

PREPARE MASS DEMONSTRATION FOR FEBRUARY 25!

More Shops Out In Dress Strike; Extend Picketing

Robbing the War Veterans

WASHINGTON politicians of all political faiths are busily concerned these days with the war veterans bonus loan bill. It is not yet certain what the final outcome of these maneuvers will be. The Bacharach bill has already been adopted by the House with an overwhelming vote. The bill is now before the Senate Finance Committee. According to schedule it will be adopted by the Senate today. In the event Hoover votes the bill, which still remains doubtful, the threat in both the House and the Senate is to pass the bill over the presidential veto.

But all this is only a tempest in a teapot; there are no real differences on the issue. They are all agreed that the workers among the veterans, now sorely pressed by unemployment and wage cuts, must be made the goats in any settlement reached. The great majority of the Senators and Representatives, in their anxiety to prevent the veterans from joining in the fight of the unemployed for immediate relief and for unemployment insurance and to secure the veterans' support in the 1932 elections, wish to rob the veterans in such a way as to actually make them think that they are getting something new for little or nothing. This is shown by the following New York Times report:

"According to some usually loyal followers of President Hoover, one of his (the bill's) designs is to prevent the next Congress from passing a measure which would provide for the immediate cash payment of the full face value of the certificates."

Later on in the same report it states that "President Hoover might approve the bill because of the argument that it would forestall a full-payment measure in the next Congress."

Until now, however, Secretary Mellon, undoubtedly speaking also for Hoover, has opposed any additional payments to the veterans on their bonus certificates. This opposition is based on the fact that such payments would cause some slight immediate embarrassment to the Treasury department and, of even greater importance, because of their cynical disregard for the suffering now widespread among the unemployed and underpaid veterans. It appears, though, that the argument of the majority will prevail and that the Bacharach bill will be adopted with or without Hoover's approval.

And what does this Bacharach bill actually mean for the veterans? Does it mean that Congress is doing something for the veterans? Decidedly not! By means of this bill the workers among the veterans, who badly need the money, will actually liquidate their bonus certificates at 50% of their face value. Under the terms of this bill a veteran may borrow up to 50% of the face value of his bonus certificate and "the veteran is to pay 4 1/2% compound interest." Or as Representative Hawley put it: "The average face value of the certificates is practically \$1,000. If a veteran borrows the 50%, authorized by the bill . . . at the end of fourteen years (the expiration date—Ed.), the accumulated interest will be some \$420 (actually \$428.90—Ed.) and he will have as a remainder due him about \$80.00 (actually \$71.10—Ed.)."

So the veteran now borrows \$500 to tide himself through a crisis period. He must repay this \$500 and in addition another \$428.90 as interest. The government, therefore, taking advantage of the hardships which the veterans and their families are now facing, liquidates the veterans' bonus certificates for half price. And this of course, only affects the workers and poor farmers among the veterans. The others will not make loans and after 14 years will receive the full amount. This is the way the political hirelings of the capitalists are trying to fleece the veterans in the ranks of the toilers.

Against this robbery every veteran and every worker must fight. Washington politicians must be emphatically told that the Bacharach bill don't go. The nation-wide demonstrations on International Unemployment Day, February 25th, while fighting most militantly for the immediate appropriation of funds sufficient to pay to every unemployed worker and his family a lump sum for their maintenance for a period of two months and for unemployment insurance, must develop the struggle for a cash bonus, not a loan, to the veterans.

The 'Daily' Needs Your Help!

THE following quotation from a letter received this morning, speaks for itself:

"You are aware, no doubt, that there is a judgment on record against you."

This is one of the bills that make up the deficit that presses the Daily Worker. Bank notes have fallen due and we have no means of paying them. These bills, added to the current bills for the increase in circulation, are crippling and endangering the Daily Worker. Monday and Tuesday were devoted solely to raising \$1,000.00 so that the paper could come out.

The record of the various districts show that only about 50% of the quota is reached. There have been more Daily Workers sold than ever before. The Daily Worker is receiving mass support as it has never received.

However, we are not connecting up the financial responsibility enough with our activities and struggles against the bosses. These struggles are now becoming more sharp. Arrests and intimidations are again open in the coal mine district. Throughout the country the workers are mobilizing for the hunger marches and the unemployment demonstrations on the 25th.

In all these struggles the Daily Worker must appear every day. The increased circulation of the Daily Worker proves the support that the Daily Worker is receiving. We must connect this support up financially. We must increase our donations to liquidate the deficit. Push the Red Shock Troop lists and mail them in immediately to the Daily Worker, 50 East 13th Street, New York City.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE TROOPERS ATTACK MINE PICKET LINE

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 18.—State police yesterday launched a brutal attack on the mass picket line of the striking miners and their families at Edna No. 1 Mine.

Many strikers were beaten up, as well as their women and children, who have been on the picket lines right along helping their men fight against the wage-cut which would condemn them to increased starvation and misery. Conditions, the workers declare, are ban enough now. Many families exist on hunger rations because of the low wages paid—wages which the bosses now seek to cut further.

Several scabs were beaten up by

MUST SWELL PICKETING TO WIN; STRIKERS SHOW GOOD FIGHTING SPIRIT

Go Out In Rain to Bring Out More Shops for
Strike; Hold Many Meetings All
Over the City

Hundreds of Shops Need Picket Lines to Get
Workers Out On Strike

Girls In Shop Write of Slave Conditions and
Appeal for Aid In Calling Out All
Needle Workers

LOCK OUT 500 RIGGERS FROM BROOKLYN JOBS

Worker Arrested, Held
On \$2500 Bail

NEW YORK.—Five hundred workers, who organized into the Rigging and Safe Movers Union, have been locked out. Up until two weeks ago they were unorganized and were working for \$5 a day, with no pay for overtime. They were working 10 and 12 hours.

The workers organized and went on a one-day strike, in order to force the boss to sign contracts with the union. These contracts provided a wage scale of \$8, with \$1.50 for overtime. The bosses signed. However, on Tuesday, Feb. 10, they were locked out because the bosses did not want to recognize their union. The workers were told that if they would tear up their union cards they would get their jobs back and would be given a full week's pay.

