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WEST VIRGINIA COAL STRIKE SPREADS TO FIFTH MINE

The Doctor Falls Ill

WHEN Hoover sallied forth as physician to world capitalism and prescribed a year's moratorium, the Daily Worker declared (on June 22) that the moratorium "cannot solve the contradictions of imperialism, nor even reduce their bitterness. On the contrary, the first step of Hoover immensely sharpens the antagonisms of the imperialist powers and most alarmingly threatens war against the Soviet Union."

Workers, have not these words of the Daily Worker been proven? The collapse of the Pound Sterling, the chaos in capitalist finance, the 'liquidation" in American "securities" which is causing even the fall of U. S. Government bonds, the scurrying here and there of diplomats and big bankers, threat of renewed collapse in Germany, increased humbuggery about "disarmament" while Japan seizes Manchuria and moves closer to the Soviet frontiers! Are not these proofs?

But workers must understand that, below the financial crisis and as its foundation, lies the world economic crisis of capitalism, the "original sin" of capitalist economy from which arises the capitalst agony of gold distribution and financial chaos that, in turn, tremendously worsen the cconomic crisis and intensify the antagonisms and rivalries between imperialist powers for markets and colonies.

What was yesterday apparent only as a fierce trade rivalry, is today rapidly extended to even fiercer financial warfare, threatening tomorrow to break into open clash of arms-a new world war! Already, in the summer of 1928, the Communist International stated:

"The antagonisms between the Dollar Republic, with her rapid rate of development and relatively small colonial possessions, and the declining British colonial Empire, with its gigantic colonial monopoly, represents the pivot of international antagonisms in the present period, and it is precisely here that the complications of future struggles for a redistribution of the colonial-and not only the colonial-world are maturing. Anglo-American 'cooperation' » has changed into fierce Anglo-American rivalry, which widens the prospect of a gigantic conflict of forces."

It is necessary, workers, that you grasp this "pivot" to understand the suitly changing "complications" from day to day. The U. S.-French attack upon British finance, the financial loss of Britain in losing the handling of world finance to New York and the temporary trade advantrige going with the loss, the victory of American finance which is turning overnight into a calamity, the coming as well as the past pronouncements of Hoover "helping" the war debtors but demanding colonies and markets by way of "disarmament"-of America's rivals, first of all England.

American imperialism correctly regards the British demand for a gold conference as an attack, and is preparing to fend this off by a Laval-Hoover "agreement" which, however, cannot be trusted, as France has its own che to grind. France has strengthened its position in the "peace pact" with Germany, which, however, the N. Y. Post correspondent at Berlin says:

would have unfavorable consequences, first of all for the Soviet Union, and second perhaps for Great Britain."

The sudden drain on U.S. gold and securities, is another phase of this werfare, coming chiefly from England. It is causing consternation in U. S., with not only stocks and "sound" bonds dropping to catastrophic prices, but with such reputable banking journals as the Commercial and Financial Chronicle warning the Federal Reserve against continued IN-FLATION by note issues

The nestility toward England becomes most open and vulgar in Morgan's N. Y. Post, which in a stinging editorial on Oct. 5, resents British talk of "an American collapse." One can measure the anger in the following:

"We wan tell them that . . . in the first place our people are beginning to have their English sympathy changed to antipathy. Today we find English whispering undermining foreign confidence in America. . . . And we can tell England quite plainly that instead of admiring her, we are beginning to ask ourselves why she

14,000 OUT 2,000 Cleveland Jobless WAGE CUTS IN LAWRENCE Demand Relief from City SPREAD TO MILL STRIKE March to City Council and Resist When Cops Try to RAILWAYS Eject Them

Walk-Out Spreads As A.F. of L. Acts to

and Shawsheen.

itself.

spreading.

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under the leadership of the Com-Break It munist Party, valiantly fought to put their demands before the city gov-Fight General Pay Cut ernment Monday evening in the face of a vicious attack of police, ordered Strike Meetings Held on by Mayor John D. Marshall.

It was only after strong reinforce-Daily in Lot ments arrived that the workers were LAWRENCE, Mass., Oct. 6 .- Over driven away. Thousands of them 14,000 are now on strike here against the headquarters of the Communist wage-cuts. The mills affected are Party, large numbers asking to be Pacific Number Ten Mills, all the enrolled into the Party. American Woolen Mills in Lawrance

The demonstration was called in the public square against the fare in-Workers are still continuing to crease nod when wages are continujoin the strike. The American Fed- ally being slashed and unemployeration of Labor planned a fake ment is steadily rising.

strike vote today under the auspices The demonstration was called to of the "Citizen's Committee," a expose the city council's maneuver group of bosses working together to put through the fare raise for the with the city administration, but this Cleveland Cor Co. and to demand maneuver was defeated by the strike section for the unemployed. They are now urging the It was also a protest against the ruling off of three Communists from workers to return to the mills. A. F. of L. officials are now posing the ballot although the double as members of the National Textile amount of signatures necessary were

Workers Union, in order to get to turned in. The meeting was opened by Sandspeak to the workers. burg, secretary of the Unemployed

Strike meetings are being held in Lincoln Court lot daily.

The strike started when the Law-**Unemployed** Negro Worker rance mill bosses announced there. would be a 10 per cent general wagecut for all of the 25,000 Lawrence mill workers. The various A. F. of L. and company union fakers, realizing the fighting spirit of the workers, Steel Bosses in Murderous Terror in Attempt talked about "resisting wage-cuts," while the National Textile Workers Union organized for strike on the

united front basis. A citizen's committee was organized by the mill bosses to "arbitrate," and the A. F. of L., to help this betrayal, called for a "strike vote." The strike was first called in one mill and is now repidly

man in Warren, Ohio. The worker employed, in the effort to crush their wage cut of 10 per cent. WOMEN MEET ON was shot down and killed while growing militar hand-cuffed and helpless. **ELECTION DRIVE** derous terror with which the steel this terror.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Oct. 6 .- A Councils in Ohio, followed by Larmilitant crowd of 2,000 unemployed, kins, a Negro worker, one of the (CONTINUED ON PAGE THREE) Don't Forget

sive.

To Block Preparations for Strike

Against Wage Cuts

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Oct. 6 .-- White bosses are trying to block the organ-

ooded murder of an unemployed terror is directed especially at the

and Negro workers of this city are ization of the steel workers for strike

43,500 Sign for Communist

Candidates; Campaign On

and when you vote.

and fraternal organizations.

New Cut in Underwood To Register Now

October 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th-Wage Slashes Keep On polls open from 5 p. m. to 10:30 p. m. October 10th-polls open from

NEW YORK .--- Wage cuts are comin a. m. to 10:30 p. m. All those who vote for the first down on the railroads already, with time this election, whether native the Milwaukee workers on the Chiborn or naturalized citizens, must cago & Northwestern being handed a pass a literacy test proving wheth-"preliminary" cut. er they can read and write Eng-

Now the bosses' efforts are being lish. These tests are given in the concentrated also on the building in-**Public Schools during Registration** dustry. Among the building bosses Week, October 5th to 10th incluwherever they meet, the main topic is "cut wages!" Go to the nearest Public School

Speaking before the convention of in your neighborhood to pass this the Contracting Plasterers' Internatest and get the paper to show the tional Association, now meeting in Election Board when you register New York City, Walter Faddis, president of the Building Trades Employ-Remember! If you do not regisers' Association of New York, the ter, you cannot vote. Call this to most powerful body of its kind in the the attention of your fellow work-United States, declared that building ers and comrades in the shops trades wages must come down, and

come down quickly. "We might just as well say out loud," declared Faddis, "what every employer is saying under his breath -that specific wage rates must be adjusted. . . Shot by Cop in Warren, O.

"Preliminary" Slash is Handed Northwestern

Railwaymen

In Steel Industry

RAILROAD WAGE CUT MILWAUKEE, Wis., Oct. 6 .-- The

railroad workers of the Milwaukee and St. Paul Foad received a wage cut of 10 per cent last Thursday, as

a preliminary to a general wage cut in the entire industry of this country. The Northwestern failroad is also contemplating a wage cut of 10 per greatly aroused over the brutal cold- against the recent wage cuts. The cent and there are rumors amongst the workers that in a few days the Negro worker yesterday by a police- Negro workrs, both employed and un- company will put up a notice with a

Many railroad worker

Mass Picketing Pulls Cassville West Va.; Men Refuse Negotiations Except By N M U.

Pennsylvania

Mine Also Out,

Fight Pay Slash

United Mine Workers Desperately Trying to Force the Strikers Back to Slavery

BILLETIN

BRIARSVILLE, Pa., Oct. 6 .- Five hundred men struck the Burniser Westmoreland Mine Co. diggings here. They are fighting a fifteen per cent wage cut. Wage cuts stopped for a time by the recent strike of the 40,000 are now being resumed in many places in the coal fields, and are being met with new strikes. In many places the miners do not know of the cut until they get their pay statements for work already done.

EXPORT, Pa., Oct. 6 .- State police raided the home of Tony Morelli, National Miners Union organizer here searched the house, broke into the garage next to it, etc. Their excuse was they were hunting for a stolen car, but actually this is a threat and an attempt to interfere with organization.

CASSVILLE, West Vt., Oct. 6.—A hundred and fifty miners at Cassville mine joined the strike today against the 25 per cent wage cut which brought out nearly a thousand men in four mines yesterday.

Miners are rallying for concentrated picketing here tomorrow morning to close down the mine entirely.

Purseglove No. 2 mine is empty today except for a bare handful.

