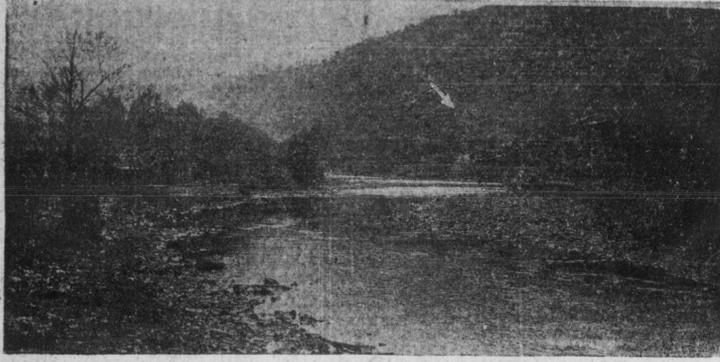


# DEMONSTRATE TODAY AGAINST MURDER OF NINE NEGRO BOYS



Where carloads of mine company gunmen with county sheriffs' badges, machine guns, hand grenades, rifles and pistols fought a battle with starving, striking Kentucky miners near Everts. Four deputies and one miner were killed in this clash. Now the militia are there to reinforce the company thugs.



Part of one division of 200 hunger marchers, delegates of the unemployed thousands starving in Ohio. They were photographed on their way to Columbus, the state capital to demand unemployment insurance. Workers and jobless workers hailed them in mass meetings all along the way.



Nine Negro boys, the youngest 14 and the oldest under 20, who were picked off a freight train they were riding in search of work, and railroaded through a court without witnesses, without counsel of their own, and without a chance before a jury picked from the lynch mobs outside. They are condemned to death on purely frame-up charges. Fight for their release!

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### "Render Unto Caesar"

It is a sardonic commentary on the encyclical letter of Pope Pius XI wherein he condemned "men fixing their eyes on earthly goods"—that the very same day the very same Pope demanded cash reparations from the government of Spain for the \$30,000,000 losses the Catholic Church is said to have sustained from the revolutionary masses of Spain who, resentful of the centuries of robbery by the church, retaliated by destroying a small part of that property which represented the proceeds of the robbery.

While the Spanish masses will probably find that they can make use of church property when they go forward to the establishment of a Soviet Government, we have no especial condemnation for their incidental destruction of a few mouldy convents and cathedrals in the course of their first efforts to overthrow the regime of feudal and capitalist exploitation which the church directly represented and which the "socialist"-bourgeois coalition government is defending. Out of the sweat and blood of the masses these edifices were built and the masses have a revolutionary right to do with them what they will.

It is precisely to fight against this revolutionary right of the working class that the Pope has written his encyclical letter. This is the meat of the expression that: "The differences in social condition in the human family, which were widely decreed by the Creator, must not and cannot ever be abolished."

There is a great difference between "must not" and "cannot." It is exactly because the workers of the Soviet Union have ignored this "decree of the Creator" and are actually abolishing capitalism and its class differences, that the Pope comes forward with a mythical mandate from "the Creator" to say that it "must not" be done.

It is because the toiling masses of Spain, learning from the Russian example, that the mandate is worthless, are trampling over it in the forward march to a revolutionary seizure of power and property from the hands of the feudal aristocrats and capitalists, that the Pope's letter is written to strengthen the hands of the fascist dictatorship of the "socialist"-bourgeois coalition government.

It is because the Pope recognizes that also in Catholic Poland and in Germany the growing discontent of the broad masses is undermining one of the principal bases for counter-revolutionary war against the Soviet Union and is accelerating the ripening of the prerequisites of a revolutionary crisis, that the Pope seeks to hold back the masses by exhibiting spurious credentials from "the Creator."

As a part of this restraining influence, the Pope correctly estimates the role of the "socialists" and takes care to distinguish between the real champions of socialism, the Communists, and the false "socialists" whose teachings, he points out, are "conformable" to the "mutual collaboration between capital and labor"—which is not only "decreed by the Creator" but also by the "socialist" parties of the Second International, by the capitalists of all countries and by the executive council of the American Federation of Labor.

But the workers will take notice that all this "mutual collaboration" scheme is supposed to operate upon the basis of the workers accepting "the differences in social condition" wherein they, the workers, sweat and toil and starve and die to sustain a small class of socially useless parasites called capitalists, forever and by "the decree of the Creator."

The issue is thus clear between the robbers and the robbed. On one side is the toiling masses battling for emancipation. On the other the robbers of the capitalist class supported by the church, the "socialist" party, the A. F. of L. and all other fascist forces.

The struggle takes the concrete form of the daily fight for bread, for unemployment insurance, against wage cuts and the speed-up. Around these struggles the Communist Party, the party of the workers, call upon all who toil, all who are oppressed, persecuted and downtrodden, to join with it in the daily struggles for improvement of their lot and to march forward under its leadership—regardless of "decrees of the Creator"—to the revolutionary overthrow of capitalist rule and the establishment of a socialist society under a Workers' and Farmers' Government!

### The Answer

Editor's Note:—Besides the explanation given herewith, we are informed that Comrade Nessel will furnish us with a comprehensive article in a few days.

In a front page editorial of the Daily Worker of May 15 under the heading "What About It?" you state, "We hear that the delegates from the Unemployed Branches to the Unemployed Council, delegates who are supposed to be elected by the rank and file of the branches, are not so elected, but on the contrary are, in fact, selected by the Secretary of the Unemployed Council."

The editorial further states "perhaps the secretary of the Unemployed Council of New York would favor the Daily Worker with an explanation about this reported denial of elementary working class democracy, and anything else that may be said to explain the weaknesses of the work and how to overcome them."

In the present letter I will just confine myself to a reply about the denial of elementary working class democracy. I will write about our weaknesses in our unemployment work within a few days.

I am in full agreement with your attitude against the appointment of delegates to the Unemployed Council by the Secretary instead of the rank and file electing them. I am also of the opinion that anyone who is at the head of a mass organization and fails to understand the necessity for working class democracy for the strengthening of the organization and the development of new forces should be removed.

I must admit I was surprised to read that, "the Secretary of the Unemployed Council of New York should favor us with an explanation." This being a part of working class democracy, I am not at all embarrassed.

My answer is that not a single branch of the Unemployed Council can say that I have selected delegates for it. Neither has this been charged by any of the branches.

SAM GREEN

### Scottsboro Parents Frantic Over Attempts to Coerce Boys; On Way to Prison to See Sons

#### N.Y. WORKERS IN PROTEST TODAY

#### Demonstrate Against Scottsboro Frame

NEW YORK. — The approach of the date of the hearing of the International Labor Defense motions for a new trial for all nine of the Scottsboro Negro boys finds the united defense movement reaching new mass proportions. The hearing takes place May 20 at Fort Payne, Alabama.

Mrs. Ada Wright, mother of two of the boys, Roy 14, and Andy, 17, is being enthusiastically welcomed by numerous organizations on her tour of the North to help the I. L. D. mobilize the masses for the defense of her two boys and 7 others.

Many organizations in New York have shown their support of the fight to save the boys by contributing money for the defense and by electing delegates to the City United Front Scottsboro Conference which takes place this Sunday at 11 a. m. at the Finnish Workers Hall, 15 West 126th Street.

All Out Today in Militant Protest.

Many of these organizations have also endorsed and promised to participate in the huge protest parade and demonstration of white and Negro workers today. The parade will form at 128th St. and Lenox Ave. and will proceed up Lenox Ave. to 145th St., through to 7th Ave., down 7th Ave. to 116th St., through 116th St. to 5th Ave. and 110th St., where a gigantic demonstration will be held to voice the protest of tens of thousands of New York's workers against the Scottsboro boss court lynch verdict.

Mobilization for the parade will begin at 3 o'clock, with numerous meetings in the section between 113th St. and 145th St., from Fifth to 7th Ave. The parade will start from 128th St. at 4 o'clock sharp. All workers are urged to demonstrate their indignation at this frightful frame-up and attempted murder of nine innocent Negro boys by taking the streets in thousands today in vigorous protest against lynch law and oppression of the Negro masses.

Stop the murder of the nine Negro boys! Fight lynching! Smash Jim-Crowism! Join the Fight for Negro Rights!

A Permit for the Parade was granted.

