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SPEED PLANS FOR NATION-WIDE SEPTEMBER 1st DEMONSTRATIONS

Boss' Mob Given Access to N. C. Jail to Lynch Negro Worker

Workers Fight for Jobs

THE extent of unemployment in New York City, and the growing hunger of the workers for jobs, is being daily shown at the recently opened municipal free employment bureau on Lafayette Street.

The bureau has only been opened four days. Already over 10,000 workers have been registered, and these were only a small part of those who stood in line for hours daily. The lines have been forming in the middle of the night—at 2 and 3 a. m.—and there the workers have stood until 8 a. m. with the scant hopes that they might be one of the fortunate dozen to get a job.

Yesterday morning when the doors of the bureau were opened the stampede of the hungry workers was so great that one man was trampled on and had to be sent to the Bellevue Hospital. Others, also badly injured, refused to leave the line for fear that by leaving they would lose a possible job.

Yet in four days jobs have been handed out to only 210 workers. Many thousands have stood in line, over 10,000 have been registered, and only 210 have been given work (and one, of course, will get free meals for a day or two at the Bellevue Hospital)—this is the sum total of Tammany Hall's contribution to the "solution" of the unemployment problem.

This the workers must reject. The Tammany politicians must be told that an employment bureau is useless unless it can provide the workers with jobs. They must be told that in the absence of jobs the workers demand unemployment insurance. Instead of going to the municipal bureau on Lafayette Street at 2 or 3 o'clock in the morning fighting with one another for jobs that do not exist, the workers must go there in mass and serve a categorical demand for the immediate granting of unemployment insurance.

In the present situation, with the daily deepening of the economic crisis, the unemployed workers can expect no jobs. The only way to improve their conditions is to organize and fight to force the capitalists and their political agents to pay a minimum of \$25 per week to every unemployed worker during the period of his unemployment—this is provided for by the Workers' Social Insurance Bill.

Fight for the Workers' Social Insurance Bill on September 1st!
Defeat Tammany, Vote Communist in the November elections!

Chicago Politicians Sidestepping

EIGHT Chicago politicians yesterday, according to press reports, and a few more today, have had an opportunity to appear before special "investigators" and explain their relations with the underworld gangsters for which Chicago has become famous. All this troublesome business (for the politicians) has been caused by the discovery of the account books of the North Side Moran gang following the murder of the gangster, Jack Zuta, who in turn is supposed to have been responsible for the murder of the Chicago Tribune reporter, and underworld fixer, Jake Lingle.

A few dozen politicians, judges, aldermen, police officials, etc., have been uncovered up until now. Only a few pages of the record have been examined; three hundred more are still to be gone through. These pages, if they were really examined, would completely expose the Thompson machine in Chicago, and the leading republican and democratic politicians throughout the state.

But they will never be examined. A few minor politicians, or those on the outs with the machine, will be sacrificed. The "investigation" will then be stopped before it reaches any of the higher ups.

The Chicago workers must have no illusions about the round-up of gangsters following the murder of Jake Lingle, or on the present investigation. The capitalists and their political henchmen in Chicago and in all other cities brought the organized underworld gangs into existence.

They have proven themselves useful many times in the sharp competitive battles waged between rival capitalist groups as the Chicago Tribune well knows from the experience it gained in the circulation war with the Hearst press.

They are useful many times to capitalist politicians when it becomes necessary to shoot up election booths in order to win an election from political rivals and especially to prevent the election of workers' candidates.

And they are especially helpful when it becomes necessary to beat up, black-jack or murder workers during strikes and demonstrations, as was shown in the murder of Weizenberg, or to aid the police during raids on workers' halls, as has been shown by many raids on the Communist Party headquarters in Chicago.

It was these needs of the capitalists which created the gangsters, and while they sometimes go "too far," making it inconvenient for the bosses, they will continue to exist and flourish with the full support of the capitalists, their political agents, and the leaders of the A. F. of L., who also have use for them in their fight against the "reds."

The present fight in Chicago is merely a fight between different gangs, involving the political supporters of each. The extermination of gangs and gang murders will only take place with the extermination of capitalism. All those against gangsterism must support the struggle of the Communist Party and vote Communist in November.

I.L.D. RALLIES FOR MOONEY-BILLINGS

Increase Demand For Freedom On Aug. 22

NEW YORK.—"The Mooney and Billings case has been a political case from the day the police of San Francisco joined hands with the traction companies of that city to 'frame' the 'dangerous' labor leaders and railroad them to death," says the International Labor Defense today, denouncing and denouncing the new delays with which Governor Young pretends will "keep the Mooney-Billings case out of politics."

"This statement on the part of Governor Young is the height of absurdity, and proves not only his cowardly determination to secure his own 'nomination' before he takes a stand on a case that has reverberated throughout the country

to the everlasting shame of California.

Now is Time to Protest.

"Young fears to offend the monied interests whom he serves and yet wishes to preserve the votes of the workers of California by his avoiding the clea issue of the innocence of Mooney and Billings," says the International Labor Defense.

"Now is the time for worker protests to mount higher and higher, demanding immediate and unconditional freedom for these two innocent victims of the ruling class, and the International Labor Defense goes on record with a complete denunciation of Governor Young and the supreme court of California who have kept Mooney and Billings in jail for 14 years, though the testimony which convicted them has long since been revealed as perjured."

"On August 22, the third anniversary of the death of the labor martyrs, Sacco and Vanzetti, the workers of this country will join forces to protest all persecution of political prisoners and their cry for the unconditional release of Mooney and Billings will echo from coast to coast."

HOOVER REGIME IN PORTO RICO MURDERS TOILER

Gov. Roosevelt Dares Not Answer Inquiry About the Victims

"Socialist" Assassins

Denounced Communist Who "Vanishes"

NEW YORK.—Has Theodore Roosevelt, the pup of the imperialist who boasted that he shot a Spaniard in the back in 1898, had his "socialist" henchmen in Porto Rico murder a Communist worker?

It would appear so, as the demands made upon him as "governor" of Porto Rico, responsible for the administration of that Wall Street colony and the unfortunate people who inhabit it, for the whereabouts of a worker who has "disappeared" are not even given the grace of an answer.

The demands were made upon the colonial "governor's" administration by the International Labor Defense, following reports to it from Porto Rico that Alfredo Mateu, by birth a Cuban and reported in the capitalist papers of Ponce, Porto Rico, as an active worker for the organization of a Communist Party, "disappeared" on July 12 and has since not been heard from.

The information, coming from other Porto Rican workers and enclosing clippings from the Porto Rican press, makes it clear that the so-called "socialist" party of Porto Rico, which is headed by that vulture of imperialism known as Santiago Iglesias, Spanish language secretary of the Pan-American Federation of Labor, has had a hand in the "disappearance" and possibly the secret murder of Mateu.

A paper named El Dia publishes a statement of Blas Oliveras, a lieutenant of Iglesias and president of the "socialist" party in the city of Ponce, which shows between the lines that this scoundrel has denounced Mateu to the imperialist authorities.

Oliveras gabbles about the attempt of Porto Rican workers to found a Communist Party as having "failed" and says that its propagandists have "retired to no one knows what part of the island." Then he goes on to relate that someone whom he calls "a delegate of the Third International of Moscow, a Cuban citizen," has visited Porto Rico—"returning by boat to

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Vote Communist!

MILL STRIKERS ASSAIL BOSS

Angered At \$7 a Week Bessemer City Wage

BESSEMER CITY, N. C., Aug. 19.—The strikers in the American Mills here today attempted to drag George R. Spencer, superintendent of the company from his automobile and beat him up. Spencer had refused to grant demands of the strikers in Mills No. 1 and No. 2 that the 30 per cent wage cut be rescinded. Local leaders, some of whom are in opposition to the National Textile Workers' Union, according to their statements reported in the capitalist press, are said to have intervened and rescued the superintendent.

At Cross Roads. There is danger here of a repetition of the form of betrayal made famous in the Flint automobile strike, with misleaders seeking to betray the strike by waging an attack on the Trade Union Unity League organization which has outlined a policy of struggle and spreading the strike.

The American Mills company is owned by Frank, Max and Robert Goldberg of Gastonia. They manufacture tire fabric.

The wage cuts are admitted by the management now to have reduced wages of \$13.80 a week (full time) to about \$7 a week.

Norman Thomas The Bosses' Darling



"Modern and efficient," the bosses count on him to better fool and betray the workers, who are now in action against capitalism.

BOSSES ADMIT "SOCIALISTS" ARE A FRAUD

But They Are Useful to Trick Workers

NEW YORK.—An illustration of the purpose of the capitalists in bringing forward the social fascist "socialists" to attract attention of the starving and discontented workers and prevent them from following the Communist Party, is seen in the statement of Roy W. Howard, editor of the New York Telegram.

The clown who goes under the name of Heywood Brown and is hired by the Telegram to write "catchy" nonsense in a daily column, upon joining the "socialist" party two months ago, was put on the "socialist" ticket for congress.

The Telegram editor, explaining (Continued on Page Three)

Shoe and Slipper Workers Meet Tonite

A meeting of all the active workers of the shoe and slipper industry will take place tonight in the union headquarters at 16 W. 21st St., New York City.

The importance of this meeting must be recognized by every shoe and slipper worker.

The organization work, the picnic to be held August 24 at Pleasant Bay Park, the question of building committees, the mobilization of our forces for the Sacco and Vanzetti memorial meeting on Union Square August 22, will be on the order of business.

WOMEN'S WORK DIRECTORS

A very important meeting of Section and Unit Women's Work Directors will be held Thursday, Aug. 21, at the Workers Center.

CLEANERS OF DETROIT VOTE TO JOIN TUUL

Repudiate AFL Fakery and Want to Fight Bad Conditions

Part of Big Campaign

TUUL Forms Factory and Shop Committees

DETROIT, Mich., Aug. 19.—An organization meeting of cleaners and dyers held here Saturday, with some of the most important shops represented voted to join the Cleaners and Laundry Workers' Industrial League of the Trade Union Unity League.