. . (By Special Correspondent)

PURSGLOVE, West Va., Oct 5 (By Mail) .- A survey of the strike situation in the Pairmont-Morgantown field this morning (Oct. 5) showed the Rosedale mine shut down 100 per cent. Here almost every miner told the same story-not a penng on the

pay statement since last Christmas. Delegation to Get

Soviet Workers **Invite** American Workers' Visit

Send-Off Monday

The letter says: "This year we are

opening up 518 new factories and

workshops and 1,040 machcine trac-

tor stations. In our wheat areas we

have collectivized, in the main, the

whole of agriculture. We have com-

got us to lend her \$400,000,000 to save the Pound and then abandoned the Pound over night. . . . Finally, how does England have the nerve to try to force us into a gold conference to save her from the effects of her own act? We certainly will turn our slow, almost lazy wrath against England, if she continues to break American stock values and put brakes on the Pound's descent by what almost' looks like a definite propaganda of an 'American collapse.'"

of which, workers, proves over again the deepening of the world apitalist crisis, the sharpening of the war danger between the impertalist rivals and their desperation at the growth of socialism in the Soviet Union which they all long to destroy-because-they all mean to put the burden of their conflicts upon the workers in wage cuts, starvation of the jobless and general misery.

And there, beyond the boundary of imperialist rule, stands the Soviet power, with the toilers in control, no unemployment, with rising wages and conditions of life for the masses! And just as the Anglo-American antagonism is the pivot of conflict between imperialisms, so the beaconlight of the Soviet attracts the hostility and war plans of the entire capitalist world.



Green-said that they were reducing wages so as to reduce prices-but did nothing of the sort. "The wage cutters camouflaged their real objective," claims Mr.

Green

No doubt, workers, Mr. Green is correct in saying that the wage cutters are hypocrites. Correct, also in saying that they camouflage their real objective. But what about Mr. Green, himself?

Last week, the U.S. Commissioner of Labor Statistics, declared that since 1925, living costs declined 15 per cent, but total pay-rolls paid in wages declined 40 per cent! The difference, you see, is the big REDUC-TION IN THE STANDARD OF LIVING OF THE WORKING CLASS!

In addition to that, more direct wage cuts, on a nation-wide scale, began just lately. That is what Mr. Green pretends to be sore about. But if he was sore about the last one, why didn't he DO SOMETHING about the first one?

What is this but hypocrisy, workers, when-after your living standard has been cut way down since 1925, and you are handed some more direct wage cuts-the A. F. of L., which claims to "defend" the workers but which has done nothing at all to prevent all this, prances out a few empty words "demanding"-"That wage structure and wage standards be maintained."

What do you mean, you hypocrite? To talk as if they HAD BEEN "maintained"!

Mr. Green of the A. F. of L. calls the steel companies "hypocrites." But is the A. F. of L. organizing any steel workers to strike against wage Not at all! Only the "reds," the Communists and militant workers of the Metal Workers' Industrial League are doing that!

That's the point you should get, workers! The A. F. of L. TALKS. But it does nothing, except TALK. Your wages are cut; so the A. F. of L, comes out and says your wages must be "maintained." Millions are thrown, jobless, into the streets to starve; so the A. F. of L. issues a "statement," saying that bosses "should not" fire workers. The bosses do just what they please, and the A. F. of L. helps them do it by trying to keep you satisfied with their "objections" and "demands" and "protests."

The real objective is to help the bosses. But Mr. Green, like the steel companies he speaks of, "camouflages his objectives" with TALK. Even, after calling the bosses hypocrites, he "demands" a "national conference of employers and labor"-where all hypocrites can get together and fix up a fascist plan for suppressing strikes when Green can no longer hold you back by A. F. of L. TALK.

Hypocrites? Yes, Mr. Green! Both you and the bosses. And the workers will organize in the shops to strike against both of you! Down with wage cuts-and the agents of wage cutters among the workers! Abend. says:

At Irving Plaza, 2 P. M. This Saturday

NEW YORK .- Issuing a call to all working women to come to an election conference of the Communist

Party, to be held at Irving Plaza, 2 p. m., October 10, the Communist District, last night filed 42,500 signa- same time using demagogy-slick proelection committee points out: The working women in factories, Party candidates on the ticket. This masses. With them is William Green. mills, the wives and daughters of is an achievement for the Party and workers in department stores, five indicates growing sentiment for the and ten stores, restaurants, laundries Party. Not only the number of are suffering today just as the men workers, but the readiness with which social order. It will be the duty of Paul railroads! Fight for the 30-days' workers from wage cuts and unem- they attached their names to the peployment. Thousands of evictions titions, and the eagerness with which are taking place and women and they listened to the comrades who children thrown into the streets for knocked at the doors and bought litnon-payment of rent. The cutting erature of the Party, indicates that off of gas and electric are only a the workers' ears and minds are open part of the hardships suffered by to the slogans of struggle of the Comworking class families. munist Party. What then should working women

do about the vote? Can they use it The leading candidate of the Comso it will be of real value to them- munist Party is Israel Amter, who is the Party candidate for president of selves and to the whole working class in this country? Is there a Party on the Borough of Manhattan. J. Louis the field that offers a real working Engdahl is the Party candidate to class program against starvation and fill the vacancy in the Seventh Conevictions and wage cuts and for im- gressional District in Brooklyn.

mediate relief for the unemployed? The main struggle in the campaign There is assuredly such a party will be against the socialist party, and that is the Communist Party, the which is using more and more demapart of the working class. gogy in order to head off the workers

All women's organizations, shops, who are going toward the revolutionunions and fraternal organizations ary movement. The democratic and are urged to elect and send dele-gates to this important conference. by the deepening crisis and are



"The Japanese authorities here that the banks throughout the coun-NEW YORK .- After first saying that some Japanese troops would be freely admit grave apprehensions try together with the government withdrawn from Manchuria, definite concerning the situation in Shanghai statements now made by these same and assert that the tension is rapidly the use of banks which are having imperialists, reported in the New nearing the breaking point. This difficulties because of the large quan-York Times on Tuesday, show that growing tenson in all parts of the tity of frozen assets which some of not only will troops not be withdrawn native city of Shanghai, particularly them hold."

but more will be sent. At the same of Chapei district, resulted this aftertime the Japanese imperialists are noon in the closing of the Chinese so acute that the bankers realize that concentrating troops and warships banks as a measure of precaution." only extraordinary measures, if any, for shipment to Shanghai, where the workers are increasing their anti-im- nese have massed 24 destroyers and sequences in the immediate future. perialist activity. one airplane carrier to be ready to A cable from the New York Times

Shanghai correspondent. Hallett tional gunboats have been sent up ference is "largely" for "domestic" the Yaugste River.

The International Labor Defense kee are saying that there will be a for Van Bittner's scheme for "beat-This vicious murder of a defense- has called a mass demonstration in widespread wage cut in all the Mil- ing the scabs at their own game by less Negro worker is part of the mur- Warren for tonight to protest against waukee railroads, as a result of the outscabbing them and reducing the

action taken by the two railroads price of union dug coal below scab delegation of American workers who

Industrial League is calling upon all the Davis mine went into the pit. Russian revolution will be greeted is workers members of the brother- One hundred twenty-seven struck as shown by a letter just received by hoods included, to organize their this is a small mine. Not a pound the Friends of the Soviet Union from Committees of Action and strike of coal was loaded here today. workers in "Electrosila," the huge against the wage cuts! Especially at At both the Bunker mine and at Soviet electric power factory. On

for the big struggles that are to come line, , U.M.W. pit committees made Cooper Union will see these Amerion the railroads. They call on all speeches urging the men to accept the can workers off to the USSR. tures for placing the Communist gressive slogans-in order to fool the railroad workers to press for the fol- cut. But instead of the 500 who

lowing demands: The six-hour day with eight-hour went in. Many of them said they who now talks of "social unrest" and pay! Organize and strike against were going in to get their tools; 33 questions the stability of the present wage cuts in the Milwaukee and St.

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Bankers Meet with Hoover on Weakened Banking Structure

The latest news from Washington complications." These "international by this cut and recognized this offer indicated that one of the chief points complications" are to be dealt with as an attempt to cripple the strike of the Hoover conference with the very sharply when Laval comes here now. The superintendent at the Rosebankers has been the question of the as the representative of French imbanking structure of the United perialism. ment!"

States. The capitalist press admits In order to prepare for the visit of that the banks in the country are in Laval and in order to try to cope a very weak position as the result with the deepening economic crisis of the deepening of the crisis. The which was reflected in one of the it will make our agreemnt!" came the New York Evening Post reports that:

"Such things as loosening the frozen credits of banks and insurance companies may be prominent in the discussions.

"This belief is given a measure of crednce by the amount of security liquidation which has recently come from Middle Western banks which desire to convert outstanding loans into cash."

So serious is the situation that plan has already been proposed

subscribe to a fund of \$500,000,000 "for

The banking situation has become The Post points out that while steam to Chinese territory. Addi- Hoover has announced that the conwau- These miners showed no sympathy

coal," by agreeing to take a 25 per are going to the Soviet Union for the The Milwaukee Railroad Workers cent wage cut. Fifteen miners at 14th Anniversary celebrations of the

this time it is important to prepare Purseglove No. 2 further down the October 12, a mass demonstration in

worked at "the Pursglove mine, 89

went into the Bunker mine. No other mine in this section attempted to work today. Tomorrow a

pletely liquidated unemployment." number will attempt to open. Picket They invite the American workers lines will be on hand. to see for themselves, saying: "We

Must Deal With NMU

desire that you should leave off be-The superintendent at the Davis about the USSR and would like you lieving the slander of the socialists mine promised to stop the wage cut to come here for the 14th Anniverif the men would go to work today, sary of the dictatorship of the probut the miners said they were spreadletariat in the USSR and see with ing the strike to evry mine affected your own eyes our life as it really

The delegation which will answer this appeal consists of 14 American dale mine went to the miners sayworkers who will be there for the ing, "Let's meet, and make an agree-14th Anniversary celebration and then spend around five weeks in the

"Sure! Meet with the National Soviet Union visiting the chief in-Minrs Union-that's our union and dustrial projects.

