Communists Oppose Loray-Bulkwine Strike at Charlotte, N. C.

Workers Welcome Drive of Communists

CHARLOTTE, N. C.—News that the Communist Party will run its own candidates in the North Carolina elections next fall is being received very favorably by the workers in and around Charlotte.

On the tobacco docks at Gastonia, Bessemer City and Charlotte especially, who have participated in collective bargaining under the leadership of the National Textile Workers, United Textile Workers of America, are standing up strongly in the Communist election campaign.

The Communist candidate for senator was elected in Gastonia. (Turn to Page 2)

Run Own Wage Unions

New Orleans Dock Workers Strike

NEW ORLEANS, La.—Over 500 cargo handlers of the New Orleans Steamship Company, which handles the trade of the United States and foreign vessels, have struck to obtain a ten-hour day. The strike is backed by the leadership of the Marine Workers Union.

The workers, who went on strike July 27, demand an increase in wages of 25 cents per hour. They also demand the elimination of the inferior system of 'tallying' and the recognition of the United Dock and Transportation Workers Union, which represents all the longshoremen's work. The men had been paid only 10 and 30 cents an hour and in many cases were defrauded of rent, the small amount.

In spite of the police persecution (Turn to Page 3)

T. C. I. Hounds Birmingham Workers

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. Aug. 6—A victory for the laborer is the fight for the workers. This was won here on August 6, when Harry Jack-

son, a member of the Trade Union Unity League, organizer, defending himself in Judge Abernathy's court, forced a vagrancy charge against him to be dropped. Joe Carr, organizer of the Mine, Oil and Smelter Industrial Union and defendants in the Atlanta Insurrection trial and Gene Braxton, a local and one of the leaders of the Labor Unity League, were sentenced July 31 to one year on the chain gang and $500 fine. The International Labor Defense posted the appeal bonds.

Harry Jackson has a previous convic-
tion for vagrancy, and Joe Carr has served two years in the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company, subsidiary of the U. S. Steel, in lieu of these persecutions in an attempt to prevent the organizing of the workers in the mines and steel mills at Birmingham into the revolutionary union of the Trade Union Unity League.

This vagrancy law, ordinarily used against unemployed workers who cannot find jobs, was revived to this new use by the arrangementists between the steel bosses and the Birmingham Protective Council, a ward party, which organized the law and enforced it. The Trade Union Unity League and the Communist Party are carrying on a campaign in Birmingham against these persecutions and point out that they are directed against the organized and steel workers who are getting ready to strike. The T. C. I. fears a strike the like of which has never happened.

Carr and Braxton were arrested in Easley, July 31, while walking with some workers on the highway. Jackson was arrested the same day while asleep in his room. The Tennessee Coal, Iron and Company, subsidiary of the U. S. Steel, is in fear of their lives and the threat of death on the railroads and the unions.

Will Nominate Negro Workers in Tenn., Ala.

Call On Workers To Send Delegates To Convention

The Communist Party will run its own candidates for governor and senator in Tennessee and Alabama for the November elections.

Two of the most historic gatherings in the nation's labor movement will be held in Chattanooga on August 31 and the Alabama City on August 24. The Communist Party calls upon the workers in the shops and white and Negro workers organizations, to elect and send their dele-
tees to these conventions and join in the election campaign of the Com-
munist Party, the first campaign carried on in the South by the revolu-
tionary party of the working class.

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WHAT DO WE STAND FOR?

This is the number one of the Southern Worker. It is to be pub-

lished regularly every week by the Communist Party of the U. S. A.

The Southern Worker is the only paper in the South that deals with the social and political problems of the South. It is being published because the Southern workers and farmers need it and want it. The Southern Worker is the voice of the Negro and the voice of the Southern white workers.

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The Southern worker is a "white" paper, but a "Negro" paper in the sense that it will represent both the white and black workers and farmers. It recognizes only one division, the class against the workers and the workers against the bosses. In this does struggle the Southern Worker stands, without reserve, without any reservation, for the workers. It is a workers' paper.

We call for the immediate demands of the workers and the farmers, fighting for better conditions, we realize that the only way the workers can fully obtain these demands is through a revolutionary struggle. Only by following the example of the Russian workers and farmers, who overcome thousands and set up their own government and control, is it we finally obtain an revolution. This is the final aim which will be obtained by the organized might of the railroading masses.

