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# MASS AT CITY HALL TODAY, AT 2 P.M.! DEMAND RELIEF

## Preparing the Working Class for February 4th

THE preparations for the National Day of Struggle against unemployment on February 4 have taken on greater meaning for the working class since the sharpening of the drive of Hoover-Wall Street government, the municipalities and the state governments, against the unemployed workers that has marked the last week.

Congress has done nothing for the unemployed millions. While the Hoover Hunger Program with its hundreds of millions of dollars for the bankers, railway magnates and big industrial corporations slides smoothly through Congress, the bankers are carrying through in every city and state a new "economy" drive.

The cutting down of assistance to unemployed families, the cutting down of all charity funds by the city administrations, the scaling down of all public works programs to the minimum and the slashing of city and state budgets has been the basis by the bankers for loaning sufficient money to enable the cities to carry on routine activities.

The cruel domination of the lives of the American working class by finance capital through its local, state and national government, has never been made clearer in the whole epoch of imperialism than today.

It is in connection with this fact that our Party must undertake in a most serious and wide-spread manner the task of showing to the millions of the American working class, employed and unemployed, and what is responsible for wage cuts and part time unemployment, or complete unemployment, sickness and starvation—for the whole category of ill which press down the entire American working class to low living standard levels unheard of before in the United States.

Capitalist party politicians like LaFollette and Pinchot, like Mayor Murphy of Detroit, like the so-called "progressive" bloc in Congress and the Senate, with their investigations of unemployment and their proposals for government appropriations for unemployment relief which they do not fight for and have no intention of fighting for, together with the leaders of the American Federation of Labor, are the screen behind which the Hoover-Wall Street Hunger Program is being given the endorsement of Congress and put in force throughout the country.

Hundreds of thousands of men, women and children of the working class have been cut off in the last week from even that miserable relief that was afforded by the charity and municipal organizations.

The socialist party carries on no struggle against the Hoover program, but instead uses all its resources to give favorable publicity to the LaFollette and Pinchot and the Mayor Murphy's, to cover up the treachery of the A. F. of L. leaders. It uses every opportunity to attack the Communist program for the relief of unemployment, workers' unemployment insurance at full wages and the Communist Program of revolutionary struggle against capitalism as the only way out of the crisis.

These additional facts must likewise be made clear to the masses of the struggling workers, using numberless known acts of betrayal, by our comrades in the Unemployed Councils and in the A. F. of L. unions in preparation for February 4th. This National Day of Struggle against unemployment has a much more serious purpose than even the all important one of strengthening the struggle for workers' unemployment insurance, the struggle against evictions, etc.

We must in preparation for February 4 make clear to the working class the meaning of the wholesale attacks on the unemployed demonstrations, the arrest of scores of militant unemployed workers, the growing attacks upon the Negro masses, the assaults on workers fighting against starvation as in the case of the Kentucky strikers, and the Communist leaders and organizers in the strike.

We must sharpen the attack upon the capitalist system as a whole, especially making clear that the capitalist offensive against the living standards of the American working class is a central part of the preparation for imperialism war and attack on the Soviet Union.

The real meaning of the capitalist offensive and the revolutionary significance of the struggle for workers' unemployment insurance, if made clear to the American working class on a wide scale in preparation for February 4, will bring these nation-wide demonstrations to a new high level and at the same time make easier and more effective the organization of the working class for the struggle against the Hoover-Wall Street program of starvation and war.

## 406 Months of Subs In on Wednesday; New Fields Wait for Daily Worker Campaigners

FOUR hundred and six months of subscriptions came in Wednesday in the campaign for 5,000 12-month subscriptions to the Daily Worker, which is about the same as Tuesday's results. If the drive holds up in this way the rest of the week, and if we try a bit harder, this week will be the best week of the drive so far and we will have covered one-fourth of the goal.

The New York district was in the lead Wednesday with 149 months of subs. Detroit came next with 65 months. Then came Cleveland with 45 months and Pittsburgh with 44 months. Connecticut, with 26 months, is doing very well. Chicago sent in only 13 months of subs. This is surprising because Chicago held a very successful Daily Worker celebration last Sunday at which more than 1,000 workers had to be turned away.

Break ground for the Party mass recruiting drive with Daily Worker subscription blanks. Letters come in to us from Missouri, Indiana, Denver and all over the country from workers who are ready to give their last dollar for subscriptions to the Daily Worker. The Kentucky relief drive, the Scottsboro case, the increasing wage cuts are opening new fields every day for the Daily Worker campaign. Do not lag behind. Get new subscribers active and cover the new possibilities that open up on all sides. Study the Daily Worker for new up-to-date approaches and for new fields. Spread the campaign for 5,000 12-month subscriptions.

## ASK OUSTING OF BARKER AND STEGE

Thousands Stopped, Searched By Cops On Streets

### Medical Aid Denied

CHICAGO, Jan. 14.—More than 100 white workers were arrested on the South Side Monday morning to prevent a demonstration of more than 4,000 at the police court at 48th St. and Wabash Ave., where over 40 workers are jailed for leading a demonstration for immediate relief at one of Governor Emmerson's "relief station." The majority of those arrested were released.

The police arrested primarily white workers who were brought to the police station and beaten severely under the personal supervision of Captain Stege and Barker who joined in the kicking and beating of arrested, unemployed workers.

After being held all day, groups of five were released under police escort, taken to street cars with a warning that if they were caught again on the South Side their necks would be broken. The total released so far amounts to 90.

Threaten Deportation. Twenty-five foreign-born workers have been turned over to immigration authorities for questioning in an attempt to deport them.

One hundred thousand leaflets have been distributed throughout the city for five protest mass meetings to be held Friday. An overflow mass meeting is expected at the main mass meeting at Pythian Hall, 3737 S. State St. An attempt is being made to obtain other halls to accommodate the masses expected.

A special leaflet has been issued to the stockyard workers on the South Side by the Packing House Union.

Preparations are being made for a further broadened mobilization of the workers, employed and unemployed, in struggles for unemployment relief, unemployment insurance and against the police terror, as well as behind the demand to oust Stege and Barker and to abolish the Red Squad. The response of the workers is good.

The criminal syndicalist conference on Sunday will be utilized also for these struggles. The ten Negro workers arrested on Wednesday were all released.

## Lenin Memorial Edition

Saturday's Daily Worker will be a four-page paper instead of the regular six-page edition. The Lenin Memorial edition of the Daily Worker (which will appear January 19th for the far-West and the mid-West, and January 21st for the eastern states), will have six pages.

## Mine, Marine, Dress Strike Conference Sun. Jan. 24th

NEW YORK.—William Z. Foster and Ben Gold will address the United Front Conference, which will be held at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. Fourth St., on Jan. 24 at 11 a.m.

The conference is called to intensify the mobilization for greater support to the Kentucky miners' strike, the strike of the German seamen and the New York dressmakers' strike.

The recent developments in the labor movement have required the postponement of the conference for a week. The Trade Union Unity League, in stressing the importance of the conference, points out that the workers of New York have not been giving serious enough attention to the

## Protest End of Relief by Tammany and Wall St.

Will Demand Immediate Proper Relief For Million New York Jobless; Protest Fare Raise at Bankers' Orders

NEW YORK.—Faced with starvation because 79 so-called home relief stations have been closed down through the co-operation of Tammany Hall, Morgan & Co. and several other large and powerful banking concerns, thousands of workers will rally at City Hall today at 2 p. m., under the leadership of the Unemployed Councils of Greater New York to demand immediate re-opening of these relief stations, and the provision of adequate relief for all unemployed workers.

Yesterday, a telegram was sent to Mayor Walker, by Carl Winter, secretary of the Unemployed Council, speaking in the name of 1,000,000 unemployed New York workers and their families stating the unemployed would present their program for immediate relief at City Hall.

A similar message was sent to Police Commissioner Mulrooney telling him of the proposed gathering of thousands of workers and their families at City Hall today at 2 p. m. "to protest the closing of home relief bureaus and the cutting down of the already insufficient relief."

The telegram pointed out that the demonstration which would pass at city hall at 2 p. m. would later march to the near future.

## Japanese Stir Up Puppet Governor to Attack the Chinese Eastern Railway

A Tokyo dispatch to the New York Graphic admits that the Japanese are backing their puppet governor of Kirin Province, the Chinese militarist Hsichia, in a campaign of provocation against the Soviet Union. Gov. Hsichia has announced his intentions to attack the Chinese Eastern Railway, which is jointly operated by China and the Soviet Union. He has delivered an ultimatum to the Chinese guards of the railway to surrender their arms. The Tokyo dispatch states:

"Moscow's official concern over reports that Hsichia intended to attack guards of the Chinese Eastern Railway, which is Soviet controlled, were expressed to premier Inukai by Russian Ambassador Trojlanovsky.

"Inukai replied that the Japanese army would not act unless Japan's interests were threatened. It was believed that Japan tacitly supported Hsichia's ambition to gain control of the Harbin district."

The Soviet ambassador did not ask for any action by the Japanese army.

## Demand Release of Scottsboro Boys at Demonstrations in City Tonight and Saturday

NEW YORK.—With the hearing on the appeal against the Scottsboro lynch verdicts coming up next week before the Alabama Supreme Court, the workers of New York will hold a series of protest demonstrations today (Friday) and tomorrow to protest against the class justice of the

bosses' courts and to demand the unconditional and SAFE release of the 9 innocent Scottsboro Negro boys.

In Harlem a huge demonstration and parade will begin at two o'clock Saturday afternoon at 129th St. and Lenox Avenue. Negro and white workers forging the fighting alliance of white and Negro workers against starvation, lynch terror and lynch justice will march up Lenox Avenue from 129th St., proceeding to 136th St., turning east to Fifth Ave., up Fifth Ave. to 139th St., west to Seventh Ave., down Seventh Ave. to 131st St., an thorough to Lenox Ave., to win dup the parade with a tremendous demonstration at the southeast corner of Lenox Avenue and 131st St.

Brooklyn workers will join their protests against these hideous lynch verdicts and the savage persecution of the Negro masses by attending a protest meeting this evening (Friday) at 1813 Watkins St. and an outdoor meeting Saturday afternoon, 4 o'clock, at Dumont and Rockaway Aves. There will also be a mass parade at 2 p. m. Saturday from Wallabout Street and Nostrand Ave., Williamsburg, through Myrtle Ave. to Duffy St. and Fulton, then to

All workers' organizations are urged to elect delegates to the conference at once, thus making it the greatest united front conference ever held in New York.

