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5,000 KENTUCKY MINERS MARCH TO COURT HOUSE

Rand School Unity of Fascism and Social Fascism

THE Rand School of the socialist party, in the third winter of the crisis with twelve million unemployed workers, has opened its winter courses with a lecture by Vice-President Matthew Woll of the American Federation of Labor—the outstanding opponent of workers' unemployment insurance in the ranks of those in the leadership of the so-called "labor movement" who support the Hoover-Wall Street hunger program.

This open endorsement of Woll, Acting President of the National Civic Federation and champion of the anti-working class report of the Fish Committee, will enable thousands of workers to see the contrast between the socialist party and its Rand School, and the Communist Party and its Workers School whose Spring courses open with a list of subjects selected for the sole purpose of enabling workers to take part in and lead more effectively the struggles of their class against the Hoover Wall Street Hunger Program and American imperialism.

Woll voiced in his Rand School speech the usual reactionary expressions of the propagandists of American imperialism. He dealt with not a single burning problem before the American working class except to oppose ALL measures designed to better the working and living conditions of American workers as dangerous to "individual freedom, etc."—measures such as workers' unemployment insurance at full wages which would restrict the ability of the capitalist class to drive the living standard of American workers still lower toward the slave level.

There is not the slightest difference between the voice of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., and that of Matthew Woll. In an interview with Rockefeller in "Liberty" for January 9, written by George Sylvester Viereck, a virulent Kaiserite during the World War who has rehabilitated himself with the American patriots by his slobbering eulogies of various billionaires since the war, Rockefeller is quoted, in reply to a proposal for shortening working hours and raising the compulsory school age for children as a means of combating unemployment, as follows: "Does not such an idea impose an unwarranted restriction upon individual freedom?"

Woll speaking at the Rand School is the voice of the class enemies of the workers. He is given the forum of the Rand School by the socialist party after his demand for the suppression of the National Hunger March and the struggles of the unemployed, after his opposition to unemployment insurance at the Vancouver Convention of the American Federation of Labor, after his attacks upon the Soviet Union and his continued attempts to organize a boycott, and war against the Soviet Union, after his letter to Congress calling for new suppressive laws against the working class and the Communist Party.

These are facts which all the demagogues of the socialist party, affiliated to the second international, cannot refute.

Woll opening the winter courses at the Rand School, definitely makes the connection between the imperialist policy of the American Federation of Labor leadership, which is the policy and program of Hoover-Wall Street government, and the socialist party. These are facts all workers can understand and use in the open struggles that must be greatly extended for the exposure and defeat of the socialist party in all working class organizations.

Mass Revolt Looms in Honduras Over Layoff

Martial Law Declared As 800 Are Fired On United Fruit Co. Plantation

NEW YORK.—A mass revolutionary uprising loomed throughout the banana-growing zone in Honduras Monday following the firing of 800 workers from the banana plantations of the United Fruit Company.

Following the appearance of armed groups of workers and peasants in various parts of the country, President Mejia Colindres, agent of the United Fruit Co., issued a decree declaring martial law over the whole of Honduras.

Sharp clashes between the government and revolutionary forces took place in the Choloma Cortes zone and in Santa Cruz Yajoa. Several casualties are reported. At San Pedro large forces of revolutionary and government forces are reported to be fighting. Insurrection is seething in and around the seaport Tela, where the United Fruit has some of its largest banana plantations.

To help crush the struggle of the terribly exploited banana workers against the rich American capitalists, U. S. gunboats loaded with marines have always been kept in a close proximity of the seaports Tela, Truxilla and Castilla. Aeroplanes, which are owned by the United Fruit Co. and are supposed to be used solely for commercial purposes, but which are constructed for military use, are kept constantly in commission at the company's modern airport in Tela.

A "Daily Worker" correspondent who visited the Tela airport two years ago was advised by one of the mechanics that planes were constantly kept in readiness by the United Fruit Co. to be used against any labor uprisings on the plantations.

Wages at Starvation Level While American investments in Honduras have increased 332.23 per cent from 1913 to 1929 and have continued to gain throughout the year of 1930, the wages of the workers have shown a sharp decline, the wages on the banana plantations having always been at a starvation level. Longshoremen who load the fruit on the Tela docks and who are lucky to get a full day's work in a week receive 25 cents an hour and less. Masses of homeless and starving workers can be seen any day roaming the streets of every city in Honduras.

The American workers must demand hands off Honduras. Protest against Yankee terror in the Caribbean region. Support the struggles of the Latin American workers against starvation.

Lay-offs in Poland. WARSAW.—Announcement was made that over two thousand railway workers here are to be dismissed as a consequence of the crisis. Mass dismissals of Polish railway workers seems to be the immediate future for these workers.

Unemployment demonstrations are increasingly frequent with collisions with police and arrests. Strikes of miners, textile and metal workers of Lodz district may follow upon the employers wage cutting attacks.

CHINESE RED ARMY IN BIG VICTORY

Wipe Out Nanking Brigade, Capture Hwangang

New Nanking Sell-Out Chen and Chang Pass the Buck

The Chinese Red Army is reported in a smashing advance in the Central Provinces of China. A Peiping dispatch admits that in Hupeh Province an entire brigade of Nanking troops was wiped out by the Red Army. The city of Hwangang, north of Hankow, was stormed and captured by the Red Army, 1,000 rifles and much ammunition fell into the hands of the revolutionary forces. Two Nanking battalions were disarmed after severe fighting. The Red Army is steadily completing its ring around Hankow in preparation for attack against the counter-revolutionary Nanking government troops in that city.

The Nanking government, which offered no resistance to the Japanese seizure of Manchuria and is now cooperating in the Japanese invasion of Inner China, is rushing troops to counter-attack the Red forces at Hwangang.

In Shanghai, Nanking troops and

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8,000 GET 10 P. C. CUT ON SOUTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY

Union Heads Plan Cut for All Workers

NEW YORK.—The Southern Pacific railroad announced that another section of its workers in Texas and Louisiana were forced to accept a 10 per cent wage cut. The latest cut affects 8,000 workers. Previously 15,000 California workers of the Southern Pacific were given a similar cut.

Another meeting is planned in Chicago between the leaders of the 21 railroad unions and the railroad presidents to make the 10 per cent wage cut general. Daniel Willard, who is the chief spokesman for the railroad bosses, declared recently that he had the promise of the railroad union leaders that they would do all they could to help put over the 10 per cent wage slash.

Lump Animals and Jobless in Senate Wheat "Aid" Scheme

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Lumping animals and unemployed workers together, the Senate yesterday passed a measure providing that 40,000,000 bushels of wheat be used for feed and fodder. The bill was sponsored by Senator Capper, representative of the rich farmers. He was interested in getting rid of some of the Federal Farm Board wheat, so that the rich farmers and wheat speculators could get the \$16,000,000 that would be turned over to the Federal Farm Board.

No provision is made for transporting or grinding the wheat. It is likely that the unemployed will never see the wheat at all in any edible form. And, even if they were actually given the wheat, it would make less than 4 bushels per unemployed worker as the total "relief" for more than two years of unemployment. What the workers will do with the wheat and how this will give them the shoes, clothing, shelter and other foods necessary to keep alive, only President Hoover knows.

When asked what organization would handle the wheat distribution, Senator Capper said he didn't know. He thought maybe the Red Cross would handle it.

Trade Union Unity League Wires Kentucky Governor Protesting Arrest of 9 Strike Leaders

January 5, 1931.

The Trade Union Unity League, affiliated with the National Miners' Union is protesting against the arrest of the National Miners' Union organizers and members and representatives of other workers' organizations in the Kentucky miners' strike for trumped up charges of criminal syndicalism. The Kentucky miners are striking heroically against ferocious starvation and terror conditions that have astounded the whole world. The arrest of these workers and organizers is an attempt by the government, tool of the coal operators, to lend further aid in crushing the workers back into the slavery they are fighting against.

We demand the immediate and un-

conditional release of these prisoners and all those arrested in earlier stages of the struggle. The miners of Kentucky in their heroic struggles have shown that the vicious attacks by the operators and police henchmen, that intimidation and terror will not force them to submit to misery, starvation and murderous rule of gunmen. The workers throughout the country look with pride upon the growing solidarity and militancy of the Kentucky miners and are sure that the reply to these outrageous attacks will be to make the strike one hundred per cent effective, spreading the strike to Tennessee and pledge their undivided support in food and clothing for the strikers, their wives and children.

Trade Union Unity League.

FORCE RETREAT ON DEATH VERDICT FOR SHOE THEFT

I.L.D. Continues Fight for Release of Moore

WINSTON-SALEM, N. C. Jan. 4.—Governor Gardner of North Carolina is expected to commute the death sentence of John Moore, an unemployed Negro worker, sent to death for stealing a pair of shoes.

This action followed the call of upon worker organizations to protest Moore's sentence and to demand his release. A flood of telegrams and protests thereupon descended upon the governor, according to press dispatches from the capitol. The case was laid for examination before Tye C. Taylor, the governor's executive counsel.

The International Labor Defense, however, announced today that it will continue its campaign to secure Moore's freedom. "Commutation of sentence," the organization declares, will probably mean life-long imprisonment—simply because Moore was starving and naked and was forced to steal a pair of worn shoes. The International Labor Defense stated that a law, which automatically sentences a man to death for such an offense, is aimed only at terrorizing workers into starving in silence.

Fruit Growers Ruined

FORT PIERCE, Fla.—Nearly all the oranges and grape fruit are rotting under the trees here. The few that are being shipped bring the growers only \$1 per box. Out of this the packing house robbers have to get their part. The railroad robbers and fertilizer robbers must get theirs too. This leaves nothing for the fruit grower. —W. G.

Rally at Star Casino Jan. 8 for Subport of Ky. Mine Strike

A delegation of striking Kentucky miners arrived at the Workers International Relief headquarters last night direct from the heart of hunger-terror stricken Kentucky. They will tell of their great strike against hunger and for wage increases under the leadership of the National Miners Union at the giant rally at Star Casino, January 8th at 8 p. m.

The New York District Workers International Relief calls upon workers and their organizations to send protest telegrams to the governor of the state of Kentucky demanding the immediate release of all those arrested at the National Miners Union headquarters on January 4th.

Food and clothes, but not funds should be sent direct to the W. I. R. warehouse, 145 Pine Street, Pineville, Ky. Funds must be rushed immediately in support of the strike to the Workers International Relief, 16 West 21st St. N. Y. C.

