

Millions Will Demonstrate World Unemployment Day February 25th! Join the Ranks! Agitate in Your Union for the Unemployment Insurance Bill! Organize in Unemployed Councils! Mobilize for the Demonstrations Against Hunger! Mass Organization With a Fighting Spirit Will Win Relief!

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TO UNION SQUARE TOMORROW! FOR JOBLESS RELIEF!

Support Your Demands!

"UNEMPLOYMENT conditions in the local (New York) market have grown worse during the last two weeks. Now, with approximately thirty applicants for every position, officials added, conditions are considerably worse than at any time last year."—N. Y. Times, Sunday, Feb. 22, 1931.

"Chicago, Feb. 22.—Trade and industry throughout the Middle West appear to be marking time. The Illinois Department of Labor reported a further reduction in employment and payrolls. The monthly survey reported a reduction of 2.3 per cent in workers and 3.4 per cent in payrolls."—N. Y. Herald Tribune, Feb. 23, 1931.

Workers, these facts should strike you like a blow. They shatter all the carefully cooked-up lies about "improvement." They refute all jabbering about "returning prosperity." They are undeniable proof that all the capitalist newspaper and other propaganda about "better times," about "the bottom being reached," about "an upturn in the Spring"—are simply LIES!

And do you know, workers, why you are being lied to? Has a year of hunger not taught you why Hoover, last March, lied when he promised prosperity back "in sixty days"? Do you not remember how Hoover was helped by the A. F. of L. leadership to spread that lie? Do you recall that Hoover had the aid of the fake "socialist" leader Heywood Brown, with his "Give a job till June"?

You were lied to then, workers, and are lied to now, to get you to stop fighting and to live on hope! And only in so far as the whole working class scorned and rejected the lie and kept on fighting were the capitalists forced to make a gesture of "relief," in the form of miserable breadlines and soup kitchens!

The continuous battle of the masses, employed and unemployed united, forced this pretense of "charity," and forced the employers to cover up their attack on wages with loud but empty "pledges" that they would not cut wages or discharge workers!

They have done both. And as you see from the facts quoted above, still more millions of workers are being thrown out to starve, while the fact that payrolls fall more than employment, shows that wage cuts of the employed workers are now being made systematically and in wide and savage attack on conditions of all workers, on the supposed "American standard of living."

The capitalists expect you to continue to starve, to believe their "hope" propaganda, to rely upon their miserable "private charity" breadlines. But the starvation and misery grow daily more intolerable! Thousands of families in every great city are being evicted into the street! Literally millions of workers are starving to death in breadlines! Workers, it is impossible to endure this agony any longer!

But only you, the workers, can compel relief! You have forced concessions, inadequate as they are, from the grasping clutches of the capitalists! You have built up a national Unemployed Council movement! You have knocked on the doors of the capitalist Congress in the name of over 1,000,000 workers demanding Unemployment Insurance!

Tomorrow, you, the workers, employed and unemployed, women and men and youth, white and colored, toilers of city and farm—all must rally together to support your demands! To batter down the capitalist conspiracy that insists you must starve silently and unprotesting! To fight for real relief, for adequate food, clothing and shelter for those whose lives of toll entitles them to security of life in this—the richest land on earth!

Onto the streets tomorrow, under the banners of the Unemployed Councils! Onto the streets, to show the capitalists that they cannot hide mass starvation behind pretty but false words! Onto the streets, to voice your demand for Unemployment Insurance at the cost of the rich and the war-makers! Onto the streets to insist that immediate and really adequate relief be given by those who have starved you and lied to you for 18 months!

HOLD MASS TRIAL ON MARCH 1st TO EXPOSE WHITE CHAUVINISM

On March 1, at 2:30 p. m., at the New Harlem Casino, 116 and Lenox Ave., there will be conducted for the first time in the history of the United States a trial against white chauvinism.

This trial calls Comrade Yokinen, member of the Communist Party and the Finnish Workers Club to show cause why he should not be expelled from the Communist Party for statements against Negro workers which show that he is filled with the boss' poison against the Negroes.

The Communist Party fights against all barriers dividing the working class. It fights to unite all workers, American born, foreign-born and Negro. The Communist Party conducts a bitter struggle against all forms of racial discrimination against Negro workers as well as all discrimination and attack upon the foreign born.

This trial must be packed with Negro and white workers who will take part and voice their opinion against all attacks on the Negroes in the United States.

This trial against Yokinen is a trial not only against Yokinen; for there have been other cases within the Party and in fraternal organizations

where members have shown a similar disposition but in somewhat concealed form. This mass trial will open up the entire question and will show to the workers in this city, Negro and white, that the Communist Party will not tolerate any trace of white chauvinism within its ranks, and will fight unceasingly against all discrimination and jim-crowism no matter what form it takes, also outside its ranks.

All workers organizations, fraternal and trade unions should send delegates to participate in this great trial and to carry back to their organizations the resolutions of the workers assembled; and the verdict of the workers against white chauvinism and all white chauvinistic moods.

This trial will be the forerunner of similar trials all over the country, so that the Negro workers know that the Communist Party is in deadly earnest in its fight for defense of the Negro masses of this country. The Communist Party is the only political party that conducts the battle for defense and organization of Negro and white workers and an uncompromising struggle against every trace of white chauvinism.

On to the mass trial March 1.

\$1.00 With Every Red Shock Troop List Will End the Deficit of \$30,000

We are forced to make special telegraph appeals to the various Districts and to those who owe an account of bills due. By Wednesday, we must meet \$2,000 to hold off very pressing bills. If every reader who received the Red Shock Troop list would send \$1. apiece we would then practically reach the quota.

We must let nothing interfere with pushing the Daily Worker to all parts of the country right after the February 25th demonstrations to develop the new contacts and new organizational groups and spreading the Daily Worker more than ever before. Immediately after the demonstrations the Daily Worker must be ready for further mobilization of the workers. Only through reaching the quota in the Emergency Drive can we possibly make the Daily Worker the organizer that it must be for the working class.

Send funds to the Daily Worker, 59 E. 13th St., New York City.

March from Shops, Breadlines to Demonstrate

Dressmakers Start Mass Picketing Today; W.I.R. Opens Food Kitchens

"Join the Strike" Call Issued by NTWIU to Dressmakers

Special Appeal Is Made to Dressmakers In Company Unions and Open Shops to Join In Fight Against Slavery

NEW YORK.—The dress strikers, fighting under the leadership of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union for a raise in wages, for the 40-hour week, 5-day week, for the right to the job, for equal pay for equal work, for unemployment insurance, and for the recognition of the Industrial Union, have addressed a special call to dressmakers in company unions shops and open shops. The call urges them to:

"Go to the strike halls, go to the picket lines! See the splendid spirit of the valiant strikers. Speak to the workers who are on strike and you will learn that they are determined to fight until they win.

"Their fight is your fight. The misery under which they slave is the one you are subjected to. The enemy they are fighting is also your enemy. The bosses and the company unions are against you. They will reduce your standard of living still more if you do not fight. The very fact that the present strike has already succeeded in putting a stop to the contemplated wage-cuts in the shops where you are still employed should be enough proof to persuade you that your bosses do not take into consideration your misery and your need, that it is only by manifesting your strength that you can enforce your just demands.

"Bear in mind that should the bosses succeed in crushing the strike all the contemplated wage-cuts which were suspended for the moment will be enforced, and your conditions will become worse than before.

"It is your duty to strike. You must join hands with the rest of the workers. You must smash these sweatshop conditions. You must crush the grip of the company union. You must fight and you will win.

"Many open shops and I. L. G. W. U. company union shops are already making applications for settlements. The unity and solidarity which the striking dressmakers manifested in their determination to win the strike moved the bosses to hasten with their applications for settlements since it became clear to them that they would not be able to break the will of the workers.

"Every one who is now remaining at work is betraying his own interests and the interests of his fellow-workers.

"The company union pledged to the bosses not to permit the workers to strike, since they have no desire to lessen their oppression in the slightest degree. But you must understand that without a fight, no improvement in your condition is possible."

N.T.W.I.U. ISSUES UNITE FRONT CALL

Workers' Organizations Urged to Attend

NEW YORK.—The "Support the Dress Strike Committee" of labor and fraternal organizations and the Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union have issued a call for a second conference of representatives of these organizations. They state:

"The strike is spreading to open shops and company union shops. More and more workers are registering daily at the strike halls. The strike has stopped wage-cuts in the industry. Thousands of workers have already gained better conditions. This strike is the beginning of a struggle for better conditions in all industries.

"In view of this important development of the strike, the executive committee of 45, elected at the mass United Front Conference at Webster Hall, Jan. 31, is calling the second conference to support the striking dressmakers, for Saturday, Feb. 28, at 1:30 p. m. at Irving Plaza, Irving Pl. and 15th St. The Dress Strike Committee will give a report at this conference of the developments of the strike, and plans will be worked out for further organizational and financial assistance to the dressmakers."