## Bronx Workers Elect Delegates to Jobless Conference Sunday

The lower and middle Bronx Unemployed Council is actively engaged in preparing a real unemployed conference on Sunday. The Unemployed Council so far has visited many mass organizations in the Bronx to elect delegates. One of these mass organizations, a Negro church located at Eagle Ave. and 163rd St., after listening to the appeal of the unemployed delegation, selected two Negro workers to act as delegates. On Thursday, the Unemployed Council will have a demonstration at Public School No. 9, 480 139th St., to fight against the closing of the Home Relief Bureau.

We want to announce to all the mass organizations located in lower middle Bronx up to Wilkins Ave. and Claremont Parkway that their delegates are to report on Sunday, Jan. 17, to the Hungarian Workers' Center, 569 Prospect Ave.

## RALLY TO LENIN MEMORIAL MEET IN BRONX THURS.

Commemorate Life and Work of Lenin at Bronx Coliseum

NEW YORK.—The revolutionary workers of New York will demonstrate this Thursday night, January 21, at the Bronx Coliseum, to commemorate the life and work of the greatest revolutionary leader, Vladimir I. Lenin. The eighth anniversary of Lenin's death finds the proletariat and peasants of the Soviet Union engaged in the successful building up of Socialism in their country and completing the first five year plan in four years.

Production in the Soviet Union is increasing rapidly and the standard of living is being improved daily. The Second Five Year Plan is now being prepared, which will still further prove the superiority of a Socialist method of production over the capitalist.

In all capitalist countries there is vast unemployment, untold misery, starvation and hunger. The standards of the workers are being reduced and a reign of terror against the militant workers prevails.

In their attempt to overcome the crisis and the inherent contradiction of capitalism, the capitalists throw the entire burden of the crisis upon the workers and are feverishly preparing for another world war. They are particularly directing their war preparation against the Soviet Union in order to destroy the proletarian fatherland that serves as an inspiration and lesson to all oppressed and exploited peoples.

This Lenin memorial meeting will therefore be a rally against the war mongers and all counter-revolutionists. It will serve to further unify the militant workers and all friends of the Soviet Union to the DEFENSE OF THE SOVIET UNION.

All out to Bronx Coliseum on Jan. 21! Demonstrate Against Mass Hunger, Wage Cuts, War and Capitalism! All section organizers shall report at the Coliseum on Thursday at 5 o'clock and all committees assigned by the units and sections to report to their section organizers at 5 p.m. Literature agents are to report at the literature table at 6 o'clock sharp.

## A. F. L. Typo Local Joins in Support of Jobless Insurance

NEW YORK.—Joining the growing number of A. F. of L. locals who are rejecting the hunger program of Green, Woll and McGrady who work with the Hoover government, the Journal-American-Mirror chapel of the Typographical Union at a recent meeting passed a resolution going on record for a system of government unemployment insurance, to be paid by the government by taxes on large

GATHER WITH YOUR SHOPMATES IN "FRIENDS OF THE DAILY WORKER" GROUPS. READ, DISCUSS, GET SUBS FOR THE "DAILY WORKER." ENTER SOCIALIST COMPETITION IN DRIVE FOR 5,000 "DAILY WORKER" SUBS.

## MINERS' PRESSURE FORCES RELEASE OF TAUB, DEFENSE LAWYER; HAIL IT AS VICTORY

Arrested Organizers Turned Over to Grand Jury; Miners Determined to Spread Strike Struggle

PINEVILLE, Ky., Jan. 14.—The case of Allen Taub, attorney of the International Labor Defense, was specifically dismissed here in a court room crowded with miners. Taub was arrested several days ago just as he arrived in Pineville to take up the defense of the nine arrested leaders of the National Miners' Union leading the strike of the Kentucky-Tennessee miners.

The miners regard Taub's discharge as a great victory for them, achieved by mass protest.

PINEVILLE, Ky., Jan. 14.—In a further move to behead the growing strike of the Kentucky-Tennessee miners, Judge Van Beber, coal operators' agent, yesterday ordered eight of the nine strike leaders in jail held over to the grand jury which meets the last Monday in February.

Miners' Wives Tell of Hunger. The feature of Wednesday's court session was the testimony of a number of miners' wives. They appeared in the court room haggard from starvation, telling of their children starving to death until the Workers International Relief began to feed them. One woman, Tishie Bundy, testified that the coat she had on, given her by the Workers International Relief, was the first coat she had in

## Young Workers Rally at Huge Liebknecht Meet

NEW YORK.—Karl Liebknecht's assassination, and the brutal murder of Rosa Luxemburg, German revolutionary leaders during and after the last world war, will be commemorated this year in the scene of war preparation on a scale far above the period leading to the last world slaughter. To take up

and carry on the work of these revolutionists who were slaughtered for their struggle against imperialist war, thousands of young workers and students of New York will fill New Star Casino at 107th St. and Park Ave. tonight at 7 p. m.

This is scheduled to be the largest indoor anti-war rally ever held. Karl Liebknecht, leader of the German working class youth, carried on an anti-war campaign during the most dangerous periods of the last world war for which he was brutally assassinated with the help of the German socialist leaders.

A close friend of Karl Liebknecht, chairman of the strike committee of the German steamer now tied up in New York harbor, will speak. This sailor was with Liebknecht up to the time he was arrested and foully murdered. He was also one of those who participated in the first German naval mutiny of 1916, and is a charter member of the German Young Communist League. The whole crew of the ship will be present in their naval Red Front uniforms.

William F. Dunne, editor of the Daily Worker, and Gilbert Green of the Young Communist League will speak about the role of the youth in the struggle against war and will call for participation in the Scottsboro demonstration on Saturday, Jan. 15, in Harlem and in the Lenin Memorial meeting at the Bronx Coliseum on Thursday, Jan. 21. Webber of the Labor Sports Union will also speak.

The Pioneers will put on their kitchen band and chorus. The Labor Sports Union will present a mass drill and march. The Workers' International Relief Brass Band will play a new parody on war songs besides the revolutionary songs.

# Get New Subscribers Active in Drive for 5,000 12-Month Subscriptions

# Wide Mobilization Going on for Demonstrations on Feb. 4

NEW YORK.—From the Pacific Coast to New York, a whole series of tremendous demonstrations against hunger are being prepared for February 4, National Unemployment Insurance Day.

The huge demonstration that greeted the hunger march in San Francisco, followed by a vast open air meeting and a convention to organize the struggles leaves no doubt that active work is being undertaken to mobilize hundreds of thousands, if not millions of workers, in an organized fight against hunger on February 4th.

PHILA., Pa., Jan. 13.—Full preparations for the Feb. 4th demonstration are being made by the unemployed branches of this city. The

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Court and Fulton Sts. in front of Borough Hall, where a demonstration will be held. Another Brooklyn demonstration will be held at Nevins and Warren Streets at 2 o'clock Saturday. This evening (Friday) will be an indoor protest meeting at the Harrison Palace, 185 Harrison Ave. Tonight (Friday) Bronx workers will hold three protest meetings as follows: 161 Union Ave., 163 Brooks Ave., and 148 Mott Ave.

All workers are urged to support these demonstrations and demonstrate their determination to save and free the nine innocent Negro boys. All out Friday and Saturday! Demonstrate against the capitalist program of starvation and lynch terror against the working class! Protest against the disarming of the Negro masses by the southern lynch bosses! Demand the right of Negroes to bear arms in self defense! Support the struggle for the right of self-determination of the Negro majorities in the "Black Belt" of the South—the right to determine and control their own government! Down with the robbery and oppression of the Negro masses by the southern landlords and bankers!

# What's On—

**ATTENTION!** Hunger March Exhibition Workers Film and Photo League to exhibit photos of Washington Hunger March at 16 W. 21st St., daily from 6 to 9 p.m., and on Saturdays and Sundays from 2 to 9 p.m. Admission free.

**ATTENTION!** Volunteers Wanted: To do thing in the daily Worker National Office, 59 E. 15th St., 8th floor.

**NEW JERSEY Newark** The Independent Memorial meeting will be held under the auspices of the Young Communist League and Youth Sports Club on Jan. 17, 8 p.m. at the Russian Hall, 53 Broome St., Adm. 15c.

**FRIDAY** Bronx Park Youth Club Dinner in front of the Coon Cafe, 100th St. and Park Ave., 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. in a body to the Anti-Vermin Meet in the New Star Casino.

**Canastota I.L.D.** Will have 1st organizational meeting at 1435 E. 98th St. at 8 p.m. All workers invited.

**Plumbers Helpers** To meet at 103 E. 14th St. Jan. 14 at 8 p.m.

**Tom Mooney Branch, I.L.D.** Will have a meeting at 103 E. 14th St. on Jan. 14 at 8 p.m.

**Needle Trades Athletic Club** Will have a general meeting at 131 W. 25th St. at 6 p.m.

**Friends of the Soviet Union** Joshua Kunitz, of the New Masses editorial staff, will speak on "National Education in the Soviet Union" at the Irving Plaza, 15th St. and Irving Pl., at 8 p.m.

**Brighton Beach F.S.U.** Will hold an important membership meeting at Laubs Restaurant, 211 Brighton Beach Ave. All members are requested to attend.

**Steve Katovia Branch, I.L.D.** Meets tonight at 257 E. Tenth St. at 8 p.m. sharp. All workers invited.

**Scottsboro Protest Mass Meet** Will be held at the Brownsville Workers' Center, 1515 Pitkin Ave. (near Christopher St.) at 8 p.m. under the auspices of the International Labor Defense, Young Defenders and League of Struggle for Negro Rights. All workers called upon to participate.

**Fremont Workers' Club** Resolves on Scottsboro at 2075 Clinton Ave. Jan. 15 at 8 p.m. Organized by I.L.D. to speak.

**Wentworth Workers' Club** Will have a lecture and discussion on the "Foreign Born" at 1684 69th St. at 8:30 p.m.

**Red Sparks Athletic Club** Will have a general meeting at 280 Grand St. at 8 p.m. All workers invited.

**Wentworth Workers' Club** Sophie Van Veen to lecture on "Can Capitalism Solve the Crisis" at 2500 65th St., Brooklyn. Admission free.