The leader of the bosses is the Center Trucking Co., Hope St., Brooklyn, and since Monday he has been running his trucks under police protection, with a policeman on every truck. The other trucking concerns are willing to settle with the workers and up to the present time have been letting their trucks stand idle.

The American Federation of Labor has been collaborating with the bosses in a clever scheme to avoid paying the union scale. It goes this way: The Center Trucking Co. secures a number of membership cards from the A. F. of L. union. These are given to the men when they come to work. The workers carry the card, but do not receive the union scale. One day he works under the name of Brown, the next day under the name of Smith, in accordance with the name on the card that is given him.

The workers went over to the Hope St. Garage, in an attempt to win over the scabs. They were met by 20-40 thugs, who proceeded to fight the workers. One of the strike-breakers hit one of their own men on the head with a piece of iron. A striker was arrested for this and charged with felonious assault. He was held under \$1,500 bail.

Two hours later the trucking company brought over a piece of pipe which they said they had found in the garage. (It is the kind of pipe that can be found in quantities in any garage.) The ball was then increased to \$2,500. The case comes up tomorrow in the Williamsburg Plaza Court in Brooklyn.

NEEDLE TRADES FRACTION MEETING
There will be a Needle Trades fraction meeting of all Party and Y. C. L. members Sunday, at 12 noon. All comrades are instructed to report at the usual place without fail as most important matters connected with the strike will be taken up.

DISTRICT COMMITTEE,
Communist Party of U. S.

Frame-Up In Nessin Case Is Defeated

NEW YORK.—Mass pressure of the workers plus the fact that Jazzy Mayor Walker did not want to be questioned by the three leaders of the October 16th delegation that he ordered slugged in the city hall, was responsible for the discharge of the case against Sam Nesin, Robert Leales and Milton Stone yesterday in the Court of Special Sessions.

The three leaders of the Unemployed Council conducted their own defense. They refused to go on with the case until Walker stated he would be present. The District Attorney put on two witnesses. One was a Tammany cop who helped to slug the defendants, and the other was the official stenographer of the Board of Estimates. The stenographer's testimony contradicted the testimony

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HARLEM DRESS MEET FRIDAY To Rally Support for Strike

NEW YORK.—A mass meeting to promote and spread the dressmakers' strike among the Negro, Spanish and Italian workers of Harlem will be held Friday night at the Harlem Casino, 118th St. and Lenox Ave. The meeting is sponsored by sympathetic working-class organizations and workers. All Harlem workers are urged to attend this meeting. Speakers from the Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union will be present to tell of the struggle of the dressmakers to eliminate sweatshop conditions in the industry.

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Chicago Jobless to Mass at Union Park

All over the country preparations are being made for World Unemployment Day, February 25th. In Chicago, due to mass pressure of the workers who marched through the streets of Chicago on February 10th, a permit has been granted for the northeast corner of Union Park, cor. of Randolph and Ogden on February 25th, at 3:30 p. m. All previous attempts to use this place for unemployment demonstrations have been met with police brutality and slugs. It is the growing militancy of the unemployed which finally forced the permit for Union Park.

Dozens of meetings are being held

throughout Chicago in preparation for February 25th, when thousands of workers will be rallied to fight for immediate relief and for unemployment insurance.

Expect 10,000 In Cincinnati.
The Unemployed Councils and the Trade Union Unity League of Cincinnati are preparing for the February 25th hunger march on International Unemployment Day. The membership of the opinion that 10,000 will take part in the march on this day. Over 40,000 workers are out of jobs in Cincinnati. In the last unemployment meeting here which

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Workers Die Like Flies on Bread- Lines; Suicides Increase Daily

NEW YORK.—A huge increase in suicides and cases of "reportable diseases" is shown in the current bulletin of the State Department of Health. After doing its best to cover up the alarming increase in jobless suicides, the Department admits that the rise to "new heights in the number of suicides and homicides very likely is a direct reflection of the bad economic situation."

The number of cases of "reportable diseases exceeded in 1930 the total for 1929 by almost 9,000."

While these figures indicate the widespread suffering of the masses under the bosses' starvation system they are by no means correct, since they include only cases in which the doctors were called in. Many workers are too poor to call a doctor. This is true even of those who still have jobs. For the vast army of the unemployed it is a luxury they cannot enjoy under the capitalist system.

In the meantime the toll of jobless suicides continue to mount, as workers crushed by misery and starvation,

Five Poisoned at Municipal Lodging House in New York

continue mistakenly to resort to this boss-approved method of solving their problems.

In Jackson, O., William Bartlett, 60-year-old farmer, could no longer stand the sight of his invalid wife starving before his eyes. He fired a shot gun directly into his face, blowing his head off.

In Cincinnati, John Ware, 30, with a wife and two small children, committed suicide Feb. 16, following his failure to find work and the refusal of the bosses and their government to pay unemployment insurance so that he could feed his starving family.

The Denver Post of Feb. 13 carries a story with the following head: "Children Lack Food, Mother Takes Poison." The article admits that the

Workers Will Mass In Union Sq. at 4:30 p.m.; Albany March, Feb. 26

400 Combers Strike in 4 Lawrence Woolen Mills

Ask National Textile Workers Union to Lead
Them; Threatens to Spread—Workers
Fight Inhuman System

BULLETIN
LAWRENCE, Feb. 18.—Four American woolen mills have been affected by the Combers strike here. Ayer Mill combers joined the Washington and Wood Mill strikers today. The strike is spreading to the Shawshoe Mill. If it is not settled today, the strikers have extended the following demands: two combs plus time and a half for overtime, recognition of the National Textile Workers Union. The company requested negotiations with the strike committee today. Settlement will mean that the strike will spread to other departments of the four mills.

Over 400 strikers are out. Mass meetings are being held every night at Union Hall, 234 Essex Street.

LAWRENCE, Mass., Feb. 18.—Yesterday morning, the combing department of the Washington Mill walked out against the attempt of the bosses to make two men work 9 combs, which is a terrific rate of speed, and almost impossible to execute.

The workers immediately went up to the National Textile Workers Union office, and organized themselves into the union. They elected a committee to present their demands to the boss, who answered: "But let them try it. If you won't go back to work, well it's just up to you."

The workers, upon hearing the report of the committee, voted unanimously for a strike against 9 combs, against speed-up and for 2 combs for one man.