The meeting was addressed by George E. Powers, secretary of the T.U.U.L., Michigan District, who recalled to the minds of the workers the destructive union-smashing of Martel, head of the Detroit Federation of Labor, in collaboration with the infamous "Purple Gang" of Detroit's underworld.

The conditions of the pressers, cleaners, spotters, sorters and markers in the cleaning and dyeing shops of Detroit, as elsewhere, are miserable, with upwards of 12 hours a day for small wages under the worst conditions, slave driving, bad ventilation, dirt, dust and unbearable stench.

One of these shops, Imlays, which employs about 100 workers, is a fake co-operative, run by the labor fakers of the Journeymen Tailors' Union. Recently they put over a wage-cut under the disguise of held-back wages, the workers now being behind two weeks in pay. When the discontent of the workers threatened to break out in strike, the manager, Holtzman called in the president of the Journeymen Tailors' Union, Krispenz, who succeeded through glib promises in getting the workers back to work.

Part of T.U.U.L. Campaign.

The Trade Union Unity League is now engaged in a national drive to build the membership of its affiliated unions and leagues, of which the Cleaners and Laundry Workers' Industrial League is but one. All national committees of leagues and affiliated unions and all district organizations of the T.U.U.L. are instructed to conduct intensive preparations, with mass meetings, industrial meetings, and special leaflets. This drive concentrates on building a net work of factory and shop committees, on swelling the numbers of the industrial union and league members, on building up the unemployed, on preparation for the great Unemployment Day demonstrations (Sept. 1) at which the main demand will be for the Workers' Social Insurance Bill, and of building the national "Organize and Strike Fund" of \$100,000 to be used in the great struggles that will surely arise because of the policy of the T.U.U.L. to "Strike Against All Wage-Cuts."

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FIGHT BOSS TERROR!

By A. JAKIRA

On August 22, the working class will commemorate the death of Sacco and Vanzetti, the two rebels electrocuted three years ago by the henchmen of the capitalist class.

In this period the ruling class is resorting to more violence against the working class than ever before, using the most savage means of suppression. The number of lynchings of Negro workers during the first few months of 1930 has exceeded the total number of lynchings during 1928 and 1929. In Atlanta, Georgia, six youthful militants face the electric chair for their attempt to organize the Negro and white workers. In Imperial Valley, California, six workers were sent off to a living death of forty-two years behind the bars, for attempting to organize the exploited agrarian workers of that region. The demand for bread of the hundreds of thousands of jobless in

New York was answered by the ruling class by the imprisonment of the leaders, Foster, Amter, Minor, Raymond.

Hundreds of other workers are serving sentences in all parts of the country, while the number of workers killed by the police is growing rapidly—Ella May, Katovis, Levy, Gonzalez, Weizenberg. Special attacks are staged against the foreign born workers. The horrors of the white terror in China, India, Cuba, Mexico and other capitalist countries are beyond description.

Under these conditions the August 22 demonstrations are of special significance to the working class. The demonstrations must protest against the butchery of the workers in China, Cuba, India and the other capitalist countries. On August 22 we must fight for the release of all the class war prisoners, against lynching and against the attacks on the foreign-born workers. Demonstrate August 22!

Vacationing While Lynch Terror Rages



GOVERNOR O. MAX GARDNER Of North Carolina, who is vacationing at Hendersonville, N. C., gave out the usual bunk of "the state doing everything in its power to find the guilty parties."

NEGRO WORKER IS LYNCHED BY AUTOMOBILE MOB

Bosses Enter Jail For Victim

TARBORO, N. C., Aug. 19.—A mob that traveled in expensive automobiles and had easy and unchallenged access to the Edgecombe county jail here, entered that building last night and took Oliver Moore, 29-year-old Negro worker, out of his cell and lynched him.

The mob numbered 200 white men. They bundled Moore into one of fifty automobiles and carried him to his home, 15 miles from here. There they strung him up to a tree and riddled his body with bullets.

Moore, who was a farm laborer on the farm of a white Edgecombe county farmer, had been accused of attacking the two daughters of this farmer. This is the usual charge made by the southern bosses against Negro workers who attempt to collect their wages or show other signs of revolt against the frightful oppression to which they are subjected under capitalism utilizing and supporting the semi-slave remnants of chattel slavery in this section.

Moore had evidently tried to collect his wages and the accusation against him followed, the white farmer knowing the Negro worker would be dealt with out of hand either by a lynching mob or by the capitalist courts in the form of a legal lynching and would have no opportunity to disprove the charges. As usual, none of the lynchers "were recognized," although it is admitted that most of them had not even taken the trouble to wear masks when they entered the jail.

The ease with which the lynchers got their victim and the fact that the sheriff knew where to look for the body, although the lynching proved 15 miles from here, clearly prove collusion between the lynchers and the capitalist state authorities.

This latest outrage against the working class brings the number of lynchings to 22 for this year, with the eighth month not yet ended.

The lynching terror must be combated by organization of self-defense corps of Negro and white workers and by mobilizing the entire working class in support of the struggles of the Negro masses, in support of the right of the Negro masses to determine their own form of government in those sections where they are a majority.

The Communist Party calls upon the Negro workers to come out in masses September first in protest against unemployment and the bosses' lynch terror. Negro and white workers! Organize and fight against lynching and hunger! Defeat the bosses drive to split the working class and further isolate the Negro masses for a more intensive super-exploitation!

Organize and strike against wage-cuts!

Detroit AFL Head Evicts Family of Jobless Worker

Chicago Workers Hold Many Shop Gate Meets For September 1 Demonstration

Hartford Unemployed Council Leader Arrested For Reading Workers' Social Insurance Bill

Not only does the A. F. of L. fascist officialdom unite with the bosses to effect wage-cuts and to fight against the Workers' Social Insurance Bill, but in Detroit, Anthony P. Dueweke, business agent of Local 58, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, does the dirty work of evicting an unemployed worker, his wife and five children for non-payment of rent.

Delpha Le Due, 3188 Trombly Ave., Detroit, has been out of work for over nine months. He lives in a house owned by the grafting A. F. of L. official, Dueweke. When Le Due failed to pay his rent for several months Dueweke went to court and got an eviction order.

The unemployed worker and his family will be thrown on the street to starve through the action of the A. F. of L. business agent. Through their collaboration with the bosses, the A. F. of L. fascist officials have filled their pockets, most of them owning valuable property.

A mass demonstration against this eviction is being planned by the Detroit Unemployed Council for Wednesday, August 20th, at 3 p. m., when Dueweke's eviction order will be carried out by the police. All workers who will participate in Detroit are urged to report to Frank Kerchel, secretary of the Detroit Unemployed Council, at 1:30 p. m., (Continued on Page Three)

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MOSCOW, U.S.S.R., Aug. 19.—

Tormosova, woman delegate from the trades unions of the U.S.S.R. in her report today, at the Fifth World Congress of the Red International of Labor Unions, pointed out that working women have participated heroically and actively in strikes in recent years. She declared that the organization of women had lagged behind their importance in strike struggle and was disproportionately small in comparison with the numbers of women engaged in production. "Women's help is necessary for the Communist revolution," she stated.

James Ford, Negro delegate from America (he is head of Negro work in the Trade Union Unity League—U. I. L.) declared that the Negro insurrections in various parts of the colonies show a revolutionary influence. The Negro movement has made great progress, he stated, since the establishment of the Negro International Committee by the R.I.L.U. The Negro Committee has done excellent work among the Negroes of the southern states in the United States, and this raises the question of Negro Self Determination.

Their influence is growing also among the Negro proletariat of South America.

CLOTHING MAKERS TO MEET AUG. 21

Discuss Strike Plans.

NEW YORK.—Right after work Thursday night, at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 East 4th Street, a mass meeting will be held for all those who work on men's clothing. Conducted by the Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union, the purpose of the meeting will be to further expose and fight the bosses and their boot-licking tool, the Hillman clique, and to turn the fake (Hillman) strike into a real strike.

The vicious purpose of the Hillman group is to work out plans for fake strikes, lock-outs and stoppages in order to force piece-work upon the rest of the sections. Throughout all of these dirty tactics stretches the rotten network of the Hillman's understanding with the bosses—resulting in nothing but general reductions and increased speed-ups.

Hillman's agents tried to make the workers believe they were striking in the daytime. But at night they would send their machine boys to scab on the workers!

Lies For the Boss. The Hillman clique, with its program of sell-outs and betrayals, its horde of scabs and strikebreakers, continually uses the bosses' press to create the illusion that "all is well." And at a time when workers refused a settlement that meant wage-cuts of \$5, \$8 and \$10 a week, Hillman told the prostitute press that "the bosses don't want any reduction."

The N.T.W.I.U. calls a shop conference for Saturday, Sept. 6. Organize shop committees in each shop for the purpose of attending this conference! Forward to mass meeting on Aug. 21. Send delegates to the conference on Sept. 6!

ATTENTION SECTION 4! Functionaries meet at 8 p. m. sharp, Wednesday, Aug. 20, at 808 Lenox Ave.

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RED CANDIDATE EXPOSES FAKE JOBLESS 'CURE'

Calls Workers to Act For Insurance Bill

"Unemployment agencies do not by themselves provide jobs for the jobless or feed hungry, unemployed workers. The claim advanced in the legislation proposed in congress by Senator Robert F. Wagner, of New York, that a system of unemployment agencies and registration of the jobless, will solve the unemployment problem has been effectively shattered these past few days by the thousands of workers clamoring for jobs at the Municipal Unemployment Agency, 64 Lafayette Street," declared J. Louis Engdahl, Communist Party candidate for lieutenant governor, in a statement outlining features of the proposed Communist social insurance legislation.

"The figures given out by the agency itself show that out of the 7,000 registered only 335 have obtained jobs, most of them temporary. Many other thousands have not even been registered. The 6,000 who clamored for jobs on the third day the agency was opened outnumbered the combined total of those who had come on previous days, and the reply of the agency is to close its doors in the face of those seeking employment, just as the employment offices in all the great industries have done long ago.