It is vital to the success of the strike that every cent available be raised for strike relief. All W. I. R. organizers in Kentucky are in jail and funds are held up by the telegraph authorities.

A great program has been arranged by the Workers International Relief. Bill Dunne will greet the miners in the name of the workers of New York and the miners' own fighting newspaper, "The Daily Worker". News reels of the Red Square celebration of the 14th Anniversary of the Russian Revolution, workers newsreels, a dramatic presentation by the Cultural Department of the W. I. R., Edith Segal.

400 Walk Out at Gen. Motors for More Pay

OSHAWA, Ont., Jan. 5.—Over 400 workers at the General Motors Co. plant here went on strike yesterday in support of the demands of the workers in the body shop and the paint room for higher wages.

INDUSTRIAL UNION CALLS ON ALL WORKERS TO RALLY MINERS.

In this call the Industrial Union points out the significance of the present Kentucky miners strike and the effect that it will have on the coming struggles of the needle trades workers. It asks all shops, union, non-union, and A. F. of L. shops, to send delegates.

California State Hunger Marchers Demonstrate on Way to San Francisco

(Telegram to Daily Worker)

OAKLAND, Cal.—Forced by growing militancy and the mass pressure of Oakland workers, the city officials and the police department granted a permit to the State Hunger Marchers to stop here.

The whole East Bay and North California delegation will assemble January 11, 10:30 a. m. at Franklin and Ninth Sts. here and march down along Broadway to the Ferry boat. A huge reception of the delegation will take place at the same day in front of the Ferry Building in San Francisco at about 12:30 p. m.

The whole California delegation with thousands of workers will march along Market St. to the State Building to present their demands.

FRESNO, Calif., Jan. 5.—Hunger marchers on their way to San Francisco for the state hunger march held a good demonstration in Bakersfield today. Over a thousand were present on the streets. At Fresno a parade was held without banners. The hunger marchers demonstrated in the County Court Park. Four hundred were present. Delegates from both places joined the hunger march which is scheduled to reach San Francisco for the state Hunger March on Jan. 11. Police present tried to interfere, but the marchers resisted and won the right to parade. Tomorrow the marchers are going to Modesto.

Call on Workers of Pennsylvania, Ohio, W. Virginia to Support Ky. Miners' Strike

By CARL PRICE.

The thousands of Kentucky miners, under the banner of the National Miners Union, have downed their tools on Jan. 1st and gone on strike against the starvation imposed on them by the coal bosses and their government.

Demands The main demands of the Kentucky miners are: \$4.80 per

day for day men; \$4.40 per day for helpers; \$3.50 per day for unclassified labor; re-employment of all blacklisted miners; withdrawal of all armed forces from the coal fields; release of the miners jailed for their union activity; enforcement of the 8-hour day; all miners to be paid in U. S. currency and not in scrip.

In the face of an unprecedented reign of terror by the coal bosses and their government, the coal miners of

Eastern Kentucky have come into the National Miners Union by the thousands and on January 1, downed their tools in the fight against starvation, against further wage cuts, against the terror, and for the demands given above.

It was the heroic strike of 40,000 coal moles of this district under the banner of the National Miners Union which showed the Kentucky miners the way to win their demands. Betrayed and tricked by the United

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NEGRO AND WHITE STRIKERS DEMAND RELEASE OF NINE JAILED BY COAL BOSSES

Protect Men and Women Speakers from Armed Gunmen; Come from Picket Lines

Harlan County Sheriff Blair and Machinegunners Fail to Terrorize Demonstrators

PINEVILLE, Ky., Jan. 5.—Five thousand striking Negro and white miners and their wives and children took part in a militant parade in front of the court house here demanding the immediate release of the nine strike organizers and workers of the National Miners' Union and Workers International Relief who are held in jail on \$5,000 bond on "criminal syndicalist charges."

Marching two-by-two singing "Solidarity Forever" and mountain strike songs, shouting protests and demands for the immediate release of their arrested leaders, the strikers filled the court house square. Negro and white miners marched side by side. A mass meeting was held in the court house square, men and women speaking.

Miners Come from All Over Strike Area.

The miners, men, women and children organized by the rank and file strike committees marched in off the picket lines from all parts of the Kentucky-Tennessee strike area.

The mayor of Pineville attempted to stop the demonstration. The miners disregarded him and continued their demonstration.

Clara Michaelson of the Workers International Relief, one of those arrested yesterday, was jailed just a half hour after her arrival in Pineville. Two more warrants are out for National Miners Union leaders.

Harlan County gun thugs came into Bell County today on the pretext of "protecting" the prisoners. Sheriff Henry Blair of Harlan County and machine-gunners with full regular guns strapped on their shoulders stood on the steps of the Continental Hotel, just across the street from the court house.

The court postponed the hearing until Thursday. The gunmen could not get near the speakers because the massed miners refused to let them through.

At the time this telegram is sent to the Daily Worker the gunmen are still looking on. The miners are still shouting their demands for the release of the arrested leaders. The mass meeting at the court house is still on.

NINE JAILED.

Nine leaders and workers for the National Miners Union, and other workers organizations were arrested Monday when coal operators' gun thugs made a surprise raid on the headquarters of the National Miners Union. All were charged with criminal syndicalism. Those arrested are: Vern Smith, representative of the Daily Worker; John Harvey, Vincent Kamenovitch and Clarine Michaelson of the National Miners Union; Dorothy Ross, International Labor Defense representative; Ann Berth, newspaper correspondent; Norman Martin and Marguerite Fontaine, Workers International Relief, and Julia Parker, secretary.

The gun thugs raided the National Miners Union as the strike in the Kentucky-Tennessee coal fields was rapidly spreading, with around 10,000 miners out in a militant fight against starvation and terrorism.

The coal operators at once declared the strike was not spreading, but when they saw the picket lines growing, with more and more miners coming out, they took the desperate step of a wholesale raid and arrest.

As the strike grows need for relief increases, especially as the gun thugs have tried to cripple all relief work. The Workers International Relief, which is conducting the relief activities nation-wide calls on all workers to rush relief funds to the W. I. R., 16 West 21st Street, New York City; to send food and clothing to the W. I. R. warehouse, 145 Pine St., Pineville, Ky.

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FASCISTS HAIL HOOVER, FISH IN BOMBING TERROR

Wire to Hoover Make Clear Provocative Nature of Plot

NEW YORK.—Clinging firmly to the contention of the Daily Worker that the widely-heralded "bomb plot" was a combined fascist and Communist Party and proletarian-fascist organization, G. B. Caldoro, president of the Fascist Alliance of New York, filed the press Monday night had sent a telegram to President Hoover, applauding the activities of the Fish Committee.

The Fish Committee, who organized for the specific purpose of strengthening fascism in America by smashing with terror and violence the Communist Party, threatened through its Hamilton Fish, to increase activity against the working class. Caldoro's telegram helps solidify the anti-front in America and is a result of the fascist provocation. Caldoro's telegram helps solidify the anti-front in America and is a result of the fascist provocation.

Although many angles of the affair have collapsed, it still lousy "pushing the sending telegrams of c for "tips" they have Photographs of Communist Party in an attic and jail active Party.

Daily Worker Agent An attempt to terrify Shaller, a Reading, Pa. who laugues the Daily Worker Monday. A note was sent to the news dealer who continued to sell the note had all (of) part of the fascist plot. This is just the fascist attack workers spurred of the fascists then cooking up the plot.

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HELP TO OPEN KENTUCKY JAILS WITH DAILY WORKER SUBS

Fascist Woll Lectures for Socialist Party

NEW YORK.—Further exposing the close alliance between the fascist leadership of the A. F. of L. and the socialists, the Rand School opened its winter courses Monday night with a lecture by the arch-fascist Matthew Woll, vice-president of the American Federation of Labor and acting-president of the anti-working class National Civic Federation.

In introducing Woll, Algernon Lee stated that it was the purpose of the Rand School to "get different views as to which is the right course for the working-class." That this includes views not only the lackeys of the employers with the working-class but by the bosses themselves, Lee made clear when he added that some of the lectures at this fake "workers' school" are not of the labor movement and will talk of it from the other point of view mostly from the employers' viewpoint.

Woll was supposed to talk on "The Problems and Program of the American Labor Movement." His talk was mainly confined to offering excuses for the failure of the A. F. of L. to make any effort to organize the unorganized. The A. F. of L., he said, was powerless to exercise any control over its affiliated national and international unions. Therefore the A. F. of L. was "severely criticized for what it is unable to do." The existence of 48 different states in the union, with their different laws, together with the composition of the Federal government with its three divisions of judicial, administrative and legislative was offered as another excuse why the A. F. of L. must "necessarily proceed slowly." The unions would resist any attempt by the A. F. of L. to enter into an organizational campaign in their fields "without being invited to do so," he said. This was merely an admission of the well-known fact that the A. F. of L. is against the organization of workers especially in the basic industries.

Support Capitalist System
Woll admitted that the A. F. of L. bureaucracy supports the capitalist system under which the workers are exploited and sentenced to starvation by the millions during periods of overproduction and capitalist crisis. The A. F. of L., he said, supports the rights of "private property" and is opposed to any change in the social system.

He attempted to cover up this open support for the capitalist system of mass robbery and starvation, with the demagogic that "too much consideration had been given heretofore the rights of property and not enough to the rights of man" and "in the future the emphasis must be on the rights of man against the rights of property." He also spilled much ink about "the freedom of the workers," but neglected to state that the freedom of the workers means freedom of the workers' capitalist system.

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"NEVER NO MORE" OPENS AT HUDSON THEATRE THURSDAY
Richard Sparks will present his new production, "Never No More," a play by James Knox Millen, at the Hudson Theatre tomorrow night. Rose McClendon, recently seen in "The House of Connelly," heads an all-Negro cast.

Maurice Schwartz, noted Jewish actor, who is now appearing in English plays on Broadway, opened his new production, "Wolves," at the Forty-Ninth Street Theatre last night. Romann Rolland is the author of this play which deals with the French Revolution.

The Mecca Theatre is now showing the Soviet film, "Petty Scandal," a love story of the Ukraine. The program also includes a company of Ukrainian singers and dancers, also a special orchestra who are featuring folk songs of the Ukraine.

"Electra," by Sophocles, will be presented for a series of four matinees beginning this Friday afternoon at the Selwyn Theatre with Blanche Yurka in the title role. Mrs. Patrick Campbell will play Clytemnestra. Other players are Charles Waldron, Joyce Carey, Alma Kruger and Robert Henderson.