Every worker is invited to attend worst breaks in the stock market on reply. The miners know that the the mass send-off to be given these bosses' fear that the strike will spread workers next Monday night at Cooper Union. Among the speakers will (CONTINUED ON PAGE THREE) | (CONTINUED ON PAGE THREE) be William Weinstone, Mike Gold, editor of the New Masses, and John Dos Passos, famous novelist.

> WAR VET FEATURES SATUR-DAY.

Letters from war vets will appear in the Daily Worker Saturlay Oct. 10. Don't miss this special feature. Order special bundles now!

Attention Districts and Sections

The September-October issue of the "Party Organizer" will be ready for distribution Friday. If you have not sent in your orders do so at once in order to have them ready for the unit meetings next week.

Org. Department, Central Commit

"Socialist" Officials, Bosses Try to Smash Hosiery Strike

> (Telegram to the Daily Worker) PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Oct. 6 .---

can Federation of Full Fashioned Hesiery Workers officials appeared in the statement informing that today the wage cut scab agreement of the union will be signed with the manufacturers. Governor Pinchot who sent troopers to smash the Berkshire strike will attend the signing ceremony as will David Stern publisher of the Philadelphia

purposes it will have international Record which is advocating the

BULLETIN

Monday, Hoover held a meeting



fuse signatures authorizing the check-off system. .

Further evidence of the open strike-breaking role of the Ameri-

striking locals and individual workers

Full Fashioned Hosiery Workers to force the 8,000 strikers in the industry back to work at cut wages, the action of the organized employers in threatening to bring suit against the

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NEW YORK .- Coming had on the

heels of the action of the national board of the American Federation of

wage cuts.

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DAILY WORKER, NEW YORK, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1931 ...

War Vets to Present Demands to Board of Estimate Friday

NEW YORK .- On Friday, October | 2,000 or more war veterans and ex-9, at 11 a.m., the ex-servicemen of servicemen who received the report New York, under the leadership of a of our committee after our consulta-Committee of War Veterans from the tion with Captain O'Connor of the Relief Lines and the Worker Ex-ser- police force who represented you. vicemen's League, will rally in a mass "1) If the threat of Mrs. Hays at demonstration in City Hall Park to the state office of the American demand immediate relief for the Legion, Room 305, Hall of Records, starving, unemployed veterans of the that cases and checks would be disworld war. continued from those who would

Last Friday over 1,500 ex-servicemen marched down Broadway to City Hall under the leadership of the Exservicemen's League to place their demands before the board of estimate. The committee representing the vets was told that the vets had not been placed on the calendar, but should return next Friday, at which time the board would listen to their demands. The vets in no uncertain terms pledged to return next Friday in even a larger demonstration and instructed the committee to send a letter to Peter J. McGowan, secretary of the board of estimate, which reads

"Dear Sir:-The following is our reply and understanding that we had with the Board of Estimate as arranged for you through Captain O'Connor of the Police Department:

"1) That our petition regarding the war veterans will be placed on the calendar for 11 o'clock Friday morning, October 9.

"2) Our committee which was prevented from even seeing the secretary by the police, will appear before the Board of Estimate and will present orally the demands in our petition.

"3) That we will report back to our supporters who will be assembled at the City Hall steps just as we reported back last week, except that we will make our report in front of the City Hall and not be shunted off as we were last week.

that is, today, tomorrow and Friday,

open from 7 o'clock in the morning

to the nearest polling place to where

is handed to you during registration.

Take this into the booth, fold it up

This is either in a public

"In addition to this we wish to inform the Board of Estimate and Mr. James J. Walker, mayor of the city of New York, of the following reso- | War yets, all out Friday at City Hall! lution passed unanimously by the Demand relief!

Week to Vote for Communists

NEW YORK .- All workers who will munist Party, should not give any

vote for the Communist Party in this information as to how they will vote

election must register this week on and should not make any mark on

or before October 10th in order to be the ballot handed out during regis-

able to vote for the Communist tration days, but all class-conscious

Party. On October 7th, 8th and 9th, workers who are citizens should reg-

polls are open from 5 p. m. to 10:30 order to be able to vote for the Com-

p. m. On Saturday, October 10th, munist Party ticket. Workers who

which is the last day, the polls are will vote for the first time should at-

till 10:30 at night. Remember, if you night and tomorrow, Thursday eve-

do not register, you cannot vote. Go ning, Oct. 8th at 7 p. m. to receive

school or in a store. Do not fill out must pass or show proof that they

or mark anything on the ballot which | can read and write the English

and when you come out of the booth, workers and comrades may exper-

drop it in the box. The ballot which ience should immediately be reported

is handed out on registration days to the District Election Campaign

carries only the bosses' capitalist Manager, Room 500, 50 E. 13th St.

parties, Democrat, Republican and The marine workers particularly

language.



"3) We resent the fact that we were not permitted to speak on the **GREEN BOOSTS** City Hall steps in spite of the fact that the parade permit of the police was issued specifically with

"4) We protest against the treatment accorded our committee who were compelled to negotiate through the Police Department and not directly with the office of the

that understanding.

Board of Estimate. "In conclusion, we hope that when our committee and those who support Friday at the City Hall that no unnecessary misunderstandings or de-

Very truly yours, **Committee of War Veterans from**

ister without fail before Saturday in

tend the class for first voters to-

Literacy Test which all first woters

Any cases of intimidation which

Relief Lines and Worker Ex-servicemen's League." STAGGER PLAN

VANCOUVER, B. C., Oct. 6 .- President Green told the A. F. of L. convention when it opened here yesterday that the American Federation of Labor was in favor of the stagger system He did not put it in just those words, but that is the only meaning us in our demands, will arrive next that can be read in his statement "I do not mean that we would call upon the representatives of industry lays will take place and that the ar- to do the impossible, but we can derangements we state in the opening mand that they, with labor and those of our communication will be carried clothed with authority, so readjust the working time, that all may have some

work.' To make this scheme which is starving millions of workers already, more palatable, Green accomplished it with a lot of bombastic and demagogic statements that "continued oppression will lead to revolt." He spoke of a "tremendous feeling of un-Workers Must Register This rest" and again warned the masters

of industry that "you can not brutally exploit the masses with new wage cuts to the cerge of despair or they will turn and rend you." But as Green and his Executive Committee of the A.F.L. propose abship card.

solutely no from of struggle to stop the wage cuts they oppose in words and as the executive committee is already on record this year as last year in opposition to unemployment insurance, these declarations against cuts and mass misery can be taken merely as bunk.

43,500 Sign for the **Communist Candidates**

instructions on what to do and the Campaign is Now Ou CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONES the Communist Party to expose these

politicians not only by mobilizing the workers for and in the election cam- vited.

paign, but by actual struggle for immediate unemployment relief and in-surance, by organization for strike against wage slashes and speed-up, The remaining and the strike should get together and elect dele-in "Foreigner" walter Dare work and in the strike should get together and elect dele-in "Foreigner" walter Dare work and strike should get together and elect dele-in "Foreigner" walter Dare work and strike should get together and elect dele-in "Foreigner" walter Dare work and strike should get together and elect dele-in "Foreigner" walter Dare The remaining candidates of the work out the constitution, program Billy and Elan

Union

Party Membership Meeting A general membership meeting

will be held at Central Opera House, 67th St. and Third Ave., tonight at 8 p.m. sharp, at which the question of wage cuts and the unemploy. Int situation will be discussed. A leading member of the Central Committee will speak.

This meeting comes at a time of the bitterest struggle of the workers against unemployment, which is growing by leaps and bounds, and against the wageslashing campaign of the big industrials. The tasks of the Party grow enormously in this situation. At the same time it presents the most favorable opportunity for penetrating the big industries. building up organization and organizing and mobilizing the unemployed for acton. The serious situation in the unemployed work demands immediate correction. This will be dealt with in detai at the membership meeting. Every Party comrade should be present. The meeting will begin on time. Bring along your member-

Communist Party District Secretariat.

Laundry Workers to Meet Thursday: Hold Conference, Oct. 18

NEW YORK .-- Undismayed by the lugging of union organizers by the gangsters of the laundry owners, the Laundry Workers Union conducts an energetic campaign against wage

cuts and firing policies. The next meeting of the union is Thursday night at 8 o'clock at Ambassador Hall, Third Ave., and Clare-

mont Parkway. All laundry are in-In each laundry, the workers

Soviet "Forced Labor"-Bedacht'

series in pamphlet form at 10 cents

A NEIGHBORLY PLACE TO EAT

per copy. Read it-Spread it!

policy of the Laundry

JEFFERION

8 RKO 8

Newell Ray Huling and Seal De Pace

FRANKLIN

RKO ACTS

Speed Work in Preparing **Bazaar Opening Tomorrow**

Activities are winding up to a bread and cake to be sold at the whirlwind finish in preparation for bazaar. Baking for the bazaar is the four-day Daily Worker Freiheit- being done at the G and G bakery Young Worker Bazaar opening to- at Allerton Ave.

Milliners and dressmakers are also morrow night at Madison Square going on with their work at 131 West Garden, 49th St. and 8th Ave. 28th Street of preparing apparel to

The bazaar committee has issued a the bazaar. Also our comrades in last call for all greetings, ads and the umbrella trade, mindful that Red Honor Roll lists for the bazaar workers have many rainy days ahead journal to be sent to the committee's of them, have prepared hundreds of office at 35 East 12th St. not later umbrellas to be offered at very low than tonight. prices.

The bazaar will also give many The committee has also issued a call for all carpenters to volunteer workers a chance to own original their labor in putting the finishing cartoons of William Gropper. Huntouches to the booths at the bazaar. dreds of original cartoons of that Carpenters are asked to come at 7 great revolutionary artist will be on o'clock tomorrow night to Madison sale at the booth of the John Reed Club at such prices that they will be Square Garden.