"Immediate relief for all unemployed workers is a major demand of the Communist Party in the election campaign," continued Engdahl. "The Communist Party demands work or wages for the unemployed."

"The demands of the Communist Party are contained in a Workers' Social Insurance Bill that will be popularized during the election campaign," declared Engdahl. "This proposed bill authorizes the appropriation of the sum of five billion dollars, and in order to provide this sum all appropriations heretofore made or now in effect for military, naval or other war purposes are hereby repealed and all such sums utilized for the purposes of social insurance.

Demonstrations of workers, employed and unemployed, in support of this feature of the election campaign will be held not only in New York City, but in all the great cities of the nation on September first.

TAMMANY FAKERS TO CLOSE "FREE" JOB AGENCY -- NO WORK

Keep Open Only Two Hours a Day in Order to Pocket \$35,000 Subsidy

Cops Keep Workers Moving; Over 10,000 Get Application Cards, But No Jobs

Tammany's great scheme to "solve" unemployment has collapsed. Between 10,000 and 15,000 workers during the past few days crowded the Municipal "Free" Unemployment Agency in New York, but instead of jobs they were given "application cards." A few, who had letters from politicians, got the handful of jobs—mostly temporary—that were available. The others were hounded by the police and many were beaten. One was sent to the hospital. Others were hurt, but stood in line hoping for the jobs that were not there.

Will Close Up.

Realizing the farce, the Tammany officials have decided to close the agency. Director Edward C. Rybicki, a Tammany henchman, who runs the joint, announced that the "agency" would be kept open for only two hours a day. But it will not give out jobs then. The only purpose the agency opens for the two hours daily is to give Rybicki and his fellow grafters an excuse to eat up the \$35,000 set aside for the "agency." When the Tammany tools pocket this sum, the agency will undoubtedly close for good.

Proves Worsening Unemployment.

The only thing that has come out of the "agency" is an indication of the severity of the unemployment situation. It has also demonstrated to the workers that jobs do not exist, but that they must immediately fight for the passage of the Workers' Social Insurance Bill.

That the unemployed are becoming desperate for work is shown by the fact that nearly all of them, in filling out their applications, indicated that they would work at "anything." A large number were skilled workers. But their families are starving. Most of them have been out of work over six months and they stated they were ready to

do any kind of work at the lowest wages.

So huge have the lines of unemployed become that they cannot even be registered. Monday the police kept breaking up the ranks. Some workers had been in the line for as high as ten hours. But they were driven away by the cops. Those who tried to register were beaten.

Sergeant Malloy leads the cops who beat up the unemployed. With the "agency" open for only two hours a day, the cops keep driving the men away from the doors so that it won't look so bad for the Tammany fake scheme.

Joseph Rosen, 50 years old, a pants presser, who insisted on going into the agency after 10 a. m., when the doors were closed, was roughly handled by Mulrooney's men and then arrested for having the nerve to apply to a "free" unemployment agency for a job.

In the two hours that the agency is kept open the police will not allow the unemployed to go in. They pick out a few. The clerks joke about the crowds. Then they slam the doors shut and the police begin their shoving, poking and slugging. The applications are dumped into a box and forgotten. It would take ten years to supply jobs to the workers who have already applied, if they are filled at the present rate.

Unemployed Disillusioned.

The unemployed who apply for jobs at the "free agency" are beginning to realize that the prospects are hopeless. Instead of jobs being handed out, the lines grow longer every day. They learn from the new recruits that the bosses are laying workers off by the wholesale. The immediate task of all workers, employed and unemployed, is the creation of a tremendous mass movement to force through the Workers' Social Insurance Bill, to provide relief for all unemployed.

EXPOSE PANKEN IN AN ALLIANCE WITH TAMMANY

Unite Against Toilers in the Fur Shops

The role of Jacob Panken, socialist candidate for congress in the 14th Congressional, as the ally of gangsters and the supporter of police attacks on militant workers, is clearly revealed in the case of the attack by a squad of ten "gorillas" in the pay of the "socialist" company union in the fur industry on the workers in the shop of J. Yaken, 312 Seventh Ave.

Jacob Panken, the former "socialist" municipal judge, is a patron of Morris Kaufman, head of the "socialist" company union, speaking at meetings in his support when required to do so. Panken was one of the attractions at the so-called "convention" of the company union where Kaufman was re-elected president. The "Kaufman Union" is supported "morally" as well as financially by the "socialist" Forwards, which gives the same assistance to the Panken campaign.

Panken is, therefore, very closely related to the attack by a number of "gorillas" sent by the "socialist" company union, headed by Morris Kaufman, against the workers in the Yaker shop, where the Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union has an agreement. The first attack that took place on Friday, August 8th, was repulsed by infuriated workers of the Yaker shop supported by other fur workers.

Tammany hits at workers. Panken's friends, agents of the "company union," with the aid of their police allies, replied with a frame-up against Jack Schneider, organizer of the industrial union, who was arrested and charged with an attack on the Panken-Kaufman gorillas. They knew that it would be easy to prejudice Schneider in the capitalist courts because of the fact that he had already been the victim of another frame-up against workers, the Mineola case.

This week the "company union" sent another band of gorillas to the Yaker shop. The workers fought off the attack until the appearance of the police called in to aid the gangsters. The storm of protest raised by the workers was so insistent, and the attack so unjustified, that the police were forced to arrest the "committee" of the company union, who were caught red-handed armed with all kinds of weapons.

One of them, James Ryan, had attacked a worker with a knife, cutting his clothing. Out of the ten gorillas arrested, two are "official" furriers but actually gangsters, but eight never had any connection at all with the fur trade. These are James Ryan, John Beck, Joe Brown, Fred Matchin, Tony Rio, Harry Kelly, Paul Vogel and Sam Bernstein, who was the "chauffeur" of the "socialist" Benjamin Schlesinger, during the fake cloak and dress strikes conducted by Schlesinger's company union last year.

Tammany Aids "Socialists." The capitalist courts, in which Panken had seen service, rallied to the aid of the gorillas when they were brought before the magistrate in the Jefferson Market Court. All ten of the gangsters, some of them having long criminal court records, were put under the meager charge of "disorderly conduct," and were allowed bail of \$500 each. James Ryan, who was actually caught in the act of attacking a worker with a knife, was let off with the simple charge of "assault."

Jack Schneider, arrested at the office of the Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union, was treated entirely differently, being held in jail for eight days, and only last Saturday released on \$7,000 bail. "Under these circumstances it is clear again, in an actual day-to-day struggle of the workers that the 'socialist' candidate, Panken, try as he may, cannot dissociate himself from the Tammany Hall police and courts," declares J. Louis Engdahl, Communist candidate for lieutenant governor. "It should be clear to all workers that the 'socialist' Panken carries on only a fake 'attack' on Tammany Hall, the jailer of the Unemployed Delegation, Foster, Minor, Amter and Raymond. Workers will quickly see the close alliance between Tammany Hall and the 'socialist' party during this election campaign, turning to the Communist Party with its call to struggle of 'Class Against Class!'"

"Every such incident," declared Engdahl, "helps redouble the energies of the workers in the initial phase of the campaign, for the collection of signatures for putting a full Communist ticket in the field, in New York City and throughout the state."

Alexander Trachtenberg is the Communist candidate for Congress against Panken and the Tammany Hall choice in the 14th District which includes the East Side below Fourteenth Street. The Communist Party is also putting a full ticket for the state assembly in this district.

FURNITURE WORKERS
A fraction meeting of the furniture workers will be held at 7 p. m., Aug. 21, at the Workers Center.

SECTION 4 ATTENTION!
All functionaries of Section 4 meet at 308 Lenox Ave., 8 p. m. sharp, Wednesday, Aug. 20. Disregard all other instructions.

Leaving Van Etten Court For Prison



Mob terrorism has again had its say. Justice of the peace of Van Etten, N. Y., was intimidated by a mob of Pennsylvania into sentencing Mabel Husa and Ailene Holmes to prison. Photo shows the two girls leaving court for prison. The man in the back is the sheriff's deputy.



The two leaders of the Workers' International Relief Children's camp of Van Etten, N. Y., Mabel Husa and Ailene Holmes, who were sentenced to prison for three months each on a trumped up charge of desecration of the American flag. The International Labor Defense is appealing the case.

CALL WOMEN TO AUG. 22 MEET

Mobilize For Demonstration.

NEW YORK.—The Central Executive Committee of the United Council of Working Class Women calls upon all the local councils to mobilize their members, the working class women in their neighborhoods, all women's organizations and sympathizers to turn out in a mass to the Sacco Vanzetti demonstration, to be held on Friday, August 22, on Union Square.

This memorial demonstration takes place at a time when 8 million workers are unemployed in this country. When the speed-up system is in full swing, at a time when wage-cuts are made and hours of work lengthened. At a time when the leaders of the unemployed demonstration held March 6th, are in jail for daring to lead the unemployed workers to demand work or wages.

At this demonstration we will protest against the murder of our Comrades, Sacco and Vanzetti, Steve Katovis, Levy, Gonzalez and others who were terrorized and lynched and thrown into prisons, and sentenced to chain gangs for the mere reason of participating in the every day struggles of the workers. We will protest against the imprisonment of our leaders, Comrades Foster, Minor, Amter and Raymond.

Vote Communist!

Labor and Fraternal

Notice!
All workers organizations, trade unions, sports clubs should make it their habit to announce their meetings and activities in this column. Make it a guiding post where the workers can look for meetings and other revolutionary social announcements.

Midnight Performance.
"The End of St. Petersburg," a Soviet movie, Saturday, August 23, 1930, 11:30 p. m. at Brighton Playhouse, 273 Brighton Beach Ave., under auspices of Women's Council, No. 17, Brighton Beach.

Alfred Levy I. L. D.
Branch will meet tonight at 8:30 at 524 Vermont St., East New York.