Bank Failures in All Sections Are Still on Increase

The Bank of Harrison, Harrison, O., near Cincinnati was closed by the State Banking Department with deposits of \$50,000.

More Banks Go
The Germantown National Bank of Germantown, N. Y., with deposits at \$400,000 and the Ocean County Savings Bank of Hart, Mich., with deposits of \$261,000 were among the other small banks reported closed December 29.

PIONEERS HARLEM CONFERENCE SUN.

Demand Food, Clothing for Children

NEW YORK.—As a result of the vicious boss policy of discrimination against Negroes in jobs and in unemployment relief, the workers of Harlem and their children are among the worst sufferers of the present severe economic crisis.

The Young Pioneers of America, the only workers' children's organization, is calling a conference of Harlem parents to work out a campaign of struggle against the terrific mass misery in the Harlem section and the resultant suffering of our children. The conference will be held next Sunday, Jan. 10, at 1 o'clock in the morning at the Finlith Workers Hall, 15 West 126th Street. Every worker and parent should make it their business to be present.

In the call for the conference, the Young Pioneers point out that Negro workers are grossly discriminated against even in the miserable relief that is being doled out to only a few of the million and more unemployed workers and their dependents in New York City. Hundreds of Harlem children faint daily in the schools because of lack of food at home. The workers must demand adequate free food and clothing for them.

The conference will also take up the demand for the unconditional and safe release of the 9 innocent Scottsboro children, facing legal lynching in Alabama.

Scottsboro Bronx Meet, Jan. 8th

Demand Release of Nine Boys

NEW YORK.—The Lee Mason Group of the League of Struggle for Negro Rights in co-operation with the International Labor Defense is calling upon the Negro and white workers of Upper Bronx to attend the demonstration to be held Friday, Jan. 8 at 8 p. m. at 3882 3rd Avenue to demand the immediate and unconditional release of the 9 innocent Scottsboro boys, 8 of whom were sentenced to death on the framed-up charge of rape by the lynch courts of Alabama and who are at the present time sitting in the death cell of Kilby prison, Alabama.

The leaflet issued by the LSNR calling upon the workers to attend the demonstration points out that mass pressure and the firm attitude of the boys and their parents have given a decided setback to the N. A. C. P. to disrupt the mass defense. It calls upon the workers to build the fighting alliance of Negro and white workers which alone can stop the bloody hands of the Alabama bosses and secure the release of the boys. The masses must support with tremendous demonstrations and protest telegrams the militant defense policy of the International Labor Defense, whose attorneys are representing the boys.

Three Soccer Games at Oval Sunday for Anti-Olympic Funds
Three soccer games, arranged as part of the Anti-Olympic games, will be held Sunday, January 10, at the Dyckman Oval.

The Prospect Workers Club will be arrayed against the Colonial Soccer Team at 11 a. m.

The tussle between the Sons of Malta and the Spartacus Club is scheduled for 1 p. m. while the Spartacus coterie will kick off with the Neckwear Athletic Club at 2:30 p. m. on the same field.

Admission will be 25 cents. Directions to Dyckman Oval: Take IRT Broadway 7th Ave. subway to Dyckman St. station and walk two blocks north to park.

CONGRESS PLANS NEW ATTACKS ON FOREIGN BORN

Plenum Sunday to Plan Defense

NEW YORK.—Not less than 45 different bills dealing with immigration and foreign-born workers in one form or another are on the present legislative calendar of the House of Representatives. It was disclosed today by the National Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born.

These bills cover various phases of the subject, from excluding Filipinos from immigrating to the United States, No. 4543, introduced by Crall to the bill of Senator Cable, No. 5093, providing for annual certificates of residence for "aliens," which means registration, photographing and finger-printing the foreign born.

Two bills for excluding and expulsion of "Alien Communists" have been introduced, No. 1967 by Backman, and No. 4579 by Hopkins.

The National Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born in its coming plenum on January 13th will discuss plans to take up the struggle against these bills as well as other repressive measures against the foreign born.

DRESS CAMPAIGN GETS UNDER WAY

Shops Coming Down on Strike Daily

The organization drive that has been started by the Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union and the United Front Committee in the dress trade is meeting with the response of the workers. During the first day close to 300 workers came down on strike. On the second day of the campaign a number of additional shops joined the strike. These additional shop strikes are in preparation for the mass strike planned later in the season.

At every shop meeting the question of spreading shop strikes was greeted with enthusiasm and the workers pledged to help bring down other open shops.

A joint meeting of shop strike committees will be held today at 10 a. m. A meeting of all workers of striking shops will also be held today at 11 a. m.

The United Front Committee is planning a unity mass meeting at Cooper Union for Thursday, Jan. 14. By that date it is expected that the drive will be in full swing. At the meeting a report will be given on the activities of the United Front Committee and concrete demands and plans for developing the strike will be discussed.

All dressmakers are called upon to begin immediate mobilization for this mass meeting and the shop com-

Vestmakers Meet to Fight Paycut

Four hundred vestmakers, almost one-third of the membership of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers vestmakers locals, met yesterday at the Irving Plaza Hall, to mobilize for struggle against a threatened wage cut, reorganization and piece work. The meeting was held under the auspices of the Amalgamated Rank and File Committee.

The meeting discussed the question of amalgamation of the three locals into one. The workers expressed themselves in favor of genuine amalgamation, but warned against the Hillman bureaucracy utilizing this for their own purposes and insisted on the maintenance of local autonomy.

A meeting of some 200 jacket makers was held yesterday at 83 East 10th St., where an Action Committee of 15 was elected for preparation for immediate struggle against worsening conditions.

A meeting of men's clothing workers called by the Rank and File Committee brought 200 members of the Amalgamated to the hall at 795 Flushing Ave., Brooklyn.

The Amalgamated Rank and File Committee has called a general membership meeting Thursday, January 7, 7:30 p. m. at 83 East 10th St. All men's clothing workers are urged to attend this meeting.

Big Chance to Get Original Drawings by Burck and Marsh

The drawings of Jacob Burck and Reginald Marsh are now on exhibit at the John Reed Club, 63 West 15th St., every day from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m., and from 8 p. m. to 10 p. m. The exhibit will continue until January 15. In the exhibit are included the originals of the cartoons by Burck that have been appearing every day in the Daily Worker.

All workers are invited to this exhibit. Workers can buy these splendid original drawings at very low prices. They will have the satisfaction of knowing that every penny they pay for the drawings will go to help their paper, the Daily Worker.

BREAD STRIKE IN BRIGHTON BEGINS

Warn Against Moves of Bosses

At a crowded mass meeting in the Ocean Parkway Hall in Brighton Beach Monday night it was voted to call a strike for a reduction in the price of bread and rolls on Tuesday morning.

This decision followed the report of the Rank and File Committee elected at a previous meeting, that the bakery owners had turned down the demands for bread at 5 cents a pound, rolls at 15 cents a dozen and a 3 cent reduction on twists.

When the bosses heard that the strike was being called they posted signs in their windows stating that the price of bread was reduced to 3 and 5 cents a pound and rolls to 12 cents a dozen, or much below the demands of the strikers. The strike committee points out that this is a deliberate move to break the organization of the strike and then in a few days go back to the old prices. Open air meetings are being held throughout the neighborhood warning the workers to be on guard and keep in touch with their committee at 140 Neptune Avenue.

It also asks the workers to see that they get the right weight when buying bread at these reduced prices.

UNEMPLOYED CUTTERS MEET THURSDAY, 1 O'CLOCK AT 422 SEVENTH AVENUE

A meeting of unemployed cloak and dress cutters will be held Thursday at 1 o'clock at the headquarters of the unemployed council, 422 7th Avenue. Leading cutters, members of the United Front Committee, will speak on the Present Conditions of the Cutters and the United Front Strike.

I. AMTER SPEAKS AT NEEDLE TRADES OPEN FORUM THURSDAY

Israel Amter, will speak on the "Present Situation in Germany" at the educational open forum at the headquarters of the Industrial Union, 131 W. 28th St., on Thursday, Jan. 7, at 1 p. m.

All needle trades workers are invited to come.

SOVIET MOVIE TO BE SHOWN IN BRIDGEPORT, CONN.

BRIDGEPORT, Conn. — A Soviet film "The Five-Year Plan" will be shown here at Capital Theater, East Main St., Sunday, January 17th, from 2 to 4 p. m. under the auspices of the Working Women's Council of Bridgeport. Admission will be 25 c.

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Call Conference in Williamsburgh on Unemployment

Organize for Jobless Insurance

NEW YORK.—To organize Williamsburgh workers behind the struggle for unemployment insurance and immediate relief, the Williamsburgh Unemployed Council is calling a conference of all workers' organizations on Thursday, Jan. 14, at 7 p. m. at 735 Flushing Ave., near Broadway. A call issued for the conference declares:

"This conference is called for the purpose of organizing the workers of Williamsburgh, unemployed and employed, in preparation for February 4th, the national day of struggle for unemployment relief and insurance. Once more millions of workers will voice their demand for unemployment insurance. It will be continuation of the splendid fight of the National Hunger Marchers which united hundreds of thousands of workers throughout the country and brought the fight against mass hunger and starvation direct to the government at Washington. This will be our answer to the refusal of Congress to allow the Hunger March Delegation to present the Unemployment Insurance Bill."

WRITERS GROUP MEET SATURDAY

Form Closer Contact of Worker-Writers

NEW YORK.—Closer contacts and a common basis for future work will be established among the proletarian writers' and workers' correspondents of various nationalities at the conference to be held this Sunday, Jan. 10, at 10:30 a. m. in the Workers' Center, 35 E. 12th St., third floor. The conference has been called by the John Reed Club, organization of the American revolutionary writers; the Proletarian (Yiddish writers), the Hungarian Proletarian Writers and the Hungarian Workers' Correspondents.

The conference will make plans for organizing new groups of writers and of workers' correspondents among the many nationalities where they do not as yet exist in order to co-ordinate and strengthen the work of the entire proletarian literary movement and make it a better fighter for the cause of the working class. This conference will also lay the basis for the formation of a federation of the various national groups of proletarian writers and workers correspondents at some future date.

All groups of writers or workers correspondents and all revolutionary newspapers and magazines are called on to send delegates. Individual proletarian writers and workers are also invited to participate in the conference.