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#### MRS. WRIGHT IN YONKERS TONIGHT

NEW YORK. — Following successful meetings held in various parts of New York City during the past few days, Mrs. Ada Wright, mother of Roy and Andy Wright, two of the nine framed up Scottsboro boys, will speak in Yonkers tonight (Saturday) at a protest meeting that will demand a halt to the mass lynching plans of the southern courts. She will speak at 8 p. m. at 252 Warburton Ave.

Tomorrow afternoon Mrs. Wright will address the United Front Scottsboro Defense Conference that will be held in Finnish Hall, 15 W. 126th St. She will also be one of the speakers at the defense banquet that will end up the conference in the evening.

#### Issue Scathing Statement Denouncing "Meddlers"

#### Call for United Front

#### Restate Their Faith in the ILD and Its Attorneys

(By Telegraph to Daily Worker)

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., May 15.—Alarmed by reports that pressure was again being brought to bear on their sons by prison authorities, Ku Klux lawyers and local preachers together with Walter White, national secretary of the N.A.A.C.P., to have them sign statements detrimental to the defense and against the advice of their parents, the parents of the nine Scottsboro boys left here last night in a frantic rush to Kilby prison, where their sons are held, eight of them under sentence to burn in the electric chair.

Parents Defeat Tactics of N.A.A.C.P. Leaders.

This is the second time that the parents of these boys, already tormented with worry over the frame-up and unjust conviction of their sons, have had to rush to Kilby Prison to defeat the white and Negro "uplifters" who are desperately attempting to carry out the wishes of the Alabama boss lynchers of eliminating from the case the International Labor Defense and its policy of mobilizing mass pressure behind its legal defense of the boys.

Before leaving for the prison, the parents issued a statement bitterly denouncing the efforts of "inter-meddlers" whose sabotage of the defense chosen by the parents and the nine boys are helping to railroad these innocent victims of Alabama boss justice to the electric chair. The

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#### FIRE EIGHT, HIRE ONE.

BRIDGEPORT, Ohio, May 13.—On May 1 in the railroad yards here they laid off two drivers, two oilers, two tire knockers, and two shovel men, and told the hostler that he would have to do the work they had been doing.

He protested vigorously with his union, and that bunch of misleaders told him to do the work.

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### Tammany Cops Beat Men, Women At Protest Against Li Death Exile

NEW YORK. — Tammany police did their share to help the butcher, Chiang Kai-shek of China, by murderously attacking men and women who took part Friday noon in a demonstration at Ellis Island Ferry against the deportation of T. H. Li. Li was ordered to present himself to the immigration authorities Friday morning for shipment to his death at the hands of the Chiang Kai-shek government.

Hundreds of workers gathered at the Battery, near the Ellis Island Ferry. There were a dozen police on the scene but they did not attempt to attack the demonstration at first. Several speakers had exposed the murderous attack on the workers by the immigration authorities who were cooperating with the boss lynchers in deporting Li. Fred Biedenkapp was speaking after

## JOBLESS' STRUGGLE FOR RELIEF IS GROWING; BUILD COUNCILS!

### Green "Justifies" Strikes; But AFL Is Strike Breaking

### Financial Sheets Tell of Hope in Washington That the General Wage Cut Plot Will Not Be "Political Issue," More Slashes Already

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 15.—The strikers on the Indianapolis building projects have won their two weeks' strike and are back at work. The strike was an uprising of the rank and file which the officials of the A. F. of L. unions tried in vain to compromise or arbitrate.

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 14.—"We feel labor would be fully justified in resisting attempts to reduce wages even to the extent of striking," said Green, president of the AFL, today in a statement following that of his executive council yesterday. Green didn't explain why if this is so the A. F. of L. has been vigorously strike-breaking ever since the depression started, and why, in the face of all facts until the facts could no longer be denied, Green insisted that the employers have kept their promise not to cut wages.

Now he has to admit wages were cut. But he does not lead strikes against them, he only feels that such strikes would be "justified."

The Trade Union Unity League months ago declared for "strike against all wage cuts, and T.U.U.L. unions have led and won many such strikes since then—always against the opposition of the A.F.L. In many cases the A.F.L. unions have sent scabs, got injunctions against pickets, and provided thugs for the use of the employers.

The Wall Street Journal's Washington Bureau stated today that Hoover and his administration continue to keep up the story that "there are a few wage cuts." The bureau says, however, other industries will be driven to cut costs wherever they can do so. The hope here is that this can be accomplished, where it

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Only the organized power of the working class can save the political prisoners!



Mrs. Ada Wright, mother of two of the Scottsboro Boys, and her little daughter. Both of them are touring the country under the auspices of the International Labor Defense to help mobilize the masses to smash the Scottsboro frame-up.

### New Hunger Marches Coming; Pittsburgh Have Unemployment Conference in June; Fight On to Stop Evictions

### Mellon Gang Cuts Off "Relief" and Gives the Starving "Gardens" They Cannot Use

### 1,500 Unemployed Miners at Swoyersville Fight Police Who Attack Meeting; Arrest Two; Crowd Demonstrates Again

Following the very successful Ohio and Pennsylvania state hunger marches, intensive organization of the councils of the unemployed must continue, and the daily struggle in the cities and towns for relief and to stop evictions must be increased. From many places news comes of this intensification of the struggle. Meanwhile a new state hunger march is being prepared for May 27 in Michigan, and for a little later in Illinois.

### Jobless' Gardens, Pittsburgh.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 15.—Now that the "Pittsburgh Plan" has completely collapsed, and proven to be nothing but a fake, the Mellon gang is trying to avoid giving relief to the starving unemployed thru another and even worse fake scheme. Following the example of the Murphy in Detroit the city council is now giving the unemployed workers an "unemployed garden" as relief.

The "gardens" are way out on Mt. Lebanon, which costs 20 cents to reach by street car. Besides the workers are forced to buy the necessary tools. If any one refuses to accept a "garden" they lose the little relief (a couple of baskets of groceries a week) which is being given to some families now.

The workers however see through these fake schemes. The branches of the unemployed council are being formed in all parts of the city. Block committees are springing up wherever evictions are prevented by the branches. Especially in the Negro section on the "hill", where evictions take place almost daily, the movement is growing rapidly.

On June 21 a city unemployed convention will be held to consolidate the organized movement for relief and to launch big city wide struggles. A call to all workers' organizations, lodges, unions, etc., is being prepared. Monday a Negro family on Manilla

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### GREET PATERSON 5 RELEASED ON BAIL AT 1 TODAY

### Are Framed-Up On Murder Charge

Today the workers will welcome the five brave class fighters who for the past two months have been in the Paterson, N. J., county jail on framed charges of murder. The five workers, Benjamin Lieb, Louis Harris, Lewis Bart, Albert Kalzenbuch and Helen Gershonowitz, will be released on bail today and a big mass demonstration will be held at 1 p. m. outside the county jail in Paterson to welcome them.

The bail has been raised by the New York District of the International Labor Defense—\$3,500 each for the four men and \$1,000 for the woman. The I. L. D., in addition to providing the legal defense in the case, is rallying the masses who alone can smash this brazen frame-up and force the boss courts to release the five workers. Their arrest followed the death of Max Urban, a silk mill owner who died later an attack by underworld elements with whom he had had dealings. The five workers, who were leading figures in a strike against Urban's mill, were then framed up.

The New York District of the I. L. D. calls on all workers to demonstrate at the county jail at 1 p. m. today, not only as a welcome to the five comrades, but as an expression of their determination to free them permanently.

### YCL IN WIRE TO SCOTTSBORO BOYS

### Pledge Continued Fight

NEW YORK.—An encouragement and assurance that the fight will be continued for their release, the membership meeting of the Young Communist League sent the following telegram to the nine Scottsboro Negro boys, addressed to the oldest, Charlie Weems:

"Membership meeting of the Young Communist League, over 500 attending, pledge solidarity with you. Will continue fight for your release. We will mobilize working class youth, Negro and white, for mighty protest that will force the bars of your prison cells wide open. Keep high courage. Thousands with you."