Mosley Builds Fascist Party in Great Britain; Praises Social-Fascism; Calls for Dictatorship

Shows Role of Labor Party Paving Way for Fascism

Within the ranks of the British labor party is rapidly being forged the forces which will lead an attempt at fascist dictatorship in England. A cable dispatch to the New York Times, (Feb. 23) reporting the issuance of a new manifesto by Sir Oswald Mosley, the millionaire "left" labor member of Parliament, shows how far the social-fascist Mosley group has gone.

Backing Mosley are not only A. J. Cook secretary of the miners union, as well as 16 members of the labor party in parliament, but a strong force of capitalists in the conservative and liberal parties. One of the leading men behind the new fascist grouping is Sir William Morris, rich automobile manufacturer, who exploits tens of thousands of British workers.

Mosley for the past six months has been driving forward toward a fascist party. He started out with all

sorts of demagoguery about "raising wages," the uselessness of parliament, and the necessity for a "strong government to save British capitalism from a revolutionary crisis."

Now Mosley has gone a step further. He has already announced that a new party will be formed for the purpose of advancing a fascist program in Britain. He himself says this is a "social-fascist" line. This is a clear example of the social-fascist role of the labor party, preparing the road to fascism and terror for the workers so that capitalism can be saved. Mosley is still within the labor party and is rapidly winning support among the Labor members of parliament.

Mosley's manifesto comes out openly with the admission that his program is that of social-fascism, that is the use of demagoguery and misleading slogans in an effort to rally the workers in support of an open fascist-capitalist program. The New York Times referring to Mosley's admission of his social-fascist program says: "Their policy, according to the new manifesto, which is expected to be issued Tuesday, will be social-fascism based on tariffs with sweeping fin-

Five More Shops Join Strike Despite Lull Due to Holiday

NEW YORK.—Mass picketing at 7:30 today will mark the attempt of the fighting dressmakers to carry their strike into every shop in New York.

Every worker in the city who finds it possible is urged by the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union, affiliated with the T.U.U.L., to join the striking dressmakers today in the picketing which will be such a vital factor in the spreading of the strike.

There is nothing that will create solidarity among strikers as much as the sight of solidarity. When dressmakers who have not yet joined their striking fellow-workers see these workers on the picket lines, they are themselves inspired with the courage to walk out.

Although the holiday yesterday of necessity slowed up strike activity, five more shops, including two in Williamsburg, Brooklyn, went on strike. Many more are expected to come out today with the beginning of mass picketing.

The militancy of the strikers in Philadelphia, where the average wage of dressmakers is less than \$12 a week for 50 and 60 hours of work under tremendous pressure, is beginning to affect the nerves of the needle trades employers and their agents, the I.L.G.W. and the police.

Cops Attack Demonstration.
The I.L.G.W. (company union) is issuing manifesto after manifesto warning the dressmakers not to go on strike against the unbearable slavery in the sweatshops and threatening those who do. The police have

Harlem Unemployed to Meet Today at 11 a.m.

The Harlem Unemployed Council will meet at 308 Lenox Ave. at 11 a. m. today to mobilize for the Union Square Feb. 25 demonstration and to protest the attack on foreign-born workers by Negro reformist elements.

All unemployed workers, Negro and white, are urged to be present.

All workers' organizations, of whatever nature, which are not already represented in the first conference, should send three delegates each to this second conference. Financial contributions should be brought directly to the conference, or sent to the union office.



SIR OSWALD MOSLEY

COMMUNIST PARTY SECTIONS, UNIONS AND UNEMPLOYED COUNCILS RALLY ALL WORKERS, JOBLESS TOMORROW

Red Cross Gives Crumbs to Starving Farmers' Children

Red Cross Says, "To Hell With Feeding Starving Children, Give Us Money." Don't Stand for Crumbs! All Out Feb. 25th!

By HARRISON GEORGE

We publish today, alongside this story, the photographic reprint of two letters, entitled "An Explanation to Arkansas." It was taken from the "Press" of Twin Falls, Idaho, and the letter at the top was received by the Idaho paper from C. M. Young, publisher of the "Helena World" of Helena, Arkansas. Underneath that letter, is the reply of the Twin Falls "Press."

Read this, farmers and workers! Read this and understand the depths of racketeering mendacity to which the capitalist class descends! Read this and know, positively, that the Red Cross, headed by Hoover, is deliberately starving toiling people to death! Read this and understand that it is interested only in getting money for—WHAT? Certainly not to feed anybody but the officers of the Red Cross.

But, farmers, read this above all to show you that you, yourselves, must act! That you must form your own Farmers' Relief Councils; demand that all Red Cross funds be turned over to your own control for distribution; demand other funds appropriated already but kept from you deliberately by the administration!

Here in the letter from Arkansas, it is clearly said that Red Cross "relief" to children is "about 2 and one-third cents a week!" That they must be fed "or disease will soon get them." This is admitted over the signature

AN EXPLANATION TO ARKANSAS

A Letter:
Publishers, The Press:
A letter published in your issue of Feb. 23rd, in which you state that you are sending \$100,000 worth of free food to the children of the starving people in the South. We sympathize with you, we are sorry to hear of the suffering of the children, but we have not much more to say. The Red Cross is a racketeering organization, and we have had a long experience with it. It is a racketeering organization, and we have had a long experience with it. It is a racketeering organization, and we have had a long experience with it.

The Reply:
C. M. Young, Publisher, The World, Helena, Ark.
Dear Mr. Young:—The way I'm trying to get food to my hungry people in the south. We sympathize with you, we are sorry to hear of the suffering of the children, but we have not much more to say. The Red Cross is a racketeering organization, and we have had a long experience with it. It is a racketeering organization, and we have had a long experience with it.

of a capitalist newspaper editor. It was an appeal to another editor in Twin Falls, Idaho.

And what is the reply? The Idaho editor asserts that the people of his

Oakland Police in Orgy of Raids on Private Houses

BULLETIN.
(Special to the Daily Worker)
HAVANA, Cuba, Feb. 23.—An unemployed mass meeting, at the Workers' Center, called by the trade unions to prepare for World Unemployment Day, Feb. 25, was

attacked by police who shot into the meeting. The workers were first attacked with clubs. Then the police fired at the unemployed, wounding more than 100 workers. Thirty were arrested.

A heavy slash in employment and still bigger wage-cuts for those left at work is the story told by the last pulp report of the Illinois Department of Labor. Illinois is one of the few industrial states, New York being another, which actually pretends to publish the figures on unemployment. It is safe to say that both New York and Illinois give the most favorable picture they can, but even so the record is one of unemployment still growing, and wage-cuts spreading faster than unemployment.

The Illinois Department of Labor report shows a further reduction of workers of 2.3 per cent in the month ending Jan. 15, 1931. It shows a reduction in payrolls of 3.4 per cent.

Never before were there so many men and women and children unemployed and starving on the streets. Even the capitalist clown, Will Rogers, who has been making himself a part of the Red Cross "relief" machinery lately, had to say in his Washington's Birthday release to the papers yesterday that millions on the breadlines now get less than Washington's army at Valley Forge

Call Ex-Servicemen to Special Meeting

NEW YORK.—All members of the Workers' Ex-Servicemen's League are requested to meet tonight at 8 o'clock, at headquarters, 79 East 10th Street, for special order of business.

Concentrate at Union Square at 4:30 P. M. from All Over City

5 Main Lines of March Will Be Speakers from All Organizations

NEW YORK.—Come out tomorrow and demonstrate against starvation! Demand unemployment relief and no evictions; demand free rent, gas, and light for the jobless! This is the call to all employed and unemployed workers by District 2 (New York) of the Communist Party, by the Trade Union Unity Council (which is the militant union center) and by the councils of the unemployed.

The jobs on breadlines, at flop houses, in the miserable tenements of the East Side and Helix Kitchen and all other parts of the city are being circularized and will be addressed by speakers tomorrow morning, and told of the line of march to Union Square, where the main demonstration will be held.

The hour of the demonstration at Union Square is set at 4:30 p. m., to make it easier to reach the demonstration for the thousands of employed workers, who get part time work, speed-up, and wage cuts, and who know that any minute they may be forced into the ranks of the unemployed.

Full arrangements are being made to have whole shops participate in the demonstration. Quit work at 4:30 or earlier, march to Union Sq. in a body from your shop!

Various organizations, and all the jobs in the vicinity will meet tomorrow as follows.

There will be a demonstration at 3 p. m. at Madison Square. Here will gather: Section 2 of the Communist Party, Madison Square Council of the Unemployed, the Food Workers Industrial Union, the Independent Shoe Workers Union, the Needle Workers Industrial Union,

WEICH TRIAL TO COME UP THURS.

Protest Meet In Yonkers Sunday Night

All hall-keepers having been terrorized in Yonkers by the local police, a protest meeting called by the I.L.D. was held in the Cooperative Center with about 100 workers, Negro and white present.

A resolution condemning the brutality and interference of the police as well as calling for the immediate and unconditional release of Weich and Walters arrested a few days ago at the demonstration at Larking Plaza for speaking, was unanimously adopted with cheers. Walters and Weich's trial comes up on Thursday. Speakers were Van Veen and Moore.

