of the usual level. The workers are faced with starvation. In the face of the growing militancy of the workers, the Union Lumber Co. is attempting to frame-up this militant worker on a charge of arson, to put out of the way the workers' leaders and to destroy their organizations and to terrorize the rest of the workers into submission. The lumber berons are again using their courts-these vicious institutions of capitalist class justice-in the attempt to put over this frame-up, just as in the Mooney-Billings case, the Imperial Valley case, Centralia, Scottsboro, Sacco-Venzetti, the pending Patterson, Atlanta cases. We call upon the American working class to shatter this frame-up with its mighty force. Expose this dastardly frame-up, circulate and distribute literature, newspapers, magazines, circulars, leaflets, etc. Develop a mighty campaign of telegrams of protest to the governor of California at Sacramento and Judge Preston at Ukiah, California. Join the T. U. U. L., the only union fighting for the lumber workers. Fight with the I. L. D. on the amnesty campaign! Fight for the release of all class war prisoners! Comradely. LAURENCE EMERY. San Quentin.

# U.S.A. Imperialism Persecutes Chinese Workers

Chinese workers here in danger deportation hands Kuomintang hangmen because May First demonstrations. Stop. Launch campaign solidarity protest. Stop.

Proletarian Labor Congress. 28 Hasan, Manila. Shanghai. To the Trade Union Unity League, U. S. A.

Dear Comrades: We wish to call your most serious and urgent attention to the developments taking place in the revolutionary labor movement in the Philippines. The class struggle of the workers and peasants against the combined forces of the native bourgeoisie and landlords and American imperialism, is taking on unprecedented proportions and depth. The recent armed Peasant Uprising of the Colorums in Tayug, the recent strikes in Negros and Iloilo and in Manila, the huge demonstration of 30,000 workers and peasants in Manila recently (at Comrade Ora's funeral), the use of the Red Flag despite prohibition, the growing popularity of the Proletarian Labor Congress (affiliated to the Pan-Pacific TU Secretariat), the staging by the capitalistlandlord-imperialist courts of the first "Communist Trials" with 23 of our leading trade union and peasant comrades arrested and charged with "sedition" (according to the good

Red Sparks

## Don't Get Mixed Up

according to the Constitution, belongs to every citizen, is a duty, according to the Supreme Court, the nine kings of Washington, whose power seems to derive from the fact that they are guaranteed, aged-in-the-wood reactionaries.

Anyhow, from the decision that it is not enough for a woman to do nurse work in the coming war, but that she has to shoulder a rifle and go out where the bullets fly, and shrapnel tears lovely lips into unkissable fragments, we guess that the yarns about "forced labor" in the Soviet Union ought to sound tame hereafter. Even the Civil Liberties Union will probably be impressed if this keeps up, that there is something in the nature of a dictatorship running this country. But they have a way outthey can say that the "silly Communists" have caused it, and then the New Republic can make that the theme for an attack on the Communists, "the poor capitalists having no other choice, of course," but to establish a dictatorship.

## Join the Marines and Get Bitten

It seems that being a U. S. Marine has its advantages. Down in Nicaragua the native: who don't appreciate bombs being dropped on their wives and children kill and otherwise mess up any Marine who wanders out of bounds. Mrs. Hoover has invented a new use for Marines. It seems that one part of the Marine Corp's duty is to guard Hoover from the affec-

tions of the American people. One Marine so engaged at Camp Rapidan, while Hoover was fishing and "economizing," found he had a competitor in the form of a big Irish wolfhound, a little playmate of Mrs. Hoover. The wolfhound, according to accounts, performed a contortionist trick. It "stands three feet high" and "sank its teeth into the marine's leg." We gather that the marine's leg was bit-

ten somewhere near the neck. Anyhow, a new sign ought to go on the re-

cruiting posters: "Join the marines and serve your country as dog biscuit. The Supreme Court decided Monday that you

have to go to the dogs if you want to be a citizen.