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Father Cox Jails 17 Jobless; Begins Sham 'Hunger March'

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 5.—Father Cox' praying "Hunger March," sponsored by the Allegheny County Merchants Association, left here Tuesday, after the wealthy priest had called in police and had 17 workers who were to go on the "march" arrested because they put forward the demand for unemployment insurance, and were organizing the workers into the Unemployed Council of Pittsburgh.

The unemployed workers had earlier Sunday evening attended a mass meeting of the Unemployed Council at the Workers Center, 2157 Center Ave., which was jammed to capacity. After the meeting, a number of the workers returned to "Shantytown," a group of little shacks next to Cox church which Cox maintains for snow purposes, to advertise his church, but which the unemployed workers are forced to use. The unemployed workers had earlier Sunday evening attended a mass meeting of the Unemployed Council at the Workers Center, 2157 Center Ave., which was jammed to capacity. After the meeting, a number of the workers returned to "Shantytown," a group of little shacks next to Cox church which Cox maintains for snow purposes, to advertise his church, but which the unemployed workers are forced to use.

HACKENSACK MILL WORKERS STRIKE

Refuse to Take 10 P. C. Wage Cut

HACKENSACK, N. J., Jan. 5. — One hundred and fifty workers at the Federal Paper Mills here refused to work when a 10 per cent wage cut was announced Monday. The boss said he would "give them a week to decide," closing the shop for that period. This threat did not work. The boss called a meeting of the men today at 3 p. m. in the factory for a reply. The Trade Union Unity League called the workers to a mass meeting and the workers decided on a walk-out. They voted to strike and organize a strike committee.

Four Elderly Persons Found in Abandoned Boston Tenement

BOSTON, Jan. 3.—After living for two weeks on bread and tea, two elderly women and their older brother were found here last night in an abandoned tenement house. The four were weak from improper food and suffering from the bitter cold. Recently, in Massachusetts, an Old Age Pension Act was passed. But on the face of things it means nothing. Elderly citizens of Massachusetts continue suffering from lack of food and proper shelter just the same.

FURNITURE WORKERS TO ELECT.

A meeting of the Furniture Workers Industrial Union will be held tonight, 7:30 p. m. at 108 East 14th St. to hear a financial report of the last half year and to elect officers and the executive board of the union.

NEEDLE TRADES CLASS.

The class in the "History and Struggles in the Needle Trades" will meet on Thursday at 8 o'clock at the union, 131 W. 28th St. All students are called upon to report promptly.

employed workers at Shantytown, many of whom are members of the Unemployed Council, then began a discussion on the demands of the Unemployed Council. They advocated putting forward the demands that "Shantytown" be torn down and the

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ATTACK EXPRESS STRIKE LEADERS

Boss Thugs Injure Two Workers

Jack Feinberg, a striker and Adolph Robin, organizer of the Transportation Workers Industrial League, were attacked with lead pipes by 4 gangsters of the Truckmen's Association yesterday morning. Both Feinberg and Robin are active in the strike declared by the Transportation Workers Industrial League and the workers of the Manufacturers Express, 266 West 35th St., against a lock-out.

Feinberg was so badly injured by the bosses thugs that he was forced to get treatment at a hospital. Despite his injury Feinberg promises to be out early on the picket line together with other strikers.

The Transportation League called on needle workers in neighboring shops to give active aid and show their solidarity with the express workers.

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We Are Out to Win, Says Ky. Miner; Send Strike Relief

Foreman of Fox Ridge Mine Turns in Keys and Joins Strike

(By a Worker Correspondent)

LEITCH, Ky.—We had a meeting of the local of the National Miners' Union at the Fox Ridge Mines on Jan. 1. After our business was over the boss of the mine asked the chairman to be allowed to speak. We voted to let him talk.

He said that if we would take him into the union he would come out on strike with us. He said that he was tired of being a sucker for the company.

In order to prove that he was sincere he asked ten of us to come to the office the next day. The men went there and saw him turn the keys over to the big boss. He told the big boss that he was tired of working for a cheap company as a

slave driver and that he was going to join with the miners in their strike against starvation.

The foreman then asked us if we would stick to him and see that his family got relief the same as the rest of the miners who were on strike. We told him that he could share with the rest of us if he would share in the fight.

We are out on strike now. We went out on the night of Dec. 31 and we are out to win. We call on all our friends all over the United States to send us relief.

Editorial Note:—Workers are urged to support the courageous strike of the Kentucky miners by rushing funds for food and clothes to the Workers' International Relief, 16 W. 21st St., New York City.

Press Forced to Admit Soviet Success

Toledo, Ohio.

Dear Sirs:

The capitalist press even had to admit that the 14th anniversary celebration held in commemoration of the new Soviet Union was of great joy and success. The following excerpt is taken from an article appearing in the Toledo News-Bee:

"Thousands of banners, floats and caricatures reminded the Soviet citizenry of their good luck in being out of the bourgeois morass of unemployment, bank failures and hopelessness. Against these were contrasted reminders that the Soviet Union had abolished unemployment and was speedily catching up with foreign production."

The capitalist press mentions "Soviet good luck" in this article. But the Russian masses deserve what they now possess because they got it not by good luck, but by revolting

against the Czar and his slave-drivers. In the USSR they (the working masses) can celebrate with real enthusiasm and cause since they have what people in capitalist countries are unable to get, namely, employment and prosperity. The starving workers here in America are under the miserable influence of the slave-driving capitalists.

The capitalist press put over a hot one on President Hoover when they published a photo showing him spending his tightly-pinched money in a five-and-ten-store. He is showing what he is doing to strengthen the tottering capitalist system—by patronizing the five-and-ten-cent stores—as if that could bring back never-permanent capitalist prosperity. But, comrades and brother-workers, we must expect this from the hypocritical supporters of the worst capitalist system.

—From a Daily Worker Reader.

4 Do Work of 120 in Milwaukee Factory

(By a Worker Correspondent)

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—A word to show how the speed-up system, and rationalization has been introduced in Seaman Body Corporation. There used to be 120 welders in one department. Now the company has introduced welding machines, and four

men do the work 120 used to do. One hundred sixteen are thrown on the streets in this department alone!

The company has the wooden doors made in the South because the labor is cheaper. Only one-fourth the used to be employed. The men say "we go to do something."

Wisconsin Bridge Workers Get Pay Cut

(By a Worker Correspondent)

NORTH MILWAUKEE, Wis.—About 50 men are now working in the Wisconsin Bridge Co., where over 300 used to be employed. The speed-up is terrific, a couple men doing the work a dozen used to.

Some work 6 to 7 hours a day—but some must work even 12 hours a day. On Jan. 1, these workers all received a 20 per cent wage cut. The MWIL is going to call these workers to fight against the wage-cut.

Call on Workers of Pennsylvania, Ohio, W. Virginia to Support Ky. Miners' Strike

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Mine Workers of America in Kentucky, sold out to the bosses' government and the coal bosses of Kentucky by the UMWA, the miners of Kentucky saw that this same scab bosses' organization, the UMWA, was playing the same despicable role of agents of the bosses in this district that the UMWA played in Kentucky. The miners of Kentucky saw in this strike of the miners of West Virginia, East Ohio and Western Pennsylvania the rising of a new power in the coal fields, the National Miners Union, the only union representing the interests of the coal miners, the only working class union in the coal fields.

Penna. Strike an Inspiration

In the strike of the miners of our district, the NMU organized the workers by the thousands and fought effectively against starvation, against the combined attack of the bosses' government, the UMWA and the Socialist Party and the coal trust. Although the miners of this district lost their demands, they came out of the strike not crushed and defeated, but, on the contrary, with their own union, the NMU, which has brought the message of working class organization into every coal mine in the district. The strike of the 40,000 coal miners of this district, under the leadership of the NMU, not only gave the miners of this district a union of their own, but served as a guide and inspiration to the miners of the anthracite, Southern Illinois, Tennessee and Kentucky.

Miners and steel workers of the Tri-State area, the struggle of the Kentucky miners against starvation and for their demands is your fight! The NMU is your union! In the heat

of the strike of the NMU which began Jan. 1 in Kentucky, we must build a powerful mass NMU, not only in Tennessee and Kentucky, not only in this district, but we must build a powerful mass union which includes in its ranks every miner in the country, especially of this district, where the NMU has had its strongest base, must help win the strike of the Kentucky miners. A victory of the NMU in the strike in Kentucky means a victory for every miner in the U. S. A.

Misery Throughout Coal Fields

Today the same conditions of misery and starvation, with only slight differences, exist throughout the whole coal fields. The miners of this district are suffering one wage cut after another. Thousands of miners are being laid off, added to the large army of the unemployed. In their continued attack on the living conditions of the miners, the bosses and their government are shutting down many mines, speeding up those still at work, putting other thousands on part time work, blacklisting the leaders of the working class, discriminating against the Negro miners and foreign born miners, instituting a reign of terror throughout the coal fields, attempting to deny any miners the fundamental right to organize and strike for their demands, attempting to deny the miners the right to speak, hold meetings, picket, joining the most active leaders of the miners' union, using the spy system against the workers. All these conditions against which the miners of Kentucky are now going on strike, exist to only a lesser degree in the coal fields of this district.

If the miners of Western Pennsylvania, East Ohio and West Virginia are to save themselves and their families from starvation, they must immediately launch in every coal mine in the district, local struggles for the demands and needs of the miners. Miners! Join National Miners Union! It is now high time that the miners organize into the National Miners Union and declare that in not a single mine in this district will the miners allow a wage cut to be put over by the bosses, in not a single mine in this district can we allow that the bosses and their government and their slimy agents, the U.M.W.A. officials, and the socialist party, shall proceed one inch further with their starvation attacks on the coal miners. We demand not a single wage cut in the mining fields in this district; union check-weighmen, enforcement of the 8-hour day, no discrimination against Negro, foreign-born or youth miners, no blacklisting of any miners for union activities, no

ARREST "MOTHER" BLOOR AT MINOT

Police Break Meeting On Hunger March

MINOT, N. D.—"Mother" Ella Reeve Bloor, veteran Communist campaigner, was arrested here Dec. 28 after police prevented the North-west contingent of Hunger Marchers returning from Washington, D. C. from holding an open air meeting in front of the Orpheum Theatre here.

About 12 of the marchers had stopped here for a meeting before proceeding to Washington state and Oregon to render their reports on the Hunger March and the answer of the Hoover government to their demands for Unemployment Insurance.