Send Delegates to Section Conference On Unemployment!

NEW YORK.—All worker organizations in the territory south of 14th St. on Manhattan Island, are urged to send two or three delegates each to the United Conference for Unemployment Relief which will be held at 27 East Fourth St., Saturday, at 3 p. m.

This is one of the important section conferences which will be held, to work out the next steps in the fight to save the hundreds of thousands here from starvation.

RIGGERS STRIKE SOLD OUT; MEMBERS NEVER AGREED; VERY ANGRY

Business Agent With Record of Treachery In Box Makers Strike Puts It Over

Bosses Given All They Could Ask; Be Ready to Fight Discrimination Against Strikers!

NEW YORK.—The Riggers and Safe Movers, of whom some 300 were locked out Feb. 10 because the employers' association wanted to cut the wages, have been sold out through the trickery of one Franke Lamby, the business agent of the local.

As soon as this fellow, who was one of the enemies of the box strikers in 1927, heard that the workers on strike were beginning to listen to the militant program of the Trade Union Unity League, he began his intrigue with the employers. He conferred with them Friday and Friday night, succeeding at times in drawing in and fooling members of the executive of the local.

Misleader In Action.
Through Lamby's scheming a general meeting was called for Saturday morning, at which the employers were present, and Lamby made himself an errand boy for them. The bosses were demanding an open shop, the 10-hour day, \$8.50 a day for chauffeurs and \$6.50 for helpers.

About 60 of those present finally voted, 27 for and 19 against, to compromise on a 9-hour day and \$9 a day for chauffeurs, and 8½ hours, \$7.50 a day for helpers. The original agreement signed four weeks ago was for the 8-hour day, \$10 a day for chauffeurs and \$8.50 for helpers.

Bosses' Terms.
When the meeting adjourned, Franke and others of the executive committee went to the employers, and Franke took charge of the matter, though he was one of those too drunk to report back to the evening meeting. He seems to have fooled those who were not drunk, because two of them came back with a signed contract for 10 hours for chauffeurs and 9 for helpers, the wage scale the bosses demanded, two who were active on the picket lines to be fired, the boss to have the right to hire

and fire as he pleases, and all he hires to get cards in the union. Not a word about discrimination.

One of the large companies is changing 15 trucks from hard tires to pneumatic tires. They make this an excuse for demanding the right to fire the chauffeurs and hire new men.

The meeting where these terms were read were small, only about 60 there, and no vote was taken. The "agreement" has not been agreed to by the men, they don't like it, it violates all their demands voted on at the Saturday morning meeting, and they cannot be expected to respect it. They will look to the T. U. U. L. to give leadership in the struggle which is sure to develop when the employers begin to discriminate against the militants in the strike. Wherever cases of such discrimination appear they should be reported at once to the Transport Workers' Industrial League of the T. U. U. L. at 16 W. 21st St.

Expose Treachery.
The Daily Worker will have before long a more detailed exposure of this Franke Lamby and his activities in the boxmakers' strike.

Another treacherous character seems to be the one named Smeltly. It was he who was named to a committee of seven appointed to work out the strike demands in such a way that even the president of the local and many of the best rank and file elements were excluded. All were excluded who had not been in this line of work for five years.

The Transportation Workers' Industrial League of the T. U. U. L. calls upon the men to show solidarity. If one man is taken off a job all should walk out. Stick together. The league will give full support and assistance in a fight for return of union conditions.

MUST HAVE RELIEF TO KEEP UP STRIKE SPIRIT IN HARLEM

Bosses Try to Bribe Workers to Come Back to Work Under Slave Conditions; Pay So Low Must Have Relief to Strike

NEW YORK.—The situation of the needle trades workers on strike in Harlem is very serious. These workers, the worst paid in the industry, Cuban, Porto Rican, Negro, Italian and Spanish, are already facing hunger.

In an effort to break the strike, the bosses are approaching the most militant workers with bribes of a \$5 or \$10 weekly increase in wages, urging them to use their influence with the other strikers, to induce them to return to work at the old rate.

Relief is the key to the situation. A joint relief committee of the Workers International Relief and the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union has been formed.

The Workers International Relief will open today a kitchen for the picketers, in strike headquarters in Harlem, at 2011 Third Avenue.

Plans are being made to feed the strikers' children, whose plight is the reason for the wavering of some of the strikers.

On their meagre wages, many of the women workers were supporting three or four children. One striker, among the most militant, is the mother of four. "How could you expect us to keep on at \$13 a week?" she said. "We worked like pigs—and the union called us to strike. I thought my people is my people, and I'm going to fight in this strike with them!" Threatening this militant, is the bosses' tactics and hunger.

Food must be supplied every day of the strike. The strikers' children must be fed. Send food and cash immediately to the Workers International Relief, 131 West 28th Street, New York City.

demonstration will march along Fourth Avenue to Union Square.

Assemble In Bronx
Communist Party Sections 4 and 5, and the Unemployed Councils of Harlem and the Bronx will hold an outdoor mass meeting at 134 Street and Lenox Ave., at 2 p. m. They will march down Lenox to 116th Street, where the demonstrators will go by subway to 14th Street and Seventh Avenue. They will then march east on 14th St. to Union Square.

The Labor Sports Union, the workers' youth organizations, including the Young Communist League, will mobilize on West 28 Street, near Eighth Ave., and march south on E 10th Ave., to 14th St., and east to Union Square.

At the main demonstration, in Union Square, which starts at 4:30 p. m., there will be speakers representing the unemployed councils, the Trade Union Unity Council, and the unions of the T. U. U. L., the Communist Party, the League of Struggle for Negro Rights, and the Youth and Pioneer organizations.

Attention! Women Council Members!
Council members are called upon to report at the strike halls of their sections to help with the following work: To distribute the strike bulletin, to visit the homes of strikers, etc., to help with investigating shops.

On Monday afternoon all council members with their children should come to Irving Plaza, 15th St. and Irving Pl. This means Feb. 23, at 2 p. m.

On Tuesday morning council members are to report at the headquarters of the needle trades union, 151 W. 28th St., at 9 a. m., to help with the distribution in the garment center of special leaflets, etc.

From Cooper Square, this combined

What's On—

TUESDAY
Initiation Meeting of the Hero Park "Bella May" Br. of the I.L.D. takes place at 1274 43rd St. E.V.I.N. at 8 p. m. Organizational Problems of the I.L.D. Admission free.

ORGANIZE TO END STARVATION; DEMAND RELIEF!

THE ADVENTURES OF BILL WORKER



8,000 STRIKE IN LAWRENCE; MASS PICKETING ON DELEGATES PLAN SPREAD OF STRIKE

LAWRENCE, Mass., Feb. 23.—Tomorrow is a key day in the strike of the Lawrence textile workers in the American Woolen Company mills here. The company declares it will try to reopen. The mill officials (agents they are called here) say that "at first" they will rely on the city police to prevent picketing. A huge mass meeting addressed by Edith Berkman, National Textile Union district organizer here declared that there would be mass picketing, and made all preparations.

The strike started a week ago with a walkout in the Wood mill of the American Woolen Co. among the combers, one of the smaller departments. The National Textile Workers Union had been quietly organizing for weeks, and the workers were in revolt against a demand from the employer that they work nine combs instead of five.

The movement spread rapidly; 2,500 in the Wood, Ayre and Washington (CONTINUED ON PAGE THREE)

PICKET TODAY; OPEN KITCHEN

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been arresting on the average of 25 picketers a day since the strike began, and yesterday broke up a parade of striking dressmakers and their children, arresting two of the latter and two dressmakers.

The dressmakers were attacked while they were marching from the needle trades market to their strike headquarters. A police station was in the line of march, and when the paraders grew abreast of it, the cops streamed out and launched a typically brutal assault against the strikers and their children.

Two hours later the same dressmakers staged a demonstration in the market. They will hold another one today on the same place.

Because of the slowing up of strike activity here yesterday, only 6 picketers were arrested. They were defended by Jacques Buitenkamp.

The attitude of the striking dressmakers both here and in Philadelphia toward the police is well exemplified by the refrain which is sung so often by the Harlem strikers. It runs like this: "The cops are having a hell of a time trying to chase us off the picket line."

Strikers' Children Crowd Meeting Hall
The militancy of these valiant strikers has been communicated to their children, who, after all, suffer as much as their parents from the merciless exploitation of the parasites who run the industry. The Union held a meeting for the strikers' children yesterday in Irving Plaza which was so crowded that even standing room in the balcony was at a premium. The program included addresses by labor leaders, mass singing, and a puppet show by that excellent puppet-player, Yosef Cutler.

The children in the audience contributed \$70 to the Dress Strike Fund and pledged \$50 more.

Two mass meetings will be held tomorrow, one at Bryant Hall, Sixth Ave., near 42 Street, and the other at Irving Plaza, Irving Place and 15 St. Strikers will be addressed by strike-leaders, John Reed Club artists will draw on the stage, a New Masses poet will recite revolutionary poetry and a singer will present revolutionary songs. Both meetings will start at 2 p. m.