Bakers are also asked to join in the work, now being conducted by the bakers' section of the Food Workers' Industrial Union, of preparing



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5,000 Demonstrate At the Detroit City Hall: Defy Police

ousand workers demonstrated vesterday in front of the city hall here demanding food, clothing and shoes for school children of the unemployed workers and applauding John Schmies, Communist candidate for mayor when he asked them to support the program of the Communists. The meeting lasted two hours and the police did not dare to

break it up, though no permit was granted for it. The city hall meeting took place through a march of 3,000 workers who had gathered previously in Grand Circus Park at the call of the Young Communist League to demonstrate for the youth demands and

gram.

the Freiheit Gesang Verein and the the music and dancing all night, and Ukrainian chorus, the sports exhibi- get your tickets at once.



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Socialist. The capitalist registration should immediately report their xommunist Party are: The Party has put up 25 assembly law was intended to help the reac- periences with the Rockefeller Seationary parties to figure out how men's Institute which is refusing to and 25 aldermanic candidates. They many votes they would get so they allow marine workers to register un- are as follows: Manhattan: 3d AD, might know in advance how many less they prove their residence to suit Julia Stuart Poyntz; 4th AD, Rose repeaters," that is, how many gang- these agents of the bosses. Unem- Wortis; 5th AD, Harry Raymond; 6th stors they will hire and bribe, either ployed workers and particularly those AD, Farry Fieldberg; 8th AD, Henry with a cheap cigar or \$5 a vote, to who have been dispossessed because Sazer; 17th AD, Alfredo Mathew. vote a dozen times if necessary for they have been unable to pay the 18th AD, Joseph Magliacano; 19th the Tammany Hall, Republican and rent and have been forced to move AD, Richard B. Moore; 21st AD, Wilcast their vote for the revolutionary out not to allow the bosses' machine



Brownsville Workers Center. will have a meeting tonight at 118 Bristol Street, at 8 p. m. All work-ers are invited to attend.

Furniture Workers Industrial Union Upholsterers, and other furniture workers are called to a meeting of the FWIU at 5 E, 19th St. 8 p. m A report on the last upholsterers strike will be given.

Workers Ex-Servicemen's League Branch No. 1.

A truck and loud-speaker will leave 79 3: 10th St. at 7:30 p. m. for sn open air meeting.

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New York

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JOBLESS PROTEST IN LONDON AT ARREST OF LEADERS Donated to Strikers

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masses. The plan is to curb the resistance of the masses by having them vote for the government which will drive through the decrees against their living standards.

The program for this election for the National government will be drafted by MacDonald alone. The New York Times reports this in the following:

"the Cabinet Ministers decided to give a free hand to Prime Minister MacDonald in shaping the government's platform. The Prime Minister will therefore draft the election manifesto on as broad a national basis as possible, and whatever he decides on the tariff question will have the support of all his Ministers."

The MacDonald election platform will be "on as broad a national basis as possible" in order that all of the soming wage cutting and dole cutting decrees and police attacks on the militant workers will be sanctioned beforehand in the election platform of the National government. The capitalist class has recognized that MacDonald is the leader in the stick against the workers and has chosen him to write the election program for the National government.

The Labor Party which tried through Henderson's conversations words in order to fool the workers protested against this because of his

Donald. The Times reports that this taining 37,000 pounds or 181/2 tons,

plank will "undoubtedly be an important vote catching cry." As part of the hypocritical demagogy of the Labor Party, Stanley Hirst, president of the Transport and General Workers Union, stated that the Labor Party would fight for free trade against the protectionist policy

of the National government. The complete hypocrisy of this statement is showed by the New York

Times, which stated, as we pointed out in Monday's Daily Worker, that the free trade platform of the Labor Party was in direct opposition to what all of its leaders and the leaders of the Trade Unions have already said about the necessity for tariffs. "So the only party with any

strength now bearing the freetrade banner aloft is the Labor organization. But that is a political accident. Labor is for free trade not because it believes in it but mainly because the Conservatives are for protection. Trade unions which now dominate the Labor Party are very largely won over to a tariff. Arthur Henderson, new Labor leader, says himself he would rather balance the budget by means of a revenue tariff than by unemployment insurance cuts."

with MacDonald several weeks ago to Labor Party the party conference on ate. This meeting, the results of be included in the National govern- Monday passed a resolution which which are not yet known as the Daily ment has already started its election states that all members of the Labor goes to press, was for the purpose of propaganda in "opposition" to the Party in the House of Commons must giving the Party leaders the orders National government. Its election follow the party decisions. The left that had been worked out on Satplatform will include a declaration wingers have protested against this urday by a committee of bankers who against the cut in the dole by the curbing of their attempts to fool the went to visit Hoover. National government, a cut to which masses through radical phrase monthe Labor Party agreed when it was gering, which is opposed by the offiin power. The Times reports that this cial party leadership because of the secrecy that it was not held in the plank in the platform is only for the inner party difficulties it occasions. purpose of catching votes, in other Maxton, one of the left wing leaders, narily have been held when the



tional Relief.

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Bankers Meet With Hoover On Weak

In order to curb the radical phrase and democratic leaders of the house mongering of the left wingers of the of representatives and of the sen-

into believing that the Labor Party "hard, steady, strenuous and loyal and it is not yet definitely known is carrying on a sincere struggle work in the movement", actually in who the four bankers were who at-



MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Oct. 6 .-- On

Oct. 2 a carload of potatoes, con-

left Ironwood, Michigan, for Pitts-

burgh, freight prepaid by the dis-

trict office of the Workers' Interna-

DAILY WORKER, NEW YORK, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1931 ...

Negroes Calls for Action

of the Masses!

By ROBERT MINOR

THE cowardly shooting of the Negro coal miner, Willie Peterson, in the

approval, should cause every worker, black and white, to think again very

gravely on the situation in the South. This attempted murder is only

one incident in a wave of violence against Negroes. And those who

cannot see the political significance of happenings of this kind are blind

nomic crisis, the parasite classes, capitalists and landlords, are engaged

in a brutal offensive to throw the burden of the economic crisis of the

economic ruin throughout the cotton belt-which is also the black belt).

The burden of the crisis was "naturally"-according to the white ruling

Negro sharecroppers were fired upon for daring to organize the Share-

And now the classic frame-up against the whole Negro people-the

The now famous case of Scottsboro was only one example of this.

Nine innocent Negro boys were condemned to death in a framed up trial

which was staged on the day of the county fair when the local merchants,

facing bankruptcy with the falling cotton prices, hoped to draw a big

crowd from the mountains for the sake of the revival of trade; they even

went so far as to obtain a brass band from the local textile mill to add

to the attraction of the "nigger trial" as a means to keep the crowd in

have an inherent tendency to commit violence upon white women than

there is in any of the old lies of the days of witchcraft. Or the age-old

Of course, there is no more truth in the scurrilous lie that Negroes

Throughout the capitalist world, which is now in the chaos of eco-

jail at Birmingham in the sheriff's presence and with his apparent

Need Cash for Freight The Latest Outrage Against Suicides in Chicago On Cars of Potatoes The Latest Outrage Against Suicides in Chicago Increase as Misery **Of Jobless Grows**

CHICAGO, Ill.-Out of work 14 months as a result of being injured while on a job for which no compensation was paid, William Bonhorst of Ottawa, 65, committed suicide by hanging himself at his home. Despondent because of "financial trouble," Peter Dunworth, 40 years old, an insurance clerk, attempted to commit suicide by swallowing poison. He was found unconscious in a Loop street.

Seneca Haviland, 51, 4905 Marshfield Ave., hanged himself in the garage at the rear of his home while despondent over failure to find work Jumping from a window on the seventeenth floor of the Methodist Temple building, Frank Rozicka of 7717 Semple St. was instantly killed.

He was an unemployed worker. The bodies of three women were recovered from Lake Michigan on Thursday, All were shabilly dressed and bore no marks of identification. It is obvious that despondency over economic conditions prompted each

Wage Cuts Spread **To Railways** (CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE

for "-r'ay menth! Abolish the terrific speed-up. Enforcement of ecognized working rules and improvement of working conditions on the job! Strike against wage cuts!

STEEL PAY CUT IN MADISON this plant particularly on the bonus that a united front can be presented greatly overtaxed four pages, we work. On 30-foot rails the bosses to the bosses' attack on the workers' lowered the rate from \$1.17 a 100 living conditions. rails to 80 cents for the same amount. made above the set daywork task of

Day rate was \$3.96 for 400 rails 30 hand the need for the Daily infeet long, now the workers must creases at such times so that the make 700 rails for the same price. The workers can be organized against same slash runs on the other sizes worsening conditions, and also the with the same percentage of wage desire by the workers for a workers'

vacation: abolition of salaries of foremen and assistants amounting to a 10 per cent cut; added to this comes the three-day week corresponding to a 50 per cent cut, and now on October 1, another 10 per cent cut.

