

the working class-the call to "fight" for beer is the sheerest travesty and farce, adding disgusting, brutal insult to the bitter misery of the workers and poor farmers. The plain, unadorned truth is that the action of the A. F. of L. leaders is part and parcel of the program of the manufacturers and bankers to prevent the workers from taking up the struggle against

wage cuts and for social insurance. It is a direct continuation of their strikebreaking agreement with Hoover to prevent the workers from striking against wage cuts.

No on who has followed the actions of Green, Woll and Company since the beginning of the crisis can honestly doubt that we are dealing here with an outright conspiracy between the A. F. of L. heads and the Wall Street-Hoover Government to keep the workers from actively resisting the capitalist attack on their standard of living.

The A. F. of L. traitors hypocritically offer their action as a "solution" of unemployment. They pretend that the repeal or modification of the prohibition amendment in order to permit the legal manufacture of beer would solve unemployment. The plain truth is that beer an other prohibited drinks are being manufactured in spite of the prohibition amendment. The illegal manufacture of liquor is a big business employing more workers in its production and distribution than would be employed were the manufacture of beer legalized.

be a mass meeting at 7th St. and A representative of the Trade Ave. B at 2:30 p. m., with a parade Union Unity League spoke urging of 27 blocks through the working them to keep up the fight against class section, ending at Rutgers the wage cut and to demand \$5.00 a Square at 4 o'clock with a demonday instead of the \$4.00 offered by

the bosses. The A. F. of L. leader-In Brownsville, there will be a parade beginning with a meeting at ship was branded as a strikebreak-Pennsylvania and Sutter Aves., at ing agency which betrayed the 2:30 p. m., and ending at Saratoga strike. and Pitkin Aves., at 4 o'clock.

Many of the workers were Spanish-In South Brooklyn, a demonstraspeaking. Comrade Machado spoke tion will take place at Court and on the revolutionary situation in Carroll Sts., beginning at 2 p. m. Spain. Machado exposed the role There will be no parade in connec- played by the anarchists and syndition with this demonstration. calists which led them into the camp In Newark, the demonstration will of the A. F. of L. betrayers instead take place in the Military Park, at of lining up with the revolutionary leadership of the T.U.U.L.

In Paterson, there will be a dem-When the anarchists tried to usurp onstration at the City Hall at 5 the meetings, the workers voted that they should not be given the floor In Passaic, there will be two demagain, after they had spoken once

ben,

AFL Acts to Keep Hunger

Volstead Act.

U. S. Says Jobless Increase;

and Norma Hawkins.

Child of Jobless Worker Dies of Starvation

> BUFFALO, Aug. 18 .- Mary Alice pital from diphtheria, which devel- dren. The dogs often carry the tear oped from chronic undernourishment gas for the state to cossacks-"first Room 330, 799 Broadway! and malnutrition. The father, Er- aid" -they call it

nest Mallery, was recently sentenced The fight against stravation is a to the successful waging of strikes by the notorious Judge Geo. Woltz bitter one. The miners expect this has been most clearly been taught by to three months' imprisonment for and more from the "law." But they the present strikes in the coal and alleged disorderly conduct, the con- look to their fellow-workers to help textile industries. Starvation is the duct consisting of participating in a them face this terror, to stand behind strongest weapon the bosses can demonstration against the Scotts- them in this struggle. They look to weild against the working class. With boro convictions.

The funeral was arranged by the forging ahead, chin up. One meal a the workers to accede to their mis-Social Welfare, who buried the child, day is what they ask of you. On this erable conditions. With starvation meal they will walk miles to nicket they work to break the growing sollh food for the starving fam-

known

determination in the face of the most

extreme terror labor history has

Feet swollen from walking the

covered with one whole garment,

new tactics to be pursued by the The same Associated Press report National Miners' Union cannot be tells of the jailing again of Jesse successfully carried out unless the London Wakefield, representative of roads without shoes, bodies barely miners are provided with adequate the International Labor Defense, "More than ever before," relief. men, women and children march Comrade Foster said, "the need for and Arnold Johnson, representative of the American Civil Liberties

upon the mines, fighting for the right relief from starvation is despe Mallery, aged 9. died at 5 o'clock to life itself. Trained dogs snap at Rally to the aid of the striking min-Friday evening at Buffalo City Hos- their feet, growl, terrorize the chil- ers, rush aid to the Penn-Ohio ciated Press telegram says. It goes Striking Miners' Relief Committee, That relief is of prime importance

HARLAN, Ky., Aug. 18 .- The home you to help feed them while they are hunger the capitalists hope to force

of Henry Thornton, a Negro miner of Harlan and active member of the National Miners' Union, was invaded by four deputized gunmen Saturday night. Thornton was dragged out of

penalty for all 32 now on trial.

Union. Both are in jail, the Asso-

"County officials offered to drop

the charge against Mrs. Wakefield

(she is charged with criminal syn-

dicalism) if she would leave the

community." This she refused to do.

on to state:

But even granting that an additional number of workers would be employed should the manufacture of beer be legalized, the total number so employed would still be a drop in the bucket as compared with the eleven millions out of work today. If the legal manufacture of beer is all that is needed to pull capitalism out of its crisis then we may be quite sure that the capitalists would long ago have legalized its manufacture.

The hypocritical claim that legalized beer will improve the conditions of the working class deliberately conceals the fact that the exploitation of the worker, and not the absence or presence of beer, is the source of his misery. Wage cuts, unemployment, evictions and mass hunger, will continue to be the lot of the workers under capitalism whether beer is legalized or not. It is these and the system that produces them which the workers must fight against. It must be obvious to every thinking worker that the A. F. of L. beer program is just so much hokum, the sole purpose of which is to distract the workers frem the real and only immediate struggle-the fight against wage cuts and hunger.

Workers! What we need now is not a fake "fight" for beer, but the widest possible struggle against this vicious and cold-blooded attack by the employers and their A. F. of L. henchmen. The prospect for this coming winter is the deepest mass misery and hardship for the employed and the unemployed. There can be only one answer if this mass misery is not to grow still greater. Employed and unemployed! Unite for a common struggle against wage cuts and for unemployment relief! Workers, resist the starvation program of Hoover, Green and company! Prepare to strike against wage cuts!

WE ARE GLAD TO CORRECT

The District Organizer of the Communist Party at Chicago tele graphs a protest against an underestimation, made in an editorial in the Daily Worker, of the number of white workers who participated in the mass demonstration in protest against the police murder of the three Negro workers, Gray, O'Neil and Paige, last Saturday. This relates to the funeral of members of the Unemployed Council who were shot to death on the streets of Chicago on August 3 by the police at the request of the attorney of the Chicago branch of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People, together with a group of owners of double-rent jim-crow apartments.

Our editorial had said that 20,000 white workers marched over to the South Side of Chicago to join with the Negro workers in the demonstration. Our figures were incorrect. It is pointed out that 25,000 white workers participated in the actual funeral procession together with between 35,000 and 40,000 Negroes, while 50,000 more, black and white, participated in a less active way by joining in the demonstration on the street as the procession passed. The correct total of participants in this magnificent demonstration of the solidarity of the white and black workers and of protest against the murder of our Negro comrades, was, therefore, 110,000.

We are glad to make the correction.

And now we trust that the Chicago workers, under the continued leadership of their Unemployed Council and of the Chicago District of the Communist Party, will not rest upon their laurels, will not permit that our comrades died in vain, but will work with redoubled energy and confidence to organize the masses of Negro and white workers of Chicago and to fight relentlessly for immediate relief for the unemployed, to prevent the recommencing of evictions, and for social insurance. ----

onstrations held in opposite sections of the town. any longer. All workers are urged to turn out

stration.

p. m.

o'clock.

for these demonstrations in their sections, and make Sacco-Vanzetti Day a day of militant working class protest and struggle against the

growing boss terror and for the release of the nine Scottsboro boys and amnesty to all class war prisoners.

To Get Signatures Thurs. in Bronx for Election Drive

The members of the Communist Party and the Young Communist League, LSNR branches, IWO, Workers' Clubs, ILD and members of the TUUL will be mobilized on Thursday, August 20, to collect signatures and help to put the Communist Party on the ballot in the Bronx. The response of the above mentioned organizations will be so tremendous that according to a very conservative estimation we will collect more than 1,000 signatures. There will be two headquaters:

1-1400 Boston Road 2-2700 Bronx Park East

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18 .- Herald-

will, on the admission of the Hoover

government, exceed all previous fig-

just issued the report that employ-

There has been a steady and per-

sistent increase in the jobless ranks,

according to government figures.

These figures are in no way an ac-

curate indication of the vast num-

ber who are daily losing their jobs,

as the Daily Worker has repeatedly

means that according to government

the truth about unemployment.

One way to help the Soviet

Union is to spread among the workers "Soviet 'Forced Labor,'" by Max Bedacht, 10 cents per copy. | lery.

The workers refused to listen to them | ily had previously been denied. Er- lines, face the cossacks-their clubs, nest Mallery was refused permission gassings, bullets.

to attend his child's funeral. The One miner collapsed from hunger-League of Struggle for Negro Rights died on the steps of the relief station and the Trade Union Unity League in Barking. Others, actively engaged have planned a series of demonstra- in strike work from dawn to midtions against the conviction of Mal- night, are weakening for lack of a little food.

Paterson Strikers Continue Their Picket Lines Despite Court Fines

PATERSON, N. J., Aug. 17 .- the settlement of the Rosenstein shop | mand was too high. A committee Twelve of the strike picketers who on Straight Street. There were was elected to visit the winders to relief in the mine strike area. Alwere arrested at Streng's last week twenty workers on each shift before get them on the picket line and into fred Wagenknecht, secretary of the given the alternative of a jail sen- the strike. Now after the shop has the union. were fined \$5 each today. They were

tence since the cops know that the been announced by the A. F. of L. strikers would take a jail sentence fakers as settled the night shift has from the northwest will be the prin- mittee from the textile strikers in in preference to giving money for not been taken back and there are cipal speaker at the women's mass (a) Allentown, (b) Rhode Island, were brought in to swear that Jesse fines to the court. The workers who no winedrs or warpers on the day meeting which will be held at the were fined are Sophie Melvin, Marshift. tha Stone, Joe Phillips, W. Gershon-

owitz, Minnie Danziger, John Steu-In the Sheinfeld Silk Co. which the Pioneers. At 7:30 p. m. Wedneswas announced by the UTW as set- day the youth conference will take and the revolutionary trade union Harry Eisenman, Gertrude Goldman, Nathan Liss, Ben Neuman, tled no night weavers have been tak- place. The Women's Delegate Conen back and those who are working ference will be held at the Turn

The settlement-sell-out program are getting prices under those of the Hall, August 24 at 8 p. m. of the UTW came to light again in UTW's own price list. Fifteen work-

ers at the Millinery shop at 507 E. 19th Street were told by the boss to join the UTW. These workers who are working below the UTW prices were told that they would only have to pay one month's dues to the union. The Mart Silk Co. which set-

On the day this news was pub- tled with the NTWU agreed to ing the drastic increase in the un- lished the American Federation of every demand put by the union.

employed army, which this winter Labor announced it was going ahead At the meeting of the workers of with its "solution" for unemploy- the Colonial Throwing plant the ment, namely, agitating for the legal girls decided to stay out on strike ures, the Department of Labor has manufacture of booze. To distract until their demands were met by the

TOLEDO, Ohio, August 17 .- A huge | a record for bank failures. the workers from the struggle for boss and the NTWU was recognized. ment dropped 2 per cent in July and unemployment insurance, and to aid The boss had gone to some of the bank crash, involving the four lead- Representatives of 100 rural Ohio and the other A. F. of L. officials them raises of \$2 to \$3 which would of over \$100,000,000 will deprive tens ruin.