The Workers International Relief has announced that it will open two food kitchens today for the benefit of the striking dressmakers, one in the Harlem headquarters, 2011 Third Ave., and the other in Brooklyn at 799 Flushing Ave.

A further list of contributors to the \$15,000 Dress Strike Fund follows: Bronx Workers School I.W.O., \$3; Bronx School No. 3, \$2; Workers School No. 1, \$5; Bronx School No. 3 I.W.O., \$5; Harlem School I.W.O., \$1; School 4 I.W.O., \$4; School 16 I.W.O., \$3; School 13 I.W.O., \$5; Bill Haywood Branch 127, \$10; Branch 15,

New England Conference Aids Lawrence Strikers

60 Delegates, From 13 Mills, and Others Plan to Spread Strike, Collect Relief, Form United Front Committees

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 23.—The Lawrence strike took precedence at the New England textile conference, held here yesterday at the call of the National Textile Workers' Union. This conference was called three months ago, to develop a strike movement in New England against the wage cuts and speed-up. The Lawrence strike, starting before the delegates could assemble, was a concrete evidence of the need for the conference.

There were 60 delegates, including organizers. Forty-one accredited delegates came from groups in mills, and one from a United Textile Workers' Union local of loom fixers. The cities represented were: Lawrence, New Bedford, Pawtucket, Providence, Maynard (Mass.), Webster (Mass.), Fall River and Andover. Thirteen mills, with a total of working force of 22,000 had representatives. Between 6,000 and 7,000 organized workers were represented.

\$3 a Week
The conference bore the character of real preparation for struggle. Conditions reported were such as these: Webster, with 14,000 population, has 4,000 unemployed, and weavers get \$3 to \$4 a week. The city welfare commission offered relief, and gave

the jobs to the mills instead—naturally replacing those who would otherwise work there.

Women workers get \$4 and \$5 a week in Royal Weaving, Rhode Island. The employers tried to introduce the six loom system in silk weaving, and announced a one-third cut in wages. When the workers organized into the National Textile Workers' Union and showed fight, the cut and six loom system were withdrawn. There are a dozen cases in New England where mere organization into the NTW stopped wage cuts.

The conference decided to mobilize all textile workers to give financial support to the strike and to spread it. Spreading the strike is more than a phrase, as is proven by 100 workers in the American Woolen Co. mill at Maynard joining the N. T. W. The workers also now openly accept and read leaflets of the N. T. W. before the eyes of the bosses and come to the union meetings openly and fearlessly.

The conference decided to build a united front committee, a "New England Organize-For-Strike Committee," drawing into it the rank and file representatives of the U. T. W. (CONTINUED ON PAGE THREE)

ZAUSNER READY TO EXPEL THREE

Angered by Exposure of His Sell-Outs

NEW YORK.—Philip Zausner, the secretary of Painters' Union District Council No. 9, is framing three painters for expulsion as part of his campaign to ruthlessly wipe out all honest elements from the union.

Zausner was once driven from office in the union for atrocious graft scandals. He muscled his way back, using a gangster chief imported from Chicago.

Sells Paint and Painters.
Zausner's present victims are Max Rosen and S. Bogorad, both of Local Union 905, and S. Rosenthal of Local Union 1011. The real reason for their attempted expulsion is that on the floor of local meetings they exposed Zausner's sellout of the workers.

Zausner has been secretly for some time a part owner of a paint manufacturing company. Employers to whom Zausner sells paint can set up the worst possible conditions, pay under the scale, do anything they like and the Zausner gang prevents any action by the workers.

The charges against the three workers are based on clauses in the constitution, slander, etc. Rosenthal is charged with acting as chairman at an open forum arranged by the Trade Union Unity League.

Zausner himself makes the charges against Rosen and Bogorad, which is an unusual circumstance.

All progressive painters should come to all their union meetings and organize protests and resistance there to the Zausner campaign of expulsions.

Fight lynching. Fight deportation of foreign born. Elect delegates to your city conference for protection of foreign born.

Attention!
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Collect shoes in your neighborhood, from your shopmates, from repair shops!
Send at once! International Relief, 131 W. 28th St., N. Y. C.

BOSSSES GRATEFUL TO LABOR FAKERS

By WALTER WILSON.

NEW YORK.—How the bosses are beginning to acknowledge their gratitude to the leaders of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers for helping forced through wage cuts on the rank and file is shown in an article of particular interest to union members in the Daily News Record, textile trade paper, for February 9, 1931, written by one George J. Hexter. The Daily News Record said:

"Revision of rates is . . . if not exactly a pleasant process for union officials, at least a practicable one. . . . It has been the union which has taken the initiative and encouraged firms . . . to rescale rates so as to put direct labor costs on a basis comfortable to the new selling price."

The article goes on to say that the process of rescaling "always involves some diminution of work, which is to say of earnings to some workers. . . . Either their operations are entirely eliminated. . . . or else their work . . . is curtailed. . . . Which means . . . the weekly earnings suffer by diminution and the worker feels aggrieved and vents his grievance on his officials."

"This leaves out of account the likewise very frequent cases where the new rate fails to yield equivalent hourly earnings which greatly intensify the workers' dissatisfaction."

"Tickets for the costume ball can be had at various places throughout the city including the Workers Book Shop, 50 East 13th Street.

JOHN REED CLUB COSTUME BALL

of writers and artists who organized the John Reed Club about a year and a half ago and are working in conjunction with the revolutionary labor movement on the cultural front and are extending to the dressmakers the support of the organization in their present strike will give their first annual costume ball in Teutonia Hall, 16th Street and 3rd Avenue on Friday evening, February 27.

In giving this first annual ball, the John Reed Club, reminds all workers that bring a costume affair which will attract many outside sympathetic elements "it would be appropriate to come in costumes expressing various shades of our struggles here that will bring home to these new elements the ideology of our whole movement."

The John Reed Club attracts to most of its affairs not only the militant section of the working class, but being an organization of cultural workers, many writers and artists sympathetic to the working class struggle attend the club affairs. It is expected that Theodore Dreiser will be one of the many outstanding figures in the literary world who will be present.

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ZAUSNER READY TO EXPEL THREE 500 Parade in Phila. Needle Strike; Mass Picketing Tues.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 23.—Five hundred striking dressmakers paraded through the garment center here, to the strike headquarters. Many of the strikers' children marched with them. When the parade passed a police station, the cops attacked the march, dispersed the children, arresting two. Four strikers were jailed. At 2:00 p. m. a mass open air meeting of strikers was held where plans were laid down for future strike activity. There will be a large open air meeting Tuesday.

Tuesday morning there will be a mass picketing to extend the enthusiasm of the Needle Trades Workers now going on here under the leadership of the Philadelphia Needle Trades Union. The Philadelphia needle workers are carrying on a splendid battle against sweat-shop conditions, horrible speed-up and wage cuts. They are forging a strong union through fight.

Several victories have already been gained, a few shops having signed up with the industrial union. Open air demonstrations and mass meetings have been held every day. The strikers have shown a fine spirit throughout the strike and many workers are expected to turn out on the mass picket lines Tuesday. The strike committee has issued the following call for mass picketing:

"Dressmakers, join the strike!

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Go to the strike halls, to the picket lines. See the valiant spirit of the strikers. Their fight is your fight. The misery under which they live is the one you are subjected to. The enemy they are fighting is your enemy. The bosses and the I. L. G. W. (company union) are against you. They will reduce your standard of living still more if you don't fight. The very fact that the present strike has already succeeded in putting a stop to the contemplated wage cuts in the shops where you are employed, should be proof enough to persuade you that only by manifesting your strength can you enforce your just demands."

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GERMAN JOBLESS RALLY TO FIGHT

Prepare for Union Square Demonstration

NEW YORK.—Rallying the German speaking workers and jobless for the mass struggle for unemployment insurance, a mass meeting will be held Tuesday, February 24, at the New York Labor Temple, 263 East 84th Street, 8 p. m., with Max Bedacht as chief speaker.

A mass meeting in Brooklyn was held last evening, where Fred Biedenkapp spoke.

In a leaflet issued to German speaking unemployed by the Unemployed Councils the need for greater struggle against hunger, wage reductions and murderous speed-up is stressed.

The meeting tonight will serve to mobilize the German workers for the Union Square demonstration on International Unemployment Day on the 25th.

Use your Red Shock Troop List every day on your job. The worker next to you will help save the Daily Worker.

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Hundreds of Flint, Mich. Jobless Must Wait Hours At City Hall for Handout

Worker Correspondent Sees Jobless Auto Worker Eating From Garbage

Daily Worker:— Flint, Mich. I would like to broadcast about the rotten conditions in the General Motors, city of Flint.

I was down to the city hall Monday, Feb. 16th and want to tell about some of the terrible scenes I laid my eyes on. The people have to wait down the basement which is connected with the toilet. And the smell is terrible. There were about 300 people assembled there during the day. Men, children and mothers with babes in their arms waiting for the measly \$2.50 or \$3.00 worth of groceries to live on all week.