## A Splendid Scrap

"Comrade Jorge:-Sometime ago I wrote you whether it would be advisable for a Women's Council and a branch of the I. W. O. to unite with different charitable organizations in a fight. against the high cost of living. You answered in your column and we accepted your advice. (We advised them to make a united front from below-Jorge.)

"We struck against the butchers and we won thereby reducing the cost of meat. Now we are conducting a strike against the bakeries. The spirit of the population is with the Women's Council, which is leading the strike."

The comrade should not term it a "strike." but a boycott; though, as long as they fight, we will not quarrel much about what they call it. The main thing is that by a united front from below, these workers are winning something substantial-and working-class women who never before dreamed of making a speech are right on the front line, speaking and battling the sluggers of the bakers' association!

"The Daily Star," a local paper, is forced to carry fairly favorable comment. It quotes one of the leaders, Mrs. Fagan, as saying: "The hunger of our children is more important than the profits of the bakers."

Meat prices were forced down 14 to 22 cents a pound, a clear victory. Now, against the akers the demand is that rolls, which sell fo 24 cents a dozen, and bread that sells for eigh cents a pound, should come down to 15 cents dozen and five cents a pound. For this demand, pickets are put around every bakery and grocery which sells their bread and rolls. One woman has been slugged and two arrested, but they are bravely keeping up the fight and have the whole population of Middle Village, a little town near New York, on their side It's a fight that could well be repeated in a thousand and one different cities. The Council of Working Class Women are rightfully prouc of leading this united front fight.

### Milwaukee Socialists

In Milwaukee, the socialist police did the job, jailing dozens of workers for long terms-for the crime fo leading unemployed demonstrations. Speakeasies, dope dens and bawdy houses have free reign in Milwaukee, with the connivance of the socialist police, but an unemployment demonstration, of, course, is one of the worst crimes against capitalism.

Al Capone took a hand in the unemployment situation, and his actions tended to mislead many workers as to the role of gangsters in the every day struggles of the workers. Capone, to prove his "benevolence" toward the workers ran his own bread line. He advertised himself as a "friend" of the unemployed. This is the role of the New York police department which has slugged thousands of unemployed, and at the same time makes a pretense of giving food to the unemployed through the police stations.

Every charity organization of the capitalists has its gang of "bouncers," recruited from the lower ranks of the gangster element to eject starving workers who become too insistent on demanding relief for their starving families. The Salvation Army in New York, started the novelty of a children's bread line and hired thugs to bully the workers' children. 'They carry clubs, and on more than one occasion have beaten young children.

As the struggle for unemployment relief grows sharper, more gangsters will be employed against the jobless. The state police, the official gunmen of the big industrialists, slugged unemployed hunger marchers in the state capitols at Albany, New York and Annapolis, Maryland.

### Wages and Gunmen

Many workers are inclined to make heroes of the gangsters, especially the more successful ones whose boodle reaches the million. The tabloid sheets of the capitalist press, especially gloat over Capone, Rothstein, "Legs" Diamond, as well as the trade union gangsters, such as Vacarelli, Broach of New York; Nelson, "Umbrella" Mike, and the thousands of others of Chicago. They look upon them as successful "business men" who have made a comfortable fortune and are entitled to it.

In the local trade unions of the American Federation of Labor, the gangsters, who are intimately connected with the bosses, try to justify themselves and win the workers' approval. The basis for it is that the gangsters give the impression that their methods are used, not only for personal graft, but to keep the workers' wages up. This idea had the greatest prevalence in the building and allied trades, where the gangsters got the firmest hold.

### Controlling the A. F. of L. Unions

In the highly skilled trades the gangsters obtained control of the unions where the special position of the skilled workers for a while during the building boom got them a scale of wages above the great mass of unskilled and factory

### His Spectacular Rise Brindell had a spectacular rise from an un-

known dock worker to the position of the most powerful labor bureaucrat in New York State. In the course of his eventful climb to the heights of his corruption, he organized the dock workers of New York. Securing a small increase in their pay, he forced some 4,000 of these workers to make him the life long president of their local union. Each of them, moreover, was compelled to vote him a personal contribution of fifty cents per month as his salary. This levy brought Brindell between \$18,000 and \$30,000 yearly.