**F.S.U. Birthday Party** Celebrated taken by the Amer. Workers' Department to the U.S.S.R. will be shown at the celebration of the new magazine, "Soviet Russia Today" at the Stuyvesant Casino, 142 Second Ave., at 7:30 p.m. Admission, with dinner, \$1; without, 50 cents.

**Kentucky Miners' Relief** Affair to be held at 2075 Clinton Ave., tonight, under the auspices of the Bronx Women's Council. Dancing, etc.

**Bronx Hungerline Workers' Club** Lecture by F.S.U. delegate to U. S. S. R., Comrade Wikman, at 569 Prospect Ave., at 8 p.m.

**University Branch, I.L.D.** Will have a meeting at 103 E. 14th St. at 8:30 p.m. Workers and students invited.

**Hunger Marchers Truck "B"** Meet tonight at 5 E. 19th St. at 8 p.m. All members requested to attend.

**Youth I.W.O.** Will adjourn to the New Star Casino, 107th St. and Park Ave., after short meetings for the Liebknecht Memorial Meeting.

**Workers' Attention!** The first rehearsal for the Lenin Memorial Pageant will take place tonight at 55 E. 12th St. at 8 p.m. Workers' Dramatic Groups asked to send representatives. Workers urged to participate.

**W.I.R. Chorus** Meets tonight at 16 W. 21st St. at 8 p.m. sharp.

# SUPPORT STRIKE OF FISHWORKERS

## Face Bitter Struggle Against Bosses

NEW YORK.—Backing the strike of the fish workers in the Bronx, the Trade Union Unity Council and the Food Workers' Industrial Union has issued an appeal calling all workers to help win this strike.

Pointing out that the fish workers have been forced to work long hours for \$12 to \$15 a week, the statement says:

"The strike has met extreme resistance on the part of the bosses because the bosses realize that if a union is established in this trade it will be impregnable and will control every fish store in the city of New York. The wholesalers are helping the bosses.

"The winning of this strike will mean the establishment of a new section of the Food Workers' Industrial Union which will be a tremendous support to the union and will raise the prestige and confidence of the F. W. I. U. It is also of importance to the entire labor movement. The strike must be won.

"The last desperate attempt of the bosses to break the strike and destroy the union of fish workers is the most vicious strike-breaking weapon, the injunction. The bosses obtained an injunction which forbids the workers once more exposing to the workers the right to strike and to organize. Thus far we have had the loyal support of the United Council of Working Class Women, who have fought militantly together with our strikers and the Food Workers' Industrial Union which has given leadership, guidance to the strike and financial support.

"We appeal to every member of the Trade Union Unity League, all workers' organizations, regardless of political affiliation, the sympathizers of the working class and the working class consuming public, to help defeat the injunction and give us their fullest support to win the strike.

"How you can help: . . . . .

"By contributing and raising funds for the strikers so that they can buy bread for their families. The strikers have no resources whatever. Many have been evicted and are destitute. Send in your donations immediately to the F. W. I. U., 5 East 19th Street, New York City.

"Help strengthen our picket lines. Come to the strike headquarters, 1610 Boston Road near 174th St., Bronx, for instructions."

"The labor movement will gain the upper hand and show the way to peace and socialism." LENIN.

# PROTEST END OF RELIEF BY TAMMANY AND WALL STREET

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down to 23 Wall Street and hold an open air meeting there to protest the proposed raising of subway fares by the bankers so that they can rake in millions more in profits at the expense of cutting down the meagre standard of living of the New York workers.

In a statement issued by the New York District Committee of the Com-

# MELLON ORDERS GREATER TAXES TO HIT WORKERS

Not One Cent Provided For Jobless Relief

WASHINGTON, Jan. 14.—Increased taxation, with the heaviest burdens on the workers and small business men and professionals, was urged by billionaire secretary of the treasury, Andrew Mellon, and his assistant, under-secretary Mills, before the Senate Ways and Means Committee.

Mellon, whose income is over \$10,000,000 a year proposed that taxes be placed on such items as tobacco, movies, telephones, telegraph messages, and many other such items, instead of putting heavier taxes on his fellow bankers and exploiters.

He declared that \$920,000,000 would have to be raised through greater taxation. Both Mellon and Mills admitted that the government is finding it difficult to issue any more bonds, as the last bond issue was nearly a flop.

The new tax proposals, Mellon said, would add 1,700,000 new taxpayers, most among the ranks of the workers and lower paid office employees. While talking about economy, not a word was said about the huge expenditures for war preparations.

Mellon and Mills both declared that the government budget must be "balanced," but purposely avoided saying anything about unemployment relief. The increased taxation which is to come out of the workers' pockets is to go for increased war preparations.

The rich, for whom Mellon speaks and acts, will be guarded against tax increases. If by accident their taxes are increased, Mellon will revert to his old stunt of "tax refunds," whereby billions are returned to the wealthy exploiters.

The unemployed Council plans to mobilize the workers on the block for mass support of the arrested workers and in support of the 20 per cent reduction in rent and against evictions demanded by the tenants.

# 45 N.Y. TENANTS ON RENT STRIKE

## Demand 10 Per Cent Reduction

NEW YORK.—Forty-five tenants of 581 and 587 Beck St. are out on strike for a 10 per cent reduction in rent. Also to make some improvements in the house.

Forty per cent of the tenants are completely out of work. The rest are part-time workers. The tenants are actively engaged in mobilizing the rest of the block on their support.

Open air meetings are held, picketing in front of the house in spite of the terror of the landlord.

The landlord is trying to approach individual workers in that house to bribe them. However, he has not succeeded. There is a strong house committee functioning. Not only are they striking for a reduction in rent but they are already mobilizing the block for a demonstration in front of the public school in their neighborhood for free food and clothing for the children.

These workers issued a leaflet to the other houses owned by the same landlord. The response shows that the workers are ready for struggle. They are also electing a delegate to the Unemployed Conference that will be held January 17th, 11 o'clock at the Hungarian Workers Center, 569 Prospect Ave.

# 300 PROTEST SHUT-DOWN OF "RELIEF"

## "Can't Do Anything," Tammanyites Say

NEW YORK.—Protesting against the shutdown of home relief stations, 300 workers took part in a demonstration before Public School No. 9 at 139th St. and Brook Ave.

The only answer those in charge gave to the committee of workers that interviewed them was "We can't do anything for you." They tried to ridicule the demands of the committee.

The demonstration was led by the Unemployed Council, with headquarters at 493 E. 135th St. The Council calls on the workers in this neighborhood to come to the headquarters to elect a committee to force the home relief stations to open and give the workers immediate relief.

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mu- nist Party of New York City is pointed out that the New York City government is exposed in the eyes of the workers, through its deliberate action in closing down all relief, as the tool of the most powerful bankers on Wall Street. The statement calls on all workers to unite in the demonstration today at 2 p. m. at City Hall "to let the bankers know that we workers will not tolerate this shameful conditions, but are fighting for proper relief."

# John Reed Club to Show Drawings by Siegel and Ishigaki

The John Reed Club, 63 West 16th St., announces an exhibition of revolutionary drawings and paintings by William Siegel and Eitaro Ishigaki. The show opens on Saturday, Jan. 16th, and continues through January 31st. The Gallery is open from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m. daily and 8 to 10 evenings.

These artists have contributed to many of the revolutionary periodicals. Workers are invited to view this new collection of interesting pictures.

# COPS ATTACK RENT STRIKERS

## Tenants Demand 20 P. Cent. Cut, No Evictions

NEW YORK CITY, Jan. 14.—A protest demonstration of the tenants of 166 School St., Williamsburgh, was broken up by police today, after they had declared a strike against the high rates and the threatened eviction of an unemployed worker next Monday.

Signs were torn and four militant pickets who refused to budge were arrested on charges of disorderly conduct. These workers, Leroy, Sideman and Keller, and another whose name is not disclosed came up for hearing tomorrow at the Bridge Plaza Court, S. Fifth St. and Roebing St., with bail set at \$100.

This, however, did not check the picketing and later in the afternoon two more pickets were arrested, making six in all taken in by the police.

The Unemployed Council plans to mobilize the workers on the block for mass support of the arrested workers and in support of the 20 per cent reduction in rent and against evictions demanded by the tenants.

# CITY ALDERMAN DODGES JOBLESS

## Doesn't Want to Hear Their Demands

NEW YORK.—Two hundred workers demonstrated yesterday before Alderman Shell's home under the leadership of the Williamsburg Unemployed Council. In spite of the fact that Shell's was notified by letter from these workers that this demonstration would be held to demand relief for certain starvation cases in the neighborhood he managed not to be found in his home at that time. Many police and detectives were stationed around his home.

The workers were determined, however to see this alderman, and marched down to his real estate and law office, located at 229th St. There too the workers were told that he was not in when the delegation tried to get into his office. When this report was made by the delegation to the workers they decided that they would demonstrate again on Friday at 9:30.

# NEWARK DANCE and Entertainment Sat. Eve.

NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 14.—To help build the Trade Union Unity League, a dance and entertainment will be given Saturday night, January 16, at Ukrainian Hall, 59 Beacon St.

Bill Dunne of the Daily Worker will speak. William Gropper, well known cartoonist, will draw pictures.

# JAIL 5 PICKETS AT LONDON SHOP; STRIKE SPREADS

NEW YORK.—Five pickets, H. Gelber, Schwartz, L. Cohen, Wiener, and Rose Medoff, were arrested yesterday morning in front of the London Dress Co., 245 7th Ave., where the Industrial Union is conducting a strike.

A big demonstration was organized in front of this shop. Many workers from the surrounding neighborhood came down in support of the strikers.

Active dressmakers are called upon to report to the office of the union every morning to help picket the striking shops.

Additional shops came down on strike today while a number of shops on strike since the early part of the week have settled. A full list of settled shops is being compiled for publication.

# 2,500 Subscribe to 'Soviet Russia Today' New Organ of F.S.U.

## Banquet for New Magazine Jan. 5th

The fact that the Friends of the Soviet Union was able to secure over 2,500 subscriptions to its new magazine, "Soviet Russia Today," before it is off the press, is an excellent indication of the deep interest felt by everyone towards anything pertaining to the Soviet Union.