The Southern Worker has for the first time needed their own paper and a newspaper in which they can speak and be heard.

Those who are "stuck" enough to get a job, get miserably low wages, work long hours at a tremendous speed, and are never sure of the next paycheck. It is a paper to be read.

The Negro worker is the most oppressed worker in the South. His lot is worse than any. Keep Jim-crowed at every turn, working low wages, being subjected to all sorts of beatings and insults, he is kept a virtual slave by the Southern white bosses.

The Southern Worker is here to voice the rebellion against these conditions. It is here to be a vital organ of the demands of the Southern toilers. It is here to give them Communist leadership in their struggles.

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Workers Must Save 6 Organizers in Atlanta

Six labor organizers face the electric chair in Atlanta, Georgia for organizing and white workers together into the same industrial union.

Two Negroes of the Communist Party for the Carolinas and the Virginigian, Joe Carra, organizer of the Airline Typographic of Indiana; Herbert Newton, Negro organizer of the American Federation of Labor; and Henry Story, leader of the Negroes on the Northern cotton farm, have been arrested under the leadership of Communist organizers.

Officials of the American Federation of Labor and the Southern Labor Union, joined hands with the Negroes and the demand for the worker, Louis P. Massaretti, secretary of the Georgia A. F. of L., was in close touch with the N. C. U. at the time the incitement to revolution charges were placed against the organizers. He has often expressed a free speech resolution introduced into the Atlanta Central Labor Council, and the pressure of the rank and file members of the A. F. of L. of N. C. U. Now, Georgia is in the forefront of the struggle against the fear of the new government. The N. C. U. is the only one of the major labor organizations that has at the present time, approximately 100,000 members.

MAJOR BULWINKLE who the workers of Gaston County oppose with a Communist candidate.

Communist Ticket In N. C. Opposes Bosses

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leader of the Black Hundred of the Loray Mill an agitator of the so-called Gaston strikers, who led the workers of Gaston County to revolution this year, exactly one year of their present strike. Before the strikers, the Georgia A. F. of L. is in close touch with the N. C. U. at the time the incitement to revolution charges were placed against the organizers. He has often expressed a free speech resolution introduced into the Atlanta Central Labor Council, and the pressure of the rank and file members of the A. F. of L. of N. C. U. Now, Georgia is in the forefront of the struggle against the fear of the New Government. The N. C. U. is the only one of the major labor organizations that has at the present time, approximately 100,000 members.

The bosses of Atlanta, especially the Fulton Cotton and Bag Company, where the workers were the Negro Textile Workers Union, think that they can't get away from organizing by roasting their Negro Candidates on Communist Ticket

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The so-called "Negroes for the People," a movement that was opened in Chattanooga with a mass meeting in 22nd and New Market streets, and the meeting was signed on page 6, on the eve of the white Tennessee strike, is old news. It was called on to boost the candidates of both the Republican and Democratic party. But the Negroes and their candidates are zeroes of the party.

Workers in the shops, mills and factories are being urged to elect delegates from their places of work and send them to the Conventions of the N. C. U. workers. The unemployed councils, union locals, women and the mass of the people are all invited to send their delegate candidates.

In addition to all the candidates for the Communist Party, Box 35, Pittsburg, Alaska, among the N. C. U. candidates are the Election Campaign Committee of the N. C. U. 14th Main St., Chattanooga, Tenn.

Negroes Engaged At Lynching at Marion

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LYNCH LAWN IN THE WORKERS

MARION, Ind.—Thomas Shipps, 18, and Abe Smith, 19, Negroes, were raped and killed late one night of Aug. 6 and hung on the courthouse square.

MOUNT VERNON, Ga.—8. 8. 8. Negroes, including several Republican peddlers, were beaten to death by a mob after being abducted to temporary confinement on charges of "sabotage.

RAYMOND, Miss.—George Robinson, 28, Negro bell hop, was killed in the county jail by Deputy Sheriff W. L. Harrell. Negroes kept them for "safe-keeping.

CHARLOTTE, N. C.—Lee Townsend, 49, Negro taxi driver, was mysteriously killed near Charlotte, N. C. His body was found in a well last week.

TEXARKANA, Tex.—Herbert Jackson, 30, Negro, was mysteriously murdered by a mob in Texarkana, Tex. An official investigation is expected.