## Gompers Helps Along

Brindell's next act was to make friends with the national labor bureaucracy. In 1914, he formed a strong friendship with Samuel Gompers, and his dock workers were given a federal charter by the American Federation of Labor in spite of their irregular form of procedure. Brindell immediately became active in the New York City Central Federation Union (now the Central Trades and Labor Council), the joint body representing all the unions of the city. In 1916, he helped William B. Hutcheson, President of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, another Labor Faker, break the famous 1916 carpenters' strike in the city by sending in as scabs the members of his dock builders local.

In 1919, he again united with Hutcheson to break a carpenters' strike in the east. In this year he became president of the New York Building Trades Council. So great was his power that he succeeded in having himself elected as representative to the A. F. of L. conventions in which he forced support of his methods. During this year, he outlawed 12,000 New York painters who had insisted on democratic management of the Building Trades Council.

It was first disclosed that Brindell, like most other labor fakers in New York City, had worked hand in hand with Tammany Hall, the democratic machine. In particular, he had joined forces with one William Kennally, vice chairman of the Board of Aldermen and the right hand tool of the Tammany Boss, Charles Mur-

Among other things, Brindell entered into agreements for large considerations with individual employers and associations to supply labor to them uninterruptedly. A builder by the name of Levy paid him \$25,000 to have a strike called off. Another firm by the name of Todd. Irons and Robertson agreed to pay Brindell \$50,000 for "strike insurance" and delivered the first installment of the total during an automobile ride. Max Aronson, a cloak and suit manufacturer paid \$5,000 to have work resumed on his building after Brindell hal called a strike. After the money had been paid, the same non-union men went back to work who had been previously employed.

The function of these misleaders and their gunmen in the skilled unions, as is clearly evident, was not to struggle for increased wages or to maintain even the wage scales of the "ay '

tocracy of labor," but to graft on every occasion and to act as the labor lieutenants of the bosses.

With the growth of the economic crisis, of course, their role became clearer as the attacks against the wage standards of all workers assumed drastic forms. During 1930, wages of the American workers were cut nine billion dollars, according to the Standard Statistics Company. In every instance the gangsters and bureaucrats in the trade unions worked with the bosses to prevent strikes against cuts in pay. The foremost action, however, was the meeting of the leading misleaders of the A. F. of L., including the gangsters of the building trades, with President Hoover and the leading bosses and financiers of the United States in the latter part of November, 1929. At this conference an agreement was reached whereby wages were supposed to be "maintained," and the union bureaucrats agreed to prevent strikes.

Not a single industry escaped the wage-cut campaign of the bosses. That a nation-wide organized drive against wages was on was admitted by Hoover in an interview which took place with Washington newspaper correspondents on April 2, 1931. In the building trades and other highly skilled unions, where the gangsters' control is tightest, the bosses, with the connivance of the misleaders, forced the workers to work at rates 10 to 35 per cent below union scales. Whenever strikes were attempted. the gangsters were called in to smash them. In short, the American Federation of Labor bureaucrats lived up to the strike breaking agreement with Hoover, using their whole gangster machine effectively, while the bosses carried on their wage-cutting drive.

The fight against wage cuts was led by the revolutionary unions, under the leadership of the Trade Union Unity League. Against this organization, not only the capitalist state, but the A. F. of L. gunmen and misleaders were mobilized in the interest of helping the exploiters put over their wage cuts.

As the battle grows sharper, as wages are slashed daily, the gangsters will be used more and more against the workers who resist, and especially against the revolutionary trade unions affiliated to the Trade Union Unity League.