At the Birthday Party of "Soviet Russia Today"—which will be in the form of a huge banquet to be held on Friday evening, Jan. 15, at Stuyvesant Casino, 142 Second Ave., at 7:30 p. m., there will be gathered the most imposing ray of literary and journalistic talent of both the revolutionary and liberal press. The very enthusiastic receptions of the invitations extended to every editor and their interest in the new magazine promises a very lively, entertaining and educational evening.

So far, there has been received in the office of the F. S. U. revolutionary greetings of solidarity from almost every mass organization in the country.

# BARRYMORE IN "THE MAD GENIUS" AT HIPPODROME SATURDAY

John Barrymore in "The Mad Genius" will come to the Hippodrome on Saturday. Other leading parts will be played by Marian Marsh, Donald Cook, Carmel Myers, Charles Butterworth and Boris Karloff, who played the monster in "Frankenstein." Vaudeville acts include the personal appearance of Lemuel Q. Stoopnagle and Budd, the radio "Gloom Chasers."

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# Collect From House to House Sat., Sun. For Scottsboro Nine

House to house collections will be made in all of New York to help cover the expenses of the Scottsboro appeal.

Now more than ever must every worker and sympathizer pitch in and do their utmost to help the successful termination of the Scottsboro struggle.

The New York District of the I.L.D. points out that the sole responsibility in the Scottsboro case, now that the NAACP has officially withdrawn, rests on the working class as a whole.

The I.L.D. calls upon every worker and sympathizer to help in these collections so that the work in the Scottsboro case can go on uninterrupted.

Stations at which boxes can be secured are as follows: Bronx—1400 Boston Rd., 569 Prospect Ave., 2800 Bronx Park East, Brooklyn—136 15th St., 118 Bristol St., 118 Cook St., 140 Neptune Ave., Manhattan—108 E. 14th St., 347 E. 72d St., 15 W. 126th St., 196 E. Broadway.

# SHOE WORKERS OF GELLER SHOP WIN Fought Discharge of Two Workers

NEW YORK.—Three hundred shoe workers of the Andrew Geller shop, one of the largest in Brooklyn, who stopped work because of the discharge of two workers, won their fight. They also won improvements in their conditions.

The Shoe and Leather Workers Industrial Union backed the struggle of the Andrew Geller workers, and is helping to organize all the fakers in the ranks of the workers.

The Shoe and Leather Workers Industrial Union has called a mass meeting of shoe and slipper workers in New York for January 26, at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. 4th St., 6:30 p. m., to organize a United Front of all the shoe workers to fight the miserable conditions existing in the trade now.

# RESTAURANT SUPPORTS DRESS STRIKE

The "Scientific Restaurant" at 1606 Madison Ave., and the "Health Food Restaurant, 1600 Madison Ave., Harlem, have agreed to give a certain percentage of their income of the 16th and 17th of January for the united front of the dressmakers.

# Pickens Wiggles Out of Debate on Scottsboro Defense Policies

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 12.—George W. Chamlee, of Chattanooga, former attorney general of Tennessee and chief counsel for the International Labor Defense in the Scottsboro case appeared in the U. S. Supreme Court today in preparation for a possible appeal from the Supreme Court of Alabama.

Mr. Chamlee stated here that should the Alabama court refuse on January 21 to grant new trials to the nine boys sentenced on false

charges of rape in Scottsboro, Ala., he would appeal the case for the International Labor Defense to the highest court of the country.

Mr. Chamlee came here from New York City, where he spoke before a mass meeting January 10 where Negro and white workers protested the Scottsboro lynch verdicts against eight of the nine boys, charged with violating two girls riding on a freight train in overalls. The International Juridical Association, an organization of lawyers and laymen opposed to acts of oppression by courts and pub-

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# STRIKE AGAINST WAGE CUTS AT ARTISTIC WIRE CO. PLANT

NEW YORK.—All but four of the workers of the Artistic Wire Co., 32-34 Hubert St., New York, walked out on strike yesterday morning against the numerous wage cuts the workers have received for the past several months, against the firing of active union members and for the recognition of the shop committee. The strike was called by the Metal Workers League.

A strike committee of 15 from the various departments was elected and picketing organized. Hugh Pynn, the organizer of the Metal Workers Industrial League outlined before the strikers their tasks and how to win the strike. After the meeting the workers went to the shop continuing to picket.

The Metal Workers Industrial League is also now conducting a department strike in the Kay Manufacturing Co. in Brooklyn. Two young workers were arrested yesterday and are under \$600 bail. The union is in the ranks of the workers.

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# MEET TO DEFEND FOREIGN BORN

## Mass Rallies in N. Y. and Brooklyn Today

NEW YORK.—Protest meetings against discrimination and deportation of the foreign born will be held on Friday in Mapleton Workers Club, 1684 66th St., Brooklyn. The speaker will be L. Yasiowitz, member of the Executive Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born.

An open air meeting will be held by the Greek Workers Club, on Jefferson St. and East Broadway. One of the speakers will be E. Borg.

On Saturday night a mass protest meeting will be held by the Ukrainian Society, 101 Grand St., Brooklyn, N. Y. The speaker will be E. Anderson.

At all these meetings resolutions will be introduced to protest against the persecution and deportation of the foreign born.

All organizations are called by the New York District Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born to arrange similar meetings in every part of the district.

# COMRADE H. S. CHEN Editor of Chinese Vanguard speaks on "MANCHURIAN SITUATION AND SOVIET CHINA"

Friday, January 15th, 8 P.M. Cooperative Colony Auditorium, 2700 Bronx Park East. Admission: Coop. Friends of the Soviet Union. 8:40 Mats. Thurs. Sat. 2:40

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# Jobless Woman Railroaded to Wards Island Mad House

## Doctors Declare Her Sane, Yet Officials Keep Her There

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
 NEW YORK.—Another method of the capitalist state for "solving" unemployment is to send the jobless workers to the so-called hospitals for the insane where they are put to work at forced labor.

One of the most glaring cases of this was that of a young married woman, Libby Katz, who while unemployed was staying with relatives and was sent away by them to Wards Island. The relatives robbed the woman of the last \$50 she had, money which she had saved for years.

Although the doctors on the island, Dr. Fagan and Dr. Spring say Mrs. Katz is normal it is impossible for her husband to secure her release, due to the fact that the relations have arranged with the corrupt Tammany politicians to keep her there.

The following letter was sent by Mrs. Katz to a friend:

"I was put into this place for being unemployed. I was put here by my sister who signed an application at the Bellevue Hospital without reading it.

"Dr. Spring says that I am not insane. I want to get out of here."

# Turns Salvation Army Meet Into Red Rally

TURNING SALVATION—A Salvation Army meeting was turned into a Red meeting and the "Holy Band" forced to slink away when a worker called the attention of the crowd to the dope-peddling and pan-handling activities of the Salvation Army, last Sunday evening on 14th St. opposite Union Square.

The band stood in a semi-circle on the street facing the sidewalk and were in the midst of a little number exhorting some bystanders to "Come to Jesus," when a tall, strongly built worker, apparently of German birth, scantily clad and whose face showed signs of hunger and suffering, appealed to the workers not to support the panhandlers who, in the name of the "lord," were collecting money that went to their pockets and was being used to keep the workers and poor people blind to the evils of the system, by advising them to look for joy in heaven when they die.

He pointed out that at the time of General Booth's death two years ago, \$92,000,000 was in the hands of the Salvation Army and that a battle took place among the "heirs," as to who should continue the looting. He showed that the only way to counteract their activities is to expose them wherever they appeared. He urged the people to read, to study, to open their eyes to the fake activities of the church and the system which fosters it. He urged the workers to follow the example of the workers of Russia and under the leadership of the "Reds" to establish a new civilization.

While this worker spoke the Salvation Army band tried to regain the attention of the crowd by staging a prayer. When they spread the drum for the collection, they got only a few cents and hurriedly gathered themselves together for a march to some other street, while the crowd grew larger.

# Mattress Workers Adopt Rank and File Plan

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
 NEW YORK.—The conditions of the mattress and spring makers are reduced to the lowest level.

The Mattress and Spring Makers Union was a large and strong organization, but it was ruined by having an incapable leadership.

The last strike, in which we lost a few shops, proved the neglect of such a leadership and convinced the workers that they must drive out such leaders. Now the misleaders have been kicked out and the workers themselves have the situation in their own hands and only faithful workers are in the leadership.

The union called a shop delegate conference of mattress and spring makers Sunday, December 20, 1931.

The conference was very enthusiastic and adopted many concrete plans to help build a strong union. Nineteen delegates volunteered to join the organization committee. The plan of work consists of the following points:

To begin an agitational and educational campaign among the mattress and spring makers to show them the importance in building a stronger union. To begin a membership drive among the mattress and spring makers of all nationalities, to make all efforts to gain back all those shops which we lost under the previous leadership who were not interested in the workers. The organization committee should immediately concentrate on some assigned shops to be organized in quick order.

The union reduces the initiation for members to one dollar and dues to one dollar a month.

The slogan of the union is to carry through all these plans. Only under a rank and file leadership as at present and with the activation of the members will we be able to build a strong and powerful union which shall serve the interests of the workers.

# Thrashes School Kids Who Ask About U.S.S.R.

Dear Comrades:—

I have discovered, upon my visit to Avella, the kind of "relief" that the hungry miners are getting.

Only those who go to church and Sunday school get the barest few things after begging and pleading for it.

If the children who go to the Avella Heights school ask the teacher in the geography class to tell them something about Russia they are given a whipping. The teacher then tells them that they should go there and stay if they are so interested.

One of the children who was whipped demanded of the teacher an explanation of why she did not stay in the class where she belonged instead of being a tool of the bosses.

—Dewey Armstrong.

# PICKENS WRIGGLES OUT OF DEBATE ON SCOTTSBORO DEFENSE POLICIES

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 Activities of his organization and its collection and retaining of huge sums of money on the pretense of "defending" the boys, Pickens turned down the challenge.