The combing room is completely tied up. Both day and night shifts are out. Today the section hands and power men of the combing room came out and the finishers were released for the morning because they had no work.

The official in charge of the mill called up the New York office of the American Woolen Company yesterday (The Washington Mill is an American Woolen concern) to come to town to negotiate with the rank and file strikers committee of the National Textile Workers Union.

The strike has a great significance for all textile workers. If the company officials insist on their outrageous speed-up proposal today the strike will spread to the other departments of the mill and also to the combing rooms of the Wood and Ayer, also American Woolen Company concerns in Lawrence.

Militant picketing by the strikers

Albany Hunger March Leaders to Speak at Square

NEW YORK.—New York workers will come out on Union Square on February 25 in participation in the demonstrations against unemployment and for unemployment insurance which will occur all over the country and throughout the capitalist world on that day.

The leaders of the Albany Hunger March, which will start out for the State Capital on February 26, will be among the speakers at the Union Square demonstration. Harry Raymond, one of the March 6 delegation who will be released on February 20, also speak at Union Square. Sam Nesin, Leales, Stone, the three leaders of the unemployed released yesterday by mass pressure on the bosses courts, will also be among the speakers.

Negro, White Workers! Refuse to Die of Starvation! Employed Workers! Stop work at 4 P. M. and support the struggle of the unemployed against the bosses hunger system and for unemployment insurance. All Out February 25!

NEW YORK.—Full preparations are under way for the hunger march of about 800 workers who will march from New York City on February 26th to the State Legislature at Albany to

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FORM FASCIST GOV'T IN SPAIN

Workers Will Lead
Real Revolt

With the failure of the attempt of Jose Sanchez Guerra to form a cabinet in Spain, with the aim of fooling the masses into the belief that changes were to be made, Admiral Juan Bautista Aznar y Cabanas, representing the most reactionary feudal elements, formed an openly fascist cabinet on Wednesday.

The half-way measures of reconciling the bourgeoisie with the feudal landowners was a complete fiasco. Now, to keep back the growing tide of revolution, led by the workers and oppressed peasants, King Alfonso has given full power to the most backward and reactionary aristocratic leaders.

Admiral Cabanas has promised a reign of blood and terror. When he picked his cabinet he said: "I am a navy man and I place myself at the disposal of his who orders. I believe, with the help of God, we will go ahead."

All of the members of the Cabanas cabinet are the most outspoken enemies of the workers and the rising revolution in Spain. A strong censorship has been clamped down. Cabanas will begin his rule with murders and jailings.

STRIKERS!

If arrested give the police only your name and address and nothing more.

If you are asked for information about your citizenship, your family, your comrades' names or addresses, your membership in any organization, your other activities, or, in fact, any other subject in the world you should not answer, because you are not required by law to give any such information to the police.

You are entitled to make three free telephone calls from the police station and you should insist on your right to use the telephone. Call the local office of the International Labor Defense—Stuyvesant: 9-3732—and give them:

1. Your name.
2. Where you are held.
3. In what court you will be tried, and when.

MORE SHOPS OUT IN DRESS STRIKE; EXTEND MASS PICKETING

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strike before the day had ended. Hundreds of shops are literally crying for representatives of the Industrial Union to lead them out on strike, but are forced to wait until strikers, busy at their picketing, can be sent to lead them.

Heartbreaking letters, such as the following, are received daily by the N. T. W. I. U. This one came in this morning: "Brothers and Sisters:—

"Will you please come at No. 1359 Broadway (for obvious reasons we are omitting exact location—Ed.) and kindly try to free us from slavery? The boss is treating us like dogs, telling us one price when we start a new style and when pay day comes he says that he can't afford to pay the price that he told us when we started a new style. Please help us. We all like to join the union."

The letter was signed: "The girls all." Mass picketing will inspire these girls, as well as thousands of other dressmakers, with enough courage to come out, and once they are out they will be infected by that working-class solidarity which spreads like wildfire in every strike and makes heroes out of many. And mass picketing by everyone, not needle trades workers alone.

News from the shops in the suburbs, where dressmakers average \$12 to \$15 a week for 50 and 60 hours of work, continue to be encouraging. Negro, Italian and Spanish dressmakers, super-exploited and disregarded entirely by the I. L. G. W., the company union, are flocking to the standard of the fighting Industrial Union.

Late reports from Philadelphia stated that the response to the strike call of the Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union was excellent. Striking dressmakers filled Boslover Hall and prepared to begin mass picketing today. Philadelphia dressmakers suffer the same bitter slavery that is the lot of the super-exploited dressmakers in the suburbs and outlying sections of New York.

The Philadelphia dressmakers are paid \$6, \$8, \$10 and \$12 a week for 50 and 60 hours of work.

News from the shops in the New York suburbs continues to be encouraging. Negro, Spanish and Italian dressmakers subjected to a slavery that makes the forced labor in the Southern states look like a needle boss's vacation in Palm Beach, are walking out of their shops and express the determination to stay out until their demands as members of the N. T. W. I. U. are won.

The daily toil of a dressmaker is something that one cannot easily imagine. A mad speed-up, with the boss or foreman always at one's elbow yelling "faster, faster and faster!" wages cuts that are quite literally a weekly occurrence, seasons that last from four to six months a year, unemployment and misery when the season is over; this forced labor of the 60,000 thousand dressmakers in New York, Boston and Philadelphia makes them one of the most exploited groups of workers in this land of such mighty exploitation.

That corrupt band of pirates, the hateful I. L. G. W., is denying in the capitalist press that a strike is in progress and at the same time announces that the strike was called

"by the Communists for the purpose of enlarging their treasury." Even the supporters of this company union are laughing at the absurdity of the statement, for not only was this the first charge hurled by the I. L. G. W. when the N. T. W. I. U. was formed to lead dressmakers in a struggle against the slavery imposed on them by the needle trades bosses, but the leaders of the I. L. G. W. are notoriously wealthy from the taxes, dues, etc., wrung by them from the poverty stricken workers who have been misled into joining the I. L. G. W. by all sorts of hypocritical promises or who have been forced by their bosses to join this company union.