Mother Bloor was arrested by the Chief of Police, W. J. O'Leary, leader in "patriotic" organizations particularly the American Legion. She was later released under \$25 bond to face trial technically for violating an alleged city ordinance preventing the holding of street meetings without a permit from the city commissioner. An indoor meeting was held in the evening with hundreds of workers attending.

Minot is hard hit by unemployment and this is one of the reasons for increased activity against militants. Large numbers of jobless railroad workers are working two days a week on the roads in return for macaroni and beans.

BIG LAYOFF IN ILLINOIS STEEL

Aged Worker, Fired, Kills Himself

(By a Worker Correspondent)

CHICAGO, Ill.—The Illinois Steel Co. at South Chicago laid off 36 per cent of the workers that were working there on the stagger system. A worker that is working at the Illinois Steel told us there is also to be a lay-off on Jan. 15 and a 10 per cent wage-cut. The foreman told him this.

William Auld, a 74-year-old worker who worked in the Illinois Steel for 48 years and was recently laid off, killed himself because he had no means of support. The only salvation for the steel workers is to unite and organize to join the Metal Workers' Industrial League, both Negro and white.

The Jackson Park Hospital at 75th St. and Stony Island is laying off its whole crew of Negro workers, that is, the kitchen help, porters and chambermaids, and hired all white at a wage-cut.

Hoover Message Tells of War on Jobless, Employed

Recommends Billions for R. R. Bond Holders; Unemployed Councils Call for Nationwide Protest, February 4th

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Comparing the action of the capitalists in the present crisis to "a war on many fronts," President Hoover sent a surprise message to Congress yesterday putting forward relief plans for the big bosses, but telling the workers to starve or depend on charity.

"Combating a depression," said the mouthpiece of Morgan and Co., "is indeed like a great war in that it is not a battle upon a single front but upon many fronts." Specifically, of course, Hoover was referring to the attack on the unemployed, through resistance to the demands for unemployment insurance, and the "war front" against the employed, through wage cuts, speed-up, stagger plans, etc.

Admitting the "continued shocks from world instability," Hoover pressed several proposals all designed to put more profits into the pockets of the rich stock and bond holders.

The most outstanding point was the "creation of a reconstruction finance corporation" which would get \$2,000,000,000 of government money to pay railroad profits mainly. This, Hoover said, was necessary to "restore confidence in the bonds of our railways."

Many other measures to help the bankers and other exploiters were contained in Hoover's message. One measure provides for greater robbery of the deposits of the workers who still have anything left in the banks. Hoover proposes that the banking laws be made easier so that the banks can hide their failures.

Hoover insisted on greater taxation which would hit the workers mainly. This is another of Wall Street's "battle fronts."

Conscious that his whole message tems with billions of expenditure for the bosses, to keep up their profits, Hoover has a word to say about the unemployed.

"Out people," he says, "through voluntary measures and through state and local action are providing for distress."

That's all Hoover offers for the unemployed. After requesting billions for the Morgans, Rockefeller, Mellons, Hoovers, Lamonts, etc., he tells the unemployed to depend on the charities and "state relief," after every leading charity head has been in Washington and has testified before the Senate Committee that the present local, state and charity funds will deem hundreds of thousands to death by starvation.

Against Hoover's program of billions for the bosses, the National Committee of the Unemployed Councils is mobilizing the American workers for

Negro Students Stone Jim Crow Train; Hiss Christmas Play

The growing militant mood of the Negro youth is reflected in the following two incidents reported by the Baltimore Afro-American of Jan. 2.

Colored school boys expressed their resentment against the Jim Crow system of the bosses by stoning Jim Crow cars operated by the Washington, Baltimore and Annapolis Railroad between Baltimore and Annapolis. Several trains have been damaged and the police have been called on to protect the sacred rights of property against the denied rights of the suppressed national minority.

Colored girls staged an anti-religious demonstration during a Xmas performance at the school. They hissed the superstitious bunk by which the capitalists and their agency, the church, seek to turn the eyes of the masses away from the necessity of struggle on earth by promising them "pie in the sky, when you die."

Three of the students were singled out for suspension as an example to the others.

The entire student body of the Douglass High School should organize to defend the real right to religious freedom which this arbitrary action of the school authorities deny. Demand the immediate reinstatement of these students! Pro-religious ceremonies and performances!

and the United States because of the numerous protests in regard to Chin-chow." These residents unlike the Japanese government have been taking at face value the fake protests of the British and American imperialists. Anonymous letters ordering them to leave Manchuria have been received by British and American business men.

A Shanghai dispatch accuses the Japanese with killing Chinese residents and looting shops and houses when they entered Chinchow last week.

Nanking To Confer with Japanese Reports that the counter-revolutionary Nanking government was preparing to open direct negotiations with the Japanese looking towards official recognition of the Japanese seizure of Manchuria are further confirmed in a dispatch from Nanking. The dispatch states that Foreign Minister Eugene Chen and Japanese Minister Mamoru Shigemitsu are slated to confer soon for direct settlement of the Manchurian conflict. The conference is expected to take place within the next few days.

Chang Accuses Chen of Secret Agreement With Japan. In an effort to cover up their shameless betrayal of the Chinese masses, the Nanking government is accusing Chang Hsueh-liang of abandoning Chinchow "against orders." Chang has retorted by accusing Nanking of denying him ammunition. Pointing out that the Nanking government permitted the concentration of Japanese troops in Tientsin, in the rear of the Chin-chow army, Chang has made a clear case of joint complicity between himself and the entire Kuomintang gang in the sell-out of Manchuria. Chang further accused Chen of having a secret agreement with the Japanese over Manchuria.

In the meantime, the Nanking government is further aiding in the preceding partition of China. Japanese troops are being landed in Inner China without the least gesture of resistance from the Kuomintang officials and their huge armies. A strong Japanese force was landed yesterday at Choofoo, midway between Shanghai and Canton. The Japanese advance guard from Chin-chow yesterday occupied Lienchuan, a movement toward Shanhaiwan, inside the Great Wall of China. Japanese troops were landed from Japanese troop ships. Great tension is reported at Tientsin, where a few weeks ago sharp fighting occurred between the Japanese invaders and Nanking troops on one hand against angry Chinese workers.

Fighting Between Chinese and White Guards. Severe street fighting occurred Monday night in the city of Harbin between Chinese and Russian White Guards. Harbin is on the Chinese Eastern Railway, which is jointly operated by China and the Soviet Union. The White Russians are reported to have made an appeal to the Japanese to occupy the city. The imperialist press is peddling the lie that this appeal was participated in by citizens of the Soviet Union in Harbin. A dispatch to the New York Times attempts to make out that Soviet citizens were involved in the fighting. This is given the lie by a United Press dispatch, which states:

"The chief incidents were between Chinese and White Russians. There was no indication that Japan would intervene to maintain order, despite Russian appeals to Japanese officials."

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518 Months of Subs Monday Is Workers' Answer to Jailing of Kentucky Strikers

THE campaign for 5,000 12-month subscriptions to the Daily Worker has started this week with a bang. Five hundred and eighteen months of subs came in Monday. The New York and Chicago districts, both of which are in Socialist competition to see who can get the most subs, were the leaders for that day, New York sending 172 months of subs and Chicago 151. Seattle is showing signs of life, sending in 26 months. Detroit sent in 37 months and Cleveland 27. A good starting point has been set for good steady UPWARD progress for the rest of the week.

The new fascist terror in Kentucky demands much greater efforts. The bosses realize that the Daily Worker is a powerful force in keeping solid the ranks of strikers. That is why Vern Smith, the Daily Worker reporter, was arrested yesterday in Kentucky.

Do not let the bosses hide the truth away from the workers. Spread the Daily Worker subscription campaign into every working class neighborhood, into every mine and factory.

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White Admits N.A.A.C.P. Is Out of Scottsboro Defense

Boys and Parents Firm in Barring White and Negro Lackeys of Imperialists

NEW YORK—Admission that the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was out of the Scottsboro case was made Sunday night by Walter White, national secretary of the organization, at its annual meeting at St. Marks Church, 138th Street and St. Nicholas Avenue.

The announcement came as a result of the firm attitude of the nine boys, their parents and other kin and of the tremendous mass pressure of Negro and white workers against the traitorous activities of the reformist NAACP leadership, who have done everything in their power to disrupt the defense of the boys and strangle the mass defense movement which alone can save and FREE the nine innocent boys.

White admitted Sunday that Clarence Darrow and Arthur Garfield Hays had been informed by the boys that they could not participate in the defense as attorneys of the NAACP. The boys plainly told them that they had no confidence in the NAACP, whose acknowledged attorney, Stehen Boddy, had tried to get them to plead guilty to a crime they did not commit. Darrow and Hays were advised to co-operate with the attorneys engaged by the boys, their family and the International Labor Defense if they really wished to help defeat the lynch verdicts against the boys. This "liberal" attorneys refused to do.

White tried to explain the rejection of the NAACP by the Scottsboro boys with the slander that the boys were too ignorant to know what sort of defense they wanted. The boys have clearly stated that they want to fight, that they will not permit themselves to be forced to plead guilty of a crime they did not commit, and that the only defense they want is the militant defense of the International Labor Defense, backed by millions of white and Negro revolutionary workers throughout the world.

While admitting that the NAACP had withdrawn from the case, Walter White made no reference to the large sums of money his organization has collected on the false pretense that they were defending the boys. The rank and file members of the NAACP must raise the demand that this money be turned over to the Scottsboro Defense Committee. The Negro and white workers throughout the country must make this demand.

Fearing the anger of militant Negro workers who are familiar with their attempt to betray the boys, the NAACP misleaders had a huge police guard around the church while their meeting was in progress. In spite of the presence of the police, members of the League of Struggle for Negro Rights distributed leaflets inside and outside the building, demanding that the NAACP turn over the funds collected in the name of the Scottsboro boys and challenging white and other NAACP misleaders to defend their conduct before the Negro and white workers at the Jan. 10 mass meeting at Star Casino, Park Avenue and 107th St. At this meeting, Gen. George W. Chamlee, Irving Schwab and Joseph Brodsky, three of the I.L.D. attorneys in the case, will report on the present status of the case.

Textile Workers in India Stone Mill; Most Militant in Strike

NEW YORK.—Sweeping laws against the Indian masses were put into effect throughout India on Tuesday. This is the fruit of the imperialist policy of the British labor party, which has actively cooperated with the British imperialists supporting the war against the Indian masses. Ramsay MacDonald, the socialist, who predicted (with full knowledge of the approaching events) that such suppressive measures and greater slaughter were coming in order to keep the British hold on India.