The purpose is to get the workers out. to vote for booze instead of unem-

At the warpers' meeting today a ployment insurance. The lies spread proved the government figures are by the A. F. of L. officials is that faked in the interest of concealing booze legally manufactured would increase the number of jobs that are working as learners at from \$10 Trust Co., the Commercial Savings year. A drop of 2 per cent, however, is available. The facts show that to \$22 a week. This committee will Bank and Trust Co., and the Ameralso mobilize the warpers for the ican Bank, is indicative of a growing more booze is manufactured now illefigures over 200.000 workers lost gally, employing thousands, than was strike.

their jobs during July, and each made during pre-prohibition days.

jobless. I'm Thill for size of the unemployed army, and ireduction since they thought the de- previous year. Last year established of their \$26,000,000 deposite.

darity of the toiling workers. The National Conference of the Workers' International Relief which will be held at Pittsburgh, August 29th and 30th, will be an important step forward in the building of a powerful mass organization permanently ready to supply relief on the basis of solidarity.

> The agenda for the National Conference is announced by Marcel Scherer, national secretary of the W.I.R., as follows:

1) Report on the strikes of miners

ective, William Z. Foster. miners' relief and the distribution of back in jail until another charge

Penn-Ohio Striking Miners' Relief Committee 3) Reports by the Strikers' Com-

Mother Bloor who has just come in Turn Hall Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. campaign for the textile strikers re-Entertainment will be provided by lief.

5) The relationship of the W.I.R. movement, Jack Stachel.

6) The call of the International Committee of the W.I.R. for a delegation of American workers to participate in the World Congress of Workers Correspondence is the backbone of the revolutionary press. celebrating the tenth anniversary of Build your press by writing for it the founding of the Workers' International Relief.

his bed, beaten by the gunmen and ordered to leave the country. The miner replied that he would not leave his home, that he saw no reason for going away. They took Thornton out on the road and held a conference among themselves to decide what to do with him. First they suggested killing him and then compromised on beating him again with the butts of their guns and

taking him to jail. Late the next day the prison doctor dressed his wounds. Two days later he was hailed before a judge and textile workers and the strike and charged-with being drunk. But when it was established that 2) The National Campaign for Thornton never drank they put him

> against him can be brought up. When Jesse Wakefield, local representative of the International Labor Defense who was arrested and

charged with criminal syndicalism. came up for trial here, two women (c) Paterson. A developing of a Wakefield had spoken at a mass meeting in Evarts and talked about 'egg shells and killing John Henry Blair, high sheriff of Harlan County. and others." They couldn't remember anything else.

Since Wakefield never spoke in Evarts in her life, these witnessos obviously perjured themselves. Bond for \$10,000 was set-\$5,000 of this. the W.I.R., Berlin, October 9-16. however, is a "peace bond," good for a period of six months, binding her to be "peaceful." Since her crime consists in representing the International Labor Defense in defending miners as a result of class war activities, continuing this work would involve forfeiture of the bond. \$100,000,000 Deposits Hit Eight surety companies refused to handle the peace bond. They know what it means.

Thugs are raiding every house in Catrous Creek. Their excuse is that they are searching for guns. In this state, however, there is no law against keeping a gun. Everyone has at least one that is used for hunting rabbits, squirrels, birds and for protecting their homes. Obviously these thugs, who are raiding homes, attacking miners whom they drag out of bed, roving around bombing and shooting and destroying, wanting to disarm the workers and terrorize them into submission. Again, the trial of the 40 striking miners is coming up very soon, and the thugs fear the mass protest of the miners in the coming trial and want to terrorize them into staving away. The results, however, show

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payrolls dropped nearly 5 per cent. the Hoover government, Green, Woll girls at their homes and had offered ing banks in this city, with deposits banks met in an effort to stave off have organized the National Com- have raised their wages to a \$10 to of thousands of workers of their life The Toledo bank officials are spreading the usual lies about "remittee for the Modification of the \$15 rate. He refused to recognize the savings, and force many thousands NTWU and the girls decided to stay of them who are unemployed to face organization within ten days." In

Four Toledo Banks Crash;

the immediate prospect of death by New York this was told the 400,000 depositors of the Bank of United The closing of these four banks, the States-none of whom have received

committee was elected to investigate Commerce Guardian Trust and Sav- a penny of their deposits to date. the warping plants where the girls ings, the Ohio Savings Bank and and the bank has been shut nearly a . . .

AKRON, Ohio, Aug 17 .- The bank instability in the banking situation. crisis in this state has spread from At the winders' meeting it was de- This is further evidenced by the fact the rural banks and the Toledo banks month from now until mid-winter These same individuals would be re- cided to reduce the wage demands that this year there have been twice to the building and loan associations will see at least 250,000 workers each employed in the legal manufacture from \$22 a week to \$20 a week. All as many bank failures as last year, here. Today 12 such associations month thrown into the ranks of the of booze. making no decrease in the of the winders were in favor of the with amounts double those in the closed up refusing to pay out any

starvation of eviction.

about your day-to-day struggle.

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DAILY WORKER, NEW YORK, TUESDAY, AUGUST ,18, 1931

CHICAGO UNEMPLOYED PRESENT DEMANDS TO **EMERSON COMMISSION**

250 Delegates Respond To Call of Unemployed Council; **Elect Mass Delegation of Twenty-five**

Demand Immediate Relief, State, County and City Appropriations; No Evictions; Equal Relief and Negro Rights

CHICAGO, August 17.-Two hundred and fifty delegates-fifty per cent of them colored --attended the emergency conference called by the Unemployed Council and held here on Sunday. The conference was called to formulate the demands of the unemployed for presentation at the fake unemployed conference called by Governor Emerson's commission. This latest conference was called following the Chicago massacre of unemployed workers and is an attempt to placate the furious anger of the masses arising out of that

JOBLESS POCKET BOOK MAKERS TO HEAR COMMITTEE

Demand Jobless Relief, and New Elections in the Union

NEW YORK .--- Today at 1:30 p.m. the unemployed pocket book workers will meet at Irving Plaza, at Irving Place and 15th Street to hear a report from the committee of 25 elected at a large unemployed meeting held last Thursday

The committee, carrying out the decision of the unemployed pocketbook workers presented to Barnet Wolf, manager of the International Workers Union a resolution demanding among other things that the union immediately start paying unemployment insurance from the unemployment insurance fund. Further that the unemployed insurance fund be controlled by the unemployed instead of Dr. Hendin who takes a fund for helping sell out the pocketbook workers to the bosses

It was also demanded that all the administration expenses should be cut 50 per cent and the wages of officials which today is \$75.00 and \$125.00 per week be cut to the average wage of the trade and that the leadership of the Unemployed Council sum total of this saving be used for the unemployed.

fice which gives out jobs should be showed fine fighting spirit; particucontrolled by the unemployed. At larly is this true of the Negro delepresent the few jobs that do come gates. in are given to the "boys" of the administration clique. That the union call special elections where the workers should have a chance to

The emergency conference elected a mass delegation of 25 Negro and white workers to present its demands to the Commission. These demands include (1) social insurance, to be paid by the state and the bosses and administered by workers' committees; (2) emer-

gency appropriation by the State Legislature of \$200,000,000; (3) Appropriation of \$75,000,000 by the City of Chicago and \$50,000,000 by Cook County; (4) stopping of evictions and no taxations on houses owned by unemployed workers; (5)

no discrimination against Negro and foreign-born workers; (6) unconditional equal rights for Negroes; (7) immediate withdrawal of the police thugs from the South Side and the placing of criminal responsibility for the August 3 massacre of unemployed workers on the

city government and the landlords. Other demands include free gas and electricity for the unemployed, repeal of the sedition and vagrancy laws which are used by the bosses to crush the struggles of the workers against starvation and evictions, the release of the nine workers arrested on August 3 in an attempt to justify the police massacre by framing up workers.

cold \$100.00 every week from that The emergency conference called on 1896. the employed workers to refuse to contribute to Governor Emerson's taxation scheme which aims at putting the full burden of the crisis on the working class.

The ma jority of the delegates were new elements attracted to the by its militant struggle against evictions and starvation. All of the del-Further that the employment of- egates were highly enthusiastic and

banks have failed and others are said to be very shaky. The Communist Party of Iowa and Nebraska issued a statement Saturday night demanding protection for That the police terror has failed

the workers' deposits and is also deto intimidate the workers in the fight | manding that they will be the preagainst evictions was shown last Sat- ferred claims and that they shall be urday when a crowd gathered on the paid in full. Efforts are being made streets on a rumor of an eviction. by the Communist Party of Omaha Seventeen workers were arrested by to organize a joint committee of the police in an extension of the workers who have deposits in the terror. four banks with a committee of the banks where the run is going on at

THE ADVENTURES OF BILL WORKER

-The 4 Marx Bros. Is All the Marx This Socialist Knows-

(I'M RUNNING FOR ALDERMAN. THE EXERCISE MAY REDUCE A MY FAT. OIL ALONE DEAR COMRADE HILLQUOVITCH IT'S NONE OF I THANK GOD I THOUGHT I'D NICHOLAS, DERE'S RETURN OUR RETAINER I'M NOT AS YOUR DAMNED BE SLIPPERY ENOUGH TO SLIP I MAY BE AN OLD OILY AS OTHER FEE, WE CAN USE IT BUSINESS WHAT I STEPPED IN I CLOWN! PADLOCKS TAKE A MASTER MIND TO GET INAT WHITE OIL OFF OF YOU. I MAY BE AN OLD GGY BUT PHYSIC. STICK TO GIN WHILE IMFOR AGAINST THE SOVIET YOU ARE ONLY A ONMY I COULD POCKETS WOULD DO NOTHING THE WHITE RUSSIANS (GOD SAVE THE CZAR) I AMARYIAN TOUCH. - THAT WOULD INJURE MY THOUGHT I'D LIKE TO PICK UP A LITTLE COIN. THER DEAR FOGY"BUT I SOCIALISM DEPRESSION RUSSIAN WHITE OIL OIL RUSSIA ONEAL HILLQUIT

Section 2 Calls Mid-**5 OMAHA BANKS Town Election Drive** Conference, Aug. 21 **CRASH IN WEEK;**

positors Organize

after their usual closing hours.

out the state of Iowa, four or five

The South Omaha Savings Bank

has just failed. This makes three

banks in 48 hours. They are trying

to stall the run on all the other

banks by putting up free lunch coun-

ters, where they distribute sand-

wiches, coffee, pie and lemonade.