## Local 19, Amalgamated, Will Stop Work to Vote On Demands

### Charges of No Confidence in Racketeering, Grafting Officials Made in Meeting Will Come to Vote Wednesday

NEW YORK.—The meeting Thursday night of Local 19 (Kneepants Makers) of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers with 350 members present voted to stop work Wednesday, May 20, in the middle of the day, at 1 p. m. and hold a special meeting to take up charges of no confidence against the officials and the trade board. They also voted to take up the proposals of the Rank and File Committee of the local on the following points in connection with the new contract:

- 1.—Introduction of the 40-hour, 5-day week with no reduction in pay.
- 2.—The re-introduction of week work in all shops where piece work has been established.
- 3.—Guaranteed minimum wage scale of \$25 a week for all kneepantsmakers.
- 4.—To increase the Unemployment Insurance Fund to 5 per cent at the expense of the bosses, this fund to be controlled by a Rank and File Committee of kneepantsmakers, employed and unemployed, elected at a mass meeting.
- 5.—Equal pay for equal work for women and young workers.
- 6.—The abolition of the "Impartial" machinery.
- 7.—All work cut in New York by union cutters, to be made in New York union shops.
- 8.—No firing, the right to the job, and all other union conditions to take the place of the present sweat shop conditions.

The present contract expires June 30. The rank and file committee has issued a leaflet charging that the Amalgamated leadership is now making plans to renew the old contract with all its piece work, speed-up and wage-cut conditions. The kneepants makers, who used to get at week work as high as \$60 a week, are now making at piece work around three and four dollars a day.

The committee presented its proposals at the trade board meeting May 12, and the proposition came up again at the local meeting. The manager was forced to admit that

29 out of 33 shops are on piece work and another is going to piece work. Member after member took the floor and charged racketeering, graft, and taking of work out of town against the officials and trade board. They defended the program of the rank and file committee.

## VOTE SUPPORT TO FUR STRIKE

### Needle Shop Delegates Meet Monday to Elect

NEW YORK.—The membership meeting of the fur department of the Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union was very well attended Thursday night at Manhattan Lyceum. The workers listened to the report of the developing activities of the fur department and of the developments in the company union. The membership responded enthusiastically to the proposal to begin immediately the drive for organization and for wage increases. For this purpose 26 workers volunteered to act on the Organization Committee. The meeting also decided to endorse the ball

take place at Webster Hall Saturday, arranged by the rank and file of the company union. The members of the Industrial Union are called upon to attend this ball and in this manner support the rank and file movement against the company union bureaucrats.

The rabbit fur dressing workers of the Industrial Union had a membership meeting the same night also at Manhattan Lyceum. The workers decided to go on with the strike at the S. K. S. firm in Jersey City, against the 20 per cent cut.

**Election Meeting.**  
Monday there will be a special shop delegates council meeting at Irving Plaza where elections of officials and a new executive council will take place. The lists of the candidates running for these offices were sent to shops, the shops are discussing these lists and directing the shop delegates how to vote. In this election meeting there will be given a complete report of the union activities since the last elections.

## Soviet News Reel At Bronx Pioneer Affair This Evening

NEW YORK.—A Soviet News Reel, a Charlie Chaplin Comedy, several musical numbers will be some of the outstanding numbers on the program of the Pioneer affair that will be held on Saturday, May 16th, at the Bronx Workers Center, 569 Prospect Ave.

This affair will also be a demonstration of working class children and workers generally to protest against the persecution of those children who participated in the May First demonstration.

All workers and workers' children should attend this affair, the proceeds of which goes to strengthen the official organ of the Young Pioneers of America, the "Pioneer."

## Scottsboro Defense Mass Meeting, New Brunswick, May 16

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.—A mass meeting will be held today, Saturday, May 16 at 8 p. m. under the auspices of the I.L.D. and the ISNR at the Workers Home, 11 Plum St., New Brunswick, N. J., to protest against the vicious frame-up of the nine Negro boys who face execution in Scottsboro and the five militant textile workers of Paterson.

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## MASS PICKETING CLOSES GENERAL FABRICS MILL

### Another Mill Crew in Fight On Wage Cut

PAWTUCKET, R. I., May 15.—The General Fabrics Mill is closed down tight by continual mass picketing. The strikers are mobilizing their strongest picket line for Monday morning against any attempt to resume work.

The National Textile Workers Union is calling a general mass meeting for Sunday afternoon, at which James P. Reid, chairman of the national committee of the N.T.W.; Martin Russak, district organizer, and local strikers will speak.

Two hundred General Fabrics strikers have already joined the N. T. W. More are joining.

Last night a large meeting of the workers of the Webbsett mill of the American Woolen Co. at Providence elected a grievance committee from the entire mill, which this morning presented demands to the management. The workers demand the return of the twelve and a half per cent wage cut, and have other grievances. The company thought it wise to grant some of the grievances and agree also to pay the committee the time lost during the conference.

There will be a big meeting of the workers of this mill tonight to hear the report of the committee and decide on what action to take.

The Rhode Island district board of the National Textile Workers Union meets Sunday to mobilize for struggle and rally support for the strike. Delegates are coming from many mills in Providence, Pawtucket, Central Falls and Moonsocket.

## Red Builders Banquet May 16 to Push the Daily Worker Sales

The Red Builders Banquet to which only those will be admitted who have been invited takes place this evening, May 16 at 8 p. m. at 887 East Tenth St. The Daily Worker reps of the Sections and Units are especially invited to attend. Every worker should support this affair of the Red Builders to broaden and strengthen the support for the Daily Worker which fights and organizes for the working class. Comrades are urged to bring an unemployed worker along who can be interested to sell the Daily Worker in a new section of the city.

## Italian Workers to Protest Persecution

Against the persecution of the foreign born and the latest maneuvers of the bosses' Wall St. government to deport and terrorize militant workers, the Italian Proletarian Club will hold a series of open air meetings to expose the political grafters and fascist agents of the government located in the 19th Assembly Dist. and who are active in Spineola's Democratic Club. The bait held out by these Tammany politicians is to protect the Italian workers of the neighborhood a job.

The Italian Proletarian Club will hold its meeting Saturday, tomorrow, May 16th, at Starr St. and Central Ave., Brooklyn. The club is located at 61 Graham Ave., Brooklyn.

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## Open Letter to Universal Negro Improvement Assn. Membership

### Negroes engaged in organizing this defense and of collecting funds, supposedly for the defense of the Scottsboro boys.

Open letter to the Universal Negro Improvement Assn membership Fellow Workers:  
Nine Negro boys face legal lynching in Alabama. Only the united mass protest of millions of white and black workers organized for militant defense will save these boys. They are innocent of any crime save that of being black and being workers. For this the ruling class is determined to legally lynch them, hoping by this to terrorize the Negro masses and force them to peacefully accept their miserable lot.

The International Labor Defense and the League of Struggle for Negro Rights are mobilizing millions of American workers in defense of these boys. The bosses are mobilizing all the Negro reformists and misleaders to prevent the development of this mass movement. Reports have been made that one Rev. Lee, known some time as George Carter, and William Grant of the Tiger Division of the U.N.I.A., making false charges against

## WOMEN'S CONCERT TO HEAR POYNTZ

### To Tell Impressions of Soviet Women

NEW YORK.—Juliet Stuart Poyntz, recently returned from the Soviet Union, will be the chief speaker at the United Council of Working Class Women's spring concert, Saturday, May 16, 8:30 p. m., Stuyvesant Casino, Second Ave. and 9th St.

Poyntz will speak on the role of the working women in building socialism in the Soviet Union and will relate her impressions of the improving lot of the working class women.

Mrs. Wright, the mother of two of the nine Scottsboro boys, will also be present.

In addition to which a varied program will include good acting, dancing and singing talent. Home cooked refreshments will abound at the buffet.

Admission only 3c. Bring the children.

## Meeting Today of the White Goods Workers

NEW YORK.—All bathrobe, pajamas, kimono, beach robe and negligee workers are called to a mass meeting today at 12:30 p. m. at Needle Workers Center, 131 W. 28th St.

This is an organization meeting called by the rank and file committee of the white goods department of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union.

## VOLUNTEERS WANTED IN THE "DAILY" TODAY

Eight hundred bulletins must 800 envelopes sealed and stamped, be assembled, folded and inserted; The Daily Worker Circulation Department would appreciate the help of any comrade who has an extra hour to spare today, and who can assist us in getting out this important material in connection with the circulation campaign. Take the elevator to the 8th floor, 35 E. 12th St.

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

## NTWIU ENDORSES NAT'L YOUTH DAY

### Send Delegates to Conference May 16

NEW YORK.—The executive council of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union at its meeting held May 11, decided to endorse the National Youth Day and to call upon the needle trades workers to send delegates to the United Front "National Youth Day Conference," which will take place on May 16th at Irving Plaza Hall, 15th St. and Irving Plaza.