It is too much to expect the officers of the I. L. G. W. to be seen in a working class organization, but if one of them by accident ever stepped into the offices of the N. T. W. I. U., the first thing he would see is a big sign which reads: "Join the Needle Trades Unemployed Council. Initiation five cents, dues two cents a week."

The same capitalist press reports which carried the statement of the president of the I. L. G. W. that the dressmakers' strike was called to "increase the Communist treasury," carried the statement that the president was about to leave for a three months' vacation. The dues collected from members of the N. T. W. I. U. do not permit its officers to go on three months' vacations. However, it is confidently expected that the militancy of the strikers in the next few days may force the president of the I. L. G. W. to end his vacation rather abruptly and come back to aid the bosses who pay him so well for his strike-breaking ability.

The funds that the Industrial Union obtains to fight the cases of the pickets who are arrested at the I. L. G. W.'s request are acquired in the following manner: Bath Beach Workers' Club, \$5; Brighton Beach Workers' Club, \$49; Bronx Hungarian Workers' Club, \$10; Bronx Workers' Club, \$44.05; Brownsville Workers' Club, \$3; Coney Island Workers' Club, \$33.55; Cuban Workers' Club, \$18; Down Town and East Side Workers' Club, \$74.54; Finnish Federation, \$5; Hungarian Needle Trade Workers' Club, \$2; Hungarian Workers' Home Society, \$5; Middle Bronx Workers' Club, \$20; New Rochelle Workers' Club, \$5; Prospect Workers' Club, \$60; Ukrainian Workers' Organization, \$5; Harlem Progressive Youth Club, \$20; Brownsville Workers' Youth Club, \$50; and East New York Workers' Club, \$10.

The list will be continued tomorrow. At press time it was impossible to determine just how many strikers were arrested for picketing, but it is reliably reported that at least 24 were arrested in New York and 25 in Philadelphia. The names of some of the New York dressmakers who were arrested follow: Sam Johnson, A. Sittin, J. Blossberg, Ethel Shore, Mary Siegel, Sophie Rubin, Irving Mellick and Herman Blumberg. They are being defended by lawyers retained by the rank and file strike committee.

An important meeting of the Shop Chairmen and the Shop Committees will be held tomorrow in Bryant Hall at 1 p. m. A meeting of the General Strike Committee will be held on Saturday at 2 p. m. in Irving Plaza.

WORKERS GREET HARRY RAYMOND

Militant To Be Released Feb. 20

NEW YORK—Harry Raymond, the last of the March 6th delegation to be released from jail for leading the 110,000 unemployed at Union Square, will be freed from Welfare Island, Friday morning, February 20th. Raymond was sentenced to three years imprisonment together with William Z. Foster, I. Amter and Robert Minor. The latter three were released on parole after serving six months, and Raymond's sentence was set at 10 months.

A mass demonstration will be held on Monday, February 23rd at 8 p. m. at Irving Plaza, 15th Street and Irving Place. All workers are urged to greet this militant fighter and leader of the unemployed. Harry Raymond, who is a member of the Marine Workers Industrial Union, will be greeted on his release by a committee composed of representatives of the Unemployed Council, Marine Workers Industrial Union, Trade Union Unity Council, International Labor Defense.

At the demonstration to greet Raymond the leading speakers will be I. Amter, district organizer of the Communist Party, New York, who was sentenced to Welfare Island with Raymond; Jack Stachel, a representative of the T.U.U.L., J. Louis Engdahl, National Secretary of the International Labor Defense and a representative of the Marine Workers Industrial Union. Every worker should rally to the mass demonstration on Monday to greet Harry Raymond who was especially singled out by the capitalists for a vicious sentence for his militancy on March 6th.

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THE ADVENTURES OF BILL WORKER



MASS ON UNION SQUARE, FEB. 25

Hunger March Leaders to Speak

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present the demands of the nearly 2,000,000 unemployed of the state for the demands for unemployment insurance on March 3. Marching through Yonkers, Ossining, North Tarrytown, Peekskill, Poughkeepsie, Hudson and other towns en route they will be met at Albany by marchers from Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse, Binghamton, Utica, Schenectady, Troy and other industrial cities. On the way the marchers will be greeted at the towns by the unemployed workers of these towns. In the towns themselves meetings will be held in front of the factories. At the places where workers will stop over night, a demand is being made that the armories be opened for them and that food be provided by the city administration. In the meantime the Unemployed Councils and the Workers International Relief are collecting funds, food, clothing, etc.

In New York City there will be tag days on Saturday and Sunday, February 21st and 22nd and all workers are called on to proceed with collecting funds.

NEW YORK—All along the route from New York City to Albany and from Buffalo to Albany, the Unemployed Councils and other working class organizations are busy doing the necessary work for the state hunger march to the capitol. Two groups of unemployed start out from Buffalo and New York on the same day, February 26th, right after the world unemployment day demonstrations. They will arrive at Albany at the same time and present their demands to the governor.

In Hudson, N. Y., Sam Thomas, representing the Workers International Relief, demanded the use of the armory in Hudson for the army of hunger marchers who will be going through there in about ten days. The mayor said he would "see about it" and let Thomas "know later." Hudson workers are being mobilized to feed the marchers and to arrange for a mass demonstration to greet them and popularize their demands. At their Unemployed Council meeting last week, the workers and unemployed of Poughkeepsie unanimously voted to march on the mayor after their meeting Wednesday, to demand that the armory in Poughkeepsie be thrown open to the hunger marchers. Sufficient food has already been collected in this city to feed enough sleeping places for the 500. Several Poughkeepsie workers have volunteered the use of autos and trucks for the marchers. Enthusiasm is mounting from day to day and the marchers will be greeted with fine solidarity here.

The workers of Ossining are in great spirits over the prospect of greeting their fellow workers coming through on this militant hunger march to fight for relief. The executive committee of the Portuguese Victoria Club of Ossing has thrown open the club rooms to the marchers for their stay here. A big demonstration is planned.

MOORE SPEAKS IN BRONX FRIDAY Lecture On Crisis, Deportations

Frame-Up In Nesson - Case Is Defeated

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Right from the start, the three workers made a militant defense exposing the technicalities of the boss courts which are used to railroad workers. Sam Nesson asked the cop if he wasn't one in the group that was making a fortune framing innocent girls on vice charges. The court tried to stop the questioning, but the three defendants protested. Besides, Stone and Leales all took part in questioning the witnesses. They brought out the fact that they represented thousands of unemployed workers who came to demand relief at the Board of Estimates on Oct. 16, and that they were beaten up on the order of Mayor Walker.