Omaha

Section 2 of the Communist Party **OTHERS SHAKEN** as issued a call to labor organi ations and shops within its terriory in midtown Manhattan (14th

treet to 72nd street) to send dele-C. P. Calls on Small Deates to a conference to conduct the election campaign of the Party in Manhattan borough.

OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 17. - Four The conference will be held Friday, banks crashed in one week's time. August 21 at 7:30 p. m. at 301 West Two banks crashed Monday, Aug. 10, 29th Street. the State Bank of Omaha and the

Shops, unions, clubs and fraternal Farmers and Merchants Bank of rganizations are urged to send two Benson. The reason given for the delegates each from their respective failure was the shrinkage in value of the foreign bonds at the State organization. Bank of Omaha. The Farmers and

Merchants Bank reason was having deposits in the State Bank of Metal Workers Friday, Aug. 14, the South Omaha **Endorse Election** State Bank closed and on Saturday Aug. 15, the Union State Bank closed and the run on three other Campaign of C. P banks developed to the point where they had to keep open Saturday

The presidents of all the banks Industrial League at its membership that have so far crashed are issumeeting on Friday night last unaniing reassuring statements, and yet mously endorsed the Communist it is being rumored that the depos-Party program and candidates in the itors will lose at least 20 to 30 cents election campaign. J. Louis Engdahl, on a dollar. This is the biggest bank

Communist candidate for Congress crash that Omaha has had since in the 7th district, Brooklyn, addressed the 400 members who were The three other banks of Omaha present and enthusiastically pledged the Omaha National, the First Nato mobilize members in the shops tional and the U.S. National, are and in their home territory to colpart of the Federal Reserve, and, belect signatures, the quota set by the cause of that, the Omaha Clearing Communist Party for the mass col-House Association is trying to stop lection throughout the city of 2 sigruns on these banks, but hundreds natures a day to place the Commuof workers are demanding their denist Party on the ballot. posits. In the last week, through-

The following pro oosals should be brought before the workers in the shops, factories, inions and all mass organizations to reach goal set for Sept. 6th. Plan of Work.

1. Have organization, shop, etc. adopt a resolution endorsing the instructions, in part, read: Communist Party candidates and pledging support for the campaign. start at 140th St. and 8th Ave .- over

paign

stations:

Clubs on block basis.

HUGE REWARD INCITES TERROR AGAINST BIRMINGHAM NEGROES; **WORKERS TO PROTEST AUGUST 22**

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., August 17 .- (Negro workers found on the streets The boss terror against the Negro with parcels have been stopped and forced to submit to a search for Comworkers of this city has been further incited by the posting of a reward munist literature. At least two Neof \$3,300 for the successful framing gro workers were deliberately taken up of some innocent Negro worker out of their beds by police and shot in connection with the hold-up and down a short distance from their Warrants have been issued shooting of three society women on homes. August 4. One of the women died for all white and Negro Communist shortly after the hold-up, another leaders. Several of these have been died last Thursday afternoon. The arrested and are being held without third woman, Nell Williams, was charges or on "general charges." wounded only in the arm and is not (CONTINUED ON PAGE THREE)

a bill due them.

vice.

This worker then took the check to

the National City Bank where they

refused to cash it and told him to go

CITIES

in danger. Among the organizations contrib Gas Co. Refuses Own uting to the indictment of this terro are several Negro business men's organizations. That the hold-up and

shooting of the society women is being used only as a pretext for terror-Ave. received a check several days ago from the Consolidated Gas Co. as izing the Negro masses is clearly shown by the fact that only militant the return of his deposit No. 15916. NEW YORK .- The Metal Trades Negro workers are being sought and He offered this check to the gas colquestioned by the police. Scores of lector at his new address 2476 Eighth Negro homes have been raided, not Ave., but the collector refused to acin a hunt for the hold-up man, but cept checks. The company would not

in a search for Communist literature. accept its own checks in payment for

Hold Amnesty Day Parade in Harlem Election Campaign Is

Spurred in Section

Preparing for the Amnesty Day parade in Harlem and Yorkville, Saturday, August 22nd, Section 4 of the Communist Party has issued the following instructions for the various other cities by rushing copies of the organizations, outlining the line of matrices of the Moscow edition to

"The upper Harlem Parade to

Hotly Contested Sports BROOKLYN WORK-Meet at Daily Picnic; AthletesAre Returning ERS TO COLLECT At Pleasant Bay Park Sunday afternoon there was one of the most FOOD FOR MINERS

days ever held at a working class picnic. The entries came from La-

bor Sport Union clubs as well as Penn-Ohio Miners Relief Commitworkers from amongst the picnicers tee, 61 Graham Ave., appeals to ev-High jump, broad jump, and the ery worker and working class house shot put were the three most fiercely fought competitions, seeing two ties wife of Brooklyn in the name of the and many close neck-and-neck competitions. The final outcome of all events were as follows: Running broad jump, 1st place, Allen Leybar 17 ft. 7 in.; 2d place, A. Kangis, 17 ft 6¼ in.; 3d place, Lefoe, 16 ft. 2¾ in. Shot put, 1st place, Lefoe, 41 ft. 3 in.; 2d place, Kangis, 39 feet 11 in.; 3d place, Nelson 39 ft. 7 in.

Javelin, 1st place, Nelson, 120 ft; d place, Kangis, 1120 ft.; 3d place, **Check From Worker** Weiss, 105 ft. High jump, 1st place, Lefoe 5 ft. Fred Brockenauer of 2476 Eighth

in.; 2d place, Turchan, 5 ft. 1 in.; 3d place, Marks, 4 ft. 9 in. Basing the score on the fact that the first place gets five points and second place gets three points and

third place gets one point, Kangis, a member of the Vesa A C., won with the highest score of 9 with Lefoe. Weiss, Nelson with 6 each. The

highest scorer was given a silver loving cup presented by the Daily Worker.

This field day was a practice event to his own bank. The worker has no or the entrants in their preparation bank account. Because of the petty for the meet coming off next Saturersecution of the bosses the check day at 3 o'clock (after the Saccoas cost him a lot of trouble already. Vanzetti demonstrations) at Bettsy Head Park, Brownsville, At this meet PRAVDA PUBLISHED IN MANY the worker athletes who competed in the Spartakiad are going to run in Editions of the Moscow Pravda special events, especially the events they took first and second place in

central organ of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, are now Germany and Soviet Union printed in Kharkov, Roslov, Baku, All can enter this meet or come as Tiflis, Sverdlovsk, Leningrad and spectators. Entry blanks to be gotten at L.S.U. office, 2 W. 15th St. march and order of line up. The these cities by special airplane ser- Room 309. Bettsy Head Park is in Brownsville

SOLLIN'S RESTAURANT

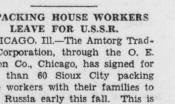
thousands of starving miners and their families in PennOhio, West Virginia and Kentucky, to help collect food and funds. The Williamsburg Section of the Miners Relief Committee has arranged a special day for the purpose of collecting food and funds. A truck will be at the headquarters, 61 Graham Ave., on Wednesday morning, Aug. 19. at 9:30 a.m. All unemployed workers and working class housewives are asked to participate. The relief station is open every

The Williamsburgh Section of the

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night from 6:30 p.m. to 11 1p.m. Workers are urged to come to the meetings and to participate actively in the gathering of relief for the heroic miners.

60 PACKING HOUSE WORKERS



CHICAGO, Ill.-The Amtorg Trading Corporation, through the O. E. Benson Co., Chicago, has signed for more than 60 Sioux City packing

house workers with their families to go to Russia early this fall. This is just another indication of the great improvement in the conditions of the workers in the U.S.S.R. over the prosperity here. There is no unemployment in the Soviet Union

216 EAST 14TH STREET

elect to office an administration that stands for the workers and their demands. The present union officials are fully discredited and therefore refuse to call a union membership meeting, fearing the wrath of the workers

All unemployed pocketbook workers should come to today's meeting where the workers will act on the results of the committee's talk with the Union manager.



TUESDAY-

Downtown Unemployed Council will have an open-air meeting to night at 10th St. and 2nd Ave., 8 p.m. All workers invited. WEDNESDAY_ * *

WEDNESDAY-International Workers Order, Br. 500 Special meeting to be held at Workers Center, 35 E. 12th St., 8:30 p.m. The Constitution and By-laws of the I.W.O. to be voted on.

Steve Katovis Br., I.L.D. will hold an open-air meeting at 7th and Ave A, 8 p.m.

Seagate Women's Council There will be a lecture on the 5-Year Plan by Comrade Lillenstein at 4001 Neptune Ave.

Inter. Labor Defense, A. Levy Br. will have a meeting this Aug. 19, 8:30 p.m., at 52444 Vermont St. Mem-bers are requested to come on time.

Friends of the Soviet Union Mass meeting of members of Brownsville Br., at 1884 Pitkin Ave. on Aug. 19, 8 p.m. Come and bring your friends. The F.S.U. will also hold a mass meeting at the West Bronx Br. at Paradise Manor, 11 W. Mt. Eden Ave. 8 p.m. An American expert. back from Soviet Russia, will speak on the 5 Year Plan. Brownsville Workers' Center NEW YORK STATE

Brownsville Workers' Center There will be a meeting concern-ing, its building up at 118 Bristol St. 8 p.m., on Aug. 19. All workers invited . .

* * * Furniture Workers There will be a mass meeting of all furniture workers at Irving Plaza, 15 St. and Irving Pl., Aug. 19, 8 p.m.

. . . Inter. Labor Defense, Gene Debs Br. A membership meeting of the Gene Debs Br., ILLD., will take place on Aug. 19. 8 p.m., in the school at 2700 Bronx Park, East.

Volunteers Wanted! Typists and mimeograph operators are needed for a few hours work at

KINDERLAND - A Blend of Fighters

HERE ARE THE KIDDIES, THE FOLKS. HERE IS EACH FAMILY'S FRIEND. IN KINDERLAND ALL GENERATIONS OF FIGHTERS MAKE UP AN INSPIRING BLEND. Rate: \$17.50 and \$19.50-Red Press Week-No Collections.

More than twenty street meetings this time. A mass meeting for this were held throughout the city Satpurpose is being called for Thursday, urday night, with thousands of Ne-Aug. 20, at Jefferson Park of this gro and white workers responding.

city. Printed calls have been distributed throughout the city for the Cook County Conference on Unemployment which is to be held on September 13, 10 a. m. at the People's Auditorium, 2457 West Chicago

Ave.

Many people are standing in front of the crashed banks weeping and **Crippled War Vet** lamenting the fact that they have **Sleeps In Park So Cops** lost their savings.