F. S. U. Meeting
Will be held tonight at 8 p. m. at 134 E. Seventh St., Russian branch.

Ex-Servicemen
Will have an open meeting today noon at Light and West Sts.

Communist Activities

Campaign Committee, Sec. 1
Has moved to East Side Workers Club, 196 E. Broadway, near Jefferson St. Call for signature collections there on Sunday morning, 10 o'clock.

Notice!
Advertise your unit meetings in the Communist Activities Column. Announce all activities of every branch of activity of the Communist Party in New York and vicinity, in this revolutionary calendar.

Unit 28, Section 3
Will meet tonight at 6 p. m. at 1179 Broadway.

Section 9
All Party and League members of this section must attend the open air meeting tonight at 8 p. m. at Ditmore Rd. and Second Ave., Astoria, L. I.

Painters Fraction
Will be held tonight at 8 p. m. at the Workers Center, 26 Union Sq.

Strike Against Wage-Cuts!
Demand Unemployment Insurance!

TRAINS WORKERS FOR LEADERSHIP

District 2 Starts School For Organizers

The District Functionaries School of the Communist Party, District 2, now under way, is earnestly preparing itself for leadership in the present and for the coming struggles of the working class not only in this district but all over the country.

The school is comprised of active Party members, of various occupations and races. There are metal workers, food workers, seamen, needle trades workers. Among the students are Negroes, Chinese and Hindus. Over 20 per cent of the school are women workers. The total number of students is 33.

Courses in the Program of the Communist International, Party Organization and Trade Unionism are given. On Friday two general conferences besides the group study periods are held. Books by Marx, Engels, Lenin and Stalin, that are to be read during the week are discussed at these conferences. On Saturday mornings the school is divided into groups which take up the actual writing of shop papers.

The initiative of the members of the school in reference to raising finances to conduct itself so far enabled the school to go on. In spite of the difficulty of finding sufficient time for study the students have willingly exerted themselves to collect funds at various organizations.

Workers' organizations and individual workers who wish to have trained organizers in the revolutionary labor movement would considerably aid the smooth progress of the school if they would send donations to the District Functionaries School at 26 Union Square, N. Y. C.

ASKS DELEGATES FOR PRESS BAZAAR

All organizations are called upon to elect two delegates to the mass conference of the National Communist Press Daily Worker-Morning Freiheit Bazaar. The conference will take place Wednesday, August 27, 8 p. m. at the Workers Center, 26 Union Square, where all plans for this bazaar will be outlined.

The Daily Worker-Morning Freiheit bazaar should, from now on, be on the order of business of every organization to make this bazaar a tremendous success.

The bazaar will take place at Madison Square Garden, October 2, 3, 4 and 5. Comrades, the time is short. Get to work at once!

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Arturo Toscanini has broken his precedent in having an individual soloist, Alexander Siloti, on Wednesday evening and Friday afternoon, November 19 and 21, at Carnegie Hall.

Heitetz will be the first soloist under Bernardino Molinari, on January 25, at the Metropolitan Opera House. Nikolai Orloff will tour with the orchestra, playing in Washington and Baltimore on January 27 and 28 and at the Brooklyn Academy of Music on February 1. Carlo Zecchi is announced for February 5 and 6 at Carnegie Hall and Eivim Zimbalist for February 12 and 13 at Carnegie Hall.

WHITELASH COPS FOR AMBUSHING

Mulrooney Disregards All Evidence

NEW YORK.—Exactly as the Communist Party and the International Labor Defense declared they would, the police department has "investigated" itself (in secret) about the brutal ambush of workers returning home from the August 1 demonstration here, and declared that the police did exactly right. Commissioner Mulrooney issued a statement to the press last night which brazenly declared that there is "no evidence" that the police "used unnecessary force." Instead he represents the police as the ones attacked. He tries to make out that a part of the crowd attacked "Communists in the crowd."

Testimony of capitalist newspaper reporters who described the clubbing given the crowd after it was forced by a line of police down 15th St. into a swarm of club-swinging police previously hidden in Irving Plaza is simply glossed over. Reporters whom the police clubbed are not mentioned. A reporter whose camera was smashed by police blackjacks is shoved aside by Mulrooney with the remark, "He was only a free lance photographer."

The full story of the police attack was brought out in the Labor Jury investigation, where everyone was given full opportunity to tell about it, and the verdict of the Labor Jury was that it was a murderous assault by the police on a portion of the home going crowd deliberately segregated and viciously beaten up. Some 60 workers, including young girls, were beaten up.

Strike against wage-cuts; demand social insurance!

BIG EX-SERVICE MEN'S MEETING

NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—Tuesday night, the Workers Ex-Service Men's League held a very successful meeting at 3rd Ave. and 100th St. During the meeting one Tammany thug, in uniform, looked at the rapidly gathering throng of militant workers and kept on going. Daily Workers and other Communist publications were distributed. Several people in the audience joined the Workers Ex-Service Men's League.

FOOD WORKERS MEETING

The Food Workers' Industrial Union will hold a general membership meeting Wednesday, Aug. 20, at Irving Plaza Hall, 8 p. m. Special feature: report of the General Organizer, who has just returned from a national tour.

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23 MEETINGS PLAN SACCO DAY

Score Murder of Wang and McInerney

NEW YORK.—"The murder of our Chinese comrade, Wang, by the butcher Machado of Cuba, and the systematic murder of hundreds of militant workers on the Island of Cuba, is supported by American Imperialism, for whom Machado is an agent," states the New York district of the International Labor Defense.

The International Labor Defense calls upon the workers of New York City to come in masses to the demonstration to be held on Union Square, Friday, August 22, "Sacco and Vanzetti Day" to demonstrate their solidarity with the struggling masses of the colonies.

Tomorrow at 8 p. m., 23 meetings will be held all over the city as a final mobilization for the Sacco-Vanzetti demonstration on Friday, August 22, at 5 p. m. on Union Square.

Bath Beach Branch, corner of 20th and 86th Sts., Brooklyn, H. Baruffin, speaker.

Brighton Beach Branch, at 227 Brighton Beach Ave., L. Baum, speaker.

Williamsburgh Branch, Grand St. Extension, Brooklyn, Charles Alexander will speak.

Brownsville Branch, Pitkin and Stone Aves., Ackerman and Christensen speak.

East New York Branch, corner of Sutter and Pennsylvania Aves., Charles Mitchell to speak.

East Broadway Workers' Club, Rutgers Square, Zuckerman and Wand, speakers.

Steve Katovis Branch, 10th St. and Second Ave., Carl Brodsky speaks.

Gastonia Branch, 14th St. and University Place, Pauline Rogers speaking.

Joe Hill Branch, Columbus Circle, Samuel D. Darcy will speak.

Yorkville English Branch, McLaughlin and June Crowl, speak at 72nd St. and First Ave.

Nick Spouaoudikis Branch, corner of 41st St. and Eighth Ave., Beatrice Siskind and Lutisch.

Nat Turner Branch, corner of 14th St. and Seventh Ave., speakers, Harold Williams and others.

Sandiego Brooks Branch, corner of 114th St. and Lenox Ave., speakers, Barcelo Martinez in Spanish and others in English.

Sacco and Vanzetti Branch, corner of 180th St., Daly Ave., speakers L. Engdahl and others.

Bronx Hungarian, leave from headquarters, 785 Westchester Ave., speaker Eugene Wolf.

Marine Workers' Union, Whitehall and South Sts., Sadie Van Veen and others.

Ex-Servicemen's League, 125th St. and Fifth Ave., speakers to be announced tomorrow.

Write as you fight! Become a worker correspondent!

ARREST FOUR AT FACTORY GATE

Cops Hit Toilers' Fight For Social Insurance

PATERSON, N. J., Aug. 19.—Four workers were arrested this morning, at Weidmann's Silk Dyeing plant. The charge is distributing leaflets of the T.U.U.L. and the National Textile Workers' Union calling upon the workers of Paterson to organize and to demonstrate at City Hall, September 1, for the Workers' Social Insurance Bill.

Over 300 workers had waited from 6 to 8 in the morning, hoping they would be given a job; only to have the doors of the employment office slammed in their faces.

The unemployment situation in Paterson, is very grave. Over 50 per cent of the workers are without jobs. Thousands are actually starving. The workers who are working, are forced to work for wages so low that they cannot afford the barest necessities of life, and all signs point to worsening of the workers' conditions, with the coming of winter.

The bosses are aware of the misery that stalks the streets of this city and are doing everything in their power to stop the "reds," as they call the representatives of the T.U.U.L. and the National Textile Workers' Union; from reaching the workers with their message to organize and to fight.

The work of organizing will go on in spite of the police, in spite of the stool pigeons, and the workers of Paterson will demonstrate in thousands for the Workers' Social Insurance Bill, in front of the City Hall, on Market St., 12 noon, September first.

COUNCIL 20 MEETING

Council No. 20 will have an open-air meeting, on Wednesday night, Aug. 20, 8 p. m., Sutter and New Jersey Aves., Brooklyn. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the unemployment situation and the high cost of living.

TRANSPORT FRACTION TONIGHT

A fraction meeting of transport and furniture workers will be held at 7 o'clock tonight, at the Workers Center, 26 Union Square.

PRINTERS FRACTION TONIGHT

A very important printers' fraction meeting will be held tonight, at 7:30 o'clock, at the Workers Center, 26 Union Square. Important and immediate tasks will be taken up. Failure to attend will bring disciplinary action.

LITERATURE AGENTS TO REPORT.

A mobilization meeting of all section and unit literature agents of District 2 will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 20, 7:30 p. m., at the Workers Center, 26 Union Square. Important. Be sure to report on time.

LETTERS FROM THE SHOPS

Chicago Jobless Must Fight Hunger Sept. 1st!

GROWING JOBLESS IN MISSOURI SHOWS NEED TO FIGHT FOR BILL

Wages At 35 Cents An Hour When There Is Work At Bagnell, Mo.