The executive council also authorized the youth section of the union to issue a special call to the young workers in the needle industry. In the call the youth section points out that "The needle trades workers suffer the same as all other workers. The young workers suffer even more than the adult do. For 50 to 60 hours they receive \$10 to \$12 and the speed-up is unbearable. Those who still go to continuation school are not paid for the time spent there. The bosses take advantage of the young workers in every possible way. If any one will try to resist the attacks of the bosses, he is immediately fired. The young workers must wake up.

## PRESSMEN FIRED BY FASCIST RAG

### Replace Union Men By Non-Union

NEW YORK.—The publisher of the Hungarian fascist daily newspaper, Amerikai Magyar Nepszava, and the Polish fascist daily, Nowy Swiat, 9 West 16th St., fired six union pressmen and four union stedeotypers, hiring in their place non-union men at heavily cut wages.

Farkas, superintendent of these fascist newspapers, himself a member of the A. F. of L. engineered the task of cutting wages and increasing the hours of the new pressmen. The scab pressmen work 10 to 12 hours a day, seven nights a week. On Wednesday they come in at eight in the morning and quit at three the next morning.

**Armstrong Says Nothing**  
When the union men were fired and replaced by scabs went to Armstrong of the Newspaper Pressmen's Union, Local 2, he just shrugged his shoulders and said, "Let things take their course."

The composers and mailers who are union men are still on the job and permitted their fellow workers to be fired and wages of the new men cut without a protest.

The pretext of firing the pressmen was that their contract ran out and a new style press was being put in. There are 600 unemployed pressmen and an effort is being made to bring them all onto a picket line against the scab fascist print shop.

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## NTWIU ENDORSES NAT'L YOUTH DAY

### Send Delegates to Conference May 16

NEW YORK.—The executive council of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union at its meeting held May 11, decided to endorse the National Youth Day and to call upon the needle trades workers to send delegates to the United Front "National Youth Day Conference," which will take place on May 16th at Irving Plaza Hall, 15th St. and Irving Plaza.

The executive council also authorized the youth section of the union to issue a special call to the young workers in the needle industry. In the call the youth section points out that "The needle trades workers suffer the same as all other workers. The young workers suffer even more than the adult do. For 50 to 60 hours they receive \$10 to \$12 and the speed-up is unbearable. Those who still go to continuation school are not paid for the time spent there. The bosses take advantage of the young workers in every possible way. If any one will try to resist the attacks of the bosses, he is immediately fired. The young workers must wake up.

## WOMEN'S CONCERT TO HEAR POYNTZ

### To Tell Impressions of Soviet Women

NEW YORK.—Juliet Stuart Poyntz, recently returned from the Soviet Union, will be the chief speaker at the United Council of Working Class Women's spring concert, Saturday, May 16, 8:30 p. m., Stuyvesant Casino, Second Ave. and 9th St.

Poyntz will speak on the role of the working women in building socialism in the Soviet Union and will relate her impressions of the improving lot of the working class women.

Mrs. Wright, the mother of two of the nine Scottsboro boys, will also be present.

In addition to which a varied program will include good acting, dancing and singing talent. Home cooked refreshments will abound at the buffet.

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## Meeting Today of the White Goods Workers

NEW YORK.—All bathrobe, pajamas, kimono, beach robe and negligee workers are called to a mass meeting today at 12:30 p. m. at Needle Workers Center, 131 W. 28th St.

This is an organization meeting called by the rank and file committee of the white goods department of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union.

## VOLUNTEERS WANTED IN THE "DAILY" TODAY

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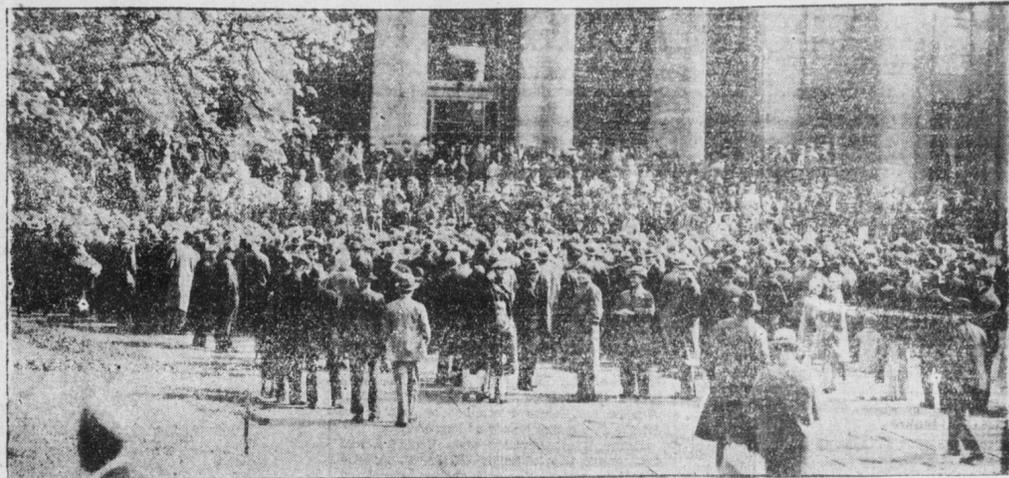
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### Slash Pay of Engineers; Workers Refuse to Contribute to Fake Community Chest

### Wages Down 10 P. C. in American Locomotive; 12 1/2 P.C. Cut Threatened

Schenectady, N. Y.

Daily Worker:

In this citadel of planned production and reformist capitalism, where the General Electric and American Locomotive trusts have in their service such eminent bourgeois brains as Owen D. Young and Swopes, things are not faring well with our "eminent business builders." Grumblings and rumblings are to be heard in all departments, even up to the engineers and executives. Workers are refusing to be milked any further of monthly contributions to the Community Chest. Mechanics are beginning to growl about the "tricky piece work" schemes of the efficiency experts. Engineers are muttering about being "jangled down the line," to where their salaries are politely cut.

(The General Electric cut wages? Just a series of readjustments in production costs.)

Engineers New Cut.

In the American Locomotive, where workers' chains are covered with reformist felt in the way of bonuses, vacations, pensions, etc., rumors are being gently set adrift: "If you men would accept, let us say a 12 1/2 per cent wage cut now, we believe the N.Y.C.R.R. would come across with an order for 100 locomotives." One wage cut of 10 per cent has already been put over, with very "great regrets," as usual. But this bunk isn't "going" any further. The workers are feeling ugly about being given 5 to 10 hours work a week.

Want Organization.

The reformist "felt" is wearing through. At the May Day meeting here, the workers responded to the call of the Communist Party (despite warnings in the newspapers about dicks being present to spy) in the largest meeting held in Schenectady in recent years. They want more than just a meeting; they want organization.

M. P.

## United Front Fight to Save 9 Negro Boys Gains Nation-Wide Support

CHICAGO, May 15.—In spite of some resistance to the united front fight to save the nine Scottsboro boys on the part of the officials of the Chicago Local of the National Association and Brotherhood of Dining Car Employees, the rank and file elected delegates to the local United Front Scottsboro Defense Conference to be held Sunday, May 24, at Forum Hall, 322 E. 43rd St. This is only one of a number of unions that have already elected delegates.

Negro Church Supports Fight.

Pilgrim Baptist Church today turned over a donation of \$50 to the I. L. D., as part of the collection taken up by Rev. Austin at last Sunday's service. They also donated the use of the church for next Tuesday evening for a Scottsboro protest meeting, at which Mrs. Ada Wright, mother of two of the boys, will speak.

Utica Church Forms United Front Committee.

UTICA, N. Y., May 15.—A Scottsboro protest mass meeting was held last night in the Hope Chapel Church, the leading Negro church in Utica. The meeting was addressed by B. Clark and J. D. Monica, representing the I. L. D. The meeting unanimously supported the united front defense policy of the I. L. D. The minister of the church joined in endorsing the I. L. D.

A resolution of protest was sent to the governor of Alabama. A united Front Committee was formed and has arranged to push the work of mobilizing the masses for the fight to save the lives of the nine boys.

Sioux City Workers Send Protest.

SIoux CITY, May 14.—A Scottsboro protest mass meeting was held here last night with many Negro and white workers present. A telegram of protest was sent to Gov. B. M. Miller of Alabama, at Montgomery, Ala. Telegrams from a number of Negro churches and other organizations were sent last week. A United Front Scottsboro Defense Conference is being prepared.

Gary to Hold Defense Conference.

GARY, May 13.—Preparations for a United Front Scottsboro Defense conference are being pushed here, with I. L. D. and L. S. N. R. speakers visiting many organizations. Block and neighborhood committees are being organized in support of the conference and the nation-wide fight to save the nine Negro boys.