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—At the recent convention of the American Miners Association, the National Miners Union is affiliated to the Trade Union Unity League. At the convention the situation in the coal fields was taken up. The report of the National Miners Association on the Trade Union Unity League, told of the starvation wages and the growing unemployment. The coal is controlled by the monopoly and held in the mining industry. Thousands of miners are displaced machinery and unemployment in the mines.

The Negro miners elected to the National Committee are: I. Hawkins, Pittsburgh, Johnstown, Thorndale and Latrobe, and Karl H. Hill and Real of northern Virginia. These miners are determined to fight for the convention by giving reports that tell of the condition that face thousands of them and that the U. M. W. A. refused to organize in such areas. As the miners are black with white miners as the N.M.U. workers. In recognition of the industrial significance of the union the draft constitution changed the name of the union to the Ohio, Ill. and Smelter Workers' Union. There is a youth and women's department also.

Georgia Tobacco Farmers Ruined

ATLANTA, Ga.—Booze made by farmers to get rid of their tobacco crop to help them ward off starvation was sold during the first few days of selling last week at the market in the Georgia bright-leaf tobacco belt. They got into the press spreading the opening of the market for the manufacturers to export and take advantage of the price of tobacco in foreign countries. In forcing the price lower than they had ever been since the war. At 97 out of 58 warehouses tobacco was selling during the course of last week that was a few cents a pound below what it cost the farmer to produce it. During the course of the tobacco auction it was evident that powerful buyers had manipulated to buy the crop at a ridiculously low price.

The low price spells complete ruin for many of the small farmers. Unable to meet their debt and pay off the landlords, the tenant farmers will be completely ruined. In a frantic effort to save their crops they will sell it to the lowest bidder and buy other crops. Washington is sending investigators into the field, although it is well known that the Government is in agreement with the same interests that pushed the price down. In future negotiations the government will have to come to terms with the tenant farmers. To save the large planters and foreclose the tenant farmers to bear the brunt of the crisis a conference of representative workers, farmers and others who wish to write in to the Southern Worker about their conditions so that other workers can know their story, too.

Letter from workers and farmers is always welcome and will be published. If the Southern Worker is really the workers' paper, then the workers have the right to write.

Write about conditions in the place where you work, or if you are out of work and looking for a job, write about why this happened and how you manage to get along. Let us hear about the difficulties you must go through and the struggles you have to carry on.

You don't want to lose your job, do you if you have one.

You can make your letters as long or as short as you want and send them to SOUTHERN WORKER, Box 85, Birmingham, Ala.

WORKER'S CORRESPONDENCE

Power Co. Lays Off Old Workers

By a Worker Correspondent.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn.—The Tennessee Electric Power Company announces that it has laid off about 400 of the 3,000 men employed in the state. In Chattanooga the company operates three power and light plants and, in addition, has 10 power and light plants. Of these, all but one group are spread out and operate at 400 times an hour. for the company is a monopoly.

Sometimes a man is laid off without getting his pay and never gets it again. This is the case with 400 of the men who have been here for the last 20 years and who have been laid off this way and told that they will never be taken back. The coal strike is one of the few things that has good to no one's good name.

The most intolerable thing about these layoffs is that the company is making an extra profit. It is stringing out and spread out for small pay.

—A WORKER

Editor's Note: The conditions that this worker of the Tennessee Electric Power Company has been laid off cannot be changed only by the workers themselves. Negro and white together, Negro and white, must get into the place and join the Trade Union Unity League, which will lead us into the future. The Workers' Industrial Union, C.I.O., is organizing the workers and miners and mills, who are signing up with the revolutionary union, out of a protest against the old system.