(Special Survey By a Daily Worker Correspondent.)
ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Unemployment is so bad here that workers who know try to avoid this town. The proper name for it should be Dead City. Everybody walks about like they were going to a funeral. The way the poor workers, black and white, live here is plain hell. With a bit of aggressive work a good Party organization could be built up here.

IN BRIEF—

Likes Comrade McCarthy's Poem

New York.
Dear Comrade:
Will you please extend my hearty congratulations to comrade Jack McCarthy for writing such a magnificent poem, a salute to Young Soviet China, published in the Daily Worker, Saturday, August 9, 1930. I wish that comrade McCarthy would write some more of his fine poems about our Soviet Russia.

BOSSSES ADMIT SOCIALISTS FAKE

But Are Boosting Them High

(Continued From Page One.)
that it is opposed to Marxian socialism, says that it "has no fear of the 'mercerized' socialism of Norman Thomas and Heywood Brown." That "there is largely socialism in name only," which "can be accepted as having a very real value in that it furnishes an outlet for the rapidly mounting public distrust of the two moribund major parties."

With the U. S. labor department admitting that in July alone nearly 5 per cent of the workers who were still employed in June lost their jobs, while the total wage payments fell nearly 10 per cent, thus proving that wage-cuts were taking place on a wide scale, the bosses see that the workers are growing more discontented.

Hence this general approval of the fake "socialist" party as a means to stop the workers from voting Communist and rallying around the campaign of the Communists and the revolutionary trade unions of the Trade Union Unity League for the Workers' Social Insurance Bill, which includes Unemployment Insurance.

The bosses have no fear of the "socialist" party, but they do fear that the Communist Party will get such masses behind it that the bosses will have to pay unemployment relief to the starving jobless, the disabled and aged workers, as provided in the Workers' Insurance Bill of the Communist Party.

More than ever it is necessary to expose the fake character of the "socialists" and to organize everywhere in the shops to back up the demand for Social Insurance as demanded by the Communists. And it is a necessary part of this campaign to rally all workers, employed and unemployed, to the September first demonstrations for using the billions now being spent on warships to establish Unemployment Insurance.

Naturally, only a Communist congressman will fight for the bill in the capitalist congress, which is one more reason why workers should vote Communist in November.

4% DROP IN N. Y. JOBS IN JULY

ALBANY, N. Y., Aug. 19.—Jobs dropped 4 per cent in the one month between mid-June and mid-July, reports the New York state labor department. The only other year since 1914 when the June to July decline has been as great was in 1924, while the number of workers employed in factories was less in July than at any other time since the labor department started its index series in June, 1914. The usual seasonal decline in the mid-summer period is 1 per cent.

Industries which ordinarily reduce employment at this time of year have reported larger reductions this year, states Frances Perkins, state industrial commissioner. The index of employment is 83.3, compared with 100.4 in October, 1929. The index is based on the figure 100 for the years 1925-27.

Heavy reductions in the clothing and leather industries in New York City brought employment down a full 5 per cent in the metropolis. Syracuse jobs fell 4 1/2 per cent.

SPEED SEPT. 1 DEMONSTRATION ARRANGEMENTS

A. F. L. Head Evicts Jobless Worker

(Continued From Page One.)
Wednesday, Aug. 20, at Ferry Hall, 1343 E. Ferry Ave.
This demonstration will also demand the passage of the Workers' Social Insurance Bill.
In all parts of the country mass demonstrations are being planned for "Unemployment Day" September 1st.

Sept. 1st in Chicago.

The unemployed and employed workers of Chicago are preparing to demonstrate under the leadership of the Trade Union Unity League, on Monday, Sept. 1st, at 3 o'clock on Washington Square.

Tens of thousands of leaflets are being distributed to the workers in the shops, and to the unemployed masses. Stickers, posters, are being pasted up throughout Chicago, and inside of factories.

Shop gate meetings held by the Trade Union Unity League are being held in front of the Western Electric, International Harvester, Hurley's, American Can Co., etc. The police force of Chicago are out in full force, trying to intimidate the workers from listening to the speakers, and in instances breaking up and arresting the speakers. This happened last week in front of the Western Electric Co.

Open air meetings and meetings of the unemployment councils are being attacked and broken up by the police. Saturday night, two workers were badly slugged by fascist gangsters, sent to a hospital with broken heads and broken ribs. The Unemployment Council located at 900 So. Paulina was raided last Tuesday night, and 8 workers arrested there.

These open fascist attacks are all aimed at dampening the enthusiasm, and interfering with the mass mobilization for the Labor Day Demonstration for the Workers' Social Insurance Bill.

While the fascist-official controlled Chicago Federation of Labor is receiving wide publicity from the capitalist press, and workers are being urged to attend this fake "demonstration," this is being done for the purpose of preventing the unemployed workers from rallying to the call of the T.U.U.L. and Unemployment Councils.

Preparations for a mass mobilization of employed and unemployed, Negro and white workers, are proceeding rapidly. The Trade Union Unity League is calling for organization into the shop committees, industrial leagues and unions as the most effective and successful way of preparing for Labor Day demonstration.

In the Steel Center.

Preparations are being made for the holding of unemployment demonstrations in Milwaukee, Gary, Indiana Harbor, Rockford, Indianapolis, Belleville, Springfield, and So. Chicago.

A special demonstration is being arranged for August 30th, Saturday, for the South Side of Chicago. This is the heart of the Negro territory. The colored workers are having special literature issued to them, dealing with the lynchings in Marion, Ind.; and the T.U.U.L. calls for a bitter and persistent fight against lynchings, Jim Crow, and segregation. The T.U.U.L. calls for making Sept. 1st into a demonstration against lynching, and for full social-economic-political equality.

Thousands of Chicago workers will rally in support of the Workers' Social Insurance Bill on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 1st, in Washington Square, at 3 p. m.

Boston District Active.

In the Boston district, the Trade Union Unity League is planning a whole series of demonstrations on Sept. 1st. Mass meetings will be held in the following cities on that date: Worcester, Manchester, New Bedford, Providence, R. I., Lawrence, Mass.

In the city of Boston, the demonstration will be held in Boston Commons at the Parkman band stand at 3 p. m. The T.U.U.L. and its affiliated organizations will gather at Charles St. and Moll, and march to the scene of the demonstration.

Jailed For Reading Bill.

Nat Richards, organizer of the Trade Union Unity League, in Hartford, Conn., and one of the leaders of the recently formed Unemployed Council, was picked up today by state troopers, after speaking for 30 minutes to over a hundred jobless workers, who with hundreds of others gather every morning at the new state building in construction on Capitol Ave. in the vain hopes of landing jobs.

The Workers' Social Insurance Bill was read, and acclaimed by the workers. Then Richards proceeded to outline a set of immediate demands for action and called upon the workers to elect a board of committee to place these demands before the Board of City Aldermen.

It was in the process of electing such a volunteer committee, that the troopers arrived, grabbed Richards and bundled him into a car, having no warrant for his arrest. Richards was detained more than an hour at headquarters and then released. While being carried away Richards shouted to the workers not to forget to demonstrate on September 1st for the Workers' Social Insurance Bill—at the corner

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Demonstration In Berlin For Chinese Revolt

(Wireless by Impecorr)
BERLIN, Aug. 19.—Huge meetings were held here by the Communist Party for the support of the workers and peasants revolution in China. Comrade Neumann and a representative of the Chinese Communist Party spoke. The demonstration expressed solidarity with the Chinese Revolution.

The turbine workers in the Allgemeine Electricische Gesellschaft (German General Electric Co.) have appealed to all Berlin trade union members against the social-democrats who are attempting to gain the workers' votes.

Four hundred civil service workers were fired in the State Statistics office.

PARIS, Aug. 19.—The revolutionary trade union leadership in the strike of 150,000 workers in the North of France have appealed to the strikers to extend their revolutionary demands on a firm trade union basis. The reformists and the bosses are appealing for government interference to end the strike.

NOMINATE JAILED TUUL ORGANIZER

Erickson Got 42 Years For Imperial Valley

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Aug. 19.—The state nominating convention of the Communist Party, met yesterday with 63 delegates present and adopted a platform calling for repeal of the California criminal syndicalism law, for abolition of race discrimination, politically, socially and economically, and for the Workers' Social Insurance Bill, to appropriate \$5,000,000 from the national treasury, for unemployment and other social insurance, Mexican, Negro, Oriental and other colonial workers are driven hardest on the job in California and paid the lowest wages. Race riots against Filipino workers have been stimulated by employers within recent months.

Nomination was made to state offices, including those of lieutenant governor and secretary of state. Among those nominated was Oscar Erickson, now confined in San Quentin prison on a "3 to 42 years" sentence because of his activity in organizing Imperial Valley agricultural workers.

(Editors' Note.—The telegram giving news of the convention was so garbled in transmission that it is impossible to tell just who is nominated for particular offices.)
Warden Bars Delegation.
A delegation of 15 workers was elected by the convention to notify Erickson of his nomination. When it arrived at San Quentin refused to allow the notification to be given. He was willing to allow the committee to make a "social call" on Erickson, if they would omit notification of his nomination, but the committee stood on its right to formally notify Erickson and would not compromise. They left without seeing Erickson.

At the convention delegates from the fruit and vegetable regions told of the effects of the crisis there, and the growing movement to organize and strike against low wages, bad conditions and unemployment. Delegates from the United States Steel Corporation plant at Pittsburg, Cal., told of the results and interest among the workers of the August 1 demonstrations.

Delegates from Los Angeles reported on police terror, and Chief of Police Steekles' declaration that the Communist Party is outlawed. This declaration of the police was answered by a great response of the workers to the Party, and by the hung jury in the trial of the ten charged with riot on account of the Unemployed Demonstration, April 26.

ADmits Menace of Boss-Owned Machine

NEW YORK.—The president of Brown University recently said in a speech here that "the largest class in one insane asylum was recently shown to be made up of people engaged in deadening, routine tasks."