Lithuanian Women Voice Protest.

BOSTON, Mass., May 14.—Branch 13, of the Lithuanian Working Women's Alliance, at a special membership meeting adopted a resolution denouncing the attempt of the Alabama bosses to railroad the nine innocent Scottsboro children to the electric chair, and pledged full support to the fight to save the boys. A telegram of protest was sent to the governor of Alabama.

Mrs. Wright in Pittsburgh May 21.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 15.—Mrs. Ada Wright, mother of two of the Scottsboro boys, will speak here on May 21 at the Pythian Temple, 2011 Center Ave. The meeting is called to protest the Scottsboro outrage. It will mobilize for the United Front Scottsboro Defense Conference in this city on May 27 at the same hall.

Seattle Forum Condemns Frame-up.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 13.—Hundreds of members of the Sunday Forum held under the auspices of the Communist Party at 1413 1/2 First Ave., this city, unanimously adopted a resolution condemning the Scottsboro frame-up and demanding a new trial for the nine boys.

Philadelphia Italian Workers Wire Protest.

PHILADELPHIA, May 14.—The members of the Philadelphia Italian Progressive Institute last night sent a telegram to Gov. Miller energetically protesting the murderous frame-up and planned legal lynching of the nine innocent Scottsboro boys.

## POPE FOR CLASS COLLABORATION

### "Socialism Might Look Like Catholicism"

NEW YORK.—Pope Pius XI made a bid yesterday for William Green's job as chief class collaborator. He broadcast a speech in which he announced the appearance in ten days from now of a new encyclical letter to be called "Quadragesimo Anno" and gave a resume of its contents.

The pope admits in the letter that conditions are so bad for the workers now that they can not go on this way. He proposes "a new social order," but gives only the vaguest details as to what it is to be. The main proposal is that while "the difference in social conditions in the human family which were widely decreed by the creator, must not and cannot ever be abolished," enough more wages should be paid to give the worker a chance to do his duty to the church, raise a family, etc. Outside of this a return to "the principles of Christian justice," and "less attention to the worldly things" are the main recommendations—from the church of the inquisition and the church that owns one-third of the property in Spain!

"Not a Socialist"

The pope found it necessary to have an elaborate radio hook-up over the whole capitalist world and to issue a solemn encyclical letter to prove that the socialism of the murderous Noska and the catholicism that tells the workers not to dare to strike are not the same thing. He said:

"(Socialism) was split into two divisions. The first, which draws all the logical consequences, even the most extreme, from the principles of socialism, has taken the name of Communism, and it is well known that its teachings can in no wise be reconciled with the doctrines of the church.

SOCIALISM MODIFIED

"The other, which continues to be known as socialism, has frequently and notably mitigated its program. In many points it has approached, now more now less, so close to catholic socialist principles that some are asking themselves whether now the divergence is not one of name only."

Then he said there was a difference

## Parents of Scottsboro Children Issue Statement Denouncing "Meddlers"

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statement declares:

"This statement made in Chattanooga, Tennessee, May 14, 1931, after a conference with the relatives of the nine boys hereinafter named.

"George W. Chamlee, of Tennessee, and associate counsel, Joseph R. Brodsky and Lowell Wakefield, representative of the International Labor Defense, is to witness that Bernice Norris, sister-in-law of Clarence Norris, Ida Norris, mother of Clarence Norris, and Viola Montgomery, mother of Olin Montgomery, Mamie Williams, mother of Eugene Williams, Beatrice Maddox, sister of Roy and Andy Wright, Claude Patterson and Janie Patterson, father and mother of Heywood Patterson, and Josephine Powell, mother of Ozis Powell, have this day ratified, approved and confirmed the contract and agreement heretofore made with the counsel of the International Labor Defense to make a fight to save the nine boys convicted in Scottsboro, Alabama, and now known as the Scottsboro Case, and we give them full authority to do and perform any and all things that they may deem necessary or proper in order to provide legal defense for the nine boys above mentioned.

Hit Attempts to Trick Children.

"We hope that outside organizations will not go to the jail or after all between socialism and the catholic church and invited all socialists to come back to mass.

Boosts Al Smith's Building.

If, as the catholic church holds, god speaks through the mouth of the pope, then god talks French with a strong Italian accent and stumbles horribly in German. The pope spoke only in French, German and Italian. There was, however, an English translation issued after they carried the "holy father" out, and it made plain the fact that the words of god are in the language of capitalism.

The American priest who described over the radio the scene in the Vatican mentioned that Raskob of General Motors and the Democratic Party was there, and there in a good word for the Empire State Building in New York.

NEW YORK.—Mrs. Ada Wright, mother of Haywood and Roy, who has been in New York for several days working with the International Labor Defense to mobilize mass support for the defense, was shown the above statement signed by the other parents. Mrs. Wright heartily endorses the statement and added her signature to it.

"Signed—

"Claude Patterson, "Janie Patterson, "Bernice Norris, "Beatrice Maddox, "Josephine Powell, "Viola Montgomery, "Mamie Williams, "Ida Norris."

## Did Not Vote For Tammany; Worker Denied Job

(By a Worker Correspondent.)

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Came to the Hagen Club on 64th St., last week, a father and his son.

This father, while not exactly not a "big shot" in politics, has quite some drag with Tammany.

The object of his visit was to secure a "job" for his son.

Not that this father is poor, or that it is very necessary for his son to work (under capitalism). No indeed! However, as the son is only a young man and not married, it was necessary at least for Tammany to make a bluff at showing the public how they are helping (?) the unemployed. So the father's name and age and particulars appear on the application for work and the son is ready for the job.

But on 64th St. lives a worker, who has lived there for fifteen years. He is married and there are three children in the family. This worker also went to Tammany seeking a job. Being a worker without any pull, he, with the other workers, had to stand in line for hours before he could see the big cheese who hands out the information about the jobs.

When it finally came his turn to stand in the presence of this potentate of Tammany the worker was informed that he had not voted (for Tammany) in 1929 and 1930. Therefore he could have no job.

Yes, indeed, Tammany takes care of its own.

## JUSTIFIES STRIKES BUT BREAKS THEM

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is necessary, with a minimum of disturbance." And also, "It is hoped that wage rates will not become a political issue."

"The Communist Party is going to make both wage rates and unemployment very much of an issue in the next elections.

New Plots

NEW YORK.—Announcing a new slump on the stock market the financial expert of a Hearst evening paper here yesterday stated that throughout the day in Wall Street circles "where underground information is usually best" all were interested in "Washington meetings which, it is understood, involve the most important economic governmental decisions since the now famous and futile conferences of late 1929." And "There is no hiding, in important banking quarters, the impression that far-reaching decisions pertaining to wages and corresponding subjects must be reached in the near future."

## Jobless Struggle For Relief Is Growing Bigger

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the unemployed branch right at the spot.

1,500 Miners Fight Police.

SWOYERSVILLE, Pa., May 14.—Fifteen hundred jobless miners met here yesterday on a vacant lot which they had permission to use. Though no permit for such a meeting is required, the burgess made an appointment with the committee of the unemployed to talk over granting it, then was told by Captain Clark of the state police not to allow any such meeting, and found it convenient to go fishing at the time he should have seen the committee.

The police went to the women owning the lot and told her if she did not order the jobless off they would raise her taxes, deport her, etc. She did not know what to do, and the meeting started.

The police then attacked the meeting, and the workers resisted for a long time. The police, in the course of a general fight, clubbed several women, and finally got two speakers, Joe Weaver, and Steve Nelson. They were taken to the state troopers' barracks at Wyoming, Pa. Up to this writing there are no charges and no date set for hearing.

The workers demonstrated in front of the burgess' house, they then went to the town hall to see the chief of police, and found he had gone; he hasn't come back yet.

Another smaller meeting was broken up by police last Saturday on the argument there was "no permit granted."

The jobless here are preparing for another meeting, they are determined to hold their meetings and demand relief.

The history of all hitherto existing society is the history of class struggle.—MARX.

## Hero In World War Dies of Starvation in Denver Coal Yard Barn

Denver, Col.

were flown and he was given a wonderful funeral which no doubt he enjoyed very much.

A Comrade.

Legion Worried

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., May 15.—The national executive committee of the American Legion today pointed out that 750,000 of the Legion's members are jobless, and tried to dampen down the flames of their discontent by an appeal for "a non-political conference to seek a solution for unemployment and depression."