Beat Him Up

"TOO MANY COOKS" AT HIPPODROME

NEW YORK .- Jack Kelly, world "To Many Cooks", the new Radio war veteran, unemployed and home-Picture with Bert Wheeler and Dorless, who lost three and half inches othy Lee, is having its first Manhatoff his foot in the last World War, tan showing at the Hippodrome this was beaten up and driven out of week. The story is an adaptation Lincoln Terrace Park where he was from the stage play by Frank Craven, and was directed by William A. Sei-The police have been making a ter. practice of driving the workers away The great Huber heads the vaudefrom this park on Buffalo Avenue ville bill with his magic and an illu-

because the workers discuss prosion act. Others on the bill include blems here and sympathize with the Roy Sedley, comic of musical comedy repute; Pat Henning, Glorianna Lea, the Harris Twins, Dave Mallen with Patsy O'Neill, who introduce a new act by Bert Wheeler, Nate Bus-

by, Kohn and De Pinto and Paddy Saunders. CONRAD VEIDT IN NEW

tral Europe.

UFA FILM AT CAMEO

"Thirteen Men and a Girl", a UFA

playing at the Cameo Theatre, has

The picture, which is based on the

German stage success, "The Last

Company." stars Conrad Veidt.

known both to Continental and

• Woodridge and Vicinity A unit of the Communist Party has been formed at Woodridge, N.Y. and meets every Tuesday night. All comrades working in the mountains and with leave of absence for the summer, report next Tuesday.

the German Film Art Commission. and has proven very popular in Cen-



American screen audiences for his characterizations in "The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari," "The Man Who Laughs," and "The Last Performance." Karin Evans takes the par of the girl opposite Conrad Veidt. The period in which the film take lce is that of the early nineteenth entury when Napoleon defeated the

Prussians at Jena.

Arrange a special mobilization 8th Ave. to 145th St. down 145th St day either midweek or Sunday for to Lenox Ave., down Lenox to 138th the entire membership to collect sig- St., down 138th to 5th Ave., down natures from the stations of the 5th Ave. to 134th St., up 134th St. to Communist Party in the various bor- 7th Ave. to 129th St., down 129th St. oughs-immediate and urgent task. to 5th Ave., to Mt. Morris Park. 3. Use the organization headquar- The parade in upper Harlem starts ters for the Election Campaign and at 140th St. and 8th Ave. at 2:30 place a 15 foot oilcloth sign outside p. m. sharp. Red Front Fighter Band

the building-the Party will supply will lead the parade. slogans and can make these signs for Yorkville: Start at 100th St. and \$4 a piece. 4. Issue leaflets to the member- Ave. to 106th St., to 1st Ave., to ship on the campaign and support 117th St., up 117th St. to Lexington for the Party.

Ave. to 113th St., up 113th St. to 5th 5. Have Communist Party speak- Ave., up 5th Ave. to Mt. Morris Park. ers visit all branches of the organ-All lower Harlem and Yorkville orization to address membership. ganizations to report to 100th St. 6. Prepare to support the Ratifi- and 2nd Ave., concentration point at cation Meeting of the Party on Sept. 2 p. m. with their banners, flags 18. Sell tickets.

signs. All upper Harlem organiza-7. Support Tag Day, Sept. 19 and tions to report to 10th St., 8th Ave. 20-arrange to have headquarters as at 2 p. m. with their banners, flags stations. Appoint committees to signs. About 18 open air meetings handle work and be responsible for have been arranged along the line collections. Send committee names joining the parade when it arrives.

and stations to district at once. Election Campaign: Three Elec-8. Issue statement on position in tion Campaign signature stations support of the Party in the cam- have been established in Yorkville and Harlem as follows. These sta-9. Organize Vote Communist tions open daily, Saturday and

Sunday. 10. Call mass meetings of mem-Hungarian Workers Home, 350 F bership (language organizations, etc.) 81st St. All Yorkville organizations • 11. Collect funds for campaign at to send their committees to this meetings-arrange affairs, etc. station.

The volunteers to collect signa-Harlem Progressive Youth Club, 1492 Madison Ave. near 102nd St. All tures should report at the following lower Harlem mass organizations to 142 East 3rd St., 301 West 29th St send their committees to this station. 132 East 26th St., 19 West 129th St., Harlem Workers Center, 19 West 569 Prospect Ave., Bronx; 1400 Bos-129th Street. All upper Harlem orton Road, 2700 Bronx Park East, 61 ganizations send their committees to Graham Ave., Brooklyn: 136 15th St., this station.

B'klyn.; 118 Bristol St., B'klyn.; 105 The candidates follow: Pres. Bor-Thatford Ave., 313 Hinsdale St., ough Manhattan, I. Amter: 16th Ass. picture with English dialogue, now 412 Sutter Ave., 261 Utica Ave., 121 District, A. Leitner, Maud White; Springfield Ave., Newark, N. J.; 306 17th Ass. District, A. Matthew and been recognized as a work of art by Market St., Paterson, N. J.; 308 Elm A. Rodriguez; 18th Ass. District, Wm St., Perth Amboy, N. J. L. Patterson, Ch. Alexander.

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sleeping Saturday by cops.

Communists.

STRIKEBREAKING ROLE | August 22, Sacco-**OF PITTSBURGH PRESS GETS FAGAN'S PRAISE**

All Pittsburgh Papers Carry On Vicious Campaign Against Striking Miners

Pat Fagan Lauds Yellow Journalism's Attack On Workers In Letter to Press

Daily Worker:

The three local capitalist newspapers, "The Pittsburgh Press," "Sun Telegraph" and "Post Gazette" are carrying on a real vicious strikebreaking campaign against the miners and their fighting union, the National Miners' Union. They are trying to force the miners to go back into the mines and scab under the United Mine Workers scab scale. "Press" Lies.

The "Press," which masquerades as a liberal, has cast aside its cloak of liberality and is @ the fact that your newspaper is doing everything in the power of fully cognizant of the distress of yellow capitalist journalism to dethe miners and their families. feat the miners' fight against starva-During the past week especially has The Press looked with a dis-

day.

aware.

The "Press" gave a fine example of deceptive reporting in announcing the size of the crowd of the local August 1 demonstration against war. They said that "more than a thousand were there." Now 1,001 would be more than a thousand; also 3,000 (which was near the correct amount) would be considerably more than a thousand. The "Post Gazette" also used the "more than" ruse to avoid giving the correct estimate.

Greatest Fight in History. The miners are putting up one of the greatest fights in the history of the American labor movement and they deserve the wholehearted support of every worker. Pat Fagan praises the strikebreaking policy of the capitalist press.

Fagan Praises "Press." quote in full a letter of praise

to the Pittsburgh Press written by strikebreaking Fagan: pier one? "Editor, the Pittsburgh Press:

Through the bitter years of 1927 and 1928 and now again in 1931 the newspapers of Pittsburgh have as part of their mission the dissemination of news about the coal miners of this district.

It is particularly gratifying to read the accounts of the various happenings in the mining communitics in The Press because of

Eagle Pencil Workers Building Factory Committee

department to put baskets of pencils (By a Worker Correspondent)

partment in which I work, is by no and crawl into bed. We are too exfinish work in the evening, after a grow old quickly in the Eagle. nine-hour day, we are covered with dirt, and the five minutes we have to wash and dress is far from sufficient. The workers in the factory have been grumbling ever since the bosses stole ten minutes of our washing time. In fact, the bosses of the Eagle are so strict about washing

DAILY WORKER, NEW YORK, TUESDAY, AUGUST ,18, 1931

M. W. A.

dues.

MOLLENHAUER, Pa., Aug. 16 .-- A

meeting of the workers in this mine.

held as a United Mine Workers local

meeting overrode the Fagan hench-

men and served notice on the super-

pay for dead work and abolish dis-

. . .

miner in Brook County, West Vir-

ginia," declared a member of the

KY. STATE PROSECUTOR CALLS FOR DEATH OF 32 IMPRISONED MINERS

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) Seattle, Wash .--- 3 p.m. in Denny Regade District, 5th and Blantremendous gains in National Miners' Union membership all through the Ironwood, Mich .- 7p.m., Northregion

western Park, corner Suffolk and The Southern miners are determined to build a strong union that Boston, Charles St. Mall, Boston will wipe out starvation conditions and make a flux plague, such as they Minneapolis, Minn., Bridge Sq., are suffering now, impossible to ravage the coal fields. And, to support them in this intense struggle, the Pennsylvania-Ohio-West Virginia-Kentucky Striking Miners' Relief Committee calls upon workers everywhere to send every penny they can to buy food to rush into these camps, to Room 205, 611 Penn Ave., Pitts-

burgh, Pa.

BROWNSVILLE, Pa., August 17 .-aturday morning's picket line at Moffitt-Sterling was attacked un- intendent that they would either get uccessfully by four state police. The outrageous resistance of the picket crimination in favor of the pets of captain brought an attempt to bully the bosses, or they would all be out the pickets off the public highway on the picket line. The meeting was to a dramatic end.

While the pickets were marching down the road, one of the squad of state troopers called the picket captain to come over and "let me tell you something." The picket answered that he was busy picketing and

didn't have time for conversation. The cop then grabbed the picket by the arm and the picket grabbed the cop by the neck and threw him into Ohio-Panhandle Rank and File Strike up and struck three times with his

other.

ing along and watching.

chot man.

COVERDALE, Pa., August 17 .-Seventeen state troopers guarded the

Company's Mine No. 8 here. They an understanding. But we can't man who is placed in the local to run try to show whether they are back The miners present, conscripted into jolted the whole wage cutting scheme the UMW through the wage-cutting of the bosses everywhere. Our bigagreement the Fagan-Lewis clique gest problem is going to be relief, made with the Terminal Comyanw, let's have some, and we will fight!" raised a row. So the UMWA local

redressed next day.