Vote Communist!

of Windsor and Main Sts., 3 p. m.
A mass meeting is being held under the auspices of the Trade Union Unity League and Unemployed Council of Hartford, to hear the report of the National Unemployment Convention held recently in Chicago. This will take place at the Ukrainian Hall, 27 Albany Ave., Tuesday, 8 p. m. This meeting will also be occasion for protest against the action of the bosses, who were behind the fake arrest this morning.

RED UNION LEADS IN FRENCH STRIKE

Fight Against Fake Social Insurance

PARIS (I.P.S.).—By July 30 approximately 100,000 workers, mostly in the northwest industrial district, had followed the strike slogan of the revolutionary C. G. T. U. against the reactionary provisions of the new social insurance act which represented practically an all-round wage reduction of 4 per cent. All the attempts of the reformists, who are still strong in the northwest district, to hold back the workers failed.

On Wednesday, July 30, negotiations commenced between the textile employers, who are all-powerful in the northwest district, and the reformist trade union leaders. The latter pointed out that concessions would have to be made if the Communist action was to be sabotaged successfully.

On Friday a further 10,000 workers joined the strike in answer to the call of the revolutionary unions.

On Saturday a further increase took place in the number of strikers and as a result the reformists abandoned their old tactics and decided to join the strike movement in order if possible to gain the leadership and limit the demands.

On Sunday meetings of reformist trade union officials took place in Roubaix, Tourcoing, Lannoy and Halluin and it was decided to join in the general strike. They declared that the strike was not directed against the social insurance act, but only against some of its accompanying features. A demand of 25 centimes an hour extra was formulated and the workers were advised to resume work as soon as this was granted or, in case they were not yet out, not to strike at all.

On the same day a demonstration of about 5,000 strikers, organized by the French Communist Party, took place in Lille. Collisions with the police occurred. In the evening a mass meeting of about 10,000 workers was held and Comrade Thorez addressed it and exposed the treachery of the reformist leaders.

The reformists held a demonstration in Halluin, in which about 800 workers took part, mostly from Lille, Roubaix and Belgian Menin.

One of the results of the strike has been that the revolutionary unions, the C. G. T. U. and the Communist Party have both won many new members.

YOUTH SET TO FIGHT LYNCHING

CHICAGO, Aug. 19.—Organization of the struggle against lynchings which have swelled to twenty already this year with the murder of two Negro youths, Thomas Shipp, 18 and Abe Smith, 19, in Marion, Ind., will be discussed concretely at a Negro Youth Conference to be held in Chicago, Sunday, August 24, at 9 A. M., at Movement Club Hall, 226 East 43rd Street.

There have been almost twice as many lynchings during the seven and a half months of this year as there were in the whole of 1929, when twelve Negroes were lynched throughout the country. All other forms of race oppression and discrimination are being let loose against the Negro masses with new intensity in the hope that they can be forced to bear the heaviest burden of the present hard times.

At the conference Negro and white youth organizations represented by two delegates each, will cooperate in preparing a struggle against all manifestations of race discrimination: Jim Crowism on the job as well as Jim Crowism in the schools and residential neighborhoods.

The Negro youth conference will also plan a militant defense of the Negro youth, in solidarity with the white young workers, both against lynchings and the increased terror being practiced against Negro workers right here in Chicago, to prevent their organization.

Pellagra, Disease of Poor, On Up-Grade

DURHAM, N. C.—Because of wage-cuts, speed-up and unemployment, resulting in undernourishment and starvation, pellagra is sharply on the up-grade among the impoverished textile workers of North Carolina. Even the bourgeois state board of health here admits that more than 20,000 workers of North Carolina are afflicted with this disease of capitalism.

Four hundred and fifty people have died from it since the first of the year and 1,442 new cases are admitted by the bosses' bureau.

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Guatemalan Communists "Disappear"

GUATEMALA CITY, Guatemala, Aug. 19.—Comrades Del Pinal, Toledo and Cumes, all members of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Guatemala, have disappeared. The Communist Party charges that they have been murdered by the Chacon government, which is a tool of the United Fruit Company. Mass protest demonstrations are being called.

Several weeks ago the Chacon government deported Louis Villagrán, also a member of the Central Committee of the Guatemalan Communist Party, to El Salvador. Comrade Villagrán was again deported from El Salvador to Nicaragua, where he will be at the mercy of the U. S. marines there.

The intensified terror in Central America arises out of the increased activities of the Communist Parties, and their growing influence among the masses of workers and peasants. The world agrarian crisis has particularly hit these countries hard, and the peasants are being impoverished. There is huge unemployment in Guatemala and other Central American countries. The Chacon government has now resorted to the outright murder of Communist leaders.

Fascist Regime in Salvador Orders Ban on Communist Meets

SAN SALVADOR, Aug. 1.—The general martial law which exists here, due to the radicalization of the peasants and workers, has been extended by presidential decree especially against the Communist Party of El Salvador. The latest decree forbids all public gatherings under Communist leadership. A ban has been put on all Communist mail and newspapers. Wholesale arrests are threatened. The postal ban applies to all foreign Communist papers coming into El Salvador. The decree also states that a round-up will be made of all "foreign" Communists and that they will be summarily expelled.

The latest decree testifies to the growing mass influence of the Communist Party of El Salvador. A widespread agitation has been going on against the Wall Street puppet government of President Pio Bosque. El Salvador is in the throes of an especially severe crisis. The main crop is coffee, and the constantly lowering price of this commodity is impoverishing nearly the entire peasantry of the country. Thousands are unemployed in the cities.

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And the article, mentioning that even an outcast of society would "spit in the face of whomsoever practices the dirty profession of informer," asks how it happens that the "socialists," who have said that socialism is a "stairway to Communism," now turn informer against Communists.

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HOOVER REGIME IN PORTO RICO MURDERS TOILER

Denounced Communist Who "Vanishes!"

(Continued From Page One.)
New York, where he works in the office of the International Labor Defense.

From information furnished by other Porto Rican workers, it is known that the fascist scoundrel, Oliveras, referred to Alfredo Mateu, but the fact that Mateu does and never did "work in the New York office of the I. L. D." and nobody of such description has come to New York from Porto Rico, makes it clear that Oliveras is this subterfuge is concealing the fact that Mateu has been foully dealt with in Porto Rico itself.

Other Porto Rican workers, inquiring of the I. L. D. if Mateu had come here, brought about the exposure of the "disappearance" which so often in such cases means brutal assassination.

In this case, it is obvious that the "socialist" party of Porto Rico, like that of the United States and other countries, not satisfied with betraying the workers, undertakes the job of murdering them or denouncing them to the assassins of imperialism, when they take an active part in organizing the workers to lead the struggle for national independence and class emancipation.

So brazen and disgusting as this case become before the eyes of the Porto Rican workers, that even the capitalist papers, such as El Tiempo of Ponce and El Dia as well, come out in scathing terms, attacking the "socialist" stool-pigeons, El Tiempo saying:

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Comrade Stalin's Concluding Speech at the XVI. Party Congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union

But the spring brought them nothing, for the spring sowing was successful. Again they resolved: Let us wait till autumn, perhaps the Party will suffer defeat in the grain supply question, and we can attack the Central Committee. But autumn too brought them nothing. And since spring and autumn occur every year, the former leaders of the Right opposition have set their hopes alternately on the spring and autumn. (General laughter all over the hall.)

It need not be said that whilst waiting for an attack on the Party, they have not been able to keep their promises.

Finally, the second cause. This second cause is that the former leaders of the Right opposition do not understand our Bolshevik tempo, have no faith in this tempo, and accept nothing which exceeds the confines of a gradual self-development. Anything beyond this, our Bolshevik tempo, our resolutely followed path of development during the reconstruction period, the aggravation of the class struggle and the consequences of this aggravation—all this awakens in them only anxiety, confusion, alarm, and terror. It is therefore comprehensible that they shrink from everything connected with the sharpened slogans of our Party. They suffer from that same disease which afflicted the hero of Tehekov's tale of the teacher of the Greek language, Byelikov, the man in the glass case.

case. You remember Tehekov's story of "The man in the glass case?" This hero never went out without galoshes, a quilted lined coat, and umbrella, in hot or cold weather. "Excuse me, but why do you wear galoshes and a thick overcoat in July, in this heat?" Byelikov was asked. "To be prepared for everything," replied Byelikov. "Something may happen; perhaps there will be a sudden frost, and what then?" (General laughter, Applause.) He detested anything new as if it were a pestilence; hated anything exceeding the bounds of ordinary daily life. A new restaurant was opened. Byelikov felt alarmed at once; to be sure a restaurant has its advantages, but it is to be hoped that nothing happens. A dramatic club was organized, a reading room opened, and Byelikov had his misgivings again: A dramatic club, a reading room—why all this? Take care that nothing happens. (General laughter.)

The same thing must be said of the former leaders of the Right opposition. Do you remember the history of the subordination of the Technical Colleges to the economic authorities? We wanted to subordinate only two Technical Colleges to the Supreme National Economic Council; apparently only a small matter. But we encountered inexorable resistance from the Right. Two Technical Colleges under the Supreme National Economic Council? Whatever for? Is it not better to wait? Take care that nothing happens. And now the whole

of our Technical Colleges are under the superintendence of the economic authorities, and nothing has happened—we still survive.

Or for instance, the question of the extraordinary measures against the kulaks. Do you remember the fits of hysterics into which the Right opposition fell in this connection? Extraordinary measures against the kulaks? What for? Is it not better to pursue a liberal policy towards the kulaks? Take care that nothing happens. And now we are carrying out the policy of the liquidation of the kulak as a class, a policy in comparison with which the extraordinary measures against the kulaks were a mere trifle. And nothing has happened—we

are still alive. Or for instance the question of the collective and Soviet farms. Soviet and collective farms? What for? Are we in such a hurry? Take care that nothing happens with these Soviet and collective farms! And so on in the same strain.

This fear of anything new, this lack of ability to approach new questions, this terror that "something may happen," these are the characteristic features of the man under the glass case; and they prevent the leaders of the Right opposition from really being united with the Party.