Ten Per Cent Cut

NEW YORK.—A ten per cent wage cut was given all employees of the United States Lines (steamship lines) yesterday, if they now earn more than \$150 a month.

Another Cut

PORTLAND, Ore., May 15.—On May 1 there was a general ten per cent wage cut for all employees of the Pacific Northwest Public Service Co., the Portland General Electric Co., and all subsidiaries.

A Swindle

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 15.—A short time ago the Colton hoe Manufacturing Co. put the workers on cheaper goods, and promised that if they made no trouble about the cut in wages from 5 cents a pair to 40 cents, they would have more work. As a result, they are working from 7:30 a. m. to 7:30 p. m. and can hardly make a living. They got twice as much work, and a 35 per cent wage cut.

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# SCOTTSBORO--A CALL FOR YOUTH ACTION

By LIL ANDREWS.

NINE Negro boys rot in the jails of Scottsboro, Alabama, while the bourgeoisie prepares a legal lynching as one more act of terror in order to prevent the growing unity of Negro and white workers. Under the leadership of the Communist Party a wide movement has been set on foot to repel this latest attack. It is now the task of the Young Communist League to organize a determined drive for youth action against this act of boss-class terrorism.

The Scottsboro event takes place in that part of the country where the worst possible conditions exist among the youth, and is directed particularly against the Negroes that section of the working class which has had to endure the most shameful oppression. While the hypocrites of American imperialism sing praises of the glorious opportunities offered the youth of America, the most fearful conditions face the youth, and child labor flourishes in every state. The South leads them all with the highest number of child laborers. While with one hand the masters of America set their machinery in motion to invent lies about "forced labor" in the only land where the workers have successfully rid themselves of their bosses, with the other hand they organize murder parties against Negro workers, and the number of lynchings increase yearly. And the South leads again! The largest number of lynchings here occurred in the South, lynchings being the proud tradition of the Southern big landholders and bosses, who first instituted this form of murder. Today, the State apparatus has officially taken upon itself the legal lynching of these Negro boys. This act demands the fullest mobilization of youth particularly. Scottsboro is a challenge to the youth of the entire country. The Young Communist League calls upon all youth to answer it decisively.

Young workers in all parts of the country must be won for mass protest in this issue. Answer the attack with a smashing volley of resolutions of protest, mass meetings and mass conferences of youth.

The youth membership of all organizations must be brought together in one solid front of organized action against the Scottsboro legal lynching. Young workers who are members of such organizations as the NAACP and the YWCA must be brought into this united front against the reactionary leadership of their organization, who in reality are the servants of the bourgeoisie in the ranks of the Negro people. A struggle must be carried on to bring the membership of such organizations as the YMCA, the Boy Scouts and other organizations of American capitalism, to the support and defense of the Scottsboro boys, linking it up with a fight against their leadership which Jim-crows the Negro youth; discriminates against them, insults and mistreats them in every way conceivable. The sincere, working class membership of the social fascist organizations as the YPSL must be brought into this united front, understanding that their leadership, while mouthing pretty phrases about the "poor black masses" at the

same time shamelessly stand by and assist the bourgeoisie in these murders.

The employed and unemployed young workers must unite to fight this common issue. Scottsboro is tied up completely with the fight of the unemployed youth for relief and better conditions, with the fight of the employed youth against lay-offs, wage cuts and speed-up. The white young toilers especially must take up the battle in the interests of the Negro youth. The Negro youth is used by the employers to lower the level of conditions of the workers and the young workers. The interests of the Negro workers and young workers are the interests of all workers. The white young workers particularly must take up the fight.

Scottsboro must be used as a real forge with which to build the Young Liberators, youth branch of the League of Struggle for Negro Rights. Build mass Young Liberator branches of white and Negro determined to rush to the defense at the first breach of Negro rights.

Children's organizations must launch a real drive under the leadership of the Young Pioneers of America. The petition being circulated for 50,000 children's protest signatures against this legal lynching must go hand in hand with a real organized drive to win Negro children in the movement of workers' and farmers' children.

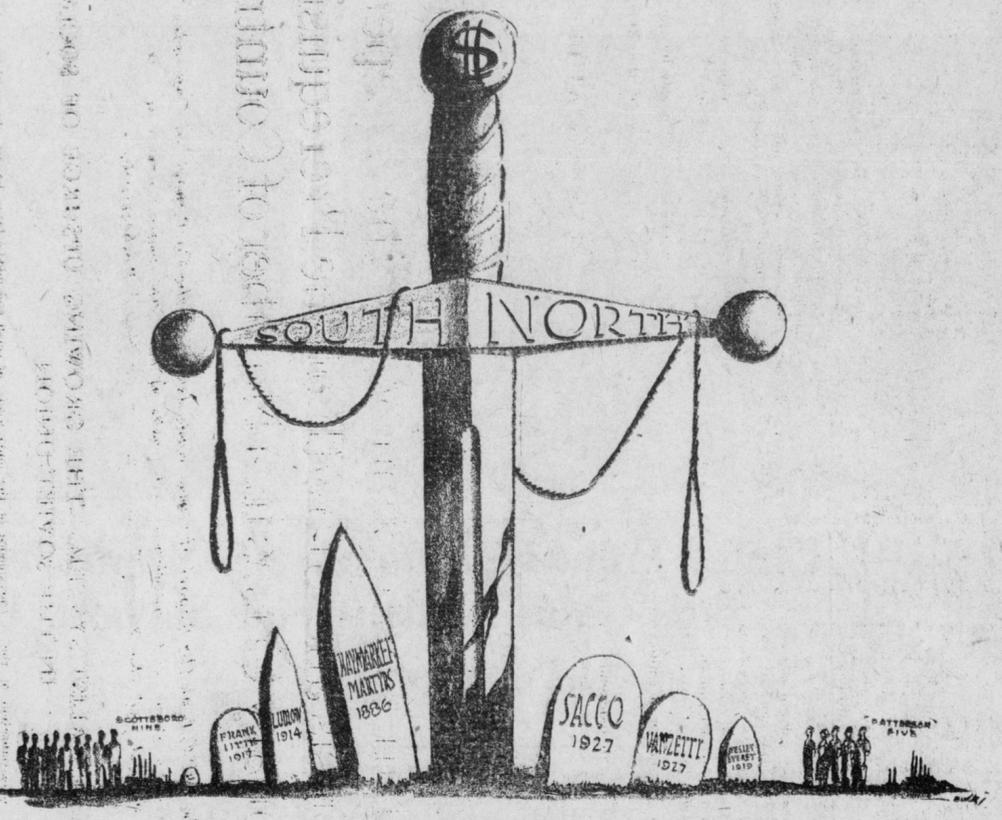
Young workers in the armed forces must be won over to the support of this issue, and particularly to the support of the demand for a workers' and farmers' volunteer armed guard to defend the Scottsboro boys.

All working class youth organizations, trade unions, sports fraternal, cultural and social must carry on a struggle on the basis of their particular field of the class fight. Scottsboro must be one of the means which we shall use to root out race hatred, and the feeling of white superiority injected into the minds of the youth under capitalism.

The Young Communist League through all its units and organizations must carry on a relentless struggle against this barrier to Negro-white solidarity. Throughout the entire drive every effort must be made to recruit hundreds of young Negro workers into the YCLC to strengthen it for a better and more sustained fight for Negro rights. There are Scottsboros every day. Discrimination, Jim-crowism, lynching in factory, field and mine, in schools, in restaurants and on the streets. All these must be welded into one gigantic struggle which will give a splendid reply to the attempts of the ruling class to separate Negro and white and to divide the solid front of the working class. All these must be rallied behind every elementary struggle for better conditions, for the rights of Negroes to determine should they want to separate and form their own government where they form a majority of the working class, and for a revolutionary struggle of all workers under the leadership of the Communist Party and Young Communist League.

Young workers, through their spirited campaign for the defense of the nine Scottsboro boys must weld a really strong united organization of Negro and white for the defense of the interests of all youth.

## EQUALITY BEFORE THE LAW



## PARTY LIFE

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### Where Does Our Duty Lie?

By PHIL FRANKFELD and JOE TASH (Illinois)

IN the Southern Illinois coal fields, we have a number of Party members and sympathizers leaving the capitalistic state for the Soviet Union.

In one nucleus, 2 comrades out of 4 are leaving. In another, 1 comrade out of 5. In a third, one comrade. In several of the small mining towns, we have quite a number of families of sympathetic miners leaving for the Soviet Union. These comrades are going to the mine fields of the Soviet Union.