The Afro-American states that the debate was being arranged by friends of the NAACP who thought that charges made by Attorney Aedes against the NAACP leadership deserves serious consideration. Attorney Aedes accused the NAACP reformists of helping the white ruling class in their plans to legally lynch Orphan Jones on the Eastern Shore of Maryland, and the Scottsboro boys in Alabama. The Scottsboro boys and their parents and other kin have repeatedly charged the NAACP with attempting to betray the fight to save and free the boys. Recently the parents of the boys sent a telegram to Walter White, national secretary of the NAACP, demanding that he refund all monies collected by his organization on the false pretense that the NAACP was in any way representing the Scottsboro boys.

White has admitted that his organization has been forced out of the case by the protests of the boys and their parents. The latter declare it was never in the case. White and his fellow misleaders, Negro and white, continue to hold on to the large sums of money they have collected in the name of the Scottsboro boys. The honest rank and file of the NAACP must demand that their traitorous leaders refund this money or turn it over to the Scottsboro Defense Committee. Workers everywhere should raise this demand in their meetings.

The appeal against the lynch verdicts comes up before the Alabama Supreme Court on Jan. 21. The workers, Negro and white, must leave no doubt in the minds of this instrument of the Alabama landlords and bankers as to the vigorous resistance of the entire working class against the hideous lynch terror which the bosses are carrying out through lynch gangs and through their courts, against the suppressed Negro national minority.

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# Wide Mobilization For Demonstrations On February 4th

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ers will present immediate relief demands to this fake bosses' charity outfit.

The City Hall demonstration will be preceded by demonstrations at 15th and Tompkins Square and the Philadelphia waterfront. The workers at these demonstrations will march through the principal streets of the city on the way to the main demonstration at the City Hall.

A city wide tag day has been arranged for Saturday and Sunday, January 30th and 31st. The proceeds of this tag day will be utilized toward further organizational work in the campaign for immediate relief, against evictions and the enactment of the Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill.

All workers are urged to participate in this tag day by registering at the headquarters of the Unemployed Councils at 929 Arch St.

The City Committee of the Unemployed Councils will meet this Thursday, Jan. 14th, 8 p. m. sharp at 929 Arch St. to consider further organizational plans. All working class organizations are urged to send representatives to this committee.

# 26 Organizations in Youngstown

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, Jan. 14.—Sixty delegates representing twenty six organizations met at Youngstown, Ohio on Sunday, Jan. 10th to make plans for Feb. 4th and the campaign for immediate relief for the unemployed in the Mahoning Valley.

Reports from the delegates showed mass starvation among the steel workers of the Mahoning Valley. One delegate told of the scene at "Hoover City," a city garbage dump on the outskirts of Youngstown where workers—some with families—have dug holes into the ground to keep warm. Others have set up houses from boxes and other rubbish.

While this report was given two delegates, a Negro and white worker, came from Wellsville, Ohio to report that a youth of 17 years had died of starvation. The conference instructed the delegates to return at once and prepare a mass funeral and elected a delegation of five to go to the funeral to extend a message of sympathy and solidarity to the unemployed of Wellsville.

The delegates delivered a sharp criticism of the neglect of building the Unemployed Council. All declared that a step must be made to paper plans and ballyhoo and the unemployed must be organized into fighting Councils for immediate relief.

Plans were made for marches of unemployed to the big steel mills demanding that the mill owners take care of the unemployed.

Open hearings and reports of the National Hunger March were part of the plans as well as preliminary demonstrations before city councils and charities for immediate relief.

In Youngstown a fight will be conducted for the right of the unemployed to assemble on the Public Square on February 4th.

Signatures for Feb. 4th in Lockland, Ohio.

# LOCKLAND, Ohio, Jan. 14

worker here writes: "We are still working and getting many signatures for the Feb. 4th demonstration, and we are arranging a mass meeting for Jan. 14 to mobilize."

# YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, Jan. 14

Steel workers, employed and unemployed throughout this territory are preparing for the February 4th National Unemployment Day demonstrations.

Workers in Warren, Ohio, are planning a huge demonstration against the Hoover stagger system and for unemployment insurance.

Michigan Workers Active.

ESCANABA, Mich., Jan. 14.—In this small town of 17,000 with 1,150 registered as unemployed, the Unemployed workers was organized. Three committees have been organized to carry on activity throughout the city. There will be a demonstration here on February 4th.

# MEET IN ILLINOIS FOR PRISONERS

Hold Conference to Fight Crim. Syn. Law

SPRINGFIELD, Ill.—The local conferences for the repeal of the Criminal Syndicalist law, to support the defense of the Kentucky miners, for the release of Mooney and Billings and other class war prisoners will be held on January 17, at 2 p. m., at Hoffer camp Hall, 627 1/2 E. Adams St., Springfield, Illinois. A similar conference is to be held in Collinsville in Miners Temple at 2 p. m., and in Chicago on January 17 at 10 a. m., at the People's Auditorium, 2457 W. Chicago Ave. Working class organizations are urged to send their delegates to these conferences, which are the primary conferences of mobilization of the masses for a state conference to be held on January 31 in Springfield at Redman Hall, 419 1/2 E. Monroe, at 10 a. m.

# The Daily Worker As a Collective Organizer

By W.M. SCHNEIDERMANN

The role of the Daily Worker in the present National Recruiting Drive of the Party must be brought home to every Party member and class conscious worker.

In order to understand the power of the press, we have only to look at the importance which the capitalist political parties attach to the building of their newspapers. In District No. 9, for example, the socialist Farmer-Labor Party of Minnesota has no less than 35 newspapers carrying their poisonous propaganda and demagoguery to the workers and farmers.

During every election campaign, they get out special newspapers which are distributed in tens of thousands of copies. The Farmer-Laborers know very well how to use the press to spread illusions in the minds of the working class, and to combat the influence of the Communist Party with their theory of the "lesser evil."

It is high time that every revolutionary worker should look upon the revolutionary press and especially the Daily Worker as our most powerful instrument of agitation, propaganda, and organization. If the importance of the Daily were not underemphasized by the Party membership, the quotas for the subscription drive would have been reached in every district, instead of lagging behind, as it is.

With the beginning of the National Recruiting Drive, the Daily Worker must be looked upon as an indispensable part of our recruiting activity. As a means of interesting a worker for the first time, penetrating the shops and mines and, following up every contact with constant agitation and propaganda, the Daily is invaluable. The trouble is, the most comrades will admit this, the Party from the District Committee down to the unit is not taking sufficiently energetic measures to translate this conviction into action.

The Recruiting Drive, no matter how many members are recruited, will be a failure if at the same time it does not serve to build a greater mass circulation for the Daily as an indispensable part of the rapidly developing struggles of the employed and unemployed workers against the bosses' starvation program. District No. 9 pledges to fulfill this task.

# Japanese Stir Up Puppet Governor to Attack the Chinese Eastern Ry.

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in connection with the attempt upon his life. The representative added "The Japanese government appreciates the sincere measures adopted by the Soviet government. The Japanese government considers the question closed."

Red partisan troops yesterday routed a Japanese force which had occupied the railway junction at Tashua. Two hundred Japanese soldiers were killed in the engagement and many others wounded.

Red partisan troops near Tungliang tried to retreat yesterday after an attack by reinforced Japanese units which recaptured the town of Tshien after shelling the population.

# Kuomintang China is reported in the grip of a terrific financial crisis, with the fall of the new counter-revolutionary Nanking government momentarily expected.

Huang Han-liang, Nanking Finance Minister, has resigned "because of the mounting difficulties of the government." Domestic bonds have dropped in value to only 20 to 30 per cent of the face value. The domestic bond market was closed yesterday in a futile attempt to stop the fall in value. Admission of tremendous inflation and the resultant worthlessness of the currency is made by the Bank of China. The Nanking government faces a monthly deficit of over \$4,000,000.

In many provinces, the peasants are refusing to pay the unfair and excessive taxes and have engaged in armed resistance against the Nanking tax collectors and their armies. The agrarian revolt is spreading throughout all Kuomintang China, as the peasants of the hunger-ridden villages turn to the revolutionary way as the only road out of their present miseries. The Chinese Soviet Power is rapidly spreading, both territorially and in influence in the Soviet Republic is today the only stable force in all China.

# Japanese Doubtful of Usefulness of Chen.

No desperate is the situation of the Nanking government that the plans of Eugene Chen for a complete sell-out of Manchuria to the Japanese have been delayed by the Japanese themselves. As pointed out in the Daily Worker, the traitor Chen was planning to open direct negotiations with the Japanese looking towards the signing away of all rights of China in Manchuria.

The Japanese accuse the United States of blocking these negotiations by telegraphic notes sent by Stimson to Japan and China a week ago. They now declare they are in no hurry to push for these negotiations in view of the expected fall of the Nanking government. A Tokyo dispatch quotes Japanese official opinion as follows:

"As the Nanking Government appears already moribund, Japan is not inclined to rush to the opening of negotiations."

Red Partisans Win More Battles.

Repudiating the traitorous aid of the Kuomintang to the Japanese and other imperialists engaged in the dismemberment of China, the Chinese masses are rallying in increasing numbers to the mass fight against imperialism and its Kuomintang tools. Red partisan troops again defeated the Japanese invaders in several sharp battles yesterday. Kuomintang newspapers in Tientsin admit the growing extent of this resistance. A Tientsin dispatch to the New York Times reports:

"Chinese volunteer militia, bands all over Manchuria were renewing warfare against the Japanese and the situation around the Japanese-occupied city of Chinchow was growing acute, Chinese newspapers said today."

Several small Japanese garrisons had been practically wiped out recently by the militiamen, the papers declared."

Japanese Drive in Inner Mongolia Threat to the Soviet Union.

Red partisan troops are putting up the sharpest resistance to the Japanese advance on Jehol. The Japanese advance is being carried out in three directions. The Japanese drive is mainly directed at penetrating Inner Mongolia and so far coincides with the tact understanding

# Pilots' Strike Halts Guayaquil Shipping; Shoe Workers Strike

QUAYAQUIL.—A strike of 30 pilots has virtually tied up the shipping in this harbor. Although the press reports that the pilots are striking because they were transferred from the naval to the customs jurisdiction, the real reason for the strike is that the pilots have not received their last salaries, the director of customs declaring that no provisions have been made on the budget for their pay.

The pilots are organized into a union and, according to reports, are striking 100 per cent. The government can find no pilots with knowledge of the deep water channels in the thirty miles of tedious sailing from the bar on the mouth of the Guayas River to the city of Guayaquil.