These characteristics of the man in the glass case assume especially ridiculous forms among

the Right when difficulties arise, when the smallest clouds appear on the horizon. As soon as any hindrance or difficulty appears, they are seized with fear—something is sure to happen! If a blackbeetle begins to scurry behind the wall somewhere, and cannot find its way out, they draw back in affright, fall into a state of horror, and begin to wail over the collapse of the Soviet Union. (General laughter.)

We pacify them and endeavor to convince them that no danger lies there, that after all it is only blackbeetle, of which they have no need to be afraid. But they continue to weep. How to you mean a blackbeetle? That is not a blackbeetle but thousands of wild beasts; that is not a blackbeetle but the abyss, the death of the Soviet Power. And Bukharin, on this occasion, writes theses and sends them to the Central Committee, maintaining that the attempts of the Central Committee has led the country into an abyss, that the Soviet Power will really perish, if not at once, at least in a few months. Rykov endorses Bukharin's theses, but says that at the same time that he has serious differences of opinion with Bukharin to the effect that, it is true the Soviet Power is perishing, but in his opinion it will take place not in a month but in a month and two days. (Laughter) Tomsky joins Bukharin and Rykov, but protests against it being impossible to do without theses, without

documents, for which one is held responsible afterwards: "How often have I said to you, do what you like, but do not leave any documents, any traces behind you." (Loud laughter in the whole hall, prolonged applause.) It is true, afterwards, after a year, when it has become clear to every blackbeetle that the blackbeetle is not dangerous, the Right deviators begin to recover and even fall to boasting. They declare that they are not afraid of any blackbeetles, and moreover, that this blackbeetle is a very small one, and at its last gasp. (Laughter.) But that is a year after. In the meantime, one has to be bothered with these people.

These, comrades, are the circumstances which prevent the leaders of the Right opposition from approaching nearer to the core of the Party leadership and merging with it.

By what means can that be remedied? There is only one means. They must finally break with their past; they must completely disarm and they must unite with the Central Committee of our Party in its fight for the Bolshevik tempo of development, in its fight against the Right deviation.

There is no other means. If the former leaders of the Right opposition can do this—well and good. If not, then they make themselves responsible for the consequences. (Prolonged ovation in the whole hall. All sing the "International.") (THE END.)

A Job—But Only For Tammany!

By BURCK.



A New Wave of Struggle by Illinois Miners

By BILL GEBERT.

IN the coal field of Illinois there is a new wave of struggle of the miners against murderous rationalization and unemployment. Recent strikes in Saline County, the present strike of 2,000 miners in Zeigler, the strike in Peabody Mine No. 18 in West Frankfort, are just the first indications of the growing rebellion of the miners. The economic pressure on the miners is so hard that they cannot stand it any longer and they are simply forced to fight back. Wage cuts in all forms, speed-up increasing from day to day and introduction of new machinery, mean that every month thousands of additional miners are forced out of the mines. The mines are "no longer mines but factories." Unemployment is severe throughout the field and those who are working do so only part time. Misery and starvation is general throughout the field.

It is no wonder that these conditions brought about struggles in Saline County and in Franklin County and that there is a growing sympathy for these strikes among the miners in other mines. This growing readiness for struggle is worrying the coal operators and their fascist and social fascist agents very much. Coal operators and city, county and state government, courts, police and fascist gangsters are all doing their bit to suppress the movement of the miners.

The raid on the office of the Illinois Section of the National Miners Union (now the Mine, Oil and Smelter Workers Industrial Union) in West Frankfort, smashing of the office and the burning of all records of the union and beating up and driving out of the county the leaders of the miners and representatives of the Trade Union Unity League are some of the methods used in the coal fields against militant miners.

Dangerous Methods.

But we want to say that much more dangerous methods are pursued by the coal operators to mislead the rebellious miners. Thanks to the opportunistic mistakes of the former leadership of the N.M.U. (Watts, Corbishly, Voyzey, Allard) and their anarchistic methods in handling the affairs of the union, the N.M.U. as an organizational force has been practically eliminated. This situation is exploited by the local fakery of the Lewis and Fishwick machines starting a so-called "rank and file movement" (which, by the way, has among its leaders a small coal operator, Sherman Steel of Muscatine). These misleaders call a second "State Rank and File Convention of the U.M.W.A." to be held in Belleville on August 26. The clear social fascist line of the leadership of this fake rank and file movement is very clearly exposed in a letter of John Ward and James Murry of West Frankfort.

To James J. Davis, Secretary of Labor:

"Referring to your invitation which was published in the press inviting the operators and the miners of the bituminous coal field to get together and try to form some plan by which the confusion in the bituminous coal fields would be eliminated.

"The great trouble as we see it at present is to find a man who would have the confidence of the rank and file of the bituminous fields to represent them in a conference such as you have in mind."

And Further On.

Further in the letter they state that the U.M.W.A. is "destroyed for all practical purposes in the bituminous field." This more clearly than anything else shows that the miners have no more faith in the fascist and social fascist leadership of the U.M.W.A. and therefore the leadership of the fake rank and file movement try to say that they are the only ones who can speak for the miners and so have the privilege of selling the miners to any one who will offer the best price.

Workers! Join the Party of Your Class!

Communist Party U. S. A. 43 East 125th Street, New York City.

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Secretary of Labor Davis is very much interested that something be done to keep the miners in submission; he is alarmed over the opinion of one of the miners of West Frankfort who wrote him a letter telling him that "a general strike is imminent" as is shown in the letter written by Davis in answer to the miners' letter and published in the press in Southern Illinois.

The real face of the leaders of the fake rank and file movement and their true social fascist role is exposed clearly in their letter just referred to which declares for government subsidy for coal operators so, as they state, to "put the operators on their feet financially."

Mr. Ward and Murray are interested in only one thing—to put the operators on their feet financially. They don't give a damn about the starving miners and their families, about the killing of miners as a result of the speed-up in the mines, but they are interested that operators should not lose anything in the present economic crisis, which hits the coal field hard, as well as the chronic crisis of the mining industry.

Mr. Davis is not the only one who is worried about the conditions. Billy Green, fascist president of the A. F. of L., is worried very much because: "The extremists will capitalize the situation—will appeal to the feelings and will mobilize discontent so that it will be well nigh impossible for anyone to require the mine workers to observe the provision of the joint agreement or to conform to the laws, rules and practice of the organized labor movement."

Two Conclusions.

All these facts clearly show two things. (1) The social fascist character of the leadership of this so-called "rank and file" movement. (2) That the operators, government, fascist and social fascist leadership of the A. F. of L. and U.M.W.A. are worried very much as to the possibilities of organizing and leading the miners in the struggle against rationalization, unemployment and for increased wages, shortening of the working hours and social insurance for unemployed workers.

Left Phrases.

The struggle can be organized only by the Mine, Oil and Smelter Workers Industrial Union. We must also clearly understand the demagogical propaganda of the social fascist leaders of the so-called rank and file movement with their left phrases which are misleading the miners. They claim they are against both Lewis and Fishwick, Howatt and Peabody, that they are even for the program of the N.M.U. but they cannot affiliate with the movement because it is a red movement.

It is not a surprise that the social fascists use left phrases. Otherwise they simply cannot speak to the miners. The Mine, Oil and Smelter Workers Industrial Union can take advantage of this situation and is taking advantage by fighting against the social fascist of the rank and file movement, exposing their role and fighting for independent leadership and struggle by the miners. In local unions of the U.M.W.A. where elections are taking place to send delegates to the fake "rank and file" convention, miners put up candidates who are members of the new miner union and fighting for its independent leadership and program. They are electing delegates to the convention by the local unions of the M.O.S.W.I.U., to fight there for the M.O.S.W.I.U.

This activity cannot be confined to the inside of the local unions. A broad campaign must be started exposing the fake leaders and linked up with the economic every day struggle of the miners in every mine, setting up mine committees to undertake the immediate tasks and organizing miners for strike, for spreading local strikes. The unemployment movement must be organized and find expression in mass demonstrations on Labor Day throughout the coal fields. The economic struggle of the miners must be brought to a higher political stage by bringing into the coal field the election campaign of the Communist Party. The election campaign of the Communist Party must unite all the struggles of the miners and poor farming population in that region which is also on the point of starvation, and make a united struggle against capitalism and the capitalist government.

Through this campaign the social fascist character of the leaders of the fake rank and file movement must be fully understood by everybody. The fight against this can be carried out successfully only when not a single organizational question is overlooked. Miners will follow the union and the Party when we clearly set the facts before them.

Some Lessons of August First

By H. PURO.

IN connection with August First, we gained new experiences, and lessons must be learned regarding these experiences and the many shortcomings that we still have in our efforts to mobilize the masses.

Situation Favorable for August 1st Demonstration.

First of all, it must be recognized that the political situation for mobilizing masses was more favorable than ever before. There was a deepening of the economic crisis, growing unemployment, the beginning of a national wage-cutting offensive of employers, sharpening war danger against the Soviet Union, increasing offensive against all workers' revolutionary organizations—the Fish Committee, Root's proposal for federal police, the pope's attack against the Communist Party of the U.S.A., martial law against Flint auto workers' strike, the arrests and terror in the mining fields, intensified lynching campaign against the Negroes in the South, increasing imprisonments of Communists all over the country. There was growing resistance and a rising spirit of struggle among the workers against the offensive of employers and ruling class.

Our Mobilization on August 1st Not Equal to March 6.

Upon the basis of this favorable situation, we should have been able to mobilize the masses for the August First demonstration in greater numbers than ever before. What were then the reasons that we were only able to mobilize about 150,000 workers as compared to over 1,000,000 on March Sixth?

Did we fail to do the necessary preparatory work? As compared to March 6th and May 1st, we think it is only correct to say that our preparatory work was much better planned and much more systematic than ever before, perhaps with a few exceptions.