A Weary Wait.

People who make a three or four mile trip have to stand or sit on the concrete floor all day, waiting for their turn. No matter how far a person lives he has to carry home whatever he gets. They will not deliver. The city feeds about 2,000 people besides the 1,000 that the county and soup line (on Fenton Road) feeds. The same day I went to the New Orleans Fruit House. There I met a starving man eating frozen apples and bananas from a garbage can. I asked him whether he had a job. He said "no, I was laid off by the Fisher Body bosses. They told me I was too old. I have never worked since September 1st. This not only happens to one person but hundreds and thousands of Flint workers. —M. R.

Conditions Grow Worse in Chicago Heights, Ill.

Chicago Heights, Ill. Daily Worker: Conditions are growing worse here daily. Those that are still allowed to slave for the bosses are working part time and at reduced wages in most shops. A few unemployed workers with families were given a little food each week for a while. But that has just about stopped. A few weeks ago a mass meeting

Int'l Harvester in St. Paul Closes Down

St. Paul, Minn. Daily Worker:— I am reading the Daily Worker, it is the best paper I know of. I am not working but I still have a few pennies to get the Daily Worker. I was working for the International Harvester Company twice mill for 12 year and January 17 they closed up here for good. Three hundred people

Arkansas Farmer Finds "Daily" and "Likes it Fine"

Combs, Ark. Editor Daily Worker:— I came in possession of one of your papers a few days ago and I like it fine. I would be glad to subscribe for the Worker if I had the money but we are almost on starvation down here. The Red Cross

Unemployed, Vet's Family Is Broken Up

Buffalo, N. Y. Daily Worker: I am a world war vet. I served in the last war. When I was taken in the army I was a well man but when I came out I was no good. My body was sick and I was not able to get work. I got work for a few weeks and was laid off. I went to the bosses to get help and they refused to give me any and I sent my wife. Sent to Jail They told her to get a warrant out for me and send me up for 6

Bosses Give More Leeway to I. L. A. Fascist Misleaders

Ew Seattle, Wash. Daily Worker: The present situation on the Seattle waterfront presents a changed and to some a puzzled outlook. The employers association (Pink Hall) seems to contemplate going out of business and encouraged the I.L.A. A few think the bosses have become tired of paying the hall rent and would wish it off on the "I Lose Again." War Preparation A better reason the "powers that

\$2. A Month Is A.F.L. Cooks Organizer Idea of Relief

Oakland, Cal. Daily Worker:— The A. F. of L. Cooks, Waiters and Waitresses Local 1 has finally solved the unemployment problem by this wonderful method, just listen to this one: Twenty five dollars set aside for the unemployed. Any member of the Local who is in need of help can borrow \$2 a month from the Local and pay back the debt next month. So now the members who are unemployed and there are hundreds of them, don't have to worry about starving, don't have to look for a job, but can sit by the fireside and live happy on \$2 a month. That is the way our wonderful organizer Johnson is helping the Local to solve the unemployment problem. One more plan this grater brought in at the meeting, was that we have a nice little conference of the bosses and workers of the restaurants, and tell them good hearted bosses that there are many workers out of work

PICKET TODAY IN LAWRENCE

8,000 Out of Mills; Organize Relief

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mills came out, from all departments. Mass picketing after that on Friday swept into and through the mills, bringing out over 5,000 more and closing the mills. There are now 8,500 out at the Wood mill, 2,500 out of the Washington mill, and 3,000 out of the Ayr mill.

The strike must spread to the other mills in Lawrence. There are 30,000 textile workers in Lawrence, of which 15,000 work in the woolen mills. Against Wage Cuts The grievances of the workers in all departments are that the extra pay for overtime was taken away, and that the ten percent extra for night work was taken away. In addition, the American Woolen Company has declared a 12 and a half to 20 percent wage cut in all of its mills outside of Lawrence, and only hesitated in Lawrence because of the known existence of the National Textile Workers Union there. If the union had submitted to the other reductions, a wage cut would have followed.

During the course of the strike there were 650 new members enrolled in the union.

The employer tried to compromise the strike by announcing a withdrawal of the nine comb demand and a return to February 16 conditions.

Concrete Demands

But the strikers are now all standing together for no speed-up, and have a set of concrete demands on that point for different departments. They demand time and a half pay for overtime, and ten percent extra for night work, and recognition of the mill committees of the National Textile Workers Union.

Organizational measures have been taken to speed-up relief and systematize the picketing. A number of national guardsmen have come up to the union headquarters, asking what they should do if the militia is called out to attack the strikers.

Red Cross Gives Crumbs to Staving Farmers' Children

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town offered to ship the Arkansas Red Cross one car of beans and three carloads of potatoes, "and pay shipping charges" to Arkansas. And the Red Cross refused this! It demanded \$2,000 in cash for the Red Cross, instead! Though the food was worth \$10,000!

This is nothing less than plain racketeering on one hand, and plain murder on the other hand! The Red Cross, like a vulture, sits on the scene of distress, the only apparatus for relief distribution! and croaks, "To hell with feeding starving children, give us money!"

Only Farmers' Relief Councils, organized and controlled by themselves, by the poor and starving farmers, can supplement these vultures of the Red Cross, who reject at Hoover's behest \$25,000,000 from the government on the ground that they are "adequately" "meeting the situation"—by allowing 2 and one-third cents a week for a child to live on!

Such hideous hypocrisy! And farmers should challenge it by forming their own Relief Councils, to receive such donations as that from Idaho, to demand all Red Cross funds for their starving children, to demand the distribution of the absolute total of the \$65,000,000 so-called "farm relief funds" appropriated by Congress; to set their own terms against those of Secretary Hyde, to demand free seed, and food for all who are poor and starving toilers, regardless of "security," and not as "loans."

Organize against the murderous Red Cross! Don't starve, fight! Workers, you of the cities who are starved and oppressed by the same capitalist class! To whom "relief" is measured in crumbs and to whom Unemployment Insurance is denied on the same holy "principles" of defense of the rich! You, too, should use your Unemployed Councils for direct relief, and—above all—should rally tomorrow under their banner in demonstration for immediate and adequate relief, in demand upon the capitalist pocketbooks for Unemployment Insurance!

Crisis Hits Belgian Congo; Unemployment on the Increase

BRUSSELS, Belgium.—The general crisis is beginning to affect the Belgian Congo and unemployment is growing there. Five-hundred unemployed colored workers are registered in Kinshasa, although the real unemployment figures are many thousands. In Leopoldville, Elisabethville and Mertadi there is great unemployment, particularly in the mines. The authorities fight against unemployment by hunting unemployed and homeless colored workers out of the towns, allegedly in order to protect property and maintain law and order.

Pittsburgh Plans Dist. Page, Red Builders News Club; Denver, Colo. Sets Own Quotas

Pittsburgh, Pa., is strengthening its Daily Worker apparatus considerably. From J. Mankin, Daily Worker representative, we received some decisions made for the campaign, from which we quote:

"To increase the Daily Worker circulation by 2,000 by May 1. A broad conference to be held on March 15 in order to bring the organizations into the campaign. "Decision was made that we order a special weekly page starting Monday, March 23, with a minimum of 2,000 each week. Comrade Mills to be responsible for editing the page."

Following this are plans which include the building of a Red Builders News Club, the Unemployed Councils starting action in the sales of the "Daily," and arranging affairs and tours for the Daily Worker. The steel centers and mining towns around Pittsburgh are fertile soil for the Daily Worker and preparations for weekly page should not be postponed for a whole month. With the units, fraternal organizations and Unemployed Councils activated, Pittsburgh should have no difficulty in starting its weekly edition within two weeks. Let's hear from you, Pittsburgh.

DENVER, COLO. SETS QUOTAS

Denver, Colo., is organizing a thorough campaign for new subscribers and for reaching their cash quota to the Daily Worker. From Dave Feingold of the District Daily Worker Committee, we received a copy of the quotas set for each unit and city. We quote:

"We expect this task to be put into action immediately, by taking the enclosed lists and going before the workers, asking their support for the Daily Worker, or by arranging an affair wherever possible. This drive not only means holding our laurels in the present campaign, but also utilizing the Daily Worker for our Lenin recruitment drive. The Daily Worker will be the driving wedge and convincing factor to the workers whom we approach to join the Party." The question of Worker Correspondence will be discussed at the district organization conference soon.

STREET SALES IN CLEVELAND, OHIO

"Send me a bundle of 50 copies every day," writes Michael Petruska M. P. of Cleveland, Ohio. "I was selling Daily Workers on the Public Square every day since June 25, but now I wish to have my own bundle. At first I was the only seller, but now we have more. I will try to get more unemployed to sell on street corners."

Onto the Streets February 25th! Fight for Unemployment Relief!