# Shoe Workers Strike

Over 300 shoe workers are striking against a 20 per cent wage-cut in this city. This is the third cut to be imposed on the shoe workers within a year. The shoe factory workers number the largest body of workers in the city.

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# Miners' Pressure Forces Release of Taub, Def. Lawyer

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Arrest Defense Witness

The prosecutor fought hard to rule out all this testimony. After the women testified, the first miner on the stand was W. W. Goodman, a native Anglo-Saxon Harlan miner who testified that one of his children died of flux, a starvation disease. The prosecutor jeered, saying, "You ran away from home and left your child to die." Goodman answered: "I didn't run away. Five car loads of Harlan law (gun thugs) ran me out of the county."

When Goodman left the stand, Prosecutor Smith had him arrested in open court to be turned over to the Harlan coal company deputies. The defense then refused to place any more miners on the stand unless the court would guarantee they would not be molested by the gun thugs. The court refused and the testimony ended.

# Demand Exorbitant Bail

The case of Dorothy Weber was taken under "advisement." The prosecutor asks \$5,000 "peace bond" for Norma Martin, Clara Michaelson, Julia Parker, Margaret Fontaine, Vincent Kamenovich and Ann Barton.

He requested \$10,000 appearance bond and \$5,000 "peace bond" for Vern Smith, representative of the Daily Worker who exposed the judge's connections with the coal operators, and a similar account for John Harvey, one of the leaders of the National Miners Union. A \$3,000 appearance bond and no peace bond is asked for Dorothy Weber.

Allen Taub, attorney for the International Defense, who is also in jail, was not on trial with the nine held over to the grand jury. He was present as attorney for the defendants. His case comes up for hearing on Tuesday.

# DEMAND RIGHT TO ORGANIZE

Prosecution Counsel Patterson made a speech declaring that the National Miners Union had a right to organize, but County Attorney Smith refused to allow the record to state that the National Miners Union was a legal organization.

The literature seized in the rail was read in part, and the most violent language was quotations from Jefferson, Lincoln and Woodrow Wilson contained in the pamphlet on "Workers Self Defense," issued by the International Labor Defense.

Prosecutor Smith in his closing remarks launched a stream of bitter invective against the strike leaders and their attorneys. He called the defendants and Attorney Bentall "catlike liars, sneaks, vile hypocrites," etc., stating: "If that literature is as insidious as it looks on the face of the fellows who circulate it, it ought to be lined up along side of a wall by officers of the law not waiting for the electric chair."

At this point Attorney Bentall interrupted with a motion that the judge restrain the prosecutor from advocating force and violence.

Prosecutor Smith read extracts from the Fish Committee report placed in evidence by an immigration commissioner from Cincinnati who was present as a prosecution witness. The extracts state that the National Miners Union, the International Labor Defense and the Workers International Relief were all parts of the Communist International.

# TRY INJUNCTION TO STOP STRIKE

On Wednesday notice of application for a federal injunction was served on all nine defendants and a long list of active strikers. The application was made by the Straight Creek Coal Co. and was signed by Prosecuting Attorney Patterson. The hearing will be in Lexington, Ky., January 16.

The Virginia Harlan Coal Co. served notice of evictions and summons to appear in court on 12 members of the National Miners Union District Board and three other miners' families.

# Childs Fires Worker Off Through Illness

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
 NEW YORK.—I worked for Childs for seven years at the Spanish Garden, in the Hotel Plaza at 112 E. 59th Street. I took sick and collapsed on the floor and was out for three weeks. When I came back there was a man in my place receiving \$2.50 per day. I received \$4.00 per day when I worked.

The boss informed me that I was no longer needed. He said: "You couldn't do your work, so we got a man in your place."

# 8 Communists Demand New Trial in Canadian Court

## Call American Masses to Rally to Demand Their Immediate Release

TORONTO, Ont.—The appeal of the conviction and prison sentence of the Canadian Communists, Tim Buck, Tom Ewen, Malcolm Bruce, John Boychuck, Matthew Popovich, Sam Carr, Tom Cacic and Tom Hill opened Thursday in the Ontario Appeals Court. The noted Canadian barrister, I. F. Hellmuth and Hugh John McDonald are arguing the case for the defense before Justices Sir William Mulock, Orde, Middleton, Maston and Grant.

In the appeal only the evidence is permitted to be discussed. In the first session Hellmuth argued that the indictment of the original trial should have been quashed on the grounds of being bad in point of law, since the indictment merely had mentioned a class of character of offense without specifying what actual offenses the prisoners were to be tried for.

Hellmuth pointed out that if the appeal court found the indictment bad from point of law it could not be amended, but the whole question would have to be referred back to the grand jury for drawing up a new indictment and preparation of an entirely new trial.

Hellmuth quoted several authorities to prove the necessity for specific statements of the offense in an indictment.

Seven of the Communist leaders face a five year term in prison and one a two-year term. They were convicted Nov. 13 of unlawful organization and seditious conspiracy following a wholesale raid on the Communist Party of Canada. The Communist Party has since been outlawed. Free speech, freedom of assembly has been destroyed throughout Canada by the ruling class.

The first attack against the Party took place on August 11, when a number of brutal raids on the offices and homes of leading members of the Communist Party. The whole attack grew out of the government's fear of the growing power of the Communist Party of Canada and the revolutionary organizations, which have been putting up an intense fight for the immediate needs of the starving masses of Canadian workers.

Although all the convicted workers are out on bail, the crown attorney Somerville attempted to have them locked up again last Monday.

The Labor Defense League of Canada has mobilized a great mass movement to demand the freedom of the convicted comrades. The Labor Defense League calls on all American workers' organizations to send mass protests to the Ontario Appeals Court demanding the release of the Canadian Communists.

# Chicago A. F. of L. Covers Up Growth of Unemployment

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 14.—Fearing the action of the members of the A. F. of L. the officialdom is sending out confidential reports on growing unemployment to the local misleaders begging them not to publish the information. A document marked "Chicago, unemployment increased," contains in capital letters the instruction of the A. F. of L. misleaders: "Not for publication."

The document itself reads:

"Unemployment has increased 12 per cent since November and there was less part-time work, according to reports received from 243 Chicago trade unions. This makes two more unions than last month. The increase is appreciated as it enables us to report conditions in your city more accurately. For the city as a whole, 35 per cent of the union membership were entirely without work and 15 per cent on part time (compared with 16 per cent in November). Only two other cities reporting have as high unemployment as Chicago—New York and Jersey City.

"In December the largest increase in unemployment were reported by the building trades and clothing industries (a very large number were previously working part time in clothing). But the most serious conditions exist in the following trades: In building, 69 per cent were entirely without work, 11 per cent on part time and only 20 per cent working full time; in clothing, 56 per cent were unemployed; 22 per cent on part time and only 22 per cent working full time. In water transportation, 57 per cent were without jobs, 16 per cent working short schedule and only 27 per cent fully employed.

"Unemployment increased in the metal, printing, service trades, generally and among musicians and water transport. There were more out of work and on part time in manufacturing (boot, shoe and stone workers) and among chauffeurs and truck drivers."

# A. F. OF L. TYPO LOCAL JOINS IN SUPPORT OF JOBLESS INSURANCE

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE)

enough to maintain themselves and families and are facing distress, hunger and extreme privations.

"Whereas the workers are subject to degrading and inadequate system of charity or 'doles,' while the government is spending billions for war preparations, and is granting millions of dollars in subsidies and back taxes to the bosses, bankers and railroads, but will not give any adequate relief to the unemployed.

"Therefore be it resolved that this Journal-American-Mirror chapel go on record for a system of government employment insurance to be administered by committees of the workers without discrimination to race, sex, color or to any body of wage earners, as presented by the National Unemployment Council and Hunger Marchers.

"Be it further resolved that we

**BUILD NEW W.I.R. BRANCH**

CLEVELAND, O.—A new branch with 19 members to start has been opened by the Workers International Relief in the Mayfield section of Cleveland. It meets at 1943 Colman Road.

"The struggle against militarism is an extreme form of the class struggle against war and against the political power of capitalists."

—Liebknecht.

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# Party Recruiting Drive

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## THE POLITICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THE RECRUITING DRIVE

By I. AMTIER

THE Party is now going into the recruiting drive. This is of the greatest significance at the present time. Our Party is the leading and driving force in the class struggle. The capitalist class fears no other section of the working class more than it fears the Communist Party. The capitalist class knows that without the leadership of the Party the workers cannot be organized and led in revolutionary struggle.

This is of the greatest importance to them, for the crisis is weighing heavily on the workers and small farmers. The capitalists know no other way out of the crisis but by making the workers and small farmers bear the crushing burden of the crisis and by war. These are not separate methods of the capitalists, but one method. Mr. Maloney, chairman of the public works committee of the American Association for Labor Legislation, declared the other day that "no government has ever stopped a depression except by war and while it is dangerous to try to halt a depression it is more dangerous not to attempt to do so."

This is clear language—and indicates clearly that the drive against the conditions of the workers is directly linked up with the preparations for war. Against who the war is being organized is clear—the Soviet Union.

It is not of the greatest importance, therefore, that in the crisis, with the workers everywhere showing a willingness to fight—Kentucky miners, textile workers, needle trades workers, etc.—for the workers to have leadership and organization? Is it not of the greatest importance that our Party should have its roots in those industries which play a foremost part in the preparations for and conduct of war, namely, marine, chemical, metal, transport? Is it not our duty to build up the revolutionary unions, the unemployed councils, and, most of all, the Party, in order that this struggle may be conducted?

Therefore the recruiting drive is of the greatest significance to the Party. Our Party is neither large enough, nor is it sufficiently composed of the workers of the basic industries. And, most of all, our Party is not rooted in the shops—only about 120 members out of the more than 3,100 in the districts are in shop nuclei. This shows that we will not be able to fulfill our tasks unless we carry on the most energetic work in the recruiting campaign—each member in his or her own shop, union and unemployed council. But the Party, as a whole, must throw forces into recruiting from the basic—the war—industries, building nuclei in the big shops of these industries. This will not only enable us to lead the workers in the coming struggles—the needle, textile and other struggle; it will not only strengthen the Party and bring new blood into its work, furnishing new leadership for the

Party; but it will also enable us to carry on the basic work in the shops that will bring out the workers in the shops in defense of the Soviet Union.