After the two witnesses for the state were put on, Nesson demanded the case be dismissed. Walker came into the court-room at this time. Nesson's motion declared that Walker had ordered the delegation beaten up. He told of how they were taken to the basement and slugged again after they were kicked and beaten in the Board of Estimate room.

Stone then showed the whole frame-up and why the three were being tried—because they demanded relief for the unemployed and exposed the grafting Tammany Hall politicians.

It was clear then that Walker did not want to go on the stand and be questioned by the three workers he had ordered beaten up. The judges had the whole case cooked up beforehand, as was readily apparent from their actions. They whispered to one another and then the presiding judge said that the unemployed had no right to expose the grafting politicians; that they were guilty of disorderly conduct, but that they could not be charged with unlawful assembly. They were then dismissed.

No worker will be fooled by this action into believing in the "fairness" of capitalist justice. The only reason for the arrest in the first place was an attempt on Walker's part to justify the ruthless slugging of the delegation at his orders in the city hall. He did not want to be faced by the workers he ordered slugged and have his "dignity" ripped into by Nesson, Leales and Stone. They learned, too, from the Foster, Minor, Amter case of March 6 that these persecutions arouse the workers to greater militancy, and their fake play of

AMUSEMENTS NEIGHBORHOOD THEATRES EAST SIDE—BRONX JEFFERSON 147 St. 43rd Ave. RKO ACTS OTIS SKINNER IN KISMET WITH LORETTA YOUNG DAVID MANNERS FRANKLIN 137 St. 100th Ave. RKO ACTS Loretta Young David Manners

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PUSH "WORKER" DRIVE IN BRONX

Conference Draws Up Concrete Plans

A Daily Worker circulation conference of workers organizations in the Bronx was held this Sunday, February 15. Comrade Ross, representing the District Daily Worker spoke on the role of the Daily Worker in building the revolutionary movement in the United States and as the daily organizer of the struggle of the unemployed workers against starvation, and as the mobilizer of the exploited workers in the factories against the continued wage-cuts handed out daily in the different industries.

The main question taken up at the conference was how to build mass circulation for the Daily Worker in the Bronx. A number of organizational proposals was accepted among which are that every worker organization elect a Daily Worker representative with an additional comrade to assist in mobilizing the organization to spread the Daily. That every organization must order at least one bundle a week to be sold at meetings, affairs and to workers in their territories. Red Sundays to be organized to get subs and to make contacts with workers in their homes. To help in the building of Red Builders Clubs, and in the building up of workers correspondence from the shops.

It was decided to hold a large affair in the Bronx for the support of the Daily Worker. The discussion by the delegates showed their keen interest in building up the Daily Worker, and really reaching the widest number of workers with its message. The following organizations were represented: Russian Club, Navy Mvr. Cloakmakers Women's Council No. 1, Women's Council No. 11, No. 8, No. 22 and No. 12, Branches No. 116 and No. 3 and No. 138 of the I.W.O., Middle Bronx Workers Club, Prospect Workers Club, Schule No. 1, I.W.O., Bronx Hungarian Workers Club, Children's Wks. School No. 3, in all 16 organizations were represented.

"fairness" will not mislead any worker as to the real class nature of these capitalist courts.

BIG ILL BAZAAR OPENS THURSDAY

Twenty Nationalities to Participate

The big annual bazaar of the New York District of the International Labor Defense opens tomorrow (Thursday) night at 8 o'clock at Star Casino, 107th St. and Park Ave. During the four days that the bazaar will be held thousands of workers of every nationality are expected to visit it and to help raise the funds to fight the efforts of the capitalist courts to railroad militant workers to jail, as well as the attempts to deport the foreign-born workers.

Twenty nationalities are participating in the bazaar, making it an expression of real international solidarity. The Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union, the Food Workers' Industrial Union and the Independent Shoe Workers' Union are among the militant trade unions that will have booths.

The opening evening has been designated as Finnish Night and a program of music, athletics and other entertainment is being arranged by the Finnish workers' organizations. The program for the second night, Friday, is in charge of the Hungarian and German workers. Saturday afternoon a special program for the children is being arranged by the Young Pioneers and the Junior Defenders. Saturday evening a great Russian costume ball will be held, with prizes awarded for the best costumes. The final evening, Sunday,

will be Trade Union Night. The bazaar will be open day and night. Tickets are on sale at the I. L. D. district office, 799 Broadway, Room 410.

German Film Premiere in Cameo Tonight

"Comrades of 1918," the German film which as "Four Infantry Men on the Western Front 1918" has been playing for two years on the continent and in Central Europe, will have its American premier tonight at the Cameo Theatre.

G. W. Pabst directed this Nero-Talking Picture and Fritz Kampers, Gustav Diessl, Hans Joachim Moebis and Claus Clausen play the four important characters. Leo Brecher's Central Park Theatre (formerly Jolson's), at Seventh Ave. and 59th St., opens this Friday evening with a gala performance of "Pagliacci," the first complete grand opera in sound film.

The newest all-French talkie, "La Nuit Est a Nous" ("The Night Is Ours"), will have its American premiere at the Little Carnegie Playhouse this evening.

ALFRED WALLENSTEIN SOLOIST WITH PHILHARMONIC Alfred Wallenstein, cellist, will be the soloist with the Philharmonic Orchestra this Thursday evening and on Friday afternoon at Carnegie Hall, playing Bloch's "Schelemo" ("Solomon"). Bernardo Molinari will conduct the following program: Haydn, Symphony in E-flat major; Respighi, Old Airs and Dances for the Lute; Ravel, "La Valse"; Smetana, Overture to "The Bartered Bride."

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Stalin Br. F. S. U. meets at 7:30 p. m. at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. 4th St. A. T. Magill will talk on the Soviet Union from which he has just returned. Lecture followed by Soviet Film "Living Corpse" Admission 25 cents.

Sports Section Meeting of the Harlem Progressive Youth Club, 1492 Madison Ave., takes place at 8:30 p. m. Elections will be held.