At the last minute, rich business men in India, both Indian and British, appealed for collaboration of the British government and the All-India National Congress, in order to prevent the real uprising of the Indian workers and peasants. The Associated Press reported that "some members of the business community showed a disposition to deprecate the Congress' rejection of Gandhi's plea for an interview last week." Besides, they report, "The Indian Merchants' Chamber adopted a resolution deploring the Viceroy's attitude and requesting the government to release Gandhi."

That the suppressive measures are designed particularly against the workers and peasants is shown by the fact that the third ordinance is directed against "illegal refusal of the payment of certain liabilities." This refers to the "no-rent" campaign which Gandhi and the other rich landowners in the All-India National Congress do not favor. By this measure the British imperialists protect the interest of the Indian money-lenders and bankers.

In many parts of India a strike or hartal has been called. It is significant to note that in Bombay the mill workers at Ahmedabad were the most militant in the strike. They stoned the mill, calling on all workers to come out. Their action was independent of the All-India National Congress and did not follow the "non-violent" betrayal program of Gandhi.

Father Cox Jails 17 Jobless; Begins Sham "Hunger March"

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) The city of Pittsburgh put them to work at union wages building model houses.

Arrest Eleven Unemployed. Cox' stool-pigeons, many of whom are always hanging around, seeing that the Shantytown unemployed accepted these demands, as well as the demands for unemployment insurance, put forward by the Unemployed Council, called the police and after a fight 11 were arrested.

The "Hunger March" of Cox, which was started to try to counter-act the growing influence of the Unemployed Councils, following the National Hunger March, is organized by the Merchants Association of Allegheny County together with the American Legion. Monday night 18 auto loads left Ambridge to go on the "March," filled with business men and American Legion officials.

The police in arresting these 11 workers, confiscated some Daily Workers, and some leaflets issued by employment of all miners victimized during the strike, the immediate release of all miners arrested and jailed as a result of their strike activity, and the other demands of the N.M.U. (To be continued.)

CHINESE RED ARMY IN BIG VICTORY

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) police have fired into cotton mill strikers, killing two men and one woman worker. Martial law has been declared in an effort to crush the strike. The strike began on Dec. 19 with 5,599 workers of the cotton mills in Wusun near Shanghai. After the firm (Wingon & Co.) had rejected the demands of the workers a strike meeting was held in front of the works. A number of windows were broken and machinery damaged by the angry strikers. On the next day, about 6,000 other workers joined the strike, which is still proceeding. Seven thousand workers of the British-American Tobacco Co. are also on strike. There is also a strike of 30,000 workers in Hankow.

Japanese Workers in Anti-War Demonstrations Big working-class demonstrations against the Japanese adventure in Manchuria took place in Tokio on the day of the opening of the Japanese parliament. The demonstrations shouted Communist slogans against imperialist war and for the defense of the Chinese masses and distributed Communist literature. The demonstrations were everywhere attacked by the police with great brutality and broken up. Eighty-five workers were arrested.

Admission that the Japanese advance on Chinchow was considerably slowed up by the resistance of the Red partisan troops in Manchuria is made in a Peiping dispatch. A Tokio dispatch reports a determined attack was made yesterday by Red partisan troops of the Japanese forces in Siaming. There was violent street fighting in which the workers in the city took part in support of the Red partisan troops. Light and telephone wires were cut.

Red Partisan Troops in Battles with Invaders Another partisan force cut the railroad near Paichipu. A partisan force estimated at 2,000 is reported near the town. The Japanese are rushing reinforcements from Mukden. Japanese subjects are concentrated at the military police station.

U. S. Press Scare Japanese Beating of Consul Arising out of the beating of an American consular official by Japanese sentries in Mukden, Manchuria, a tense situation is developing between the United States and Japan. The American sensational press yesterday carried screamed headlines like the following:

"JAPS SNEER AT FLAG IN CURT 'APOLOGY' (Hearst's N. Y. Mirror).
"JAPS 'EXPLAIN' U. S. INSULT" (McPadden's N. Y. Graphic).

Stimson, seeking to maintain the agreement with Japan for armed intervention against the Chinese Revolution and the Soviet Union, attempted at first to treat the attack lightly. He demanded an apology from Japan and "adequate punishment" of the sentries involved in the attack. The Japanese replied with a curt apology. Gen Honjo, the Japanese commander in Manchuria, excused his man, and accused the U.S. consular official of affronting the sentries.

Say Japanese Offered Only "Regrets" The American chauvinist press is making much of a report from Tokio that the Japanese did not apologize for the attack, but merely expressed regret. The Tokio press has accused Americans in Manchuria of adopting a haughty attitude towards the Japanese. A Mukden dispatch to the New York Daily Mirror describes the "Japanese apology" as "highly provocative." The dispatch is headed "Jap Military Apologizes With Studied Insolence."

In the meantime, the American imperialist press is retaliating against the Japanese by an exposure of the savage terror instituted in Manchuria by the Japanese imperialists. A Mukden dispatch to the New York Times reports that all foreigners in Mukden "have been subjected for months to the truculence of Japanese sentries." A Darien dispatch reports "evidence of deepening animosity of Japanese residents in Manchuria toward Great Britain

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Cut Out This Coupon and Use It!

WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE SOCIALIST PARTY?

By I. AMTER.
PART I.
A SERIOUS conflict is taking place in the Socialist Party. The old fascist guard, Lee, Hillquit, Oneal, Gerber and Classens, talk about splits taking place. They hold up warning fingers to the young working class elements, who are dissatisfied with the petty-bourgeois, liberal policies and practices of the socialist party, as manifest in the activities of Thomas, Brown, etc. They warn them about the splits of 1919 and threaten them with the strong arm of the Party. What is the cause of this conflict?

The economic crisis has forced the American working class to think—and to act. In this crisis, with unemployment greater than ever in the history of the country with the misery of the most savage character with wage cuts following in the sharpest succession, action is demanded of the working-class—militant action, with militant policy. With war hovering in the air, with this war directed against the Soviet Union, the younger working class elements in the socialist party are asking for policy and all the leadership of the party can answer is that the "Communist Party has established a dictatorship over the working class of Russia," and that the American socialist party, as part of the socialist and labor international, is against "any and every kind of dictatorship—and therefore against the Soviet Union."

This situation must of necessity call forth a struggle in the socialist party. The workers in the trade unions of the A. F. of L. and Amalgamated Clothing Workers. These workers have seen William Green and his lesser lieutenants, and Sidney Hillman, sell out the workers right and left. They have seen their open class collaboration with the bosses. They know of the graft and corruption rampant in these unions, with the heads openly cooperating with gangsters, the police, the capitalist courts and the city government, against the workers. Socialist lawyers—Solomon and Karlin in New York—get indictments against the workers. Socialist lawyers lead the procession of gangsters and police against the workers. The socialist workers in these unions, many of them militant, as well as other progressive workers, are thrown out of the unions for daring to criticize their corrupt fascist leaders.

Tens of thousands of progressive workers, class-conscious workers, are unemployed. Among these workers are many socialists and socialist followers, members of the trade union and unorganized workers. They are starving, and yet see that the unions do not provide one penny of relief for their members, that the leaders of the unions, prominently among them the socialist leaders, continue to pocket their high salaries and all "sundries," while the rank and file suffer hunger. Many of these unionists cannot pay the dues and assessments, owing to unemployment and part-time work, and are dropped from the unions—which means stark starvation for them.

Many of them have joined the ranks of the unemployed councils in Milwaukee and Reading, and have seen the unemployed beaten down by the socialist police. They have seen "their" Mayor Hoan in Milwaukee flee through the back door from the anger and rage of the unemployed. This is their representative in government, who was supposed to consider first of all the welfare of the workers, and especially the unemployed workers.

While this has been going on in the United States, the leaders of their sister parties in governments in Europe have been savagely beating down the conditions of the workers of those countries. MacDonald in England, as head of the Labor Government, with the FULL COOPERATION AND CONSENT OF HENDERSON and the Independent Labor Party, and today as head of the National Government, forced wage cuts on the workers, has cut hundreds of thousands off the dole list. MacDonald, head of the British

labor government, does not differ from MacDonald, head of the national government, in the merciless policy toward the Indian workers and peasants. The German social democrats are the main support of the fascist Bruening government, which fulminates against the fascists, but carries out a program of destruction against the revolutionary workers. The social democrats of Poland, France, Bulgaria—the socialist and labor international, which sends its representative Vandervelde to China, not to organize the workers, but to speak to the chambers of commerce—show conclusively where the socialists the world over stand, whether they adopt "radical" or conservative programs.

The program of the socialist and labor international and of the socialist parties is the program of "democracy"—the defense of supposed capitalist "democracy" against the fascist dictatorship and the growing fascist dictatorships in those countries where "democracy" is throwing off its mask. This pose toward democracy is a sham and a menace—a pretense of accepting the "lesser evil." "Democracy" is not the DEMOCRACY that the workers consider it. It is the capitalist dictatorship, which, according to the situation, shows itself either as a constitutional "democracy" or an open fascist dictatorship. In some countries, it means no parliament; in others it means a mock parliament—Germany, Poland, Yugoslavia, etc. But it is always the iron hand of the government, expressed in its at times constitutional "democracy."

The economic crisis is bringing the iron hand of the capitalist dictatorship more to the front, and the workers are feeling it in the sharp lowering of their conditions, the use of violence against them, the repressive measures against their organizations and activities. The workers fight for "democracy" and get the fascist dictatorship. The socialist leaders, who blind the workers to the real nature of the capitalist dictatorship, who educate them to an antagonism against "ALL" dictatorships, disarm them against the attacks of the fascist dictatorship—as witness physically in Austria.