We surely applaud the sentiments of the comrades. They say: "We will help build Socialism in Russia. We will help carry through the Five-Year Plan."

In the Illinois coal fields, the class struggle is growing ever sharper. Unemployment effects over one-third of the miners today. Whole towns are practically unemployed. Hundreds and thousands of miners and their families are in dire need. Part time work is almost universal; and those miners who put in 9 or 10 shifts a month still consider themselves "lucky."

Loading machines are being installed that are throwing many miners out of work permanently. Production is steadily declining for the year 1931—as compared even with 1930. For the first 92 working days of 1931 (until April 18) production declined by 6.9 per cent as compared with 1930. The newspapers state that this is the lowest production figure for the past 10 years. And for the week ending April 25—another drop of 133,000 net tons.

Wages are being cut indirectly as yet. Output per miner is being increased, but the wages remain the same.

The Lewis machine has united with Walker-Nesbit. This means that greater betrayals are ahead for the mass of the miners in Illinois.

What are the duties of every Communist in the coal fields, and of every sympathizer as well? To help organize the miners for resistance to the further attacks of the coal companies; for resistance to the mass hunger and misery that stares every miner in the face. The Communists in the coal fields must help build up the weakened National Miners Union, and the small Communist Party. The Communists must be in the forefront in the fight against wage cuts, speed-up, unemployment—and for bread, jobs, and unemployment insurance.

To mobilize the American and foreign-born miners for active participation in the class struggle; to instill an understanding of the class struggle itself in the minds of the miners; to rally the miners for support of the Soviet Union in case of attack—these are the tasks of every revolutionary miner in the coal fields.

Instead—comrades and sympathizers are leaving for Russia. The Russian workers and peasants are building and will continue to build socialism. The task of the American revolutionaries is to help safeguard the achievements of the Russian Revolution—and to help in the completion of a socialist society not only in Russia—but in the United States by helping overthrow capitalism and establishing a workers government here.

We must state categorically to our comrades and sympathizers: That migrating to the Soviet Union is indeed excellent, but your job and duty remains right here in the U.S.A. Your post is America! We cannot fulfill our duties by taking the lazy way out—avoiding the sharpening class struggle, and gaining without effort or struggle, that which the Russian workers sacrificed and fought for against czarism and Kerenskyism in order to gain.

The Party should call on all revolutionary workers to stay right here in the U.S.A.—the most dangerous part of the Soviet Union—and help to overthrow capitalism in America.

## Capitalism Apologizes for Its Existence

By HARRY GANNES.

### 2. 'Impoverishment Comes From Plenty.'

AFTER the event the stupidest became wise. The peculiar features of capitalist crisis, which Marx pointed out in 1847, are now being recognized by the capitalists in a sort of stupefied amazement.

It is only natural that at this stage of capitalist development, with the productive forces so fully developed on a gigantic scale, with over-production so rampant in every agrarian country, that even the capitalist economic blunders should stumble on the fact that the capitalist economic crisis presents the glaring contradiction of starvation in the midst of plenty.

Thus, we find Sir Alan Anderson, director of the Bank of England, a learned pundit of British capitalism, unbending himself of these pearls at the International Chamber of Commerce sessions in Washington:

"We find ourselves today in all material things immensely rich, but we are all poor." (Sir Alan wants us to pity Messrs. Mellon, Ford, Rockefeller, Deterding and the other members of their class.) "We suffer, not because we have too much to drink or eat, or wear, or because the goods are dear, but because our warehouses are stuffed with cheap goods that no one will buy, and our harbors congested with ships that no one will charter, and our men, here, there and everywhere are out of work. Something has slipped out of gear in the intricate machinery of this simple, civilized life."

The idea of the 1,000 bankers, industrialists, stock gamblers, capitalist politicians assembled at Washington thinking of themselves as having "too little to drink, or eat, or wear," must have passed as a good joke at their well-filled banquet tables.

Nevertheless, Sir Alan does begin to see that capitalism means starvation for the masses in the degree that food becomes "too plentiful." And he thinks "something has slipped out of gear." He is oblivious of the fact that the gear is worn out and the whole machine of capitalism is going down the steep hill of decay and ultimate destruction.

The contradictory nature of capitalist crisis was brought out by many more of the delegates. But Sir Arthur Salter, director of the Economic

and Finance Section of the League of Nations, sort of epitomized the crisis when he said: "But ours is a problem of the impoverishment that comes from plenty."

Eighty-four years after Marx, in the Communist Manifesto, accurately pointed out the nature of capitalist crisis, the glaring nature of these crises becomes so obvious that even the capitalist spokesmen can no longer shut their eyes to it.

Marx in 1847 pointed out the features of capitalist crisis:

"Society suddenly finds itself put back into a state of momentary barbarism; it appears as if a famine, a universal war of devastation had cut off the supply of every means of subsistence; industry and commerce seem to be destroyed; and why? Because there is too much civilization, too much industry, too much commerce."

And why does all this happen? Marx answers: "It (capitalist production) comes to a standstill at a point determined by the production and realization of profit, not by the satisfaction of social needs."

With the development of imperialism the capitalist thought that these specific features of the capitalist crisis which Marx so accurately described in 1847 (and which even the bourgeoisie cannot blind themselves to at this time) had lessened; that capitalism was entering a phase of development free from such catastrophes.

Especially in the United States, where capitalism had reached its highest development, the idea had sprung up that crises of the type now described by the capitalists were typical only of the early stages of capitalism.

But Engels, as far back as 1864, speaking of the development of cartels, of trusts, of the growth of tariff barriers as "preparations for the ultimate general industrial war," pointed out that the basis was being laid for crisis far worse than any heretofore experienced. He said: "Thus every element, which works against a repetition of the old crises, carries the germ of a far more tremendous future crisis in itself."

Now we have that "far more tremendous future crisis" so that even the blindest apologist for capitalism is forced to describe it in a poor imitation of the Communist Manifesto of 1847.

## With the Ohio Hunger Marchers

By BEN GERJOY.

THE Ohio Hunger march undertook to achieve a number of objectives. Chief among these was the need of placing the unemployment movement in this State on a higher level, through extending the movement and drawing in wider masses of unemployed and employed workers into active participation, in an organized form, for the Unemployment Insurance Bill and immediate relief. Although it is early to state that this objective was achieved, since it requires following up the hunger march with concrete organization, yet, judging from the marchers we received by the workers and farming communities through which the marchers passed, we can already state with assurance that the foundation has been laid.

In both cases where the city governments used social demagogy in receiving the hunger marchers, and where the police and the fascists were mobilized to greet the marchers with a display of arms, the workers and farmers of these towns, gave the marchers rousing welcomes, seeing in them struggling representatives of their own immediate needs. Beginning with the May First demonstration in Cleveland where 15,000 workers assembled on the Square to send off the marchers, and six thousand in Youngstown, the marchers were greeted in every town they passed with tremendous enthusiasm. In Bedford, about 13 miles from Cleveland, the entire town turned out. Good mass meetings were held in Akron, in Canton, mass meetings a street meeting was held in spite of police refusal to allow this meeting. After police forbade where the chemical trust mobilized the entire police force of both Barberton and Akron, as well as the American Legion and fireman for police duty, while the workers lined up the streets cheering the marchers, the marchers came in to Massillon where again they were met by the entire working population of the town. In front of City Hall a mass meeting took place. The Cleveland group arrived first amidst the cheers of the workers as they were winding their way to City Hall. About five minutes later down the hill were seen coming the Youngstown army in military formation. A loud cheer went up. Soon both divisions were joined together into one fighting army.

"Demagogy" The city officials turned upon the marchers the guns of "social demagogy." The marchers were handed a letter from the mayor welcoming them to the city. This demagogy was soon exposed when it was prohibited to distribute the leaflet "We March Against Hunger." At the mass meeting in the evening in the City Auditorium, about a thousand workers were present. Occasion was taken by the speakers once more to expose the "social demagogy" method of solving the unemployment problem for the workers of Massillon.

The best example how the workers feel about the mission of the hunger marcher was supplied by Mansfield. We did not have a single contact in that town before we began the organization of the march. As a result of the march a local unemployed branch was organized. It was this branch which mobilized the workers of Mansfield to receive the hunger marchers at they

did that night. That town, with a population of about 20,000, never saw such a turn out at a mass meeting. It is no exaggeration when we say that the entire town turned out in friendly reception.