By changing the unit life, by making it pulsate with the struggles in the shops and among the unemployed, the whole life of the Party will change, and the new recruits will remain in the Party. They will help us build it up and to lead the workers in struggle against the capitalist class on the basis of the demands and slogans of the Party.

The New York district must not only fulfill its quota in the recruiting drive, it must far exceed itself. By revolutionary competition, between the sections, units and individuals—by clear understanding of what our duty is, by or-

### FOR SUCCESSFUL RECRUITING—BUREAUCRATIC METHODS MUST BE LIQUIDATED.

It is necessary to have a drastic change in the methods of recruiting new members into the Party. The present practice in recruiting work amounts in practice to a repulsion of workers anxious to join the Party and excellent material for the building of the Party. It is necessary that recruiting shall be carried on on a mass basis, that every facility shall be given for the largest possible number of workers to join the Party, that red tape and delay in acting on applications shall be reduced to a minimum, and that the entire Party shall be prepared not only to welcome the new members, but to hold them and transform them into most active, reliable Party cadres. To this end the life of the units must be made politically interesting and valuable for the members. Routine and bureaucratic methods must be liquidated. The system of administrative command must be combated and in its place developed the active participation of all members in the planning and execution of the work without in any way weakening the practice of centralization and individual responsibility. The minimum goal of at least doubling the membership in 1931 must be set by each section and district.—(From the 13th C. C. Plenum Resolution, printed in full in the October COMMUNIST.)

ganzing in the shops, our Party can DOUBLE its membership and put itself on a better fighting basis.

FORWARD INTO THE DRIVE WITH THE AIM OF DOUBLING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NEW YORK DISTRICT, WITH MAJOR ATTENTION TO THE WORKERS IN THE WAR INDUSTRIES!

## MINNEAPOLIS DISTRICT RECRUITS 88 NEW MEMBERS DURING MONTH OF DECEMBER

The composition of new members is as follows:

Farmers .....	32
Housewives .....	14
Miners .....	8
Railroad workers .....	2
Miscellaneous .....	19
Unemployed .....	23
Total .....	88

Out of these, three are Negroes and three are in A. F. of L. unions. The District, in sending in this report, also mentioned the weakness of the composition of new members. It is conscious of the fact that

## A NEW MEMBER VIEWS THE PARTY UNIT

LET'S HEAR SOME MORE OPINIONS

I JOINED the Party only a few months ago. I joined after reading a number of books on Communism and with full realization and willingness to submit to proletarian discipline. The minute I presented my book at the unit I was pounced upon with "At last we'll have a good org. secretary." I accepted the task without protest. I didn't know what the rights of a new member were and now that I do, it is plain to me that this was an unpleasant job which none of the older members wanted and they seized upon a new member to take advantage of. I did the job and suffered. I was under the impression when I joined the Party that it meant work among the masses and here I was swamped with

starting off with the recruiting drive we must immediately take steps to concentrate in bringing into the Party miners, railroad workers, and increase the number of A. F. of L. members; especially in Minneapolis there is a big rank and file movement in the A. F. of L. against the labor bureaucracy. More A. F. of L. members must be and can be drawn into the Party.

No mention is made of how many new shop nuclei have been organized in December. What about it, Minneapolis? You have in your district mines, railroad, packing house and steel mills. Let's utilize this campaign to penetrate into the shops and factories.

I wasn't the only new member in that unit that was taken advantage of. Every time a new member came in, the older members would reject assignments given them and the new member would be asked if he could accept. A new member hasn't got the nerve to say no.

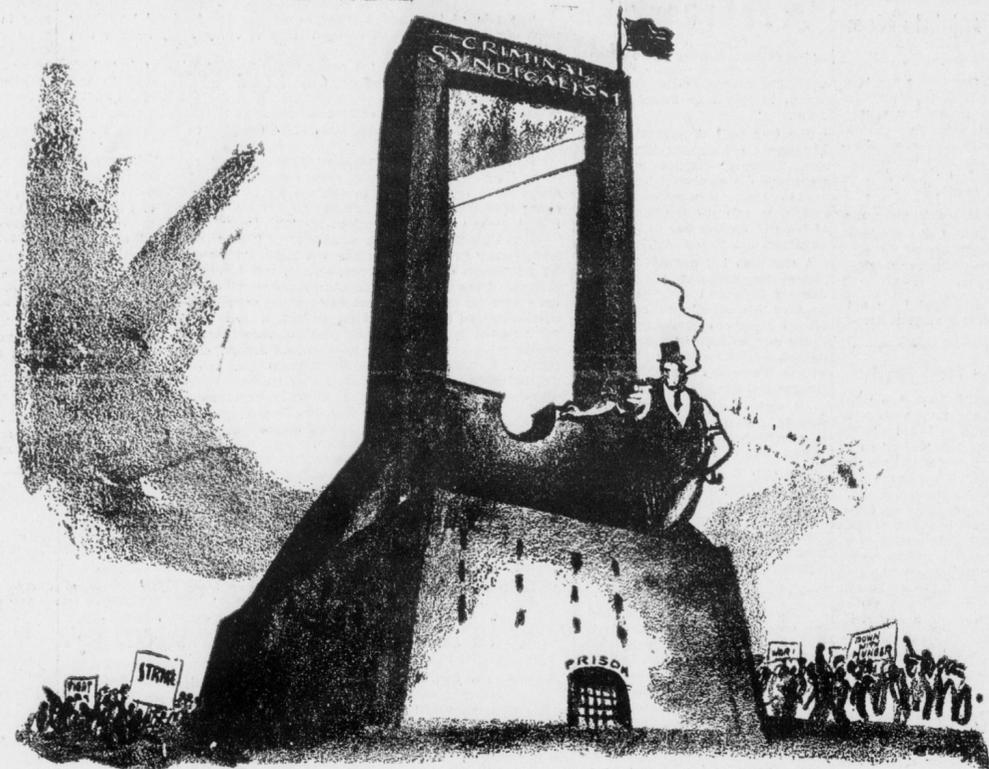
Another thing I noticed in this particular unit. When the study circles were started, there were many comrades who couldn't answer the most fundamental things, comrades who had been in the Party for 10 years and more, and still no attempt had been made before to give them a theoretical training, an absolutely criminal neglect, the blame for which can only be placed on the higher bodies of the Party, since it was plain that the comrades were eager to learn.

I was very unhappy and felt like quitting and only the fact that I kept in mind what Lenin had said about discipline made me stick. But we must remember, comrades, that not every new member is fortified with the teachings of Lenin.

A short while later I was transferred to another unit belonging to the territory in which I lived. What a contrast! I was greeted warmly and made to feel very much at home. They encouraged me to take part in the discussion they were having. In giving out assignments, every comrade got something to do. At the first two unit meetings, I was given no assignment. The effect this had was to make me eager to get into the work that the other comrades were doing. I started to canvass with Daily Workers, collect signatures for the Communist Party, act as chairman at open air meetings, etc., and began to feel that the Communist Party was really a Party of action.

(From the Party Builder, issued by the District Committee of the Communist Party in New York.)

## THE GUILLOTINE



## Building the Metal Workers Industrial League in Pittsburgh District

By PETE CHAPA

THOUSANDS of steel workers in the Pittsburgh District are suffering from the attacks of the Steel Trust on their standards of living. On October 1, over 100,000 steel workers in the Pittsburgh District received a direct general wage cut of 10 per cent. This cut came at a time when over 75 per cent of all steel workers were working 1 to 3 days per week. Before this direct cut, the workers were receiving wage slashes on a mill basis at different times. The Negro steel workers are hit hardest of all.

In the period since the October 1 cut, this same policy of slashing wages on a mill basis has been followed out in this district. On December 16, the Oliver Steel Company cut wages 10 per cent and put the entire working force on a 6-hour day, which amounted almost to a 25 per cent cut.

The Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company posted a notice announcing a 10 per cent cut for all workers in the plant to go into effect on January 1.

The huge J. & L. works in Pittsburgh are "feeling out" the workers by spreading rumors that there would be another cut. These rumors were propagated in the big U. S. Steel mills of Monessen, McKeesport.

The U. S. Department of Labor statistics for August revealed that the earnings of steel and iron workers in June, 1931, were 22.8 per cent less than in June, 1930. (Steel production in the Pittsburgh District is only at 20 per cent of capacity at the present time.)

Unemployment is increasing by leaps and bounds. Thousands of steel workers and their families are on the verge of starvation. In the Jones & Laughlin Steel Corporation employment office it is not uncommon to witness the wives, with children, of steel workers demanding work for their husbands.

The Government and the Steel Trust are attempting to solve unemployment at the expense of the part-time underpaid workers. In Allegheny County, the employers backed by the Government worked out a program for "taking care" of the unemployed in their county. The plan called for the collection of \$5,000,000 to be collected through contributions from manufacturers and employers; \$3,000,000 of this fund was to go for "direct" relief, and \$2,000,000 for "opening jobs on public works."

Most of the money collected for this fund has been forcefully taken from the part-time workers, particularly from the steel workers. The capitalist press admits that the greater portion of the fund was collected from the employees of the mills and factories.

Through the mass agitation campaign which the Metal Workers Industrial League has carried on against the October wage cut, thousands of steel workers learned to know about our Union. New fields of work were opened for the Metal Workers Industrial League in this campaign. This is especially true of the work among the unemployed steel workers, which also helped to reach the part-time workers in the steel mills.

The biggest threat coming of our campaign was the failure to firmly establish our Union inside the mills. We have not paid enough attention to the special needs of the Negro workers in our shop group work. Our major task at present is to build a network of department groups and mill branches and prepare the workers for struggle against wage-cuts and speed-up, for unemployed relief and insurance and against Jim Crow laws and courts.

The District Committee of the Metal Workers Industrial League has adopted a Three Months Plan of work for building the organization in the district. The main points in the Plan are concentration, shop work, and unemployed work. Six towns have been selected in the district where our activities will primarily center. Out of these six places, Pittsburgh was selected as the central point for concentration. The mills for concentration were also selected for each town. One or more responsible local organizers were assigned to each place.