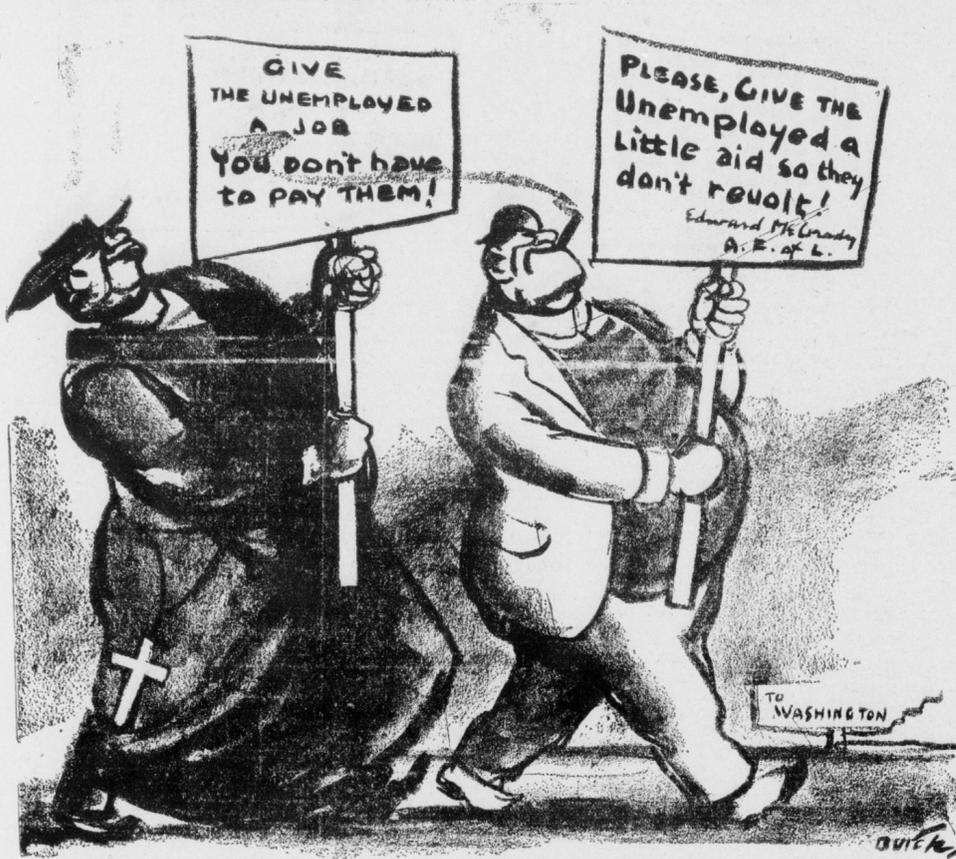
This ideological, political and military disarmament of the workers before the growing fascist dictatorship has cost the lives of tens of thousands of militant, revolutionary workers in Germany, Poland, Bulgaria, Italy, Austria.

This disarmament has taken on far greater form in the struggle against imperialism. The socialist and labor international and the Amsterdam international support the League of Nations. The American socialist party calls on the U. S. imperialist government to join the League of Nations. It gives undivided support to the Kellogg-Briand "peace" pact. It looks to the League of Nations as the body which will "outlaw" war, will "disarm" the powers. But the present struggle in Manchuria is waking up the workers to the real nature and function of the League of Nations. It is an instrument for war. The Japanese imperialist government, which put up a sham battle against the League of Nations, has the support of the League of Nations and of the U. S. government in war on the Chinese people, represented in the Chinese Soviets. The American socialist party supports the Pan-American Union, which with the assistance of the Pan-American Federation of Labor, is carrying on repressive warfare against the revolutionary workers in the Latin-American countries. This is the "democracy" that the socialists stand for. This is the "democracy" and "peace" they are fighting to retain. This is the capitalist dictatorship—which is rapidly developing into a fascist dictatorship, which the socialists support.

Is it any wonder then that the younger, proletarian elements, the intellectuals who are rebelling against the system and have been misguided into the socialist camp, begin to size up the situation, to analyze the policy and actions of the socialist party in this and other countries and are in a ferment within the ranks of the socialist party?

(To Be Continued)

THE "HUNGER" MARCHERS



The Eighth Filipino "Independence" Commission Comes to Kow Tow to Wall Street

By HARRY GANNES.

FROM Wall Street's farthest outpost in the Pacific, conveniently near China, the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics and the Manchurian battle front, a commission of Filipino rich land-owners and capitalists are coming to pay their obedience to the Hoover hunger regime. The so-called Eighth Independence Commission will arrive in the United States in the latter part of January. All past exhibitions of kowtowing to the enslavers of the Filipino people will be outdone by this new group of tributaries.

For over 30 years the millions of Filipino workers and peasants have been unanimous in their determination to strike off the yoke of Yankee imperialism. The Filipino people will never forget the trickery, the hypocrisy, the savage brutality, of the American conquerors. After centuries of revolutionary struggle against

groes and inside the local unions there is widespread white chauvinism. Organizationally the union is still weak, comparatively not enough miners belong to the union, the leadership is narrow from top to bottom, lack of discipline, bureaucracy, no stabilization of dues payments, and so on. The young miners are still outside the life of the union. We are only now making beginnings to win the young miners. The same holds of our work among women and children. Weak defense work. Progress can be recorded in the developing of a rank and file opposition movement inside the U.M.W.A. The National Miners' Union fully co-operates with this movement.

The Kentucky Strike.

The National Board correctly puts down that the Kentucky strike, which is bound to spread to other Southern fields, must occupy the center of all our activities. The Kentucky strike is not "just another strike." It is the greatest event in the history of the American labor movement in many years. It is a strike which will be fought out in the most militant manner that any strike has been fought. It is a strike led by a revolutionary union, and for the first time Negroes and white will fight side against a common enemy in the South in a basic industry. One of our major objectives in the convention preparations is the mobilization of all miners, and all other workers, for the support of the Kentucky strike. The chances to win are excellent. The strike will affect the working conditions not only in the other mine fields, but also in many other industries. The strike will serve as an inspiration to the workers generally to organize under revolutionary, trade union leadership in a decisive struggle against the starvation program of the bosses and their government. All workers must be mobilized to speed the collection of relief which will play an important role in winning the strike.

Our Immediate Tasks—In Summary.

1. Increasing of the mass struggles for immediate demands of the employed, part-time employed and unemployed, linking these up with the general demands of the union and for permanent unemployment insurance.
2. Full mobilization in support of the Kentucky strike.
3. Full support to the rank and file opposition movement inside the U.M.W.A., now rapidly developing in the Anthracite and Illinois.
4. Strengthen the union organizationally by entrenching the union inside the mines, broadening the leadership, stabilizing dues payments, making of our union an active organizer of the miners' struggles.
5. Uproot white chauvinism, the biggest hindrance to drawing the Negro miners into the union and developing local struggles for Negro demands in which the white miners are in the forefront of the fight.
6. To increase our struggle against the terror, improve our defense work of the millions

Spanish domination, the Filipino people, on the eve of victory, were enclaved by a mightier imperialist power.

Wall Street has always oiled the lock of Filipino domination with promises of "independence." These "promises" of independence have proved inconvenient to Wall Street. They now prove a greater obstacle to the Filipino rich land-owners and capitalists who fear the growing revolutionary struggles of the Filipino masses.

A great change has taken place in the Philippines during the past ten years. American imperialism has been increasing its penetration. The Filipino bourgeoisie have tasted the fruits of greater exploitation of the masses of the Filipino people. The establishment of the Soviet Union, the growth of the Soviet territories in China, the fate of Kuomintang, the rise of the Communist Party in the Philippines, as well as the general growth of the militant anti-imperialist struggle, have presented the Filipino bourgeoisie with the necessity of squelching any real move to independence.

Strikes and Peasant Uprisings.

The world economic crisis of capitalism, with its sharpening of the class struggle, with its intensification of the misery imposed by imperialism, has brought about mass strikes and anti-imperialist demonstrations in the Philippines. Tens of thousands of peasants, faced with eviction or further enslavement, are ready for a determined fight. The Colomun uprisings, in which 41 peasants were jailed for long terms, shows the revolutionary temper of the masses.

In this period the Communist Party of the Philippine Islands was definitely established. It was soon met with a campaign of terrorism. On May 31, 1931, over 300 Communists were arrested. The leaders of the Communist Party Christa Evangelista, Jacinto Manahan, Abelardo Ramos, and many others, were sent to jail or to exile in the disease-infested jungles of the Philippines.

The campaign of terrorism against the revolutionary mass organizations of the Filipino workers and peasants was carried on jointly by the American governor-general and his staff and the Filipino bourgeois lackeys. The Filipino judges, the Filipino police chiefs, the Filipino prosecutors were the most active in this drive—in the interest of American imperialism and its best supporters, the Filipino bourgeoisie.

It is not at all strange that in the present world crisis, with the bonds of imperialist domination becoming more burdensome and unbearable, that the agitation for independence should be greater. Yet it is at precisely this time that American imperialism with its apocalyptic industries, with its need of markets, should prepare not only greater exploitation of its old colonies, but for a war to grasp new colonial plunder.

It was for this reason that President Hoover sent Secretary of War Hurley to the Philippine Islands. The Philippine Islands are an important war base of American imperialism in the Pacific.

miners, linking same up with the defense of the Scottsboro boys, Mooney and Billings, etc.

7. Improve our activities among the young sport life: youth sections must be established in every local union, activation of the existing women's auxiliaries and organizing new ones. A movement for children's demands must be developed.

8. Improving and guaranteeing the regular appearance of the Mine Worker.

9. To stabilize the union financially.

The above are the tasks which the National Board set for the union to accomplish as part of the preparation for the Third National Convention. The Third Convention will then be in a position to take up concretely the preparations and mobilization of all miners for the great struggles facing them the coming spring.

Pacific. They will be used as a pivot in an attack against the Soviet Union.

In February, the American fleet will carry on Pacific war maneuvers, and the Philippine Islands will play a prominent part. Wall Street intends to use the Philippine Islands as a springboard for a leap to greater colonial plunder in Asia—in China, Siberia, India, Africa. The Filipino bourgeoisie, the tributaries who are coming to the shores of American imperialism, are in favor of helping American imperialism extend its colonial empire and to defeat the struggle for independence of the Philippines.

For example, the head of the commission, Manuel Quezon, spent 14 months in the United States consulting with the agents of Wall Street on how best to defeat the revolutionary uprisings of the workers and peasants. When Secretary of War Hurley drew up his report to President Hoover he declared he would keep it secret until he consulted the Eighth Independence Commission. The New York Times on Dec. 22, 1931, declared concerning this:

"Before submitting his report to President Hoover, which will be based upon his observations in the islands last summer and studies he has made of the question here, Secretary Hurley will show the report to the Philippine Independence Mission, which is due here early next month.

"Immediate, absolute and complete independence, he added, in his judgment, would be destructive to the welfare of the Filipinos."

Why Such Friendship?