Sales of Foreign Language Press Can Help Circulation of Daily; Hard Times Call for More Effort

Sometimes we get a letter from a withdraw into an ivory tower of sup-Daily Worker agent who complains | eriority just because he knows how that the people in his vicinity read foolish and misguided the people foreign language papers and that around him are in preferring the lies therefore it is impossible to sell them of the capitalist enemy to the truth the Daily Worker. Such a letter has that is offered them by the workers' just come from Comrade S. W. of only paper. The comrade must real-Iron Mountain, Mich., who writes, ize that it is up to him to get the "Each nationality has its own paper Daily into the workers' hands, and here anyway, so they don't buy the he must be confident that the work-Daily Worker. Times are hard here, ers in Louisville are no different and they are getting worse right from other workers and that once along. they read the Daily they will see who

We say to the comrade in Iron is their friend and who is their Mountain that he should not be dis- enemy. Try a little harder, comcouraged so easily. Let him find out rade. The march of events is in your which foreign language revolution- favor. Day by day things happen ary paper is read in his section. If that exposes the true role of the capthere is an agent in his town who italist press, and you must be alert is handling the sales of a foreign to take advantage of them.

language revolutionary paper he Now here are some reports that should get in touch with him and should encourage the comrades in get his aid in selling the Daily Work- Iron Mountain and Louisville. The

St. Louis Daily Worker agent sends us \$14.38, covering two new subscriptions and the bundles for daily sales. He also reports a very successful Daily Worker Red Sunday held recently, at which more new subscriptions were taken and old subscriptions renewed. The results are not yet all in, and he will let us know in his next letter what they are. er in conjunction with the foreign Meanwhile he asks for new subscrip-

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language paper. Many of the foreign tion blanks, as the St. Louis units born workers have children who read have used up all they had. onlq English, and they would be glad More reports like that, and we will to get a workers' paper that their be able to answer Comrade L. J., who children can also read. Many of the writes from Pittsfield: "Perhaps you foreign born workers can also read could inform me when the long look-MADISON, Ill., Oct. 6 .- The steel English. And finally it is important ed for six-page Daily will appear. I barons have struck another blow and the readers and sales agents of believe this long anticipated enlarged against the living standard of the the foreign language press should be edition will be of great benefit to workers of Madison, Ill. After put- made to realize it, that the central the paper and the entire movement ting into effect several speed-up organ of the Communist Party, the and that it is essential for an inschemes the bosses are now directly Daily Worker, should be read by all creased circulation. If we now have slashing the wages of the workers in workers, native and foreign born, so a circulation of 40,000 with our

> As to the times being hard, that of course sometimes makes it difficult to sell the Daily. On the other

cut. Immediately after notice of wage paper increases when the capitalist could easily have 60,000 on the large cut 20 workers went to the superin- press lies about "improved business" one. The larger amount of space tendent to protest against the wage and capitalist "efficiency" are ex- would make it easier to bring about cut. Workers are in bad need of or- posed. Point out to the people in the much needed improvement in the ganization, which is the only way the your town, comrade, that it is an quality of our workers' paper. Many workers can successfully fight against extravagant waste of money to buy special features, which now only apwage cuts. The Metal Workers In- the silly propaganda of the capitalist pear on Saturdays, could be read dustrial League is issuing a call for press, but that it is vital for them with the same delight and interest to know the truth about things that on the other five days."

matter to all workers, and that this The time is not far off for a six truth they can find only in the Daily page paper. The Communist front is growing so wide in the United

The Louisville comrade, G.L.C., is States and in the entire world that also discouraged. "The people in four pages are not nearly enough. were handed another 10 per cent Louisville would rather read the cap- But there is only one way to get the slash. Here is the story of wage cuts italist press," he writes. "I could do six-pages every day. More subscripin this plant: January 1-10 per cent better with monkeys." Now the com- tions. We will have more to say cut and speed up; about six weeks rade in Louisville doesn't have to about that pretty soon



fallen comrades by the German soldiers, who were then called "huns." The peculiar turning of the typical guilt of the slave owner into the sup-700 rails. posed guilt of the enslaved people is a thing we have seen often in history. It is not an accident that the old custom of the Belgian rubber plantation owners in the Congo of cutting off the right hand of slaves who fail to bring in the required amount of rubber, set the pattern for the wartime lies about the "huns" cutting off the hands of children in Belgium. In the southern United States, centuries of slavery, which

lie that the Jews murder Christian children to use their blood for the passover ceremonies. Or the more modern lies, such as the supposed cutting off of children's hands and the eating of the dead bodies of their

means centuries of the violation of the womankind of the slave people by the white slave owners, is the historical background which sets the pattern of lies to justify the present terror against the still enslaved Negro The flood of terror-supported by colossal propaganda about "rape"is mounting high. In the North, only recently a white business man, deciding to end his life, wrote a farewell note saying that he had been "shot by Negroes." The truth, however, was exposed. During the past few months the courts of Virginia have been ringing with the famous action William Harper case. In this case a white woman, having an illicit affair with a man other than her husband, accounted for her. absence WEST HARTFORD, Conn., Oct. 6. from home saying that she had been "raped by a Negro," and upon her After a whole series of wage cuts in Worker. oath William Harper was identified; the police produced a "confession" the plant of the Underwood-Elliot of Harper, extorted by torture, and the innocent Negro was sentenced to Fisher Co., the workers on October 1 death. The frame-up was finally exposed and the Negro victim who so narrowly escaped murder on the gallows through the white woman's perjury was released. (Of course, the white woman was not even slapped on the wrist by the law for having "merely" attempted to bring about the

"SOCIALIST" OFFICIALS, BOSSES

TRY TO SMASH HOSIERY STRIKE

2.000 CLEVELAND JOBLESS **DEMAND RELIEF FROM CITY**

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Party candidates who was ruled off the ballot. Bart, district organizer the fare raise as part of the attacks against the workers throughout the country.

Following these speakers more than was immediately attacked by the po- been disqualified: A. Pinckney, Dis- trated will be the question of the war lice, beaten up and thrown out. By trict 2; R. Larkins, District 3; R. debts, the reparations question and this time all the workers began to Medling, District 4. Full prepara-the question of the gold standard. The New York World Telegram re-



will answer this new attack against city council, which was meeting at clubs as an answer to their demands Comrade Sandburg demanded that date for council in District One, and the other workers be allowed in. He the following candidates who have American struggle will be concen-

meeting was being held on the steps. present. It was thought at first that The Communist Party in Cleveland the meeting of the bankers on Monday was in connection with the sharp

were beaten and arrested, but the and William C. Potter, president of

slump in the stock market, but after 2,000 workers marched in twos to the the workers, who were met by police the news of teh Saturday meeting became known Wall Street realized the time. Only about 1,000 were al- by organizing protest meetings that more important decisions had lowed in to the council and the rest, throughout the city. This will fur- been arrived at. The purpose of the which had by this time grown larger, ther expose the role of the bosses' meeting was to outline the program was kept out, despite the fact that government. An intensive campaign of the United States for the attack the galleries were empty. As soon as is being conducted for the coming on French imperialism which will Mayor Marshall opened the meeting elections, with Marie Nurmi, candi- come up when Laval arrives. The items on which the Franco

Albert H. Wiggin, chairman of the governing board of the Chase National Bank; Charles E. Mitchell, chairman of the National City Bank, the Guaranty Trust Co. The importance of the meeting can

class-to be shifted to the shoulders of the helpless masses of terrorized black serfs, the agricultural laborers, share-croppers and tenant farmers. In many farming regions the white landlords stopped supplying food to **Banking** Structure the sharecroppers in the hope of starving out the sharecroppers who in desperation would leave the crop standing in the field and would forfeit their share of the crop to the landlords. Many sharp clashes occurred because of this-notably the fight at Camp Hill, Alabama, where the

croppers' Union.

death of a "nigger.")

the trail of farm ruin and bank failure.

town for a busy day or two of booming trade.

indeed

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Tuesday night with the republican hideous and insane lie, the crazy superstition handed down from slavery days-the traditional cry of "rape"-is sweeping through the South on

The arrangements for the meeting on Saturday were made in such White House, where it would ordipresident was one of the participants, against the hunger policy of Mac- deceiving the workers by left phrases. tended the meeting. However, on Monday a meeting of four of Wall

Street's leading bankers took place

York. At the meeting at the Fed-

eral Reserve Bank were George Whit-

ney, partner of J. P. Morgan & Co.;

in the Federal Reserve Bank of New

the police attack began in the coun- ster hunger march to the county in Cleveland on Oct. 16. cil chambers.

PENNSYLVANIA MINE ALSO OUT; FIGHT PAY CUT

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the other side of Morgantown, that for an organizer. Similarly miners from the Cleveland min (Pursglove join the strikers' ranks. Tomorrow and of key significance.

ing gave evidence of the starvation today before they march on the othwages their fathers have been receiving for months and months. Although this section is in the heart of hilly pay cut, indicates the growing green farm country, the boasted fresh strength of the strike. air doesn't give the empty-bellied children healthy coloring. Almost without exception they look thin and anaemic

The attitude of the former chair- can stop the wage cut which the U. man of the UMW relief committee M. W. so generously offered in their hereabouts.

"Are you going to put up a real fight against this wage cut?" he asked Ike Hawkins, Negro chairman of the Penn-Ohio-W. Virginia-Kentucky Striking Miners Relief Committe, an appeal to workers everywhere to join active member of the NMU.

Union always fights!" Leaves UMWA

Then I'm with you!" He resigned tral headquarters at 611, Penn Ave., his job on the UMWA relief committee

Van Bittner openly declares thta he stuffs will be sent into the strike zone. will use the 400 men on his relief list (a hangover of the Connellsville strike) to force th miners ni the Fairmont-Morgantown field to accept the teen hundred men had their wages thusiastic as a result of this eviccut. Your correspondent saw miners cut here Saturday. The Sonman tion 70 worker joined the Unemcarrying large sacks of relief away Shaft Coal Co. cut the pickmen five ployed branch. The comrades are from the UMW station. All of the cents a ton and the day men 62 cents already making plans and are raisminers asked, agreed that they had a day. The Johnstown Coal Co. ing finances to open up a Workers not received so much relief as one Beachley mines cut 10 per cent. Center in Fast St. Louis



Van Bittner Threatens

Van Bittner told the newspaper men and the capitalist press is featuring his statement, that the srike will not ahount to anything because the National Miners Union will not be able

to the other mines here, is warranted. to furnish any relief. Bittner and Word was brought from the New his henchmen are busy making the England Fuel Go. mine, seven miles rounds and threatening that every striker will lost his job, and further, the men are ready to strike and ask be starved out because no relief will be forthcoming.