—THE WORKER

Join Our Revolutionary Unions

New Orleans Dock Workers in Militant Strike

(Continued from Page 1) the strike continues militantly. Over 800 Negro workers are arrested, but they went back into the struggle and more were arrested. Alsie Reed, a Negro marine organizer, was shot and killed. The workers have been offered an amount on an open shop basis, but they demand full recognition of the union. The Seabrook's Workers' Benevolent Association, which is affiliated with the International Longshoremen's Association, A.F. of L. and the Marine Workers' Industrial Union, which is affiliated to the C.I.O., are opposing the strike in every way possible. In a statement issued the Marine Workers press to the seamen workers to vote for the strike workers and the M. W. U. I. It boasted of the fact that it has two locals in New Orleans, one exclusively for white workers and the other for colored workers, in the true Jim-crow fashion of the A. F. of L. The Marine Workers' Industrial Union, as we have already seen, is not affiliated with the C.I.O. and is not supporting the strike. The spirit of the strikers is unbowed and a number of met meetings have been called to discuss the future strategy of the movement. A few days before he gets a job he sells his papers and goes to work on the docks. If he is still out of work tomorrow he goes to work on the docks. He is part of a class that has no class consciousness and no class interest. He is part of a class that has forgotten the struggle for their rights and the fight for their lives. He is part of a class that has allowed themselves to be used by the bosses and the union leaders. He is part of a class that has allowed themselves to be used by the bosses and the union leaders. He is part of a class that has forgotten the struggle for their rights and the fight for their lives. He is part of a class that has allowed themselves to be used by the bosses and the union leaders. He is part of a class that has forgotten the struggle for their rights and the fight for their lives. He is part of a class that has allowed themselves to be used by the bosses and the union leaders.

Sure, he's telling you I'm doing my best to get the other workers involved in the struggle, but you're buying the papers. It's only fair.

—THE WORKER

Young Workers Are Hard Hit By Speed-Up Grind

By a Worker Correspondent.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn.—The Tennessee Electric Power Company has been laying off workers. We are told that all of them among the bosses that we are told to take the money and go to the warehouse. They have Texas same over the plant.

Editor's Note: Like the other bosses the bosses at Anderson & Claymen meet the crisis by taking in the workers in wage-cuts. The entire crisis which is riding thousands of farmers also affects the workers in the industry. The only way to prevent further layoffs or speed-up grind is by organizing and fighting.

—THE WORKER

U. S. Steel Makes Millions

NEW YORK, N. Y.—The United Steelworkers of America, a subsidiary of C.I.O. is directing the drive on the nation's big steel giant. The steel workers are fighting against low wages and long hours.

—THE WORKER

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Workers' Social Insurance

The Workers’ Social Insurance Bill, pleaded before the workers of the country by the Communist Party, for us to force down the throats of the bosses’ legislatures and provide ourselves with decent food and living quarters when unemployed is a definite point about which the employed workers can struggle together with the 8,000,000 unemployed workers of the country.

The Workers’ Social Insurance Bill provides that instead of the one billion dollars appropriated by the government for new battalions of a fund of three billion dollars, i.e. provided for the unemployed workers and their families, the bill provides for the payment of $25 per week to all unemployed and an additional $10 per week for each dependent, as well as for old age and accident insurance for workers.

This was the first time in history that the American workers have been presented with such a complete and definite program for social insurance for the workers. It is the first step toward putting the big bosses on a necktie and to the degree to which the workers effect it, it is a clear indication of their desire to stop the big bosses who are putting profits out of the pockets of the workers, at the same time to the degree to which the workers have succeeded, they will receive the pillar of the people.

The bill was introduced in the House and there is no hesitating about the bill. Our social insurance means that workers who are unemployed, sick or disabled must not be left to starve by the bosses and their government who are glad to carry their burdens, and it is from the fact that the workers pay out of the pockets, the profits which really belong to the workers, enough to permit the workers to a decent state of existence. It demands that the bosses’ government turn over the billion dollars invested in the next war for the workers to keep from starvation and the workers and all the reformers and would-be reformers with a definite challenge.

We will not starve, we say. We demand that this bill be put into effect. By the force of our might and numbers, by the might of our struggles in building the popular revolutionary unions, we must force the bosses to make this concession.

This bill is the central point in the election campaign of the Communist Party. The fight for it must be carried on together with the struggle of the industrial workers, the farm workers and the black and white unions.

They Can Never Smash Us!

Birmingham is the headquarters city of District 17 of the Communist Party, which comprises Alabama, Georgia, and Tennessee. During the past few months the Communist Party has grown rapidly in and around Birmingham. Led by the Communist Party, the workers are joining the Trade Union Unity League. Units of organization are springing up in the industrial towns of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company, subsidiary of U. S. Steel at Eastley, Pratt City, Bessemer City and in the steel mills at Birmingham.