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and "Washington would probably sue us for calling him the father of this country." Evictions, suicides, starvation filling the potter's fields, job sharks levying toll on the last pennies of the unfortunate and sending them to fake jobs, floods of sickening oratory from government officials, headlines being cut off continually and the emergency work system being openly abandoned in many cities, police clubs for those who protest, business men taking advantage of the mass misery to cut wages on a steady widening scale—all these are

Oakland Cops Raid, Jail, Lock Halls to Stop Demonstration

OAKLAND, Cal., Feb. 23.—The police here are making desperate efforts to prevent the mobilization of a big demonstration here on February 25. Raids at night on private houses are being made, ten have been arrested, and hall after hall was barred to the Foster meeting at which the leader of the March 6 demonstration in New York and secretary of the Trade Union Unity League was to outline the principle tactics of the struggle against starvation.

Foster was scheduled to speak Feb. 19, in the big Civic Auditorium. Advertising cards were got out, announcing the meeting. Police tore them up, and the city council in full meeting solemnly voted to break the contract with T.U.U.L. for Foster's meeting in the Civic Auditorium and refuse to let the hall be used. The T.U.U.L. promptly hired Finnish Hall in Berkeley, and Odd Fellows Hall in Oakland. The meeting was actually held in Berkeley, with an enthusiastic audience. But two hours before the meeting in Odd Fellows hall, that hall was also barred to direct workers to a smaller hall. The Oakland Tribune refused to accept paid advertisements announcing the change in the halls.

Raid Twice. The night of the 18th, swarms of police began to raid. They were under the direct command of Chief Drew

CZECH BOSSES IN METAL INDUSTRY WANT WAGE CUTS

Workers Show Fight Against Slashes

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia.—The Czechoslovakian metal barons are utilizing the international crisis in order to attack wages and working conditions in the metallurgical industry. However, the workers are not prepared to accept the dictates of the employers without a struggle. The workers of the Prague steel works Kolben organized a strike under Communist leadership against the dismissal of 15 workers, and joint demonstrations with the unemployed workers have been organized. Yesterday the workers of the Mannesmann-Koburg works in Tynarua in Slovakia carried out a demonstration strike of one hour against a threatened wage-cut of from 20 to 30 percent. The reformist trade union leaders tried unsuccessfully to prevent the strike. The strike was continued until the management promised to open up negotiations with the representatives of the workers on Friday. Under the pressure of the workers the police had to be removed from the works. The strikers decided that only the revolutionary trade union had the right to negotiate in their names.

By demonstrations and strikes the 600 workers of the Preklad metal works have succeeded in extracting a promise from the employers that the factory will not be closed down as intended, but that the work will be continued at least until July, when further negotiations can take place.

KANSAS CITY SENDS REPORT

From E. Evard, Daily Worker representative of Kansas City, Mo., we received a report that 296 copies were sold and 290 were distributed during the week ending February 14.

UNION CITY, N. J. STARTS BUNDLE

"Please send to A. B. five Daily Workers a day and 50 for February 25. This is only a start. Undoubtedly we will develop greater selling of the Daily in a short time." F.C.C., Unit Daily Worker agent.

"DAILY SELLING GOOD," JAMESTOWN

"The Daily Worker is selling good. One salesman is selling from 50 to 75 per day. The unemployed workers here are hungry for something they haven't got, but are getting, and that is organization for Unemployment Insurance." B. T. Robinson, Jamestown Unemployed Council.

"MUST HAVE DAILY TO REFUTE CAPITALIST LIES"

John L. S. of Dearborn, Mich., writes: "I have been out of work for some months. Expect to stay here for the next two months so I am sending one dollar for 2 months sub. I must have my Daily Worker to help me refute the lies of the capitalist papers."

15 On Trial Feb. 25.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Feb. 23.—Workers and jobless workers demonstrating here Feb. 25 will at the same time demand the release of the 15 arrested in the Feb. 10 demonstrations.

Those arrested are: Abe Sompolsky, Andrew Eranoff, Ben Faulkner, Julius Hyman, Paul Porter, William Conn, J. Townsend, Raymond Bascom, James Barkin, Andrew Zeigler, Gerald Sullivan, Fred Abel, Virgil Keebaugh, Stanley De Graff. The Feb. 10 demonstration was attacked by 50 police and the fire hose was turned on the crowd. Local papers published lying and jeering accounts of it, glorifying in the attack on the jobless and claiming that the huge crowd in the demonstration were "only curious bystanders."

Not a lawyer in Grand Rapids would take the defense of these 14 workers. Their trial is slated for Feb. 25 and the International Labor Defense has brought an attorney from Detroit.

SCRANTON, Pa., Feb. 23.—Demonstrations in the anthracite region, where unemployment is rife and part time common, will include a hunger march from Minersville to Pottsville, the county seat of Schuylkill County. The march will start at 9 a. m.

There will be a demonstration at 12 noon at Mitchell's statue in Court House Square, in Scranton, on Wednesday.

Worker correspondents writing from the Anthracite tell of Brennan, United Mine Workers' president of District 9, charging into Higgins, Pa., just after the unemployment meeting, and warning the miners against "Those Reds." The miners launched a storm of criticism against Brennan and the U. M. W. for its failure to do anything for the jobless and exploited miners here. In Shamokin, out of 13 mines, seven have been shut down for over two

Cuban Police Fire Into Workers' Meeting; Revolts and Struggles Increase Throughout Latin America

Workers Capture Paraguay Town of 15,000 Population; Say "Communists" Lead; Anglo-American Conflict in Peru

The police deliberately shot into a meeting of revolutionary, trade unionists in Havana Saturday, in an attempt to smash up the gathering, is clear from a news cable to the New York Times from Havana, Cuba. The workers present answered the attack of the police by returning their fire, wounding ten policemen. Many workers were shot and seriously wounded. How many were killed is not stated in the dispatch to the capitalist press. Sixty-five workers were arrested and are held in the Cabanas Fortress where they face immediate death at the hands of the butcher Machado, president of Cuba, and tool of Wall St.

The meeting was at first permitted. But when the speakers attacked the imperialist role of Machado, the police tried to disperse the meeting by beating the workers, and when this did not succeed they commenced shooting. The workers valiantly defended themselves.

A New York Times cable from Asuncion, Paraguay, states that an uprising of workers and peasants, under "Communist" leadership resulted in the capture of the city of Villa Encarnacion, with a population of 15,000. The Times story says that "A group of workmen" captured Villa Encarnacion "taking temporary possession of the police barracks, custom house and bank."

Both the American imperialists and the Paraguayan ambassador in Washington are trying to belittle the revolt as "of no political significance." It is very significant in that it shows the increasing independent action of the workers and peasants

Reds in Chicago Expose Bosses; Capone Man to Win Primaries

By the time this goes to press, the Primary election in Chicago will have decided which of the gangsters and big capitalists' representatives will run on the republican ticket for Mayor of Chicago—Big Bull Thompson or Looney Lyle, jailer of workers. The primary campaign was one big raw, rotten show, indicating the decayed depths to which capitalists politics has sunk. It was a scramble between Thompson and Lyle as to who would handle the Capone and Insull payrolls. Thompson has the advantage of being in power, controlling the most machine-gun crews; while Lyle had the disgruntled gangs behind him. Both are for terror against the workers for suggesting and jailing militant unemployed workers who fight for bread.

In his campaign speeches, Thompson had as part of his paraphernalia an elephant, cowboys, a jackass (making two, including Thompson), and a halter. Lyle foamed at the mouth as he waved a machine gun, claiming Capone supported Thompson. Dozen's of alienists (nut experts) testified that both candidates were just plain crazy. Al Capone took a special trip to Chicago to see which

New England Conf. Aids Lawrence Strike

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) The N. T. W. and representatives of the unorganized. The conference decided to call not later than March 22 a conference to organize a big strike fund campaign on a New England scale. Jim Reid, chairman of the N.T.W., was also chairman of the conference just held. Pat Devine, acting secretary of the N.T.W., made the main report. Jack Stachel, representing the Trade Union Unity League, pledged the support of the whole organization. Expose U. T. W. Thirty workers took part in the discussion, which centered around what demands to put forward and the final formulation of these demands was left to the united front committee. The delegates thoroughly exposed the U. T. W. One who had been a U. T. W. organizer in the 1919 strike showed up the methods used then by the U. T. W. chiefs and told how they sold out the strikers.

CORRECTION

The article "A Red Magazine for Workers' Children" on page four in yesterday's edition was by Comrade SADIE VAN VEEN.

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COURSE OF THE ECONOMIC CRISIS IN 1931

By HARRY GANNES.

NOT by any stretch of the imagination or by any skilful twisting of the facts can the capitalists make the workers believe that there is an improvement in the economic situation. On the contrary, the crisis is getting worse and is now in one of the most critical periods since its inception.

Early in January, John Farrell, president of the United States Steel Corporation, declared that the low point of the crisis was reached in December. This keynote of optimism found a wide echo, not only amongst the capitalists, but even many workers were misled.