The presence of Ike Hawkins, the sals. The visit of Laval and the No. 1) say they, too, are ready to chairman of the Penn-Ohio-W. Virthe Cassville mine, the furthest to was answer enough to one of Bitthe South of this group of mines, ther's threats. The eagerness of the

children in far from adequate cloth- ises to get the men back into the pits in the economic struggle which is ers opening tomorrow and spread the strike to all the mines affected by the

New Demands

The miners in the Fairmont-Morgantown field feel confident that they

power. characterizes the position of 95 per name to the operators. Further, they cent of the miners in this region. The are determined to fight for other derelief headquarters are at Osage, sup- mands, as well. These demands will dly the center of UMW strength be drawn up by the strike committee and presented to the strikers for

adoption tomorrow. Union headquarters and relief station have been secured in Liberty from where Ike Hawkins sent out an The furniture was out on the street the campaign to raise funds to buy Of coudse, the National Miners food for the strikers and help win their strike. All funds should be sent mediately they mobilized the work-

immediately to the committee's cen- ers of the neighborhood and held a room 205, Pittsburgh, Pa., he points out, from where truckloads of food-

Central Pennsy Cuts. JOHNSTOWN, Pa., Oct. 6 .- Four- took part in. Workers were very en-

ports that: "Both French and American diplomats admit freely that they do not understand one another and that their policies are widely vari-

ant." The World Telegram adds that Laval is bringing with him the program of French imperialism on which

the struggle will be conducted with United States finance capital. 6 "Premier Laval hopes to lay before President Hoover late in Oc-

toher balance sheets of disarmament and reparations which business men can understand. He intends to show his figures, pack his bag and return to France." The meeting of Hoover and the

bankers was for the purpose of organizing the United States counteroffensive against the French propo-

preparatory meeting of the leading ginia-Kentucky Striking Miners Re- bankers means that the antagonmorning the picketing will center at lief Committee in the field today isms among the three leading imperialists have been sharpened acutely since the suspension of the superintendents of the Rosedale and British pound. They are preparing When school was out, bare-legged the Davis mines to offer any prom- for armed conflict as the next step now in the stage of an open finan-

cial war. All the imperialists, however, have a common hatred of the Soviet Union and hope to make an attack on the Soviets as one of the means which will postpone the outbreak of their own inter-imperialist conflict and simultaneously smash the Soviet

Jobless Council in

East St. Louis Acts

To Stop An Eviction

EAST ST. LOUIS, Oct. 6 .- A Negro

worker was evicted in East St. Louis.

half an hour before the active mem-

bers of the Unemployed Branch

found out about this eviction. Im-

demonstration before this evicted

stration the workers placed the fur-

This is the first eviction that the

East St. Louis Unemployed branch

workers' home. After the dem

niture back into the house.

he proceeded to report that his wife and baby had been murdered by a "nigger" and that he had killed the Negro. This also was exposed. And now the Peterson case rings through the South!

And just now come two more cases of the same sort. William R.

Carver, a white real estate man, took out insurance for \$10,000 on his

wife's life, then murdered the wife and his two-year-old baby. He there-

upon murdered a Negro boy who was working in his home, after which

Again "Negro" violence against "white womanhood!" With another white woman swearing that Peterson is the "nigger" while a reward of \$3.300 is claimed by the woman for having caught the "black fiend" who. in a supposed robbery, is said to have shot some white women. We have pointed out before that every known bit of evidence indicates that the supposed robbery was committed, not by a Negro, but by a white criminal who may or may not have resorted to the common device of darkening his face for the occasion. The surviving woman described him as "having straight hair" and speaking in an "educated way," which in the language of the "white supremacy" South would mean nothing more than that he looked and spoke like a white man. But the officials and police of Birmingham brought into the tail a relative of the white woman who carried with him a pistol and in the presence of the sheriff shot down and gravely wounded the accused Negro. None but reactionaries or complete fools can imagine that this wave of incidents of terror and frame-up against Negroes is not of political significance.

This atrocious crime, coming on the heels of the Scottsboro frame-up and the Camp Hill massacre, together with a flood of similar violence, must be another call to the masses of the laboring population, black and white to organize their resistance. The International Labor Defense and the League of Struggle for Negro Rights are to be thanked for stepping into this breach and calling to the masses to defend the victims of this terror. But the masses, Negro and white, must come to the support of these organizations.

At the same time the new "locusts" (new to the South, where they never had the courage to operate before)-the reactionary leaders of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People-have come in to win a place for themselves as the most useful servants of the sheriffs and the white landlords in carrying on the campaign of terror against Negroes. During the whole summer the National Association for Advancement of Colored People leaders have been goading the police on to arrest Negro organizers and to break up organizations and meetings for the defense of the Scottsboro victims of white ruling class "justice." The leading supporters of the National Association for Advancement of Colored People in Birmingham even went so far as to contribute to the fund

"About one more cut and the workers will have to pay the company for the privilege of working there," some

of them say The Royal Typewriter Co. has also move. cut plenty, short week and speed up. The price of both machines has been cials the Full Fashioned Hosiery boosted \$2.50 on their new models. . . .

STEEL PLANT PAY CUT Kinney Steel Co. workers, effective October 1, has been ordered, Henry T. Harrison, vice-president and general manager, said today. This reduces wages from 50 to 45 cents an hour.

Soviet "Forced Labor"-Bedacht' series in pamphlet form at 10 cents per copy. Read it-Spread it!

of \$3,300 to be used as a reward for any perjurer who might identify some defenseless Negro to the southern police as being guilty of the supposed robbery and shooting of the latest representatives of white womanhood victimized by "Negroes." Is it a strange accident that the "famous" N. A. A. C. P. lawyer, Roderick Beddow, is the attorney now engaged to defend the white would-be murderer of the Negro, Paterson?

in many cases, with which you and

your attorneys are undoubtedly fa-

miliar, strikes in violation of a con-

On with the fight, Negro and white workers! Strengthen the struggle for the immediate release of the nine innocent Scottsboro boys!

for the enslaved Negro people!

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) | tract are actionable and locals of the union as well as the individual s seen as another strike-breaking members of such locals causing or participating in a strike in direct In a letter to the AFFFHW offviolation of a contract are answerable for damages to the employer Manufacturers of America, after affected thereby.

meeting at the headquarters of the Strike-breaking by court decree is Gotham Silk Hosiery Co., 389 Fifth Ave., here said a suit for damages now the next move of the employers cent cut in wages of Corrigan-Mc- will be instituted against the strik- to break the hosiery strike. While ers. The basis for this action will be the officials of the AFFFHW have the agreement concluded by the AF made no comment as yet on the let-FFHW officials lowering the wages of ter the fact that they consider the organized hosiery workers by 35 to 45 strike as an "outlaw" strike and have ordered the workers back, gives basis for the presumption that they will support this drastic strike-breaking the United States Supreme Court. move.

> The manufacturers' association was originally organized by the union itself in order to "stabilize" the industry and John Edelman, AFFFHW officials and secretary of the Indepenident Labor Party was chiefly instrumental in the building of the bosses' organization.

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Massachusetts Hosiery Workers Out.

NORTHAMPTON, Mass.-The Propper-McCallum hosiery workers here, 500 strong, have been out a week after rejecting the wage cut agreement of the AFFFHW.

Fight for the release of the 14-year-old Roy Wright! Fight for equal rights for Negroes and the right of self-determination



per cent. The letter says in part: "Under the law as formulated by Page Four

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LESSONS OF THE MINERS' STRIKE AND TASKS OF THE N.M.U. AMONG NEGRO MINERS

By HARRY HAYWOOD II.

Another grave shortcoming of the strike was our failure to concretize our demands for the Negro miners. While our union placed the general demands of the Negro miners in the strike program, no steps were taken to concretize these demands on the basis of their local grievances. Thus the question of segregation in the company patches, discrimination in living conditions within the patches, and types of work given to Negro miners, the denial of the right to occupy skilled and higher paid jobs, the question of relegating Negro to bad entries, the barring of them from certain so-called good mines, and numerous grievances which vary from mine to mine, were not concretely formulated during the strike. The question of concretization of demands is a question around which hinges the difference between reformist and revolutionary tactics. The Negro miner, referred to above, correctly pointed out that the U.M.W.A. fakers also placed in their constitution "no discrimination on account of race, creed or color," which of course does not prevent them from carrying out the most vicious Jim Crow palicy in regards to the Negro miners.

The strike offers valuable lessons in regard to the building up of the mass circulation of the Liberator. The paper was received enthusiastically by both Negro and white miners and used successfully in gaining wider contacts among the Negro miners for the strike and the union. However, this broader role of the Liberator was not at first fully appreciated as witnessed in our failure to organize its systematic distribution, and to make a beginning in the work of building up a mass circulation of the Liberator in the mining fields. A smashing blow, therefore, was given to the tendency to regard this paper as merely an organizer for the L.S.N.R. and failing to see its broader role as an organizer for our mass organizations, union, unemployed councils, etc., among the Negro workers.

In connection with these main shortcomings a number of additional weaknesses must be registered, not one special leaflet was distributed among the Negro miners who remained at work, explaining to them why they should join the strike; no special discussion on the Negro question was organized in the local union during the course of the strike, etc., etc.

All of these shortcomings can be largely attributed to our failure to place the work among Negroes on an organized basis. Only at a relatively late stage in the strike, in fact when the strike wave was alrealy on the ebb, did we set

CONSOLIDATION OF OUR INFLUENCE AMONG NEGROES

In the struggle for Negro rights in which our Party has registered highly significant political victories, the utmost attention must now be concentrated upon consolidating our mass influence organizationally by (a) intensified recruiting of Negro workers into the Party; (b) mass recruiting of Negro workers into the revolutionary trade unions and unemployed councils and the development of their special immediate economic demands; (c) building of the mass circulation of the Liberator and the crystallization of the LSNR groups around it. The last traces of white chauvinism in the ranks of the revolutionary workers must be burned out. Special attention must be given to the development of leading cadres from among the Negro masses in all phases of work. Concentration upon certain limited demands in special campaigns (Scottsboro) must be used as the starting point to develop the broadest mass propaganda for the whole Communist program on the Negro question. The serious weaknesses that have appeared at times in dealing with the Negro petty bourgeoisie (Pickens, Negro Press) must be systematically and energetically corrected-From the 13th Plenum Resolution published in full in the October issue of "The Communist".

up a Negro Department in the Union and work out a concrete program for the development of this work.