Since when does the secretary of war of United States imperialism become so friendly with an oppressed people that he seeks to get their opinion on a military matter before it is made public? This is especially astounding in view of the fact, as the Times story shows, the War Department's policy is that the Philippines belong to Wall Street by right of conquest. This should open the eyes of those Filipino workers who are yet fooled by these Filipino bourgeois politicians.

The Eighth Independence Commission which is nominally headed by Manuel Quezon, will be under the leadership of Sergio Osmena when it arrives. It is hard to find adequate terms to describe Osmena. He is a typical native belly-crawler. The nearest comparison is Chiang Kai Shek—only Osmena has yet to wield the bloody sword. Meanwhile he prepares the wholesale executions by his collaboration with the American imperialists. Osmena several years ago was ready to turn millions of acres of the finest rubber lands in the Philippines over to Ford, Siberling or to Firestone. Osmena wanted Firestone to transfer to the Philippine Islands the system of outright slavery of the Negro masses that he has established in Liberia.

"Security" for Whom?

American imperialism knows it can count safely on the Eighth Independence Commission. For example the New York Times (on which Nicholas Roosevelt is an editorial writer—the imperialist who declared the Filipinos should "no longer be pampered") reported with approval that when the Commission left Manila (an editorial in the Philippine Herald, and a letter from Manuel Quezon to Senator Sergio Osmena, all indicate it is working for "early independence" but is inclined to oppose any too precipitous grant."

On the same occasion the Philippine Herald stated:

"It is very obvious that there can be no fair and equitable separation, from the standpoint of both the Washington government, and the Filipino people, which does not include a period of economic readjustment for the Philippines." To this the New York Times (voicing the views of Wall Street) added:

"Press comment, as well as the individual statements of leaders, is taken to indicate clearly the Filipinos are beginning to realize the gravity of sudden separation from the United States and are therefore abandoning their slogan for immediate and complete independence, undertaking to work out a reasonable formula by which some degree of security can be achieved."

Red Sparks
By JOEES

Now We Know He Was Correct

A Chicago comrade, Philip K., in rummaging around old publications, ran across the following wise words of Thomas N. Carver, in the Iron Trade Record of Oct. 7, 1926:

"The multiplication of holidays is always a sign of decadence in any country."
Twelve million men out of work in 1931 knew the truth of this statement, Philip K. adds, quite properly. Only the "holiday spirit" is conspicuous by its absence.

Editorial Carelessness

The local Chamber of Commerce will, very likely, consult the editor of the Passaic (New Jersey) Daily Herald, for putting in the two following items right on top of one another, thus possibly attracting attention to the living connections between them. They ran together just like this:

ROCKEFELLER ENJOYS CHRISTMAS PARTY
"ORMOND BEACH, Fla., (AP).—John D. Rockefeller, the multi-millionaire, laughed at the antics of a toy goose that lays golden eggs, at his annual Christmas party and chuckled with the guests sang "Good Times Are Coming."

SUICIDE ENDS TROUBLES
HILLSIDE, N. J., (AP).—Jobless and worried over finances, Heymann Cohen, 55, yesterday locked himself and his son, Emanuel, ten, a cripple, in a bedroom to which he had piped gas by means of a garden hose from the kitchen. When police broke in the room, both father and son were dead."

Speaking of Speakers

One of the most distressing things that can happen is for an audience to expect a speaker—and he doesn't show up. In New York the comrades who mistake the Daily Worker for an emergency lecture bureau, call up and demand that our paper supply a speaker to take the place of the missing orator.

We don't mention this to encourage it, but to stop it; as the Daily staff workers can't act as pinch-hitters. By the bye, the New York district has a choice lot of complaints about non-appearance of speakers, and the rule is now that speakers who don't show up will appear before the Control Commission. And this is O. K., with the exception that those who "just put down the name" of comrades as "speakers," without getting their approval should also be called in. There are plenty of these cases, too. But the major deviation is promising to speak and then "forgetting" it.

Last New York should feel too proud of its bad record in this, we have a number of other villages. Take Philadelphia—yes, just take it. It won't bite. But the organizer of Unit 902 (Gosh, we didn't know they had that many members, let alone units!) in Philly, is mad enough to bite. And we'll let the crocodile bite for him. There are plenty of these cases, too. But the major deviation is promising to speak and then "forgetting" it.

1. The Working Women's League had requested assurance from Comrade Oiken of the Section Committee. Then on the last day he "couldn't come" but said the district Organization Secretary, Solway, would get a speaker. Comrade Solway twice promised that he would see to it, and assigned Comrade Russell. But nobody showed up.

2. Earlier, the same organization arranged an anti-war meeting, a speaker being guaranteed by Comrade Silver of the Jewish Bureau. No speaker showed up.

3. Also through the Jewish Bureau a speaker was assigned for a meeting against Polish fascism. But again no speaker.

Our crocodile has been running behind lately, and we intended to take up Chicago in this Spark, but we'll have to wait. And of course Chicago will wait! Won't you, Chicago?

Correct by Mistake:—That was a bit of a shock to Yankee sensibilities, that "shellacking" U. S. Consul Chamberlain got from the Japanese soldiers at Mukden. But then, Stimson had given tacit approval to the Japanese troops cleaning up the "bandits" in Manchuria, so how was the poor Japanese soldiers to know that some bandits are exempt.

Sex Over-produced:—From a letter sent us from Las Vegas (the site, you know, of the big damn named for Hoover, which has taken about 30 years to get started), we call the following intimation of the price drop on sex:—"You may be interested to know that the price of the 'Bass Check' has come down from five dollars to two. Assuredly, this crisis has hit even the oldest of trades. Thank god we don't live in Russia, but in Glorious America."

Corns Caused the "Depression" Maybe:—"Medical examinations for the unemployed are being utilized in Minnesota in an attempt to discover whether men and women who are frequently or generally out of work are suffering from physical disabilities that prevent their success as workers."—From the Journal-Lancet, medical journal of Minneapolis.

What do the Filipino leaders mean by "a period of economic readjustment"? Do they mean it is necessary to transfer more of the American capitalist, imperialist system to the Philippines, with its 12,000,000 unemployed, with its mass starvation, with its wholesale wage-outs, and its tragedy for the whole working class? What do they mean by "security"? "Security" for whom? Certainly not for the Filipino workers and peasants who are being driven down to the lowest rung of existence. The "security" that the New York Times and the Eighth Independence Commission are concerned about is the security of the hold of American imperialism which a growing revolutionary wave is threatening to wipe out.

To greet this Commission of betrayers, the Anti-Imperialist League in the United States along with the anti-imperialist League of the Philippines is preparing demonstrations to expose their unity with American imperialism. Every Filipino worker in the United States along with every sincere anti-imperialist fighter must brand the real intent of these bourgeois exploiters and lackeys of Wall Street. Demand that real representatives of the Filipino people be given the right to present the demands the Filipino masses fight for. Demand the immediate, unconditional and absolute independence of the Philippine Islands.

The Third National Convention of the National Miners Union

By BEN GERJOY

THE Third National Convention, which will take place on February 27-March 1 in Pittsburgh, Pa., will be another landmark in the upward march of the National Miners' Union. The First Convention marked the climax of the revolt of the rank and file miners against the U.M.W.A. treachery and corruption. It recorded the experiences of the "Save the Union Committee," through which the miners tried to purge the U.M.W.A. of the bureaucrats and make of it a militant organization. At the first convention the miners became convinced that the U.M.W.A. was hopeless of a new union must be established. The third convention, on the other hand, will record a series of mass actions under the independent leadership of the N.M.U. The strike of 40,000 miners in Western Pennsylvania, East Ohio and West Virginia, and now in Kentucky, are examples.

The Present Mining Situation.

Briefly, the present situation in the mine fields can be characterized thus: On the one hand the coal operators' starvation program, which spells misery, wage-cuts, mass lay-offs, jails and death for the miners. For this program the operators have the fullest co-operation of the government and the U.M.W.A. is their field organizer. On the other hand, there is a rapid growth of the resistance of the miners, militantly fighting against this program. The present revolt of the Kentucky miners is the outstanding example of the mood of the miners. Numerous other struggles could be cited, on a smaller scale, on the part of the employed as well as unemployed. The National Miners' Union is the only leader of these struggles. The rank and file opposition movement which is rapidly developing in the Anthracite and Illinois is another example. It is a movement inside the U.M.W.A. against the operators, for a militant program of struggle and against the U.M.W.A. officials who stand in the way of militant action. The N.M.U. fully co-operates with this opposition movement.

Some Weaknesses in Our Work.

Though the Union has many achievements to its credit, nevertheless it cannot be truly stated that the N.M.U. has always appeared as the active organizer of the miners' struggles. Indeed, it often not even kept pace with the fighting willingness of the miners. We can't do this

two examples to illustrate the point. In Western Pennsylvania the N. M. U. prevented a wage-cut in the mines of the Pittsburgh Terminal Co., which has an agreement with the U.M.W.A. But did this come about as a result of conscious organization inside and around the mines, raising immediate demands and unemployed? The answer is no. The N.M.U. stepped into the situation only at the last moment, when the wage-cut was announced. It was really the ideological influence of the N.M.U., and the miners' profound hatred for the U.M.W.A., which rallied the miners to our program. The Kentucky strike is even a better example. The miners there were organizing into and entrenching the N.M.U. in the mines without the National and District Centers of the Union knowing anything about it. They continued organizing and pressing the National Center to lead them in a general strike. Strikes in individual mines broke out as early as October. The gap between the influence of the N.M.U. and applying it organizationally in leading the miners into bigger struggles for their immediate needs still remains one of the main weaknesses in our union. One of the principle objectives, therefore, in the preparation for the National Convention, is the increasing of struggles in which the N.M.U. is not only the leader but the organizer. In the very first paragraph of the Plan of Work which the National Board adopted for the organization of the convention we find the following: "The main idea upon which this Plan is based is that the convention must climax a period of intensive activity, numerous local struggles in which the N.M.U. is playing the leading role. In the center of all activities must be the involving of every union member and the workers generally for the support of the strike in the Southern coal fields—Kentucky, etc."

Besides the above there are other serious weaknesses which must be overcome, especially in the course of the preparations for the convention. To give a few major ones: The question of the Negro miners is hardly comprehended by our union. The Negro miners are the worst sufferers in the present general crisis and in the mining crisis particularly. At the same time the masses of the Negro miners are still unfamiliar with our program, no immediate, local demands are developed for the Negro