Thirty-five men, a whole section joined the strike because lumber for movement among those now at work limbering their working places was

in "Daily" Office "Enclosed find two dollar bill ollected from sympathizer of Daily Worker," writes G. D., Sungive the miners a new face or two nyvale, Cal. "I can assure you and has promised in this mine not that I am out to do all I possibly to check off dues for the hated U. can to increase the circulation of

Funds Still Needed

the Daily Worker, the only English daily fighting for the inter-However, it has at the same time ests of us workers and wish evannounced a new series of fines "for ery worker would do the same.' dirty coal." A dolllar will be charged for the first car, then 50 cents for Workers! The Daily Worker is not yet out of danger! While the the next, and if anybody really loads dirty coal, the company will fire him. campaign was extended to en The first dollar and a half is collected able us to get an additional \$5.000 whether there is any dirt in the coal vet very little money has been or not. One and one half dollar is exactly the United Mine Workers

coming in during the past two weeks! The two Western workers quoted above realize the impor tance of the Daily Worker to the cause of the working class and have responded in proportion to their means. What about you fellow worker? Have you sent in the limit of your pocketbook? Dig down deep again and air mail your donation to the Daily Worker, 50 E. 13th St., New York City It's for a good cause! Also urge

your friends to do likewise!

attended, as usual with U. M. W. A **Bad Conditions at** local meetings, by the mine super-intendent, the mine foremen and the pit boss. The friends of the bosses are working every day, and the ordinary miners get two days' work a week. Laid to Cermak PITTSBURGH, Pa., Aug. 16. -Tents and relief will pull out every

Staff. Undermanned No Attention Given to Sick Patients

CHICAGO, Ill. - The conditions the same two districts. "Tents for 65 Forest Infirmary are so critical due The cop looked around for the other families and we strike Colliers No. 2 to gross neglect and graft that emertroopers to open fire, but these were mine," announced a Negro member gency measures must be adopted. days this month. overawed by the fact that every man from the Panhandle. "We have built This report was made by investiga-

Workers local in Pittsburgh Coal We're way past that stage. We have Twelve wards containing twenty- they attribute to the economic demet on company property, with the come to these men at work with six nurses-three hundred and twencompany officials present. When nothing but promises. We haven't the ty-five patients with only six nurses!

per cent overcrowded. Uniform things, yelled. "Get out, you Reds!" of this fight of the miners, which has meals are prepared for the four thousand inmates regardless of their special dietary requirements. The food purchased is of low grade and is slovenly and indifferently pre-"Well, we didn't have a chance to pared-despite the fact that tuberpresident approached the two men build our union before the strike cular, diebetic and other sick perand promised to get the grievance started, let's build it now!" is the sons are inmates there, there is not opinion of men outside and inside of one dietician on the staff. The clerthe mines in East Ohio, stated an- ical staff is woefully under-staffed in the mine, walked out Friday and other delegate. The delegates told of and with resultant neglect of keep-

HUGE REWARD INCITES TERROR AGAINST BIRMINGHAM NEGROES; WORKERS TO PROTEST AUGUST 22

Page Three

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) Against this rapidly spreading boss

terror the masses, Negro and white, The terror campaign of the Biremployed and unemployed, must raise mingham bosses and their police their thunderous protest on Aug. 22. against the Negro masses is part of Workers! Rally to the fight against the nation-wide terror now going on Jim Crow and capitalist and its muragainst the entire working class. It derous attacks on the working class! is aimed at smashing the growing Demonstrate August 22 for the reunity between Negro and white worklease of the Scottsboro and Camp Hill ers, and at crushing the struggles of victims, for the release of Tom Moothe working class against starvation ney and all class-war prisoners! Deand evictions. It is part of the genmand the immediate release of the eral campaign directed by the Wall more than 100 miners held in Ken-Street government and its agents totucky on a framed-up charge of murward the worsening of the conditions dering one of the mine owners' gunof 'the working class by wage cuts, men! Demand the release of the denial of unemployment relief, the strike leaders in other mine fields lengthening of hours of labor, etc. in the textile strike, etc. Smash the

Part and parcel of this campaign terror of the bosses against the workis the wide-spread terror against the ing class! Defend the right to ormine strikers in Pennsylvania, Ohio, ganize, the right to fight against West Virginia and Kentucky, the starvation and evictions! Defend the massacre of Negro croppers at Camp Negro people against lynching and Hill, Alabama, the massacre of un- national oppression. Fight for equa! employed workers in Chicago on Aug. rights for the Negro people! Down s, the deportation drive against mil- with boss terror! Demonstrate or Aug. 22! itant foreign-born workers.

Cook CityInfirmary TIMKEN WORKERS "VACATION" **EXTENDED UNTIL SEPTEMBER 2**

CANTON, Ohio, Aug. 11 .- The as the coal miners are doing. We'h workers in Timkens Roller Bearing have to organize shop committees "sweatshop" reported for work on and get connected with the Metal Monday, Aug. 3. following their an- Workers' Industrial League.

nual vacation (I don't know what Yesterday, at the Municipal Court, they called previous lay-offs this the clerk called the workhouse and existing at the Cook County Oak- year). A few went to work and the asked for a place to put a mother rest were told to report Sept. 2. with a month's old baby. She had Those working are promised only 10 been arrested on a liquor charge and fined \$100 and costs and lodged in

In the lying Repository of today the city jail, but the prisoners raised there is a lot of hooey regarding hell and they put this mother and babe in the workhouse

> ESSEX COUNTY **ELECTION CONF.**

To Ratify Communist Party Candidates

NEWARK, N. J.-The Essex County Provisional Election Campaign Committee of the Communist Party is sending out calls to all organizations for a county conference to be held Sunday, August 23rd at 5 Belmont

They say they have affected many economies in overhead expenses, but have not cut wages. Oh. what liars! I wonder if these workers sent back Freeholders and John J. Bellam for home Monday see a smaller income. Governor.

Every workers' organization, and has taken wage-cut after wage-cut workers from the shops are requestand it is soon time that we answer ed to send two delegates to this con-

CHICAGO, Ill .-- Rumors of a There are 15 Communist candidates in Essex County alone.

Union County, which has Elizabeth and Linden, will have their ratifica-Springfield. But we hear that only tion convention delegates' meeting on subordinates and not Warden Hill. Thursday, July 30 when they will

These aliens are faced with almost

countries.

Cleveland, Public Sq. Read the story on Page 5. Cleveland, Public Sq. at 2 p.m. Indianapolis, Ind .-- Military Park at 3 p.m. Anderson, Ind .--- Court House at

Terre Haute, Ind .- Court House at 3 p.m. Detroit, Mich .- In front of City

Vanzetti Dav

New York-Union Square.

chard.

Dyer St.

Commons.

at 4:30 p.m.

Pittsburgh, Pa.

cerning eye upon the happenings

in the coal fields. I, of course, am

thinking particularly of the dis-

turbance at Canonsburg last Sun-

The Press has not failed to

bear in mind that the actions of

the National Miners' Union are

directed toward but one end, and

that is the Red world revolution.

On the other hand the United

Mine Workers of America has for

its goal the rehabilitation of the

American coal miner, and of this

fact, too, has The Press been well

Demonstrations

Hall at 7 p.m.

Anti-Deportation Week Declared for August 23-30 Incl.

Wickersham Report Does Not Recognize Right of Asylum

port of the Wickersham Commisand unsatisfactory, M. T. Nastas, secretary of the National Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born, today announced that his or-

ganization will sponsor a National I am writing to you in this vein Anti-Deportation Week, from August because of my sincere apprecia-23 to 30. The purpose of this spetion of the clear-cut. de-bunked cial week will be to draw more widespread attention to the deportation abuses by the Department of Labor which are disclosed in the Wickersham Commission report.

Nastas pointed out that although he Wickersham Commission report takes cognizance of malpractices that have long been known to foreign born residents, it ignores the basic principle of the right of asylum for political refugees in this country. He cited the cases of Guido Serio. T Lee, Edith Berckman and Eduardo Machado, now facing deportation.

certain death for political offenses if they are returned to their native

Nastas said: "We are not satisfied

A worker in Union Sq., during the

talists against Communism.

"Despite its platform declarations

This chapter on Government and

Political Parties is only one of 10 chapters on different subjects in the

Labor Fact Book. As the election

campaign progresses and the Com-

munist Party goes on the ballot in more and more states, the candidates for election and other speakers at

merely with constitutional guarantees for those who face deportation, NEW YORK, N. Y .- I am a work- on, but a pencil is worth more than we are opposed to all deportations er in the Eagle Pencil Factory in a girl in the eyes of the owners of in principle. Especially are we op-New York City. The entire factory the Eagle. And after we get through posed to deportations of foreign born is absolutely filthy, with very bad work for the day it is just about all workers for political or labor activisanitary conditions, but B-9, the de- we can do to get home, eat supper ties in this country."

Nastas also announced the formameans the cleanest. By the time we hausted for anything else. Girls tion of an advisory bureau to help the foreign born residents to determine their legal standing in this With all this, with a speed-up that country. The bureau will also give has kept on increasing until many information on naturalization proceof the workers who used to work on dure. "All requests for help will be one machine now work on two or in the strictest confidence," Nastas the bosses to lay off workers and of doubtful standing from becoming three, with a consistent policy by increase the speed-up on the work- involved in the espionage dragnet up that if a man is caught a min-make 117 or 118 o make Net a more left, we do well if we of the Department of Labor. make \$17 or \$18 a week. Not a very

news stories which have appeared in The Press about the coal miners. May I hope with you that their lot will be soon a hap-P. T. FAGAN. President. United Mine Workers of America, Pittsburgh District." The workers should answer Fagan

and the lying boss owned papers by rushing more funds than ever before to the Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky Miners Relief, 611 Penn Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. -A WORKER.

NEW YORK. - Describing the the ditch. The cop came swarming sion on deportations as inadequate club, the club being caught each time and held by the picket-between his arm and his body. Both the cop and the picket were grappling with each

Committee here Friday at the joint meeting of the strike committees of Ohio-West Virginia and Western Pennsylvania with the district boards of the National Miners Union from

in the picket line had picked up a a bridge already between the men on tors to Mayor Cermak, in his other big rock. So stalemate resulted, strike and the men forced back job as chairman of the Board of Timkens. It says they have an or-Finally the cop said, "Let me go," through evictions and terror to the County Commissioners, which, by der for \$400.000 in bearings for the and the picket responded, "You let mine. Just give us 65 tents, and the the way, he greedily holds on to re- Pennsylvania R. R., to be used on

me go." Both finally let loose, and night truck rolls in with them, the gardless of his pledge to voters he their N.Y.-Washington electrification the pickets proceeded about their next morning you will see these would resign. Cermak is duly re- project. With the speed-up and

sleep when they are evicted!

hope of a place for their babies to tutions. "We can't win a strike by talking!

last meeting of the United Mine We don't need meetings on policy!

duty, with the state troopers follow- families on the picket line and more sponsible for the misery imposed modern machinery this order besides! We're sticking! But we need upon the four thousand inmates, as they got it and if it is not cancelled) The picket captain reports he felt the men on strike inside. They will he has been fully aware of the will soon be finished and we workarmor under the uniform of the Pin- come out for local demands-if we shameful state of affairs during his ers must remember that nine-tenths can give them at least some hope seven years as head of county insti- of this amount goes into the bosses

But Few Doctors.

pockets.

The report reveals that where at sob story about the net earnings for least twenty doctors should be in the the first half of 1931, which were hospital staff, there are only six. \$2,462,14.71, far below 1930. This seven patients each are cared for by pression. What profound reasoning! I was afraid it would be blamed on the Communists

two miners appeared with a griev- tents themselves. Now is the time for Such criminal neglect speaks for itance against the company, the Fagan the workers of the rest of the coun- self. The institute is over thirty

conditions that assure a great strike ing records of patient's progress. The report was sent in to Cermak

The yellow sheet goes on with a

Lie About Wage-Cuts.

Ave., Newark, at 10.30 a. m.