This program, adopted by the Central Rank and File Strike Committee, has until now been but weakly put into operation. At the present time, the union is faced with the tasks of overcoming its isolation and in

the tasks of overcoming its isolation and intrenching itself in the mines among the main masses of miners who have been driven back to work. Under these condtions, it is urgently

The Fight Against the War Danger

Nevertheless it must be stated that the intensity of the struggle against the danger of war and against the danger of intervention against the USSR does not all correspond to the intensity with which the imperialists are preparing for war against the USSR. The agitation against the war danger is not carried on systematically, and in many cases only from campaign to campaign. The fundamental weakness of the work of the Communists is that the concrete measures being taken in preparation for war in parliamentary commissions, in the imperialist armies and in the war industries, are not sufficiently exposed to the masses. The Communist Parties have not yet learned how to explain to the masses sufficiently clearly the connection that exists between the war preparation of the imperialists and the growth of the exploitation of the oppressed masses. They have not yet learned how to expose by concrete illustrations the fact that social democracy is the support of imperialism in the preparation for counter-revolutionary war against the USSR.

necessary to carry into effect the following main tasks:

1. The concretization of the demands of the Negro miners on the basis of the local conditions in each mine. To conduct a real struggle against any attempts of the coal operators to victimize Negro miners for strike activities by placing our demands of "no discrimination of militant Negro miners" as a condition in local strike settlements.

2. The organization of mass actions for the smashing of Jim Crow laws and customs in mining committees. (The Pittsburgh Party district proposes to organize broad united front anti-Jim-Crow conferences on a section basis, picking out in this respect two sections where Jim Crowism is most rampant. These to be called under the joint auspices of the NMU, MWIL and LSNR, will have the task of organizing a real campaign against local Jim-Crowism.)

3. Organization of a sharp struggle against all hangovers of boss class prejudices in our ranks.

4. The organization of the more active participation of our union i nthe Scottsboro and Camp Hill campaign through the utilization of this campaign to widen contacts among Negro miners, in building up of the union and in development of Negro departments and committees in the Union.

5. Organization of discussions in the local unions in connection with carrying out tasks in Negro work.

6. Building up of mass circulation of the



WHEN WINTER COMES' IN BUFFALO The Tactics of Class Against Class

I.

By ROBERT NASH.

THE current talk among the workers of Buffalo, on the streets, in cheap hash joints, is about the approaching terrible hard winter they will have to face. In conversation with some workers they bitterly remarked that it appears that the only solution for unemployment seems to be another war which will kill off ten million workers so as to give them a chance to get a job. But they also said that they will see to it that they are not among the ten million. This is the hateful mood of the workers when they face the prospect of another winter.

The cepitalist class is well aware of this mood, hence they bring into use their powerful organs of lying propaganda, the newspapers, which are carrying on a campaign of "good times" coming. The "Buffalo Times" carried such typical bunk of "returning prosperity" by one named Silverman, under the title "Construction Industry Upturn—Opening Jobs in Western New York."

Now let's see these "opening jobs in Western New York." The new Ford plant, situated in Buffalo, was boosted in the press that 1,500 men would be hired. When "hiring" did begin over 5,000 workers turned out, coming from all directions, walking five and six miles distance and some waiting on line from four in the morning. Twenty-five men were hired that day and since then nothing more was heard of any hiring being done. The Great Lakes Portland Cement Co. was also boosted as hiring 3,000 men, but only about 30 were hired, claiming that hundreds were hired. The capitalist press carried pictures of the new workers. The picture itself belied their claims, for even a casual observation showed no more than 10 workers. Mr. Silverman in his article gives statistics to "prove" the "opening of jobs in Western New York." We will take his own figures and what do we find: An addition to the St. James Hospital will cost \$100,000 and will employ 25 men. Mind you, \$100,000 expended in construction and 25 workers to be employed. Home construction in North Hornel will amount to \$70,000 and will employ 50 men. A \$30,000 road construction and a \$400,000 grading project in Hornel will employ 150 men. A \$300,000 Catholic church will employ 100 men. A \$390,000 high school in Albion will employ 50 men. Where is the "opening of jobs in Western New York"? The investments in construction even according to Mr. Silverman's figures is \$1,290,000 and the "huge" number of workers to be employed is 475! This is for the whole of Western New York and in Buffalo alone there are over 100,000 unemployed. The lie of this prostitute journalist speaks for itself. The conclusion of Silverman's article is a gem of fakery and "official optimism". We quote: "George D. Cogswell, chairman of the Housing Committee of the Chamber of Commerce declared today that this city is heading towards the greatest five year period in its history. A golf course (isn't this wonderful news for you starving workers of Buffalo?), homes (for whom, certainly not for the workers?), and other projects are contemplated." Mr. Cogswell, didn't Hoover make a fool of himself already with his "return of prosperity within 60 days"? What "other projects" Messrs. Cogswell and Silverman? You know you lie. Unemployed workers, golf courses and homes are being built, but not for you. When your landlord throws you out of your rooms the City Welfare in all its "kindness" sees that you and your family are moved into lousy, filthy, vermin-ridden, airless, \$15 "apartments." You must be thankful though, that a golf course as well as a \$300,000 Catholic church is being built for you, instead of factories where you can find jobs. Such things are done only by the "terrible" Bolsheviks, in the workers' land, Soviet Russia, where factories are built so that today there is no unemployment there and churches are torn down because no one uses them. The arrogance of the bosses is beyond limit. They build golf courses, "homes" and "other projects" while the same vile, reptile, capitalist press reports that tuberculosis is on the increase; that "dispensary reports more patients this summer than in five years; that the birth rate in the city of Buffalo is the lowest in its history; children, especially Negro children are forced to stay at home and not go to school, because they have no shoes and no clothes; and an Italian working woman with a brood of six was arrested on a framed up charge of stabbing a parasitic charity investigator, a charge which the poor woman pleaded not guilty and held for \$1,000 bat

By D. Z. MANUILSKY.

THERE are still other reasons that hinder the Communists in undermining the influence of Social Democracy. One of these is our own mistakes, especially our mis-application of the tactics of class against class.

Theory of "Lesser Evil."

The tactics of class against class, which were dictated to the Communist International by the sharpening of the class struggle, by the process of the fascisation of Social Democracy, by the increasing importance of the Communist Parties in the labor movement, and by Bolshevization, has completely justified itself. The importance of these tactics is increasing especially at the present moment of the crisis, of sharpened struggles of labor against capital, and in conformity with this, the sharp turn of all bourgeois groups, including the Social Democratic Party, still further to the right, 1. e., their fascization, and in view of the necessity of conducting a most active struggle against Social Democracy as the police force of capital. The tactics of class against class is a sharp-edged weapon directed against Social Democracy, with the aim of exposing it in the eyes of the broad masses of workers, which frequently accept it as the "lesser evil." Thus in Finland we see how, after the Lapuan Coup, the Social Democrats utilized the coup to get control of the union movement, its property and its halls, and even pro-Communist workers voted for the Social Fascist Party at the elections, because they feared the "victory" of Fascism. The same thing can be observed in Austria. The fear of victory of the Conservatives in England still the British workers, who are betrayed keeps every day by the MacDonald government, under the influence of the Laborites. Similar sentiments hinder the successes of the Communist Party in the Scandinavian countries. And this proves that the Communists have not yet brought about a change of mind among the millions of non-Party workers, and not even in the consciousness of the Communist workers. The class against class tactics have not yet been learned by the masses. Our speeches on the fascization of Social Democracy in connection with the sharpening of the class struggle have been taken formally, outwardly, and have not penetrated the flesh and blood of the Communist Parties. This is a sad fact, but it cannot be denied. The danger of the illusion that Social Democracy is not reactionary is becoming extremely serious in countries like Poland, where perpetual squabbles take place in the very camp of fascism around the state pie on the question of utilizing more effective methods of muzzling the working class and the revolutionary peasants. The Communists, in spite of favorable conditions, have not succeeded by the factics of class against class in completely shaking the position of the Social Democrats in the working class. Evidently the Communists make mistakes in applying these tactics.

Has this work been completed? Have we overcome opportunist passivity in the Communist ranks? This cannot be said. In many cases, even in the best Parties, we still have residues of opportunism. The Party officials frequently lag behind the new revolutionary non-Party workers in revolutionary activity. For example, in Austria the workers who came over from the Social Democrats to the Communist Party are frequently a much better and more militant element than the Communists of long standing in the Party. In order that the fight against Social Democracy may be successful, the Communist Parties must first of all concentrate their fire against opportunist passivity in all the forms in which it may appear. Class Against Class Tactics Do Not Eliminate

lass Against Class Tactics Do Not Eliminate United Front Tactics.

Secondly, the Communists frequently forget that the tactics of "class against class" do not negate the tactics of the united workers' front. On the contrary, they imply primarily the widest application of the latter tactics, as the tactic of class struggle. By the very fact that we are fighting, we expose Social Democracy by facts, by practice, by experience, taken from the struggle of the working class. This is the language that is understood by the masses of workers, and not theses on the fascization of Social Democracy. In order to expose Social Democracy successfully, we must think the thoughts of these masses. We must learn to put Social Democracy in such a position that facts would more eloquently reveal to the workers its treachery than the most fiery Communist speech the task of which is to generalize the thoughts and deductions of the workers. Yet the methods of our agitation among the Social Democratic workers are extremely bad. We talk to them as if we were faced with a Communist audience, for whom the treacherous character of Social Democracy is perfectly clear, or as if they had already broken with the ideas of Social Democracy and only needed a slight push to join the ranks of the Communists. At Party congresses and conferences, we try more to convince each other of the fascization of Social Democracy than to work out speeches to be delivered to the non-Party and Social Democratic masses. If a worker does not leave the Social Democratic Party it shows that he is not convinced of its treachery, that he thinks that the path of compromise and class collaboration is more expedient than the class struggle. We must show him the reverse by systematic and persistent work with him: we must approach him with agitation on a level with his understanding.