The outstanding feature of the plan is shop work. The plan deals in detail with the organizational forms and methods that must be adopted in order to develop struggles of the steel

workers. First, a thorough investigation of the burning grievances of the workers in the departments and mills must be made and a powerful sentiment among the workers for struggle against these grievances must be created by our Union.

This work must be followed up by the organization of a Grievance Committee which will present the grievances to the Company when the Committee has the backing and support of the majority of the workers in the Department or mill. This follow-up work has been entirely neglected in the past. The organization of United Front Committees of Action against a wage-cut, a new speed-up system, mass lay-off is concretely dealt with in the plan.

The organization of the unemployed steel workers for the struggle for immediate winter relief and unemployment insurance in the steel towns is closely connected with the work inside the mills. Work among the unemployed and part-time workers plays a big role in the plan. The building up of working representative Unemployed Councils in the steel towns is the immediate task of the Union.

The drawing of young steel workers into the Union must become the task of the entire membership of our Union. This is to be done through the working out of the special youth demands together with our general demands and through the organization of the youth in the company towns, where the terror is great, in sport teams, youth clubs, etc.

Work among the Negro workers as well as the wives of the Negro steel workers is a central part of the plan.

The Three Months Plan of Work will end on March 20. The National Committee for building of the Steel Workers Industrial Union elected at the September 27 Conference in Pittsburgh, will set a date for the calling of the Convention to establish the Union. Fight for the burning grievances and for the everyday demands of the workers in the mills and the development of struggle is the road for the building of the Union in the Pittsburgh District mills.

All of our work until the convention must be doubly intensified, so that by the time the Convention is called, a good representation of steel workers from the big mills of the Pittsburgh area will gather with workers from all steel sections of the country to establish a revolutionary steel workers union in the United States.

## LENIN CORNER

### THE OCTOBER REVOLUTION AND THE AMERICAN WORKING CLASS

The workers of the whole world, in whatever country they may live, rejoice with us and sympathize with us, applaud us for having burst the iron ring of imperialistic agreements and treaties, for having dared no sacrifice, however great, to free ourselves for having established ourselves as a socialist republic, even so rent asunder and plundered by German imperialists, for having raised the banner of peace, the banner of Socialism over the world. What wonder that we are hated by the capitalist class the world over! But this hatred of imperialism and the sympathy of the class-conscious workers of all countries give us assurance of the righteousness of our cause.

The best representatives of the American proletariat—those representatives who have repeatedly given expression of their full solidarity with us, the Bolsheviks—are the expression of this revolutionary tradition in the life of the American people. This tradition originated in the war of liberation against the English in the eighteenth and the civil war in the nineteenth century. Industry and commerce in 1870 were in a much worse position than in 1860. But where can you find an American so pedantic, so absolutely idiotic as to deny the revolutionary and progressive significance of the American

By RUBCK

**Red Sparks**  
By JORGE

## They Did It

One of the weakest of the many weaknesses of the revolutionary movement is the lack of shop work, or just dilly-dallying with it. Too often it is done badly or not at all because of that "vile disease," as Comrade Stalin calls it, of fear and distrust in the masses.

Anyhow, without going into that further, we are delighted to point out an example of good work, carried out by the Metal Workers' Industrial League in New York, in the "Durable" tool and die shop.

An organizing group built up such an influence that when the boss, feeling something slipping, fired some worker to frighten the rest, the influence of the group was such that the next day power was shut off in the shop while all workers gathered right in the shop to discuss grievances.

A strike resulted which was properly organized with rank and file control, and in three days' time all demands were won, the discharged workers taken back, wages increased, extra pay for overtime and recognition of the Shop Committee. Since then, other wage increases have been won by proper functioning of the Shop Committee.

Recently, we understand, the N. Y. Trade Union Unity Council arranged with the Workers' School to teach trade union strategy to selected members of the red trade unions in the locality, but only one or two unions even replied to the letter sent them about it. What can be done about it, we don't know.

But since these other unions are so backward about going to classes to learn something they certainly don't know now—maybe they might be snared into the dance being given by these strikers at Irving Plaza this Saturday evening. It's called a "Victory" dance, and possibly the strikers may be able to smuggle some idea into the heads of even some cocksure Communists and "passive militants" of our trade unions on how strikers are won.

## The Party Training School of District 10

By FRANK BROWN

From a Report to the Agitprop Dept. C. C.

THE second full-time training school held in District 10, which started December 1st, came to a close December 31st.

Despite insufficient preparations, such as the selection of students and difficulties with the raising of finance, we can record with satisfaction that the school was a success.

Twenty-nine students from five states, among them three Negroes and three women, were enrolled. The average age of the students was 28. Five of them had had no previous experience in Communist work. Only one student, for whom the school discipline became too severe, was expelled.

Three fundamental courses of instruction were given: 1. Fundamentals of Communism. 2. Trade Union Work. 3. Party Organization and Party Structure. Besides these special courses were given in the History of the American Working Class, Public Speaking, Negro Work, Agrarian Work, and two periods were devoted to a discussion of the importance of the Daily Worker and Party literature. Every week special lectures were given on practical problems confronting Party workers. As part of their training the students were given an opportunity to speak at the Workers' Forum in Kansas City, to participate in tag day activities, to arrange entertainments, to hold street meetings, to visit factories and packing houses and to distribute leaflets.

The practical aspects as well as the theoretical side of the work was emphasized. Some of the questions before the school were: how shall we organize a shop nucleus, an unemployed council, a fraction, a workers' meeting? What is the function of a fraction in an unemployed council? Just how does this fraction operate? The students were given lessons in how to prepare and write leaflets, shop papers, etc. Many similar problems were considered. These practical questions were considered in connection with the deepening of the capitalist crisis in the U. S. and other capitalist countries, the growing war danger, and the rising tempo of Socialist construction in the USSR.

The instruction was carried on by means of the class and study group method. In the classes the instructor presented the subject to be considered, then asked questions which were followed by a general discussion by the students.

The study groups consisted of five or six students who took turns in reading aloud from the lessons assigned, after which discussion took place under the direction of the group leader. One of the best students was selected to go from group to group to assist with the guidance of the discussion, to clear up controversial points, to maintain discipline among the students while they were studying. We feel the study group method was quite successful, the students being especially interested in this phase of the school work. The reading habit was also cultivated, Saturday afternoons being usually set aside for individual reading and study by all the students.

A students' executive of five, selected by the students themselves, were running the affairs of the school, in cooperation with the instructors and the district bureau. The principal committees were those of food and the taking care of the hall. A school secretary was selected and also a librarian. The executive held frequent meetings at which school problems were considered. Regarding breaches of discipline the students, whose Communist conduct was in question, was brought before the executive and his case discussed and decided in a comradely but firm manner.

The Third Full-Time Workers' Training School in District No. 10 will be held next spring.

civil war of 1860-1865?

The American working class will not follow the lead of its bourgeoisie. It will go with us against the bourgeoisie. The whole history of the American people gives us this confidence, this conviction.

(From a letter addressed to the American working class, the first word to come to the American workers from the great leader of the world proletarian revolution. This letter is dated Moscow, August 26, 1918, and was printed in the Lenin Anniversary issue of the Daily Worker last year.)

## All Crippled Up

A Washington dispatch of Jan. 11, telling of a session of the U. S. Supreme Court, remarks that Justice Holmes, 92 years old "was suffering from lumbago and had much difficulty in reaching his seat," while Justice Van Devanter "had an arm in a sling because of rheumatism," and Justice Brandeis "was unable to attend because of a cold."

This calls to our attention the fact that nine decrepit old imbeciles who ought to be anywhere else where they are, function as the solemn judges of what is and what is not "legal" in this country. However, although feeble, they do the best they can by capitalism. And it is perhaps fitting that a decaying capitalism should have such a lot of ancient fossils numbing over it in its declining years.

## "Our" Ally Against Bolshevism

In view of the numerous expressions in the capitalist press to the effect that America should not be too severe in criticizing Japan's seizure of Manchuria, because the empire of the Mikado is acting as an ally of "our civilization" against the "menace of Bolshevism," the following excerpt from an Associated Press dispatch of Jan. 12, imparts to us just how "civilized" this ally is:

"TOKIO, Jan. 12.—Emperor Hirohito will report the recent attempt against his life to the sun goddess Amaterasu, and will participate in rites before the 'Place of Awe,' a small sanctuary within the Imperial palace."

The Mikado should also "report to the sun goddess" that he has for years been holding hundreds of workers in prison for organizing trade unions, as one more reason why he should be hailed as a defender of "civilization" against Bolshevism.

## Not Adequate Punishment

We don't know who said it, probably nobody, since Heywood Brown is notoriously given to lying and misquoting, but in his column the other day he said that "one Communist leader has announced that his first official act upon coming to power will be to set me up before a firing squad."

Naturally, when the WORKING-CLASS—not some "Communist leader"—comes to power, it may not display any special enthusiasm about maintaining fake "socialist" columnists of capitalist newspapers in the style to which they have become accustomed.

But to shoot Heywood Brown would be a sheer waste of powder and lead. In fact it would not be necessary. He's too much of a coward, and just as today he keeps on the rear side of those in power who happen to be capitalists, he would be quite willing to sell himself to the workers, if they were foolish enough to take him, once they were in power.

Where he is a loathsome instrument of capitalism against the workers is now in the time of their struggle to get power. And it is not for us to decide now what the workers government might mete out as punishment for that.

Shooting may be deserved, and we do not exclude that from the possibilities, but how about taking his gin away from him and putting him to work as a stoker in a steamer carrying workers to the Bermudas for their vacations. He knows that route—about deck.

Or a job gathering up garbage cans. He has been writing a column in the capitalist press long enough to be thoroughly experienced in handling garbage.

This methods ought to settle that old stupid question that bobs up now and then: "Who will do the dirty work under socialism?" Who if not the fake "socialists"? They do the dirty work now for the capitalists.

IN THE HALL OF JUSTICE: The telephone company at Sacramento, California, is finding out what kind of "justice" is handed out in that, the capital city of the state, where sits the governor and the state supreme court that have kept Mooney and Billings in prison for 16 years. The company maintains a nickel phone station in the "Hall of Justice" there. And the local papers are forced to remark that all the company gets in that cash box are slugs, slugs, slugs, key slugs and iron washers.