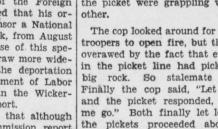
This conference will ratify the ommunist Party candidates for General Assembly and for Board of

Department after department here

JOLIET SHAKEUP A WHITEWASH ference.

shake-up in the executive personnel of Joliet Penitentiary are current in

limbering their working places was delivered just inside the entrance to and the proper relief is in sight. At the mine, and they were instructed McKinleyrille the superintendent tells in a prize fight in New York. Receivator activities at the penitentiary, are to decide on a county conference.



ute before the regulation washing big price to pay for a girl's youth and health, but it is the most we HANDBOOK FOR time without his shirt on (that is, preparing to wash) he is immediately fired. low as ten or twelve dollars a week.

Slavedriving Foreman.

Our foreman in B-9. Joe Hartman, We are building our factory comis known all through the plant as mittee. Last December, after a ter the worst slave driver in the place. per cent wage cut, the workers of When a girl stops to speak to an- the Eagle went out on strike. The other he yells at her, when a pencil strike failed, because we were inexgets a mark on it that it shouldn't perienced and did not know how to munist now,-I would." have he vells. Everyone hates him, fight properly, how to picket mili-We have to stand at our work all tantly, etc. But our next strike will day. Yes, there are chairs in the not fail.

Bank Crashes; Pipe Line Strikers Win

, lumbia Gas System won their strike him more about the Communist (By a Worker Correspondent)

HUEYSVILLE, Ky.—The Bank of Wayland crashed the other day. Wayland crashed the other day. Small depositors face ruin. Small cuts. Strike for more pay. Now is the ways voted Democrat" or Republican merchants and small business men time. You can win a strike Now! or Socialist, still has even a hair's- rush organization work inside the also face bankruptcy. How long will All you need is the guts to put it over. breadth of trust left in any one of the small merchants and small Lets go, call a meeting, elect your the three old capitalist parties, take businessmen permit this system to strike committee, and get down to out your copy of the Labor Fact Book and turn to page 188. Here are 17 rob them and the workers for the business.

pages of information about the parbenefit of the large capitalists? Call mass meetings. Demonstrate. ties of capitalism, and about the Merchants! Small businessmen! You Protest the difference between the Communist Party as the only party are facing ruination-why not side cost of production and consumption. of the working class.

with the workingclass and overthrow Socialism removes the speculator and Recent political "scandals" of the such rotten one sided system. Soci- the hijacker, and puts them to work old capitalist parties are summarized. alism is your salvation, and the soon- or chases them out of the country. Business connections of Hoover and er you see it, the better for you. Join the Communist organizations his millionaire cabinet are set forth. The Boldman strikers of the Co- and let's go over the top. The socialist party, the third party

Martin, Ky. 1 who wanted literature and offered

Kentucky Workers Desperate, Talk Revolt

Daily Worker:

his aid in organizing this field. They Via Bus, Freight and the highway are being forced under slavery condiscrimination against Negroes," explains the Fact Book. During the and coming in droves hunting ditions as well as the working man, 1930 election campaign "A. F. Van work, and could not find one job. and they are waking up. Lets go, Blon, socialist party candidate for All talk was more revolutionary than lead these men to victory, we know governor of Texas, wrote against the patriots of the American Revo- you can do it. Nowhere have I nominating Negroes for public office lution. Met a General Mine fore- found even an outpost of the United on the ground that the South would man from the Tug River field of W. Mine Workers organization. The not 'for at least 50 years-tolerate voting for a colored man."

Va. He prayed for the Communists people have broadened their demands and their revolutionary unions to and beliefs; they are rebelling come; offered financial aid, or to against this crooked minority government as well as against their em help raise it.

In the center of the Big Sandy ployers. Coal fields met other under boss

Hungry Worker Asks to Be Sent to Jail

meetings and all workers in the cam-(By a Worker Correspondent) | Inspector Slaten, however, refused paign need more and more facts on LOS ANGELES, Cal.-"Send me to send him back. So, as far as I every subject of interest to the workback to prison. At least I will have know the worker may be dead from ing class. Here in this 224-page book, a place to sleep and something to starvation by this time. selling for only 85 cents, are the an-According to a survey of prisoners swers to the questions that workers eat."

A Worker

This was the plea made the other recently taken in an El Paso, Tex., ask. Get your copy, if you haven't alday by John Snare, starving odd- jail, the majority expressed the deready, at the Workers' Book Shop job Los Angeles worker, who begged sire to be in jail all the time rather in your city or order from Internato be returned to Anamosa, Iowa, to than outside-because they didn't like tional Publishers, 381 Fourth Ave., complete a ten years prison term. the idea at liberty in land of "plenty." New York City.

to drag it from there all the way to their working places. When they took up this grievance with the boss, he threatened to discharge their spokes-**ELECTIONS READY** man, whereupon all struck. The spokesman had been paid \$1.90 for it from the company." four day's work with a sledge. NEW YORK-"I've always voted

A group of the Coverdale miners arranged a secret meeting and sent Democrat. But I'd like to vote Com-

for a National Miners Union representative to come and confer with Mr. Doak's strike breakers, is hover-August 1 demonstration, thus ex- them. They put the question frankly ing around Elm Grove and Wheeling, pressed to another worker beside to the NMU organizer: "What shall having come in from Columbus, him what he was thinking, and asked we do?' The UMWA will do nothing Ohio, to see what he could do for the where he could find the Brownsville for us. Conditions are steadily get- coal companies. The Pennsylvaniadivision of workers. His friends in ting worse. What is the attitude of Ohio-West Virginia-Kentucky Strikthe Brownsville section would tell the NMU to the men who went back ing Miners Relief Committee urges workers everywhere to help buy tents to work in the mine?" by sending all they can to 611 Penn

These men were elated over the new policy of the NMU when it was Ave., Pittsburgh, Room 205. . . .

explained to them, and pledged to

mne.

W" mine of the Pittsburgh Terminal Co.", writes a man who signs himself Coal Co. here is feeling the resent- "ex-miner, merchant and huckster," ment of the miners against having to the National Miners Union. Allidues checked off their pay slips for son mine is near Brownsville, Pa. the United Mine Workers District 5 "They come out to work at 3 o'clock officials. The men know that they and work until 9 a. m. every working get no benefit from these dues, that day and then go home with 5 hours' the U. M. W. A. is merely part of the pay; drivers go in at 5 a. m. and bosses' machinery to keep them in have to stay till 7 and 8 pulling loads slavery, and that the money is split and they don't get no overtime. If of capitalism, is shown up as a usebetween Pat Fagan and the coal they kick, over the hill they go. They ful political barrier used by the capi-

the socialist party in fact encourages

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them bluntly. "When you pay your lency" the mayor, it is doubtful very back rent, you can have scrip for much if there will be any, if small, the company store. Until then, eat improvement in the rotten conditions what you can get, but you won't get at Oak-Forest County Poor Houseold home and tubercular home com-

At Piney Fork they used to load bined. 10 cars for 4; now they have to load 12.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Aug. 16. -

The Federal "conciliator," one of CALL N. J. NEGRO tion Aug. 20th

At present the League of Struggle for Negro Rights has issued a call to all workers' and sympathetic organizations to elect delegates to its or-"They hoist coal on the shaft for 35 ganizational conference which will

cents per hundred Jagons at the AVELLA, Pa., Aug. 16.-The "P & Allison Mine of the dirty Rainey Coal New Brunswick, N. J., on Thursday, August 20th, commencing at 6:30 sharp.

In many cities such as New Brunswick, Elizabeth, Perth Amboy, Toms River, Asbury Park, where segregation and jim-crowism is at its greatest height, the bosses are using many of the so-called Negro leaders as a smoke screen to mislead the Negro workers that they may have faith in the same people that are doing all they can to keep

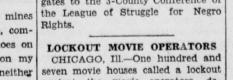
McKinleyville the superintendent tells ing scant attention from his "excel- be dismissed. The Director of Pub- Hudson County, which has Jersey lic Welfare, in a statement admits City, Bayonne, Hoboken, is also arthat the population of the prison is ranging for a delegates' meeting. so large as to create a dangerous The main task of the county elecsituation, but little can be expected tion campaign committees of the in the way of real reform from the Communist Party is the building up gang now in control. of Vote Communist Clubs.

MONTHLY SUBS AT 50 CENTS WINTHIN **RIGHTS MEETING REACH OF WORKERS! BUNDLES CAN BE** To Build Up Organiza- ORDERED AT RATE OF 1 CENT A COPY!

A Daily Worker Club is in process of formation in Pittsburgh Cal. "Please inform me where I can sec-ure a number of membership cards as I would like to organize a club here," writes a worker in above

here," writes a worker in above town. There are no membership cards in the Daily Worker Club. Nor are there dues. All work is of a voluntary nature and no salaries are paid to officials. The club has no formal constitution or by-laws, just common sense. The workers themselves decide the character of the club and make plans in ac-cordance with their needs. The first meeting of the Pittsburgh, Cal, will enable the comrades to tell just how the club is to pro-ceed. An outline on how best to conduct meetings is being sent the Pittsburgh comrades. This outline explains in detail the nature, du-ties and possibilities of the Daily utes of meeting act as guide. Ann-utes of meeting to be taken down by Secretary and forwarded to Daily Worker Club Dept. New York. Com-mittee of two or three also to be appointed to make plans, etc. No other officials necessary. Above all emphasize the importance of urging workers to write about conditions in their factory, shep or mill, for pub-lication in the Daily Worker. Critcisms and suggestions for improv-ng Daily Worker should also be in-

ing Daily Worker should also be in-cluded in Minutes. The Daily Worker Club is a great step towards making the Daily Worker a real paper of and for the workers of the U.S. It is the sharp-est instrument for bringing the mas-ses of workers into closer touch with the central office of the Daily Work-er. Why not start a club in your neighborhood today! Order a Bundle of Dnilles



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By BURCK

WHAT SHOULD BE PLOWED UNDER!

The Present Situation In the Automobile Industry

By JOHN SCHMIES. I.

OVER 225,000 workers who were directly emploved in the automobile industry in Michigan are idle at the present time. This large number does not include many other thousands who used to work in auxiliary and accessory branches of the automobile industry.

Whole company towns such as the city of Pontiac and Flint are practically idle. These workers together with their families number far into a million-men, women and children who are directly suffering from the deepening economic crisis as it affects the automobile industry.

The optimistic headlines in the capitalist press are proven to be lies by the very fact that auto production is steadily and very sharply declining. Auto production decreased 30 per cent. in 1930. In every month of 1931 so far production all the way down the line has decreased more than 30 per cent, and all indications point to the fact that automobile production during the year 1931 will decrease 60 per cent if not more.

In the early part of the economic crisis the automobile bosses used all sorts of schemes in order to stimulate automobile sales. An extreme program of rationalization was sapplied. Wage reductions to the amount of 40 per cent were carried out. Feverish attempts were put into motion to liquidate the growing and deepening crisis in the industry at the expense of the automobile workers.