Looking into the reasons why we were not able to mobilize as great numbers of workers as our efforts would have warranted, we must recognize that the capitalist class adopted different tactics than on March 6th and May 1st.

Capitalists Use New Tactics.

First of all capitalist newspapers tried to kill our mobilization by maintaining complete silence about August First, whereas before the March Sixth and May First they gave us big publicity. Therefore on August First, we reached only those masses that we were able to mobilize directly by our own means.

Second, while on August First there were fewer attacks by the police against our demonstrations, the police did everything possible to smash our preparations, especially in and at the shops, by attacking us at shop gate meetings and jailing our speakers and organizers, thereby crippling our forces which were badly needed in the preparatory work.

Third, while there was a temporary embargo against Soviet imports to this country, the embargo was lifted just a few days before August First which created illusions not only among the masses, but also partly among our own comrades regarding the lessening of preparations for attack against the Soviet Union. These are some examples of the changing tactics by the bourgeoisie and for this change of tactic by our enemies, we were not prepared.

It must also be taken into consideration that, because of the political backwardness of the American workers, the question of the war danger is not yet as great a factor for the mobilization of masses as is the question of unemployment. Therefore the masses were not as ready to demonstrate against the imperialist war danger as they were against unem-

ployment. Especially this was the case because our comrades in the Districts, even District Committees, did not understand how to connect the struggle against the war with the struggle against unemployment.

Our Shortcomings.

Then, of course, we must observe a number of shortcomings.

First of all, the greatest shortcoming was that, although repeated instructions were given by the Central Committee that the main efforts should be concentrated on the shops, the preparatory work in the shops was very insufficient. There were more shop gate meetings and more leaflet distributions in the shop districts than ever before, but on account of insufficient and weak shop committees and Trade Union Unity League groups, our work inside of the shops was still very weak.

Our preparatory work on the basis of United Front Conferences was almost a complete failure. Although concrete instructions were given by the Party center, our comrades were unable to organize United Front Conferences. In many places our functionaries took the attitude that the United Front would organize itself. They sent only a formal written call for the conference and did not take the trouble to send comrades to organize delegates to attend these United Front Conferences, and even in those Districts where more serious efforts were made, our comrades did not seem to know how to organize United Front Conferences. This is a very serious shortcoming and contributed very greatly to our inability to mobilize bigger demonstrations. It is therefore very necessary that the whole Party should study the correct methods of United Front.

We Failed to Link Unemployment With Imperialist War Danger.

We failed to link up the question of unemployment with the question of fighting against imperialist war danger. This was clearly shown from reports of District Organizers in which they claimed that they were not able to mobilize more workers from the shops because of great numbers of unemployed. At the same time, they failed to report why they were unable to mobilize greater numbers of unemployed.

On account of our poor fraction work in the language mass organizations (which in many cases is completely lacking), and on account of a wrong attitude towards language work of many of our District leaders, we were not able to use these sympathetic language organizations to the extent that could have been possible.

Although we have to a great extent overcome the right opportunistic passivity, there is still a great amount of it which is hampering our Party in the mass mobilization. There is no longer an open resistance to the policy of struggle, but passive resistance is still there, and this was a big factor in the August First mobilization. This means that we must continue to struggle energetically against this right opportunistic passivity.

In spite of the fact that in most cases very energetic preparatory work was done not only comrades in the sections and units were assigned to specific work in the preparation.

Very little preparatory work was done in the A. F. of L. unions. This shows complete lack of understanding of the Party trade union policy and shows a strong tendency to give up the workers in the old unions.

Preparations for Demonstrations Must Be Linked With Party Building. A very big shortcoming is the tendency, which seems to prevail in almost all the Districts, to regard demonstrations as something

Unemployment and Wage Cuts in Illinois

By SAM DON.

THE economic conditions in Illinois, as shown in the growth of unemployment and wage cuts, reflect the general trend of the deepening of the crisis throughout the country. This is due to the strategic economic importance of the industries located in Illinois and nearby, such as mining, machinery, steel, Southern Illinois coal fields, the farm implements machine industry, Chicago, being the oldest and largest agricultural trading center, shows the effects of the agricultural crisis in its industries, mail order houses, etc.

An examination of the official Labor Department figures for the month of June, in spite of their attempts to minimize the meaning of those figures, bring out very glaringly the trend in the state.

The Labor Bulletin of the Illinois Department of Labor in its July issue in reviewing the industrial situation of June states the following:

"Manufacturing employment in Illinois cities has decreased steadily each month since last September with the sole exception of February, in which month a slight increase was reported. The decrease during the period of May 15 to June 15 was 2.1 per cent, the most severe drop so far this year. The decline reported this month was the largest decrease in factory employment reported for any June since 1924, and the June employment index figure of 91.2 is lower than for any June on record—that is, since 1923. The decrease in factory employment was again intensified by an increase in part time work as shown by a 5.0 per cent decrease in payroll and a 4.7 per cent decrease in man hours of work."

We note that employment decrease beginning with last September, and steadily at that. It is also interesting to note that in addition to permanent unemployment, there is a great deal of part time employment. Workers having been out of work since last September and many of these working part time have indeed reached the level of starvation. The report also states that: "The decrease in industrial activity was again general throughout the state," in other words, practically every locality and every section of the working class in the state was effected by the crisis.

The Bulletin is also compelled to report the following: "Industrial operations continued quiet during June, with the volume of employment and payrolls again showing reductions from the figures of the preceding month. Reports from 1,865 industrial establishments in all parts of the state indicate a decline of 2.0

per cent in the number of wage earners employed, and of 3.3 per cent in payrolls. This brings employment to a level 10.7 per cent below the figure of a year ago. The volume of employment in Illinois is now smaller than at any time since the depression period of 1921. Monthly indexes of employment have been compiled by this office since January, 1922. The lowest employment index figures previously reached during the entire period 1922-1930 was 91.3 in April, 1928. The index for June, 1930 fell to 90.7." (My emphasis. —S. D.)

Wage Cuts Increase.

In this statement, as well as in the statements which we will quote from the Bulletin, it is quite obvious that alongside of the increase in unemployment there is also an increase in wage cuts for those who are "fortunate" enough to remain at work. The depth of the crisis can also be gathered from the statement that "the volume of employment in Illinois is now smaller than at any time since the depression period in 1921."

How basic the crisis is can also be seen from the official report, namely, "manufacturing industries have shown the effects of the present industrial depression more than the so-called non-manufacturing industries." Further: "metals, machinery and conveyances, the most important of the manufacturing groups, showed a decided downward trend in employment during June, the curtailment exceeding that of any previous June since 1924. This marks the reduction of 5.4 per cent in volume of employment and it was accompanied by a 9.4 per cent less in payrolls." Here again we see the growth of wage cuts go hand in hand with unemployment.

Chicago being one of the largest and most important industrial sections in the state, shows definite and visible signs of the crisis. The official report for the month of June (which we quote below) shows very clearly the following: (1) no break in the growth of unemployment; (2) the growth of wage cuts, and (3) the most important industries are affected by the crisis.

"The seventh consecutive decrease in industrial activity was recorded for June, with a decrease of 2.1 per cent in factory employment and 4.2 per cent in payrolls. An employment decline was reported in seven of the ten major industrial groupings. The metals and machinery industries reported a decrease of 5.3 per cent in employment, while the textile groups decreased employment 4.7 per cent and the furs and leather goods group 4.5 per cent."

separate from the every-day Party work. This has developed the tendency to organize demonstrations in order to carry out the instructions of the Central Committee and to achieve some record for the District. This is a very dangerous attitude and must be overcome immediately. All the mass demonstrations must be regarded as measurements of the Party activities among the masses and as mobilizations for further struggles. Preparations for demonstrations must be linked up with the Party building. To prepare abstractly for demonstrations only is wrong.

There are a number of other shortcomings than can be enumerated. For instance, the Daily Worker and the Party press generally, was not supplied with concrete material from the Districts. This is not the shortcoming of our District Committees only. This shows our failure to organize workers correspondents.

We must also note that only in a very few reports is there mention of recruiting of new members to our Party or to the T.U.U.L. Perhaps in Oakland, Cal., the best results were secured where 26 new members joined our Party. There are a few other places where some new members joined. With little effort, hundreds, perhaps thousands, of new members could have been recruited. This shows how loosely August First work was connected with the Party building task. We must learn that success of our demonstration cannot be judged only according to the number of participants, but according to what organizational results we are able to draw from our propaganda. That is how many new members are recruited for the Party, for the T.U.U.L. for unemployed councils and how many new subscribers are gotten for the Party press. Much more efforts should be made in our future demonstrations for this end.

The general lesson that we must draw from August First, is that we must redouble our efforts in the future mobilizations. We must do more political work, more propaganda work

and much more systematic organizational work in preparing our future demonstrations.

Now that we have already the experiences of two August First, March Sixth and May First Demonstrations, and especially the fresh experiences of the last August First demonstrations with the changed tactics of our enemies, we must base our preparations for September First unemployed mobilization on these experiences and make all efforts to overcome the shortcomings we still have.

Party Work Must Center in Shop Nuclei.

For instance, August First showed that our failures were mainly in the big cities, whereas, in numerous small industrial towns our Party was able to mobilize a surprisingly large number of workers. This difference was due to the fact that in small industrial cities our Party is rooted more deeply in the industries than in the big cities. Therefore we must pay particular attention to changing our Party from the street nuclei basis to the basis of shop nuclei in the big cities.

There are many more concrete lessons to be drawn and they must be brought out and studied.

Although sharp self-criticism is necessary in the light of our August First demonstrations, there is not the least reason for pessimism.

Compared with March Sixth, we well far below on August First, but compared with May First, our August First, with all shortcomings, was a fairly good achievement and shows that our Party was able to mobilize and lead the masses, and that we are on the road of becoming a mass Party.

But our Party can go towards greater success only if we redouble our efforts not only in the organization of demonstrations, but in the every-day work of building the Party upon a mass basis, on the basis of shop nuclei, simultaneously building the revolutionary unions of the T.U.U.L.