Space will not permit a full development of the overwhelming facts showing a worsening of the crisis, not only in comparison with the same period of 1930, but even in comparison with the lowest point since the stock market crash. However, a few facts will prove that all the talk of a let-up in the crisis at this time is deliberate lying.

According to the Weekly Index of Business of the New York Times (Feb. 1, 1931) the adjusted index of freight car loadings, steel mill activity, electric power production, automobile production and cotton cloth production in the latter part of January, 1931, stood at 78.3. In 1930, the index stood at 96.6. There is a difference of 20 points in 1931 below the 1930 index.

How any optimism can be squeezed out of this fact is beyond comprehension. The rate of seasonal upturn in January and February of 1931 has been decidedly below 1930. During January, 1931, foreign trade of the United States dropped to the lowest point since 1922. During the same period the world economic crisis reached sharper phases in every capitalist country in the world, narrowing the base of possible immediate recovery.

What about Mr. Farrell's little prediction that the low point was reached in December, 1930? The Annual Index of Business, about the most reliable index published by the capitalist economists, shows that business had dropped in January, 1931, to a lower point than had ever been reached before in American economic history. While the Annual Index stood at 76.1 for December, 1930 (Mr. Farrell's low point), the same index dropped to 74.8 in January. The index of "Business Week," a Wall Street magazine, dropped to 73.8 on January 24, as compared to 80.0 the week before, Jan. 17.

From the latest available data supplied by the capitalists (and their entire method of computing the business index is open to serious question) there is no doubt that the crisis is going down to lower levels.

On the side of the practical result for the working class the facts show even a worse state of affairs. Unemployment throughout the United States, according to the Department of Labor, dropped over 4 per cent in January; while payrolls in the same month dropped over 8 per cent.

So much for the general estimation of the crisis. But an examination of the various basic industries would show matters in a worse light. The steel industry has been sadly disappointing to the capitalists. Despite all the attempts to shove up steel production it has not gone over 50 per cent of capacity, while the United States Steel Corporation is actually cutting down its production. In the worst crisis year so far, 1930, they had a better record, production going up to nearly 60 per cent of capacity. So we see that in Mr. Farrell's own company he cannot make his prediction hold good.

But from other magnates in the steel industry we get a black, gloomy picture. A special dispatch to the New York Evening Post (Feb. 7, 1931) gives us this angle: "While there are few outright expressions of opinion in the steel trade, it is clear that there is a widespread feeling of disappointment. . . . The steel trade had hopes that purely seasonal improvement would help, while now it realizes that this is not enough to do much good, and so eyes must be turned on the longer pull."

Now how about this "longer pull"? We have some bad news on that point. The Standard Statistics Co., one of the leading business statistical agencies in the United States, predicts that after March "a sagging tendency seems likely to develop. The first half of 1931 probably will be more disappointing than otherwise. Business profits will be low."

"The beginning of strong and sustained improvement in general does not seem probable before the closing months of 1931." Thus we see the little game of shoving "improvement" over into the future becoming a regular practice. No worker will have much confidence in the prediction of "improvement" in the closing months of 1931. We've heard that story before from the Standard Statistics Co. as well as every capitalist spokesman who let himself be heard.

In another field, 1931 opened with a heavy blow to American capitalism. Bank failures for January, 1931, were greater than in 1930. In the month of January 197 banks crashed, involving \$91,350,000. The sum involved in the failures for January 1931, is greater than for most of the years before 1929. There were bank crashes in nearly every leading industry center in the country.

We have enough proof already to show that the crisis in 1931 will be worse than in 1930, and there are indications yet to indicate there has been any upward turn in the general crisis such as the capitalists would have the workers believe.

entire working class, to create huge profits, and maintain the power of the minority class over the toiling majority. The toiling class has a historical task to perform. The bosses have increased their offensive against all workers and poor farmers. Economic misery, mass unemployment, and wage cuts are on the order of the day. Negro workers are lynched; foreign born workers are deported; and native American workers are clubbed, shot and given long prison sentences (Mooney and Billings) if they dare to protest against the vicious boss rule.

When workers organize and fight against starvation conditions, the bosses increase their attacks against all workers. The bosses place the burden of the crisis on the laboring class: millions are jobless and starving; other millions are working part-time, barely able to make a living for their families.

The workers, Negro and white, must unite and fight against the system that breeds poverty, misery, and starvation. To abolish the division of people into classes; to render it impossible for a minority class to amass riches which are squeezed out of the sweat and blood of Negro and white workers; to unmask national prejudices which separate the workers, making organization difficult; to destroy every hindrance which prevents a united struggle of the entire working class against the oppressors, is the cardinal task of every revolutionary worker and the Communist Party.

The masses of white workers cannot be liberated from the terrible scourge of wage slavery, they cannot break the fetters of American imperialist oppression, without forming an alliance with the super-exploited and subjected Negroes. "Labor in the white skin cannot free itself where labor in the black skin is branded." (Marx.)

The special yoke of persecution to which the Negroes are subjected serves as a basis to keep them down and at the same time drives the living standards of the white workers to the lowest level. To give economic and political freedom to all workers; to destroy the idea of race theoreticians of master and slave; to stop the ruling class from organizing wholesale slaughters that drive millions of workers to slay one another in wars that strengthen the position and power of the imperialist rulers over the workers, it is necessary to build united fronts of all workers, to mobilize black and white toilers to give stubborn resistance to unemployment, wage cuts and speed-up; to fight against lynching and all forms of capitalist oppression; to wage a relentless fight against the special forms of persecution against the Negroes, which keep the workers divided and perpetuate slavery and the rule of the minority class.

White superiority and race prejudices play directly into the hands of the bosses. American chauvinism, Yankee arrogance is aggressive nationalism of American imperialists. It is the superstructure of the present social system and part of the special apparatus of extra exploitation of the Negroes. The origin of this bourgeois mentality has its roots in the former slavery of the Negro. It is downright barbarism in a country at the zenith of capitalist culture. It must be destroyed as it forms the main hindrance to organizing a united struggle against the white ruling class for better economic and political conditions.

Then "not alone the rich and the educated, but the real masses, the huge majority of the working class must build up a new world-wide

THE CALL TO STRUGGLE



The Growing Wave of Struggles in Philadelphia

THE fear of hunger riots by Mayor Mackey was not without foundation. The number of unemployed already reached 300,000. The militant struggle of the unemployed under the leadership of the unemployed councils has thrown a fear into the hearts of the City Council and the rich parasites. Graft and corruption swallowed millions of dollars from the 90-million dollar city budget. Because of unemployment the worker home-owners cannot pay their taxes and the amount of delinquent taxes now reached 17 million. For the month of February 1,300-workers home were sold by the sheriff.

These conditions increased the tension of the already starving unemployed. To prevent the unemployed from direct action the city administration and all capitalist agencies are feverishly engaged in the collection of funds. The money collected as the mayor himself had to admit comes mostly from the working class. At the same time the money collected is used directly against the workers. The city racket, and scab agency, the mayor's Unemployment Relief Committee that collects money from the working people, is using the jobless on various city jobs and even on jobs provided by private individuals and institutions. The unemployed, however, are not paid by the city nor are they paid by the private individuals and concerns. They are paid no more than \$12 a week from the funds collected by the Mayor's Unemployment Relief Committee. In other words, the city saves money

on the unemployment and so do private capitalists. They made the unemployed work, pay them from the funds collected from the workers and themselves keep the funds appropriated for these jobs.

The Unemployed Will Not Scab The bosses, particularly of the textile and needle trades industries are now taking advantage of the existing unemployment to cut the wages of those still employed. In the textile industry the upholstery weavers are now fighting against a 14 per cent wage cut. In the needle trades, workers are now striking against the rotten conditions in the sweatshop. Despite the officials of the Hosiery Workers Union the workers turned out in mass on the picket lines. In the needle trades the workers put up a militant fight to keep scabs out of the shops. The police has clearly demonstrated its role. Director of Public Safety, Scheffel, issued statements prohibiting all picketing and resorted to wholesale arrests. "There can be no strikes and picketing in a period of unemployment," said Scheffel. Conclusions from this must be drawn that the workers must accept any kind of wages because of the fact that there is unemployment.

The February 25 demonstration will be the answer to the bosses and the police department. That first of all the unemployed will not scab and neither will all the workers permit the bosses to use unemployment as a means of reducing the standard of living of all workers.

Baldwin and Gandhi

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THROUGHOUT the world in the colonial countries there has been an intensification of the revolutionary struggles of the masses of peasants and workers against imperialism. We see this most clearly expressed in China, India and the Philippines. In this situation it is important that the Anti-Imperialist League follow a line of exposing the petty-bourgeois reformist elements who obstruct the revolutionary masses in their struggle against imperialism.

In this respect there is a situation in the Anti-Imperialist League of the United States which requires immediate clarification. Roger Baldwin, who is a member of the National Executive Committee of the Anti-Imperialist League, as well as being on the Executive Committee of the International League Against Imperialism, has been carrying out a policy of compromise with British imperialism under a thin disguise of "opposition" to it.