But all these schemes and the whole rationalization program only developed the contradictions much more shsarply in the industry and as a result of it wer witnessing a condition of mass misery and hunger which is facing many thousands of workers and their families.

The latest announcements in some of the plants such as Fords, General Motors, Murray Body, etc., are to the effect that practically the whole factories will shut down for a period of six to eight weeks. Over 50,000 workers were laid off in the last four weeks. In the Ford plant alone more than 30,000 workers were paid off and instructed to turn in their badges.

The Trade Union Unity League office in Detroit received the following letter from the wife of a Ford worker

"We have received your address from a friend who said that you would be able to help us. My husband has been killed or rather died from the heat in the Ford Plant. He expired last Thursday at 2:30 p.m. We inquired about help from the Ford Plant, but they said they could do nothing about that.

"If you could be able to help us or recommend any good person we shall appreciate it very much. We are not very sure whether he died from the heat or not. Please answer as soon as possible whetreh you could help or not. "C. K.

The above letter gives a very good picture of the conditions under which the workers in the automobile industry are compelled to work. It explains in a very simple language the starvation program which is being forced upon the automobile workers in order to shove the burden of the deepening crisis upon the shoulders of the workers and their families.

II.

The following is a comparison of the actual trend of developments in the industry. Automobile production at the end of 1930 declined very sharply. All sorts of schemes were evolved to stimulate automobile sales. New models were gotten out in December, 1930, in order to force sales at the automobile shows. Despite this, production in 1931 has been distinctly below the evere crisis of 1930. The total produ

1931, 863,315 cars were financed compared to 1.028805 cars in the like period in 1930.

Most of the financial papers report that the Ford Company plants will shut down completely in the summer time, throwing around 70.000 workers out of work. The Ford Company has been curtailing its production sharply. There is a furious competition developing between the Ford Company and General Motors (Chevrolet) for the cheaper car market.

In the automobile industry there is a process of constant elimination of workers as shown in the section under employment. The automobile companies are reducing their working forces and getting out a greater number of cars with less workers. The prospects are that next yea will see a still further curtailment in automobile production, a sharp increase in the permanently unemployed automobile workers.

As was pointed out in the economic analysis for the la(t plenum (section on automobile indultry) the automobile industry has reached a saturation point. Now a government report on this industry points out (N. Y. Evening Post, June 9)) that the demand for automobiles is constantly shrinking with the industry mainly on a replacement basis. The number of cars replaced in 1930 was 2,900,000. The percentage of growth from year to year, assuming no crisis, is very small. Considering the fact that the automobile industry now has a plant capacity of over 8,000,000 cars yearly and that the export business has stopped growing, the perspective is for a continued crisis in the automobile industry, with more workers being thrown out of work a long time to come.

The following is a table of automobile production (cars and trucks) by months for 1930 and 1931

Automobile and Truck Production in the United States.

April 1929 production, 622,400-100% estimated monthly capacity.

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	1930	capacit	y 19	31	capa	cit
January	273,200	43.9	171	,900	2	27.6
February	330,400	53.1	219	,900	3	35.3
March	396,400	63.7	276	,300	4	4.4
April	444,000	71.3	335	,700	5	3.9
May	420,000	67.5	335	100	5	3.8
June	334,500	53.8	289	.000	4	8.0
July	265,500	42.7				
August	224,400	36.1				
September	220,600	35.4				
October	154,400	24.8				
November	136.800	22.0				
December	155,700	25.0				
*Estimat	es for Jun	e are	289.000	cars,	or	18.
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OUR IMMEDIATE TASKS

The above analysis and the actual conditions in the automobile industry can therefore be characterized by increased unemployment, increased wage cuts, and a still more inhuman speed-up system. In addition to that, there is a further development and the application of Hoover's "stagger system." As a result of this program additional thousands of workers will face mass misery and mass starvation and will place upon the Communist Party and the Auto Workers Union of the Trade Union Unity League ever larger responsibilities in order to give leadership and militant organization to these hundreds and thousands of unorganized workers in the industry. Our Party as well as the Auto Workers Uniop are still lagging behind in this great task of organizing a fighting Auto Workers Union. We still face a situation within the ranks of the Party membership which expresses that it is impossible to organize struggles in the automobile plants in the present period of the of the fact that the struggles of the miners and deepening crisis. This tendency exists in spite workers have shown the contrary It is therefore the task of the Party leadership in the Detroit District now more than ever before to ruthlessly burn out this conception, this hesitation and lagging behind of the revolutionary forces, which is nothing else but opportunism in practice-developing out of an underestimation of the revolutionary role of the unions of the Trade Union Unity League and a lack of confidence in the masses of struggle against increased hunger. The industry besides being completely open shop and producing automobiles is rapidly being developed into the most powerful and gignatic war industry. Some of the plants are already producing war material, the outstanding of which is the Packard Motor Car Co. This development in the industry has been underestimated by our Party forces. It is a well known ment are working hand in hand in the city of fact that the representatives of the War Depart-Detroit with the automobile manufacturers. These very same representatives were the leading forces in framing the Alien Registration Law in the state of Michigan. IV This starvation program on the part of the automobile bosses is already creating very sharp discontent on a broad scale. The masses are becoming increasingly more militant and ready to fight. It is therefore the central task of our Party to make it possible for this readiness on the part of the masses to be crystallized into a powerful movement under the leadership of the Auto Workers Union of the Trade Union Unity League. We must once and for all take up seriously the building up of an organization campaign, keeping the center of this work the unity of action of the employed and unemployed auto workers. Organize and Prepare for Strikes against the Starvation Program of the Automobile Bosses and the City Government!



Steve Katovis' Story Lives On Sacco-Vanzetti Day

"Seldom has the story of a worker been told with greater warmth and conviction than the story of Steve Katovis," says a prominent book reviewer who read the pamphlet called Steve Katovis: The Life and Death of a Worker, by A. B. Magil and Joseph North.

This warmth and conviction makes the story of this worker who was murdered on the picket line by a Tammany cop so important to spread among workers. And no better time could be found for doing it than August 22, Sacco and Vanzetti Day.

There is much in common in the life history of Vanzetti, the immigrant worker, toiling in filthy restaurants in New York and Steve Katovis, who was shot down by a Tammany thug while fighting for the Food Workers' Industrial Union. No worker who reads this pamphlet can help but be impressed with the heroic quality of Katovis, who like Sacco and Vanzetti paid the price capitalism has to offer or those who militantly fight the bosses.

When Sacco and Vanzetti were executed undreds of thousands of workers all over the world protested in vain. At Steve Katovis' funeral 50,000 workers surged into Union Square. These masses knew that their fellowworkers had given their all in the struggle.

No worker should be unfamiliar with the story of Katovis. It should be spread wider der each year. And Sacco and Vanzett Day is the most appropriate day on which to recall the dying message of Katovis, "I'm dying, comrade. Tell the others outside to keep up the fight-organize the workers." A message not unlike that pronounced by Sacco and Vanzetti as they sat in the electric chair to be bzurned by the frock-coated fiendish agents of capitalism in Massachusetts.

The Scottsboro Case and the Negro Lawyers

By WILLIAM PATTERSON

THE Seventh Annual Convention of Negro Lawyers took place on the 6 and 7 of August in the city of Cleveland. Not even the Convention of the National Association for the |Advancement of Colored People in Pittsburgh or the Convention of the National Negro Business Men's League in New York showed more clearly the depth of the crisis in the ranks of the Negro petty bourgeoisie.

The composition of the Detroit Convention ranged from Judge Cobb of Washington, D. C., an open and notorious tool of American imperialism, A. Wembrich, State Attorney in Chicago, who is the State's prosecutor in the cases against the unemployed Negro and white workers who so desperately fought against the bloody police thugs during the massacre of Negro workers on August 3, high legal counsel of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, down to those elements, the lesser known Negro attorneys who constitute the rank and file of the Bar Association.

The elements which have long since passed over to full support of "law and order" and the starvation program of the American bourgeoisie with its Jim-Crow discrimination and segregation for the Negro masses, were in full control of the Convention. The Convention met at a moment when the attack of American imperialism and its lackeys in the ranks of the Negro bourgeoisie and petty bourgeoisie against the Negro masses was at its height. The attempted mass murder of the 9 Negro boys in Scottsboro, Ala., the murderous attack upon the brutally oppressed and exploited croppers in Camp Hill, Ala., the bloody massacre of the unemployed Negro workers in Chicago were major political issues facing the Negro and white workers of America. The ranks of the unemployed workers have reached the staggering figure of 11 million. Wage cuts are on the order of the day. The inhuman speed-up is exhausting the energies of the Negro and white workers before they reach the age of 40. From this offensive of the boss class, the Negro workers are the greatest sufferers and their distress as workers is intensified by the exploitation from which they suffer as members of an oppressed nation. Of these issues, the Negro Bar Association took no notice. Insofar as these representatives

of "law and order" were concerned, the American working class was still enjoying a period of "prosperity" and the Negro workers were experiencing only "peaceful race relations" with the American white ruling class and its bloody Ku Klux Klan

The agenda of the Convention contained such reports as "The importance of local bar associations as adjuncts to or branches of the National Bar Association." "The justification of higher standards in legal education." "The colored lawyer in America, his program and advancement," etc., and, of course, the leading lights had assigned the task of reporting to themselves.

But a note of struggle was injected into the proceedings by Attorney Joseph Brodsky of the International Labor Defense, one of the defending attorneys in the case of the innocent Negro boys in Scottsboro, Ala., and William L. Patterson of the League of Struggle for Negro Rights. Their presence caused great uneasiness among these defenders of Jim-crow capitalism.

On the first night of the Convention, at its open mass meeting, Joseph Brodsky followed Clarence Darrow on the program. Although given but a brief moment to speak, in no uncertain terms Brodsky condemned the philosophy of despair and of hopelessness which Darrow had pronounced, condemned the open apport of the N.A.A.C.P. of the legal and extralegal lynch program of the American ruling class, stressed the necessity for organization and relentless struggle on the part of the Negro masses and announced the fact that he and Patterson would speak on the Scottsboro case at the Convention on the following day.

PARTY LIFE Conducted by the Org. Dept. Central Committee, Communist Party, U. S. A.

Organizing a House Committee and a Rent Strike

OUR unit has as its major activity the work in the territory where our comrades live. This territory covers several blocks of slums. Here the streets are dirty, sanitary conditions in the houses are extremely bad and rent is quite high. The tenants are either poor workers who still make several dollars and hardly "get by" or are unemployed and cannot "get by."

When the section committee outlined the work for the building of tenants' leagues, our unit, following the instructions, selected several houses upon which to concentrate. These houses were selected only for a start; we knew that we will have to broaden the activities as we go along.