Plumbers and Helpers meet at 8 p. m. at 16 W. 21st. Important organizational work to be done.

Rehearsal of Symphony Orchestra of the W.I.R. old members report promptly at 8 p. m. Rehearsal for future concert. Workers playing instruments invited to join. Rehearsal at 7 E. 14th St.

Symposium at the Harlem Progressive Club, 1492 Madison Ave., at 8:30 p. m. on "The Unemployment Situation." All welcome.

Red Sparks Athletic Club Lecture at 8:30 p. m. at the club-rooms, 132 Second Ave. "Charity vs. Unemployment Insurance."

New Brunswick The I. L. D. has called a mass meet to take place at 8 p. m. at 11 Flum St. to protest the deportation of foreign-born workers. Prominent speakers.

Brownsville Women's Conference to make final arrangements for International Women's Day, March 8th. All women's labor organizations are urged to be present at 8:30 p. m. at 184 Fifth Ave. 31st fl.

Neighbors Workers Club 2509-65th St., B'klyn. Lecture on the Five Year Plan of the Soviet Union at 8:30 p. m. Adm. free.

Workers Ex-Servicemen's League meets at 79 E. 10th St. (cor. 4th Ave.) at 7:30 p. m. Important work on order of business. Membership books ready.

SATURDAY—House Party given by C. Richard at 39 W. 114th St. Apt. 2. Adm. 25c. Good music.

Bath Beach Ice Concert at Bath Beach Workers Center, 48 Bay 28th St. at 8:30 p. m. "Bay News" Play by W.I.R. will be presented by the Workers Laboratory Theater at 131 W. 28th St. Also at 8:30 p. m. "Revolutionary Theater in Germany."

Rockefeller Co. Union Will Not Stop Struggle of Pueblo Steel Workers

Many Workers Have Been Laid Off In the Course of Year; Short Time On

Join the Metal Trades Industrial League to Fight Against Rockefeller

Pueblo, Colo.

Dear Daily Worker: A number of the departments of this company have been operating at more or less reduced schedule since the close of the war in 1918. Several years ago the company had an active "efficiency" campaign in which a great number of men were laid off. At this time quite a bit of labor saving machinery was installed which further reduced the number of men on the payroll.

The "business depression" during 1930 was another excuse of laying off more men with the result that the remaining men had to perform the same amount of work in many cases that had been done by a much larger number of men previously.

During the last year many men have been laid off and many others have been put on 1 to 6 days work per week.

Company Union Here.

The Colorado Fuel & Iron Co. is handicapped by having no coal and iron ore within easy reach; the greatest quantities of coal coming from the Walsenburg district and points further south. Practically the entire supply of iron ore is obtained from Sunrise, Wyoming. Inasmuch as the company cannot produce its basic iron as cheaply as many of the more propitiously located companies in the East, the handicap falls chiefly on the employees.

All labor difficulties of the plant are handled under the "Rockefeller Representative Plan". This plan is really nothing but a "Soothing Syrup" to keep the workers contented.

Inasmuch as the Employees Representatives have no actual power to prevent any unjust decisions being made, the representative plan does not "hold water" and is nothing but a cleverly planned hoax to prevent the workers from organizing an active labor union.

The C. F. & I. has always been very quick and willing to order out the militia to handle any militant workers. The attitude of the C. F. & I. Company toward its workers has been an attitude of oppression.

On the pages of history this company will go down as the "Ludlow Murderers."

The workers of the steel and coal are looking forward to the day when the Communist Party will release them from their bondage of steel chains.

—Pueblo Steel Worker.

Very Little Work Going On In San Diego, Cal.

San Diego, Calif. Editor, Daily Worker: There is very little work going on here. The few fish canneries and the small lumber industry is almost at a standstill. Building has just about let up outside of a small home being built here and there.

There is some restaurant and hotel work as this is a tourist town and base for the U. S. Navy. Wages have been slashed here the same as they have been all over the country. Dishwashers get from one dollar a day and up for 12 hours work. Elwood

Deleon of Florida is paying men 25 cents an hour for doing carpenter work on an auto exhibit that is being put up at the foot of Broadway.

Marked on the black board in the "free" employment office the other day was a sign "Two first class lathers, \$3.50 a day". Celery pickers are paid 25 cents an hour and work five to six hours a day. A Mexican celery picker said the boss got a commission on each man he hired and charged each man 25 cents a day to haul them to the job.

—C. G.

Nabisco Foreman A Vicious Tyrant

New York. Daily Worker: That was great work to give that bum O'Brien (a straw boss in the National Biscuit Co. plant) a write up in your paper. He needed it and how to have every one know what a grafter he is. Here is some more. He gets all kinds of tickets for shows and fights and everything you can think of from people whose friends he will place in a job. Now tell me is there anything right in this?

Insolent Lackey. And if a person is home sick even with a cold and does not have the price of a doctor and happens to be out more than a week, why he sends all kinds of letters to have filled out by a doctor. So whether you have a doctor or not, in order to

hold your job, you have to go into debt and get one. Now is there anything right in that? He is positively rotten to poor people.

But he has all kinds of graft coming in to him and does not give a damn about other people.

And not only that. When people are out sick and come back again to work, why they are sent to him and he puts them through a third degree. You would think he was a doctor, the question he asks, so personal and it is terribly embarrassing for women.

Nerve of him, he should not have anything to do with women's cases that are out sick. And, another thing, he does not know how to talk to women.

—A Worker in the Nabisco.

Denver Red Sunday Reveals Extent of Unemployment

Denver, Colo. Daily Worker: The Denver papers tell us it is a privilege to live in Colorado, that people in Colorado have suffered less from the crisis than the people in any other state. When the unemployed workers of Denver marched to the state capital, Jan. 21, and presented their demands for immediate relief, the senate appointed a committee to investigate unemployment in Colorado, and the committee (so the capitalist papers told us) found that there was no serious unemployment situation in this state and conditions did not justify the demonstration.

But yesterday one of the Denver units had a red Sunday in the packing house district, for the house-to-house sale of tickets for the Foster meeting. About two-thirds of the men I talked to were out of work. Here are some of the stories of un-

employment and poverty these workers told me:

"I would like to hear Foster speak, but I can't spare the money. I have been out of work since last September."