Red Sparks

Isn't This Beautiful!

This, boys and girls, is all about a "socialist" party which isn't a socialist party. Perhaps you've heard that before, but this is a new wrinkle on it. We take you by the nape of the neck and drop you forthwith into the middle of an argument, the following being written by a gent in Utica, N. Y., to the local capitalist press, the "Utica Press":

"To the editor of the Press:—As a member of the socialist party, I take exception to the unfair, unsportsmanlike and un-American statements published in the local newspapers regarding myself and other members of the socialist party who signed the socialist designating petition for Charles S. Donnelley and other democrats as the candidates of the socialist party in the fall primary.

"As an American citizen . . . I refuse to surrender my right of suffrage to Otto L. Endres or any other publicity seeking spokesman of our party. The real socialist believes in principles, and one of these is opposition to dictatorship. . . . If Mr. Endres believes himself to be a czar or king, let him retire to a foreign country. . . . I don't have to take my choice for mayor from the committee of the socialist party. . . . Is it a crime to be a Democrat? . . . I will support Mayor Donnelley, for his record . . . justifies the support of all real American members of the socialist party."

This above, dear reader, was signed by one John Esposito, on August 26, 1931, A.D. at Utica, N. Y. And as it reveals, upholds the heaven born right of American "socialists" to nominate Democrats on the "socialist" ticket.

But that isn't all! From the same "Utica Press" of September 29, we nip the following bit of sequel to this "socialist"-democrat letter:

"The socialists, unsuccessful in their effort to have Ezra Hanagan, Democratic candidate, decline the socialist nomination for sheriff, will seek his scalp at the general election by encouraging their members to temporarily depart from party principles and vote for the Republican candidate, it was stated yesterday by Otto L. Endres, socialist county chairman."

My gawd, WHAT A PARTY!

Chicago, "Let's Go"!

It seems to us that a situation is arising in Chicago to which some attention might be given. One letter we have says: "This is the flop district and there is a soap-boxer speaker here every evening speaking to many readers of the Daily Worker, advocating 'Steal it', instead of organizing."

Well, maybe the Party can't do anything about it, if the police puts up such people to talk. But you workers who read the Daily should make such a soap-boxer feel mighty uncomfortable and let him know what you think about him.

Another letter says, in part: "I've been watching the meeting at Washington Sq. in Chicago for the past five months. The radicals hold meetings there each night. Seven out of ten or these speakers just talk to take up a collection to get a bottle of moonshine. I know what I'm talking about. I see things for myself, just a lot of drunken bums.

"I and others were going to join the Reds, but what we saw at Wash. Sq. would turn anyone away. Don't think I'm not in favor of Russia. I sure hope Russia has good luck. These speakers should be exposed, they don't care about the working class.--W.C.H."

Well, comrade, we are doing our part in the exposing. Only please don't get all the hole "radicals" mixed up with the Communists. We don't believe that anyone who is speaking for the Communist Party is taking up collections for moonshine. It must be some gang of "radical talkers" who pretend they are "Reds" but are not. And maybe the Party cannot do much about it for that reason. But if it can do anything, it certainly should start right in. A little organized attention to such fake "Reds" would soon put a stop to this sort of thing. You workers who read the Daily and attend such meetings should do your part in making sure that the Party O.K.'s the speaker. . . .

Liberator in the mining fields, through the utilization of the paper as an organizer for the union among Negro miners.

7. Organization of Committees for Work among Negro Miners in each local union, for the purpose of initiating this work.

The party through its fraction in the mining fields, must be the main driving force in carrying out the above tasks.

It is of the utmost importance that these lessons of the Miners' Strike be energetically and conscientiously applied in the development of our Negro work in the steel campaign, in which industry Negroes constitute a basic section of the workers.

Prepare for the Greater Defense Struggle Ahead

By J. LOUIS ENGDAHL

 $\mathbf{S}^{\mathrm{AVAGE}}$ terror is the weapon of the bosses in carrying through wage cuts and other attacks upon the workers' standard of living. This persecution drive develops into mass arrests, deportation drives, cold-blooded killings, during strike struggles.

Thus the announcement by the great steel corporations, the rubber, coal, textile, automobile, metal mining and other great profit-taking interests, of widespread wage reductions, calls for the greatest mobilization by the International Labor Defense of all possible forces that can be enlisted in the defense struggles of the working class. The militant call of the Trade Union Unity League mobilizes the workers for struggle against wage slashing, for resistance to greater misery.

Utilize Mooney-Harlan Campaign.

The energetic carrying through of the Mooney-Harlan-Scottsboro Campaign, which has already developed into great demonstrations in many cities, must become one of the major means of developing our defense activities into a mass movement in preparation for the struggles ahead.

The affiliations of the Trade Union Unity League and all other organizations must be activized through the proper functioning of defense groups, giving leadership to this work inside these organizatons.

Wherever possible there must be defense groups within the local unions of the American Federation of Labor and the independent unions (Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, Railroad Brotherhoods, etc., etc.) It is not necessary for these organizations to be affiliated with the International Labor Defense in order to have initiative groups within them. Several members or even one worker can raise defense issues withthe these organizatony

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Special attention should be given to those industries where wage cuts have been announced, especially steel, through building new I.L.D. branches, reviving old branches and activizing affiliations in these territories and at least developing contacts with the factories. Special agitation must be carried on before factories on an increasing scale through meetings, distribution of literature and sale of the Labor Defender.

Wherever strikes take place sub-committee on defense activities must be established inside all strike committees to work closely with the I.L.D. This must become the basis for transferring the mass activity in which workers are arrested (picketing, demonstration, hunger marches, etc., etc.) into the mass protest for the release of the prisoners, before jails, courthouses and delegations to the governors of the states in which the persecution takes place.

Not An Outside Organization.

At no time must the International Labor Defense appear as an outside organization merely coming into the strike situation. The mass activities of the strike itself must become the mass basis for carrying through all defense activities incuding relief for prisoners and prisoners' dependents and even legal aid.

When defense activities take on a mass character, growing directly out of the mass struggles, then the basis has been found for the building of the International Labor Defense into a mass organization. Under these conditions, and with the carrying through of the correct defense policies of the I.L.D., it cannot then be said that there are too many persecutions for the I.L.D. to take care of. Rather the increasing persecutions create in themselves the need and the opportunities for still further building the International Labor Defense into a powerful mass organization, truly—"The Shield of the Working Class."

Opportunist Passivity and Lagging Behind.

What are these mistakes? Firstly, opportunist passivity in the struggle against Social Democracy, a kind of tactics of defense and not of attack. This is expressed most clearly among Communists who are working in the reformist trade unions. Scores of examples could be quoted of how Communists have played the role of "strong silent men" in the reformist trade unions, who explain their passivity by arguments about the necessity of keeping their position and not being expelled from the trade union. The struggle against so-called trade union legalism was a struggle of the Communist Parties against this type of opportunist passivity. International Brandlerism formed its trade union policy on this system of capitulation to the Social Democrats. In the past, this tactic of defense was fostered by the conditions of "stabilization." The Communist International and its sections had to carry out a great deal of work in order to put the Communists on a path of more decisive struggle against Social Democracy to correspond to the sharpening of the class struggles and the growing upsurge of the revolutionary movement.

Learn To Listen To Arguments of Fakers.

At the same time the Communists must organize the united workers' front. This means we must keep in constant contact with the rank and file Social Democratic masses in the factories; we must organize joint meetings with them, and conferences; we must work out a program of demands jointly with them and non-Party delegates; we must convince them, argue with them: we must learn to listen to the arguments of rank and file Social Democrats so as to smash them the more easily. This means that we must discuss with factory trade union delegates, who have not discredited themselves as spies and lickspittles of the factory managements, questions which agitate the workers for the purpose of organizing activity jointly with the Social Democratic workers. This is of special importance at the present time when the Social Democratic apparatus is in many places beginning to crack from below.

This means, further, that the approach to the struggle for the independent leadership of class struggles of the proletariat in the various countries must vary in the respective countries in accordance with the varying importance of the Communist Parties and with the varying rate of radicalization of the masses and their loss of faith in the Social Democrats. We must not mechanically transfer the methods of assuming independent leadership of class struggles from the German Communist Party, for example, to the British or American Communist Party.

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Holy Christofer!

"Christopher Christ, forty-eight, who said he had lived until recently at 248 W. 48th St., collapsed early today on Eighth Ave., just below 42d St. Physicians said Christ was suffering from starvation. Christ said he had spent yesterday walking about the city seeking employment. He was taken to Bellevue Hospital."— From the N. Y. Post of Oct. 1.

However, although Christ came to Manhattan and found no place to lay his head, it was not for lack of good hotels. While Christ was wandering, homeless and starving, through the streets, from Washington the voice of President Hoover was booming over the air, saluting the opening of the new Waldorf-Astoria Hotel.

Why should Christ have no bed? Here 12,000 guests assembled in the forty-seven storied palace of exclusiveness, to listen to the fat-head Executive of American capitalism gabble from Washington, as follows:

"Our hotels have come to be conducted in far larger vision than mere profit making.... The opening of the new Waldorf-Astoria... carries on a great tradition in national hospitality."

But Christ held no invitation. "National hospitality" did not register.

The N. Y. Times sang thus of the opening night:

"Every dining room has been engaged for tonight... For the fruit cocktail only, there will be 10,000 oranges, pears, apples and pineapples. There will be 200 gallons of soup, 100 pounds of fresh Russian caviar, and 1,200 lobsters. Vegetables and meat run up into the tons."

But Christ was broke. Christ didn't even hear Hoover's speech from Washington telling how the Waldorf-Astoria was not at all interested in "mere profit making." Thus it came about that the papers reported:

"Physicians said Christ was suffering from starvation." Jesus Christ!

Talk about a cheap lot of stick-up men, two of 'em in Wyoming went three times through the pockets of forty unemployed workers—and got only thirty cents.

Real Provide

Mishter Shouse, we shee, ish for Beer!