Baldwin has always been a firm friend and supporter of Gandhi and the Indian National Congress. Gandhi at this moment is working out plans with Lord Irwin, British Viceroy of India, to throttle the rising tide of revolution in India. He has just said: "Better British rule than civil strife." Furthermore, Baldwin actively supports the Lovestonites and the renegade M. N. Roy, who have united with every counter-revolutionary force in the United States to support Gandhi in his horse trading maneuver of bartering the revolution to British imperialism for whatever concessions MacDonald will grant the Indian bourgeoisie.

A recent resolution published by the All-India Anti-Imperialist League, with the endorsement of the International League Against Imperialism, states:

side the most difficult questions of social organization." (Lenin)

III. The Negroes' contributions are multifarious. The discovery of iron, the keystone to modern civilization; the arch; the sphinxes; glass; spirituals, poetry and thousands of other modern inventions tell the story of the Yankee bourgeoisie inferiority.

PARTY LIFE

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Discipline of the Tongue

ALREADY at the present time all Party Committees must assume the firmest course towards short sessions well prepared beforehand—half an hour, an hour, as a rule. In accordance with this, we must begin to work up a firm discipline of the tongue, to learn and learn over again to talk as little as possible, not to waste time in long speeches.

"It is also important to aim firmly at short resolutions as in this respect a real scandal is to be observed in our Parties."

The "art" of talking without saying anything is widely developed in our Party. This is especially true among our older members and it ranges from the unit to the leading committees. In nearly every Party Committee we have some comrades who feel it is their duty to speak on every subject even though they make no contribution. We also have another type of comrade, who fortunately is being eliminated, who waits until everybody has spoken and then repeats someone else's thoughts.

The best rule to observe in speaking is to think first and talk after. Make sure you are going to "say" something, to actually contribute to the solution of the problem under consideration. "Discipline of the tongue" is particularly important today when all our Party Committees have so many problems and so little time.

Discipline of the tongue must be accompanied with discipline of the head. When we discuss one problem many of our comrades insist on speaking about matters and subjects that have no relation to the problem and that may steal a lot of time from the Party. It would be well if our comrades read the above quotation many times and memorize it.

petty-bourgeoisie and renegades from the Communist Party, such as the Lovestonites.

The main purpose of the organization proposed by Baldwin, counter to the League Against Imperialism, would be to strengthen the hand of Gandhi, against the Indian workers and peasants; to lend support to the reactionary Quezon, Roxas, Osmena misleaders in the Philippines; to support the Kuomintang executives in China, and mislead the American workers as to the real function of an Anti-Imperialist League.

Baldwin's policy is not the expression of an individual. It is a class policy representing the phrase-mongering of the petty-bourgeoisie and "socialists" throughout the world. It is the policy of the Mosley-Maxton group in Britain, under whose purposely futile "oppositional" protection MacDonald is preparing a blood-bath for the Indian workers and peasants. Such a stand has no place in the Anti-Imperialist League of the United States. It is a hindrance to the establishment of a real, fighting Anti-Imperialist League.

One of Baldwin's closest supporters in the Anti-Imperialist League, the late Carl DeBekker, expressed this counter-revolutionary view with regard to the Philippines in a recent visit to the Islands. The Philippine Herald (Nov. 10, 1930) reports DeBekker as saying: "Like the members of the American liberal group, I believe in Philippine Independence provided that we (I) are given full assurance that you are secure and free after American sovereignty is lifted here."

This is objective support to the Hoover Imperialist policy in the Philippines. It is the logical outgrowth of the Baldwin policy with regard to India, as well as with regard to every colony under the yoke of American imperialism.

No real Anti-Imperialist League can be built, basing itself on the leadership of the workers and peasants in the anti-imperialist struggle, on such elements. The Anti-Imperialist League has made the serious mistake of not clarifying this issue heretofore. The necessity at this time of building the League in the United States in the face of increasing revolutionary ferment in the colonies, demands that supporters of the false Gandhi, be exposed and branded as enemies of the anti-imperialist struggle.

Red Sparks By JORGE

A National "Hook Up"

Well, boys, there seems to be right smart of a shin-dig on now about a "city-wide investigation" of this little town, New York. When Sam Nesson called Jimmy Walker a grafter last Oct. 16, he said a mouthful. We remind you of this in order to show that it is the Communists who put the ginger into things like that.

And just as the unemployed demonstration and demands which caused Nesson's exposure of Tammany was caused by the crisis, so in another way it is causing still more. The capitalist crisis reduces the pickings in graft and sets one gang against another gang of crooks and even opens war within the gangs over division of the reduced loot.

A guy named Macy, new chairman of the republican party in New York state, went to Washington about two weeks ago, and things began to happen fast. He saw Hoover. And shortly afterward announced that New York republicans would support Hoover for re-election in 1932.

It was no accident that shortly the Federal Bureau of Internal Revenue said it was going to investigate the income tax statements of all these Tammany cops whose bank accounts have been climbing into six figures.

Nor was it a coincidence that something heavy began weighing on those New York City republicans who are tied up tight with Tammany. There's old boss Koenig, for example, one of the republican lads who was a chesse in the bonding company in which that Judge Jean Norris, "Our Lady of Tammany Hall," invested a lot of kale, thereby cleaning up on bonds of the victims she sent to prison for the Vice Squad.

Koenig came through under pressure and lined up for that "city-wide investigation." You see the pressure from Washington is powerful strong. The Hoover chance in 1932 would be helped by a good old camp-meeting revival exposure of Tammany crookedness to pour over the democrats—that's what Macy showed to Hoover when he went to Washington.

But other trains are running to Washington besides the one Macy took. So Boss Ward of Westchester, against whom the pressure was getting too heavy, also went to Washington, where, the N. Y. Times assures us with every sign of sincerity, he visited Hoover merely as "an old friend" and that Hoover would never, never monkey with state affairs in New York, and so forth.

So Ward's two manakins at Albany, Mastick and Westall, first look dumb, then vote against the "investigation," then vote to keep the question alive while Ward fixes things in Washington so they know which way to vote.

In the meantime, while some "discontented" democrats like Kresel and Seabury are wrangling cops, and Jimmy Walker's "Dear Max Steiner is getting even by slapping some indictments around Kresel, a republican "comrade" of Fish, named McFadden, gets up in congress and says that Hoover, through Ward, through Mastick and Westall, is protecting Tammany from investigation, because Hoover wants an "expert" financial republican, named Eugene Meyer, who lives in Ward's county, appointed head of the Federal Reserve Board, and that Tammany got two democratic U. S. senators, Wagner and Copeland, to support Meyer as payment in kind.

Now we hear that a duck called Machold, who was chairman of the N. Y. state republicans before Macy, who is "long identified with water power as an associate of Niagara-Hudson Power Corporation," but though Machold was republican chief, he was bosom friend of a "powerful democrat" named Floyd Leslie Carlisle, who is chairman of the N. Y. Edison Co. and "is also chairman of the Niagara-Hudson."

So it's all mixed up with your electric light bill, vice squad bank rolls and Hoover has present again in 1932.

Oh, yes; remember that Mastick, on of Ward's monkeys on a stick, is offering a bills at Albany to make the theatres of New York "moral!" And clean!

Well, if you see anything moral or clean about either the republican or democratic parties, put it in a glass jar full of hooch or formaldehyde, they're both the same.

Bank Directors

The directors of the Bank of United States, as some 400,000 New York depositors now know, met occasionally to O.K. the rake off gathered in through the bank loaning millions to dummy companies. Some of them trying to get out of a pickle now, say that about all they did at meetings was to draw \$50 in gold each and vote for anything the main squeezes proposed without examination.

This is already fully proven in the investigation now going on.

Thus we have the amusing spectacle of some of these guys whose possession of money is always explained to workers as "They're big because they're brainy"—answering questions like the following:

Question—"What did you hold directors' meetings at all for?"

Answer—"Well, to tell the truth, that has occurred to me very often."

Now, you—you, the worker who is reading this just think back a couple of months, to when at the capitalist papers were running headline about the "Red Rumors Ruin Banks"—and they get your fightin' clothes on and go out and explain to somebody, some worker, this concrete case of how the capitalist papers lie about the Communists. And why!

Einsteinisms

"Einstein Theory Gets New Proofs," says a headline. The proof being that some, photographs show that "stars rays bend in passing the sun." Now any superstitious bunk peddler can "prove" that science is not opposed to religion by asking defiantly, "Who bent 'em, if God didn't?"

The N. Y. Times last month got off a variation in relativity, one of its editorials on Jan 15 saying: "After all, luxury is but a relative term."

It said this in defense of capitalist luxury and against what it calls "all the foolish and demagogic talk on this subject now current." One of its prize remarks is this:

"The poor, if they are not to cast themselves entirely upon public charity, they must first someone to give them employment and pay their wages. Even luxurious expenditure is one way of making jobs for wage-earners."

No more vulgar apology for capitalism can possibly be put forth—than that above which to quote Marx, is synonymous to saying "The bourgeoisie is a bourgeois for the benefit of the working class."