"My husband is working, but there are five of us to live on his \$20 a week; so you can see what 25 cents means to us."

"I was out of work eight months last year. I have had a few days' work this year, but the wages are so small it doesn't pay to work."

"I can't buy a ticket. I am out of work and have no money. It looks like we are going to lose our home. We can't make our payments."

"I'd like to buy a ticket, lady, but I have no money; I got no work; I can't find no job."

"Twenty-five cents? I haven't got that much money. I have only worked eight days since last August."

—D. E. E.

Carnegie Steel Co. Has New Tyranny

Dear Comrade Editor: The workers of the Carnegie Steel Co. were nagged all last summer to buy shoes from the Steel Co. store. The company had an agent telling the workers these special shoes had steel and if 300 pounds of iron would drop on your foot that you wouldn't feel it.

Very few workers bought these shoes, because they are dearer than other working shoes.

would sell like hot cakes, so they ordered a big stock of shoes. Seeing that their agent couldn't scare the workers into buying the shoes just because they work in Carnegie Steel, what was their next step? The bosses told the workers at work to buy the shoes because they had to get rid of the stock before March 1, 1931. If they didn't buy any shoes they would get their time.

How can the workers of Carnegie Steel buy shoes? They work two and

PREPARE MASS DEMONSTRATION FOR FEBRUARY 25

Chi. Jobless to Mass at Union Park

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was called for the preparation on February 25th, the hall was packed, and every worker present took the floor and declared he would do everything to make the hunger march a success. On February 10th, 5,000 took part in the March. On February 25th not less than 10,000 are expected. The hunger march will start at 12:00 noon at 12th and Central, and from there will go to the west end and back to the city hall where a delegation will present the demands of the unemployed to the city council.

At Scranton, Pa., Public Sq.

In Scranton, Pa., on Wednesday, February 25th, a huge mass unemployment demonstration, called jointly by the Communist Party and the Trade Union Unity League will take place at noon in Public Square, (Mitchell's Statue). Preparations are being made for a wide distribution of the special edition of the Daily Worker.

Word has been received that the Glen Alden Grievance Committee thru pressure of the rank and file is calling a rump convention of the U.M.W.A. District One. The Glen Alden Coal Company has closed down nine collieries this year, throwing thousands of miners out of work. The miners are demanding the reopening of these mines, and have appealed to the district officials and to Governor Pinchot but all they have gotten is "promises" but no action.

The miners themselves are now acting and the rump convention of district One is their first expression. These miners are no longer depending upon the "promises" of the district officialdom and the "Pinchot" committee.

In Minersville, Pa., on February 25,

a march from all surrounding towns will be made on the county seat, in Pottsville, Pa., to put forth the demands of the unemployed. Unemployment in this vicinity is effecting thousands of workers.

In Detroit, Mayor Murphy's Unemployment Committee, in its drive against foreign-born workers, are using numerous dicks and stool-pigeons. At the welfare stations, soup kitchens and flop houses, these agents terrorize and cross-examine the workers as to their being entitled to draw the miserable pittance.

To fight against this, the Unemployed Councils of Detroit are effectively preparing to put an end to this intimidation and to expose Murphy's attempts to fool the workers.

The Unemployed Council is rallying thousands of workers for the February 25th demonstration, demanding the creation of a city unemployment fund, through taxation on incomes and property of the manufacturers and business men.

Mobilize In Pittsburgh.

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Portland, Ore., Points Way to Increased Circulation by Way of Red News Clubs; Sends Tips

Portland, Ore., which recently started a new bundle order of 50 for the Unemployed Council alone, is carrying on work which should result in a steady increase in circulation.

"The workers are anxious to buy a Daily Worker. In Portland, where the Daily Worker boys have been arrested, beaten up and kept for deportation, the Daily Worker is sold," writes Minnie L., Daily Worker representative. "In November we used to get 50 copies. Today, Portland gets 128 papers, so you see the Daily can be sold if only the comrades realize the importance."

M. L.'s letter clearly shows the response of the workers to the "Daily" despite government terror. She gives some concrete suggestions on forming Red Builders' News Clubs.

"Each comrade knows a few sympathizers," she writes. "We also have a list of subscribers. Each unit elects an active Daily Worker agent with two comrades to help him. These three call a meeting of sympathizers where the Daily Worker agent (or any Party speaker) explains the importance of the "Daily," appeals for subs and arranges Red Syndicats. At the same meeting two sympathizers should be added to the Daily Worker committee, to meet every week.

"They must arrange meetings at least twice a month," she continues, "and should see that these are made interesting, by a musical program and refreshments, so workers can become better acquainted and feel at home. I'm sure if every city will do that, the sale and subs will double."

Comrade L. pays her bills promptly and calls upon other Daily Worker representatives to do likewise, so that the Daily Worker would not have to appeal for funds so often.

A report like this indicates the possibilities which may be achieved in selling the paper by systematic means. We wish to receive reports a little more regularly from Portland, so that direct help can be given from the national office.

CHESTER, PA. FORMS SECOND NEWS CLUB

"I want you to know we have established a new Red Builders' Club with 3 members," writes C. C., Daily Worker representative of Chester, Pa. "Now we have two. Please send 50 copies from today. We will try to build up more clubs."

READING BUNDLE RAISED TO 100

From Reading, Pa., which ordered 40 copies a day, we received a wire: "Increase bundle to 100. Confirmation through district agent."

"CANNOT DIGEST CAPITALIST BUNK"

D. Rackson of Syracuse, N. Y., encloses \$1 for renewal, writing: "I'm not a member of your Party, I find that since I've got acquainted with your newspaper I cannot digest any more all the bunk of the capitalist press. Here's a wish for a million readers of the Daily Worker before long."

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Two weeks after these banks failed Davidson Bros. Department Store slashed the wages of their workers from 15 to 33 per cent. The bosses are laying the burden of the depression on the workers.

The president and owner of Davidson's Department Store made a very strange move for a capitalist. In order to get a half million dollars in-

surance to keep the business on a sound financial basis, and so that the young parasites of this department store could continue with the store, he shot himself. This is a peculiar way for a capitalist to save his accumulated wealth and power.