Against the bosses, their wage cut drives, their gangsters, the workers will have to organize in solid ranks and under revolutionary leadership.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

## FIGHT STEADILY FOR RELIEF!

Visit the homes of the unemployed workers. List all cases of starvation, undernourishment, inadequate relief. Carry on a sustained and steady struggle for unemployment relief for the starving families from the city government, the large corporations and employers. Have large delegations of unemployed workers present at every meeting of the city council to fight for adequate relief for all cases of starving and undernourished workers' families.

ld American formula) -all these are events which no revolutionary trade union organization may view with indifference, especially any section of the PPTUS, and particularly the TUUL which has special revolutionary duties in relation to the revolutionary labor movement of the Philippines (one of the most important colonial possessions of American imperialism). Briefly and concretely, the PPTUS proposes

to its American Section the following measures: To start immediately a campaign of solidarity and defense with the object not only of passing resolutions of solidarity but to help our Filipino comrades in other more tangible and practical ways. They need funds to bail out our leading comrades, whose imprisonment at the present time-in view of the approaching general elections in which the CP is to come out for the first time as an independent political party of the workers and peasants-also in view of the approaching Congresses of the Proletarian Labor Congress and of our revolutionary Peasants' Confederation-means crippling our trade unions and our movement generally. They need people, experienced and reliable comrades to go there, to the P. I. and help them for as long a period as possible in their organizational and ideological work. They need practical help with literature, the most elementary things, the most important resolutions and decisions of the RILU. the most elementary pamphlets and booklets on trade union organization, etc.; they are completely isolated; they feel that the American revolutionary trade unions neglect them, are not interested in their struggles and activities. They are not even in touch and receive no help whatever from the Anti-Imperialist League of America. Send them all possible literature; if only possible get some of the more important documents, like the resolutions of the Fifth RILU Congress translated into Tagalog language (we understand there are several Filipino comrades at your end who could help achieve this); to our comrades in the P. I. this means a great deal. And-the most important thing at the present moment-you must help them in every possible way against the White Terror, persecutions, imprisonment. The situation is ripe for the widest possible campaign in the U.S.A. in support of the Filipino comrades and revolutionary trade union movement. From the vast experience of our American comrades in the matter of Communist trials, you can help them immensely with advice, with counsel on the

gest that the Executive of the TUUL give ser-

ious consideration to the problem and possi-

bilities of establishing some permanent contacts

with the revolutionary trade unions in the

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the possibility of training groups of Philipino

comrades undre the TUUL for cadres in the

Philippines; of establishing permanent good

## The Empire State Building

Regarding the Empire State Buildi is getting a lot of advertising for Al Smith, worker corrects a previous statement of a contributor to this column, who said that 90 mer were killed on the job building this monstrosity The exact number of workers killed is 128 This is by actual count of . . . . . who worke: on this building until the last girders were pu into place. He himself escaped death man; times only because he was working at the top so was not hit by falling objects and crashin ceilings.

"In one day 17 workers were killed by a ceilin that fell because the speed-up caused its haphazard construction. There was a one-day strike afterward."

The gall of Al Smith and other owners of tip building, to show a photo exhibition of worker who built it, workers who gave their lives i put it up-who own not one brick in it, are no allowed to enter it except to scrub the floor and are now jobless and hungry! And the Pope says that private property sacred!

## The Poor Turn Black

We'll tell you a story, a true one, about on place in Dixie where there is no Jim Crow. Comrade Ryan Walker, who does those strip on page 2 of the Daily Worker, was recentl visiting down in Kentucky. Talking with native while they were passing by a poor-hous Walker said, in surprise:

"What's that? White and Negro people livin together? How does that happen, when you'v got them separated everywhere else? Don't yo have a poorhouse for whites and another fc Negroes?"

"Well," said the Kentuckian, "you see the conduct of these trials, with funds collected in when the whites get so poor that they are ser their defense, and with a well-organized camto the poorhouse then it don't make any differ paign against American imperialism and its ence any longer." White Terror in the Pilippines. We also sug-

> connections between the Agitprops of your tw respective organizations, etc.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter, ar let us know what action you have decided take on it; also the results of its discussion Executives of the two leading centers). Also the Executive of the TUUL.

With revolutionary greetings. PAN PACIFIC TRADE UNION SECRETARIAT