Formerly the bosses and the Communists and the_tC._I. workers were divided over the influence of the group which virtually owns the city, has set his entire destructive force on the Communist organization. Racial aid has been made on the rooms of the organizers: papers, letters and typewriters have been confiscated; visiting organizers have been tarred and feathered and room and baggage searched.

The force of bosses’ justice has been played again and again in the court of Judge Abernathy. At a loss for a charge to bring against the organizers of the T. C. I. workers, the city police in the pay of the steel corporation have arrested and charged the working class leaders two and three times with “Squawing.”

The T. C. I. has found ready allies. Where are located the coin boxes of the bosses there you will also find their prostitutes. The officials of the A. F. of L., Southern Federation are entirely found among the most comfortable rooms in the biggest hotel in Birmingham, within easy call of the corporation masters. For bed linen they have that hustled sheet, the Birmingham Labor Advocate. The A. F. of L. cries for the blood of the Communist and T. C. I. workers, who are really doing some organizing among the miners and steel workers, and not steppin’ up in some perfumed parlor.

The bosses’ terrorism organization, the K. K. K., cowards of the whitest hue, has been turned loose against all workers. There comes paras, attempt to foreclose the Negroes, threats against the white workers, shots against of lynching the organizers. The K. K. K. meets in the A. F. of L. hall, brothel of treachery and betrayal.

But the T. C. I. is being continued to work, even if it thinks it can prevent the workers from organizing. Not only have we remained in Birmingham, in the mines and mills of the corporation, but workers are coming to our support by the hundreds, Negro’ and white both, in spite of the bosses’ attempts to terrify them and keep them out.

The black and white know how to defend themselves from the thugs and Klansmen of the T. C. I. They can never smash us. Workers’ defense committees are ready to handle any meddling Klansmen or company thugs. When we say organization, we mean it!

BUILD THE REVOLUTIONARY UNIONS!

By Tom Johnson

We are approaching the elections this year at a time when unemployment, already over the 7 million mark, is rapidly increasing, at a time when the unemployed class has launched a vicious attack against the standard and conditions of workers at long the line.

Twenty-one Negro workers have met death at the hands of bosses and mobs in the first six months of the year. The bloody stabbings of workers and mass arrests have accompanied every demonstration of the working class, the strike at the Marconi plant in Kentucky, the strike at the Southern black men, the strikers, the women in the picket lines at the American Federation of Labor, are engaged in an attempt to see if 12 Communist organizers in the coal fields. The leaders of the March 4th demonstration of the New York unemployed ag is still in jail. In California nine farm workers and organizers of the Agricultural Workers’ Industrial Union have just been sentenced to 42 years in prison.

This year has already seen a tremendous sharpening of the danger of war. The American class is preparing for an attempt to solve the industrial crisis by means of a war. The war machine fails in the United States and the world. At the same time the general attack of the capitalist world against the working class, under the Soviet Union, is rapidly gaining speed. This attack, the United States and all state and local governments are class enemies. They are governments of our nation’s class enemy, the capitalist class. As long as the capitalists continue to rule the problems of unemployment, of oppression of the workers, of imperialism wars, in which millions of workers are killed like bees, cannot be finally and completely solved in the interest of the working class. This can only take place when the working class, under the leadership of the Communist Party, begins to build its own party. The Communist Party has smashed the rule of our enemies, the capitalist class and has set up in its place our own class rule, thru a Workers’ and Farmers’ Government in the United States.

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The Reds Say... By Jim Allen

There can’t be a hell of a lot of difference between a socialist and a democratic politician. They are all shaped up to be the bossmen’s man. And the one thing we’ll have to do when these white primaries come around. We’ll see all the politicians are as slick politicians as any. They are up to their ears in election laws, but just look what they did during the white primaries.

Governor Horton of Tennessee, who met the troops against the Klan in that state, used to be a Horton in Memphis is a Horton machine strong, and so was Governor Choctaw, all for Gravin. Horton or Gravin, which of this pair of who would you rather have, F. L. or L. F. of L. man choose to shoot him down in a skit? The A. F. of L. officials were well taken in by neither of these willy way the wind blows.

The primaries, of course, are a white man’s privilege—meanest just for the white man living in a white man’s country,” a Gravin says. “For white only,” agrees the A. F. of L. and proceeds to elect a white boss man. Thats the way with the A. F. of L. —join vore locals, lil white electioneers, strike-breakers, and then sell-outs.

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The Reds Say... By Jim Allen

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