Fellow-workers of Sioux City, you can all see that the bosses and the capitalists are going rapidly on the down grade. They won't all shoot themselves. They will try to lay the burden of the economic crisis on the shoulders of the working class.

The workers of Sioux City should rally around the Communist Party to fight the exploiters. Capitalism won't give up without a fight.

—A Worker.

CONDITIONS GETTING WORSE IN SYRACUSE, N. Y.

Syracuse, N. Y. Daily Worker: Here things are getting worse and worse. All the factories are cutting down time and wages. The Syracuse Washing Machine Corp. not long ago cut down wages 10 per cent to the piece-worker and 5 per cent to the day worker. The Crouse Blinds Co., one of the model shops here, cut down the molders to 25 per cent and 10 per cent the office, and the foundry only works two days a week. A worker was telling another and I overheard that where he works they cut 25

per cent, but the workers are not willing to starve peacefully.

Discontent exists among them and they are realizing more than before their lesson and rally around the Unemployment Council and the Communist Party. The task for the revolutionary workers here is very difficult for the reason that they have not got good control of the union bodies and to reach the workers one by one takes time, but they are doing the best, you may depend on that. Another is the lack of able functionary comrades, especially in English.

—A Worker Correspondent.

AUSTIN MARTI DENIED ASYLUM

(Special to the Daily Worker) LOS ANGELES, Cal.—Austin F. Marti has been denied assistance by practically every Central and South American republic, and has been refused admittance into this country by immigration officials in Los Angeles.

Marti is now in San Francisco harbor on the liner Colombia of Panama.

DEFENSE IS ON THE JOB TO GET A WRIT OF HABEAS CORPUS, REALIZING THE POLITICAL ISSUE INVOLVED.

NEW YORK.—Austin F. Marti was formerly secretary to Sandiego, but was repudiated by Sandiego because of his Communist beliefs. He was later jailed by the Nicaraguan government and deported to El Salvador, his home country. Although a native of that country he was deported, and given a visa to Mexico. The Mexican authorities would not let him land, and he was carried back to Salvador, where he was forbidden to land.



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Officially Admit Over 721,976 Jobless

ROME, Feb. 17. — Fascism can no longer hide the fact that unemployment is on the increase in Italy. The latest report made public here, with the approval of the fascist censorship, states there are 721,976 unemployed in Italy, as compared with 642,169 in the previous month.

These figures, of course, are not an accurate gauge to the real unemployment situation in Italy. Tens counted, and the fascists use every means to keep unemployed workers from registering. The unemployed actually number up in the millions.

This is further proof that the economic crisis in Italy is worsening and with it comes a weakening of the fascist dictatorship.

BERLIN, Feb. 18.—On Saturday and Sunday wild scenes occurred in half a dozen movies in Berlin, when the reactionaries in Berlin. The audience whistled, cat-called, aimed eggs filled with ink at screens, dropped stink bombs, smashed windows and tore down posters. Large forces of armed police tried to secure the showing, and ejected hundreds, arrested many, but without success.

The bourgeois press comments that the police were energetic to secure the showing of the reactionary film and showed a laxity when the fascists tried to stop the showing of the "All Quiet" film.

DON'T FIGHT BACK SO BOSSES SLASH TWICE

Struggle Can Stop More Wage Cuts

Staten Island, N. Y. Dear Comrades:

Speaking to some of the workers in the Staten Island Varnish Co. here at Elm Park, who said that conditions are getting intolerable.

They said that in 1930 or at the end of 1930, after being speeded up to capacity, many workers were laid off. Those who were fortunate enough to remain at work got a 10 per cent cut with no complaining about it. Of course, the bosses, seeing that no one complained a few weeks later, cut down another 10 per cent of their wages.

Wages at this factory before these cuts, were from \$20 to \$40 a week with only a few skilled workers there for many years receiving \$40.

I told them how to fight back and organize. I told them about the "Daily Worker," about the Reds who come to assist the workers in their struggles for better conditions. I told them that when they are ready to fight to send for organizers by writing to the Trade Union Unity League.

—Staten Island Comrade.

PHILLY WORKERS WILL HEAR ABOUT TRIAL OF SOVIET SABOTAGERS

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—First-hand reports of the great Moscow trial of the eight counter-revolutionary engineers and of the latest developments in Soviet agriculture will be given to workers and friends of the Soviet Union at a mass meeting to be held here Friday night, Feb. 20, at 8:30 at Girard Manor Hall, 909-915 Girard Ave.

The speakers will be A. B. Magil, who was correspondent of the Daily Worker at the trial, and Dr. Karl Scholz, professor of economics at the University of Pennsylvania, who has recently returned from the U. S. S. R., where he made a study of the collectivization movement in agriculture.

The meeting is being held under the auspices of the Philadelphia Local of the Friends of the Soviet Union.

NEGRO LYNCHED BY BOSS "POSSE"

He Rebelled Against Forced Labor; Killed

CLARKSDALE, Miss., Feb. 18.—George Spann, Negro tenant farmer who, in revolt against the system of forced labor under which he was held as a slave without liberty to leave the plantation of his landlord, shot and seriously wounded Charles O'Neal, the landlord, was killed yesterday by a mob, supported by the sheriff of the county.

Spann was hunted down with blood hounds by a mob which made no secret of its intention to lynch him. J. D. Neal and E. W. Williams, deputy sheriffs, led the mob.

A number of other Negroes who had been rounded up by the sheriff deputies in a terroristic attack on the Negro population here were released following the lynching of Spann.

The boss papers boast that "everything is quiet" and "no further trouble is feared," intimating that the local Negroes are too cowed by the brutal reign of terror directed against them by the white ruling class to attempt to defend themselves against this vicious attack.

—A Worker Correspondent.

Phila. Workers to Protest Against Vicious Sedition Law

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 18.—Hundreds of workers of Philadelphia will protest against the anti-labor laws of Pennsylvania, particularly against the vicious sedition law, which is used against any militant worker.

The protest meeting called for Friday, Feb. 27, will be the first of a series of protest meetings staged by the International Labor Defense together with the Communist Party and Young Communist League.

The bosses' attack is especially vicious now, with unemployment growing, with the growing militancy of the workers and with the feverish

war preparations. The workers must answer this attack with a united front of the working class against the