The method we used in organizing a House Committee was as follows: 1. A number of comrades were assigned for canvassing every apartment in the house every night for two weeks. We had with us contact cards, also the "Working Woman." When our knock was answered, we introduced ourselves as representing the Tenants' League, an organization of tenants, and that we had come to investigate conditions and not to solicit money. We usually succeeded in getting the tenant to listen to us. After the introduction we proceeded to outline the program of the Tenants' League, at the same time taking care to mention the unsanitary conditions of the dark halls, toilets, dark rooms, etc., in the apartment under inspection. We also spoke about the harm being done to children playing on dirty streets instead of being in the country during the summer, and they invariably listened keenly. Then we asked about the husband. In most cases they were unemployed. We spoke about the high rents and the high cost of living, always mentioning the children (this seemed to have an effect). By this time we had gained the confidence of the tenant to the point where the tenant began to relate her tales of woe, asking us what she should do? Our answer to this was that organization and a rent strike would win better housing conditions for them. We asked one of the tenants to give us permission to hold a meeting in her apartment. With her consent, we outlined what steps should be taken to draw tenants to the meeting and impressed upon her the importance of talking to her neighbors in the building, about conditions, etc. We also informed each tenant that we would help to do this, but it was up to the tenants to stand firm.

Several meetings were held and most of the tenants were very enthusiastic about the demands, which were undersigned by 22 out of 24. the demands were: Reduction in rent! Repair of roofs! Toilets to be fixed! Hall to be fixed! Letter boxes to be fixed! Painting of apartments! Hot and cold water when needed!

The landlady threatened the tenants with eviction. When the tenants were served with dispossess notices, immediately we arranged a street meeting, in which some 500 workers participated. We distributed leaflets,

After three weeks of struggle, the strike was settled with a reduction of rent, repairing and painting of apartments. At first Mrs. Bloch, the landlady, insisted upon dealing with the tenants individually, but the tenants knew that if they did not stand together she would succeed in breaking their strike, and told her that she could not break their strike by threats and trickery. She finally dealt with the house committee. The tenants have learned than only through organization can they hope to win their demands. We now have a base to work upon. We can now point out this house as an example to the rest of the tenants of the street. We have not only gained economically but organizationally as well. The House Committee Representative has also told us that he will start to organize the house next door. Our chief shortcoming in the above work was the fact that we were unable to spread the strike to other houses on account of so few comrades being active in the work. We also failed to activize the tenants of the struck house in this work, who seem to think all they had to do was to refuse to pay rent and that the Tenants' League would do the rest. We failed to enlighten the striking tenants of the importance of strengthening the Tenants' League, through daily activity in the neighborhood by drawing in all the women and children. These weaknesses reflected on the strike activities. Two tenants moved out and three paid rent. The sentiment of the tenants, however, is strong for organization. One of those who paid rent has come to the house committee and pledged that he will not scab again.

1930 up to May was 1,964,000 cars. In 1931 it had dropped to 1,376,000.

Reports in the "Iron Age" in the latter part of May, state that "automobile consumption of pig iron and steel continues to decline. . . A decline in production next month is becoming increasingly certain.'

The usual trend from May on is a rapid curtailment of production. While there are no complete figures of automobiles in relation to production, it is apparent that there was a great amount of overproduction last year and in spite of the decreased production this year, the output was greater than the demand. The decrease in farm prices, the continued drop in the stock market, lowering of the standard of living of the workers rapidly cut into the diminished market for automobiles.

The drop in automobile purchases is shown by the registrations of new cars. April 1931 registrations dropped 33 per cent below the same month the year before. In May the registrations dropped below May of 1930. Sales in May were far below production.

That even the sharply curtailed production in the early part of 1931 resulted in considerable overproduction is shown by the drop in ssales and registrations of new cars, as well as exports. The New York Times (June 9, 1931) stated that "April new passenger car registrations total 263,000, as against 199,100 for March and 357,065 for April, 1930, (a drop of over 30 per cent below the 1930 registration) ... April exports of passenger cars showed no improvement over those of March, and April truck exports, allowing for seasonal fluctuations, were practically as low as for any month of the depression. Early returns indicate a sharp decrease in new passenger car registrations for May, which is unusually ssignificant because the April gain over March, sharp though it was, was somewhat less than the usual seaosnal advance.'

Auto financing also shows the contraction of auto sales. Most automobiles are sold in the installment plan. In the first four months of

Uncover Starvation and Misery

The capitalist press, the agents of the ruling class has been publishing less and less news about unemployment. It hides the starvation of the unemployed workers' families. We must constantly expose the miserable treatment of families of the unemployed by the city governments and charity institutions. We must uncover all cases of starvation, undernourishment, sickness. We must publish these cases in our press, in the Daily Worker, in Labor Unity, tell them at all workers' meetings. Unemployed Councils should publish bulletins to inform all markers of the starvation and miscry of the

anemployed.

The building up of a membership drive, the building up of grievance committee, the building up of the department form of organization and the establishment of shop locals as independent fighting organs is the task of the hour! The task of these shop locals and shop forms of organization is to take up the struggle against lay-offs, wags-cuts and the "stagger plan," etc.

The building up of real militant shop organizations of the employed and the unemployed demanding that the automobile companies pay relief to their unemployed workers will keep in the center the most elementary partial demands which must be our key approach in the development of strikes and struggles against the automobile bosses.

All the work, all the compaigns of the Party and the revolutinary forces generally must be directed towards the aim of building up a powerful Auto Workers Union, which must give concrete leadership and concrete organization both to the employed workers in the shop and to the unemployed automobile workers around the union and the Unemployed Council.

The Katovis story is told only in this little pamphlet which sells for 10 cents and is one of the series issued by International Pamphlets. Any worker desiring this pamphlet can get it by sending 10 cents to Workers Library Publishers, P. O. Box 148, Station D, New York City. Unit, section and district literature agents should see that they immediately get a supply in the regular way for sale on Sacco-Vanzetti Day.

Intensify the Miners' Campaign

T is exactly in this period of the sharp struggles of the miners against starvation that the relief collection campaign must be intensified in all cities. The collections of funds and food in all the cities was never adequate to supply even a minimum of relief to the fighting miners and their families. Out of the 40,000 miners that went on strike, we were never in a position to give to more than 8,000 of them strike relief. Many hundreds of families were evicted, but lack of funds made it impossible to purchase more than 80 tents.

The miners' strike is not called off. The miners will never cease their militant battle against hunger. The transference of strike activities to demands upon the local mines means intensified activities to again broaden the struggle at the earliest moment. It is therefore of the utmost importance to immediately strengthen the hand of the National Miners Union, so that it can consolidate all its forces. All strikers, all miners who, even those driven back to work at the point of guns, swear their solidarity with their new union.

Thousands of blacklisted miners and their families must be supported. Although the Kentucky coal operators' thugs are dynamiting our relief kitchens, new kitchens are opening at the rate of two or three a weak. We must supply these kitchens with food. The quantity of food distribution in Pennsylvania. Ohio and West Virginia has not decreased. It has increased. At first we only gave relief to the most needy. Now, after two months and a half of strike, all are needy, and the registrations for relief at the mine relief stations are growing. When to this is added the plight of the miners' children and babies, to whom we were never able to issue enough food and milk, then all the workers and their organization will realize that much more energetic fund and food collections must be established.

The National Miners Union and its policies are rooted deeply in the consciousness of thousands of coal diggers. The strike of the miners against starvation constitutes a beacon which lights the way to better working conditions for all miners, and how to struggle to obtain them. Nothing must be left undone in the strike area that will build the power of the National Miners Union. To build this power, to effectively establish our first mass union in a basic industry, strike relief, funds and food and tents and milk for babies, are of major importance. In cities owned by the coal and steel barons in the strike area the local capitalist governments are terrorizing our local relief collection committees in order to drive the miners back to starve in the pits and their hovels. The

Pittsburgh tag day in which 600 ragged miners' children participated, was practically routed by the brutal police, who chased the children down the streets and alleys with threats of jail and beatings. Because relief collections here are narrowing due to terror against our collectors, the comrades in the cities everywhere must increase their efforts.

All cities are called upon to broaden their relief activities, to widen their relief committees. All cities are called upon to establish relief committees. All workers organizations are requested to again impress upon their membership the need for unflinching solidarity with the miners. Throughout the nation, mass collections, house to house solicitations, shop relief actions, must go forward with zeal and renewed energy.

Workers everywhere! Enlist in the relief campaign! Double your efforts for funds and food to help the miners carry on their courageous stuggle against starvation!

> Pennsylvaniz-Ohio-West Virginia-Kentucty Striking Miners Relief Committee.

Comrade Brodsky received a tremendous ovation from the Negro workers who were present. Even some of the Negro attorneys expressed their agreement with the line proposed by Comrade Brodsky. On the next day, the convention hall was crowded. The Negro workers received the report of the Scottsboro case and the Camp Hill case from Comrade Brodsky with tremendous applause. The first signs of a split in the ranks of the Negro attorneys openly manifested itself. Some of them even rising to grasp Brodsky's hand at the conclusion of his speech. But the report of Comrade Brodsky threw the leadership of the Bar Association into consternation. The program of peaceful acceptance of things as they were, with reports glorifying the American ruling class and its "democratic" policy towards the Negro masses was not running smoothly but the worst was yet to come. Comrades Brodsky and Patterson introduced a resolution on the Scottsboro case calling for the Convention's approval of the efforts of the International Labor Defense and its attorneys to reverse the verdict of conviction in the Scottsboro case and the presentation of these to the Convention entirely disrupted all orderly procedure.

The class position of the leaders of the Bar Assn. clearly came to the fore. They expressed in no uncertain terms their unwillingness to be associated in any way with this "Communist" organization. They proclaimed its program to be one which demanded the overthrow of the American government and they expressed their unwillingness to see this government of lynchers and of mobbists overthrown by the "violent" reds. But the rank and file of the Bar Assn. were not so willing to support American imperialism. Their presence there in a Jim-Crow Bar Association Convention very clearly exposed the hypocrisy of American democracy. The program of struggle outlined by the attorney of the I. L. D. appeared to them to offer larger possibilities to secure democratic rights for the Negro masses than was to be found in full support of the "law and order" of the bosses' government. By a vote of 5, the resolution failed of passing, but the tone of the Convention was completely changed. Among the rank and file, the lawyers openly expressed their willingness to financially contribute to the defense campaign of the International Labor Defense and to support its program. In the face of the militancy of the rank and file, a resolution was passed supporting the program of the I. L. D. in the defense of the Negroes who had been deprived of their rights or were suffering from national persecution.

The Convention of the Negro Bar Assn. brought sharply to the forefront the deep-going contradictions in the ranks of the Negro petty

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bourgeoisie and the tremendous effect that the crisis is having upon it. The intellectual bankruptcy of the leadership of the Convention and its unwillingness to enter into any militant struggle for the defense of the rights of the Negro peoples was fully exposed but underneath this, the lower strata of the Negro petty bourgeoisie clearly showed that it was still willing to march in the ranks of the oppressed Negro masses against imperialism and the emancipee tion of the American Negro masses.

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