### Farmers Support

A very significant incident which shows how the farmers feel about this question occurred at East Greenville, a small farming community. As the marchers approached the town they were met by a group of eleven young farmers carrying a large American flag. The spokesman of the group stepped forward and announced, "we came to greet you and escort you thru town."

The leading comrades, of course, considered the American flag as an insult to the Red flag, and allowed them to walk in the rear only. The comrades did not realize the real meaning of this event. After escorting the marchers through town they bid farewell and good luck and turned back. We must mention that the comrades leading the march never bothered to take the addresses of these farmers. This was supplied to us by the capitalist press.

The readiness with which workers and farmers through the route are contributing food and funds to the marchers is another example that the hunger march is blazing the trail for a more extensive unemployment movement in this district. In Mansfield for instance Comrade Cowan made a ten-minute talk over the radio, arranged by the local comrades. After he got thru numerous telephone calls began to come in asking where the marchers would stop that night so that they could bring aid. At one point of the March two workers in a small Ford truck came towards them, stopped and handed the leaders \$3, bidding them success, after which they turned back.

There are numerous other instances that could be cited as examples, showing that as a result of the march, we can now proceed to place the movement on a more mass basis, linking up the employed with the unemployed. The march has also developed a number of comrades and workers as future organizers. This was particularly displayed in those cities where the government apparatus and the fascists were mobilized to intimidate the marchers. They did not succeed, and found that the marchers were of good mettle.

## Workers! Join the Party of Your Class!

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## Metal Miners Prepare for Struggle

By W. S.

THE metal miners' third district convention of the National Miners Union, held at Ironwood, Mich., on May 10, was an effective mobilization of our forces to organize the miners in the copper and iron country of Northern Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota. Sixty-seven regular and fraternal delegates were present, and among the local representatives were eleven shaft committees and organizing committees. The fraternal delegates represented the Lumber Workers Union, the Unemployed Councils, the Trade Union Unity League, the Finnish Workers Club, the Women's Sections, the Labor Sports Union, and the Workers and Farmers Cooperative Unity Alliance. Ten young miners were among the delegates to the convention.

The reports showed the effects of the crisis on the conditions of the metal miners. With the price of copper steadily sinking to its lowest point in history, the copper trust is seizing the opportunity to slash wages. The "official" wage reduction is 10 per cent, but in actual fact the miners' wages have been cut as much as 50 per cent. About half the copper miners are unemployed. In the copper country the picture of destitution is indescribable; by actual count it was found that 15 of every 17 miners' houses were boarded up.

In the iron ore mines, conditions are no better. On the Cayuna Range, where manganese ore is mined, out of 64 mines only three are working, and these are also facing a shut-down. Recently, a cut of wages was introduced amounting to \$2 off the previous scale. Wage-cuts have ranged as high as 60 per cent. On the Mesaba Range, the displacement of miners has reached the point where there is a 50 per cent decrease

in the number of miners employed compared to 1920. At Iron River only 8 out of 17 mines are working. Around Ironwood, the mines are also facing further lay-offs or a complete shut-down.

These conditions have greatly increased the sentiment for organization among the metal miners. In spite of the spy system and the threat of black-list by the steel and copper trust the miners are responding to the National Miners Union. On May 1, an outstanding feature of the demonstrations and mass meetings was the large turn-out of miners in spite of the attempt to prohibit the demonstrations.

The discussions at the convention clarified the basic form of organization of the NMU in mine committees, pit and shaft committees. The role of grievance committees in mobilizing the miners around the struggle against specific grievances in each mine was emphasized. The young miners will play an especially important part in this field because of the language barriers among the older miners. The youth is most rebellious against company rule in the small mining towns, and with the proper attention can be won over to the National Miners Union. The role of the Womens Auxiliaries as a permanent part of the union where the wives and other relatives of the miners can be drawn into the struggle was brought forward at the convention. The Building of Miners Unemployed Councils among the jobless miners was also emphasized as an important task of the NMU.

Resolutions were adopted by the convention protesting against the Scottsboro frame-up, sending greetings to Mooney, Billings, the Imperial Valley and other class war prisoners, and pledg-



## Gandhi Dinner

"In honor of Mahatma M. K. Gandhi," a dinner is to be held Thursday, June 4, in the City of New York and at the Hotel Astor.

We must specify that it is at the Hotel Astor, and add that it is very expensive to honor the Indian "ascetic" whose common habitations is a breech-clout and who lives only on barley, goat milk and popular applause.

For on the invitations to the "testimonial dinner," whereas a gentleman named as "Salleendra Nath Ghose of India" is due to "express what American opinion can do for India," it is noted: "\$6.00 per person."

While observing that Mr. Ghose will likely enjoy a meal costing more than a Bombay textile worker gets in wages for a whole month, we must note that he has distinguished company. There is U. S. Senator Royal S. Copeland, for example, whose interest in Gandhi can be measured by the fact that he expresses American imperialist desire to see India "liberated" from British imperialism so that the Indians may be "free" to buy Arrow collars and other trinkets "made in U. S. A."

Then there is Mr. Upton Close, who for many years in China has been "criticizing" imperialist mistakes in order that, with such weaknesses corrected, imperialism might strengthen its grip on China.

We see a judge—Judge Cohalan, whose passion for justice does not operate for workers in the United States, but is reserved solely for export to India. And then Bishop McConnell, who doubtless would like to impose upon "heathen" India the same blessed religious regime which is getting smacked in the eye in Spain.

Then we have Major Eugene F. Kincaid, well, the British Foreign Office ought to be interested in this! An officer of the U. S. Army sticking his major-lal nose into the business of Indian independence—from Britain. Doesn't this violate the etiquette of Mr. Stimson? How would Stimson like to hear that a British major is pow-wowing with leaders of a movement for Philippine independence?

Then, at last we have Raymond Robins, who seems able to agree with anybody on any side of any question, a generous soul with no limitation of latitude, longitude or altitude in political affairs.

But there is one name missing, but no doubt there will be no vacant chair. That is, the name and person of Mr. Jay Lovestone, whose devotion to the cause of the American bourgeoisie has been shown by a previous ceremonial occasion whereas Mr. Ghose "represented" India and Gandhi, and Mr. Lovestone represented American imperialism and the opportunist renegades from Communism.

A united front at \$6 a plate never intimidated Jay; and anyhow, perhaps it may go to buy his hero, Gandhi, a pair of pants to attend the London "Round Table" conference, where the "battle" for Indian "liberation" will be won without bothering with the Indian masses.

## "Dear Patriotic Friend"

Such is the salutation on a circular letter sent out by the "Fellowship Forum," which says it is "The World's Greatest Patriotic Weekly Newspaper." A large job, that being patriotic for the whole world, you will observe.

And it involves certain difficulties. In fact the first paragraph of the letter indicates one of them. It says:

"For ten years the Fellowship Forum has stood for all those things which go to make up righteous government, and during a portion of that time, you were among our regular readers and supporters. For some reason—probably oversight on your part—you have not renewed your subscription."

Now that is downright bad. Has the cause of "righteous government" no place to rest its weary head? It seems so, because the next paragraph tells us—or rather tells the "patriotic friends":

"Just ahead of us are crucial times—times when all good Americans MUST stand together. Communism is lifting its vicious head in an effort to capture our government."

This begins to look serious, don't it? We, that is to say "Communism," is always and every "lifting its vicious head." In fact it gives us a pain in the neck to have our vicious head lifted so often and in all directions. It begins to feel like a chiropractic adjustment.

But the Fellowship Forum is seeking to get subscriptions by misrepresentation. We reject absolutely that we are lifting our head, as it "vicious" or otherwise, to "capture" the capital government merely to install ourselves in a arm-chair of Mr. Hecuba. It would be a d loss on our hands. We would have to trade off for a dog and then kill the dog. We can use it. It doesn't answer the requirements.

And besides, we have something better. We have the idea, which is proven excellent by experience, that a Workers' and Farmers' Government is the only form of government which will help the workers and the impoverished farmers. And perhaps it is precisely this idea which has dawned upon the minds of many of the hitherto "patriotic friends" of the Fellowship Forum and caused a slump, a business depression, so to speak, in its circulation. Indeed, the letter speaks anxiously of this: "Surely, loss of interest in the great cause which we represent did not enter into your failure to renew your subscription."

Perhaps not. But then, one can never tell when "vicious heads" are being raised by empty bellies.

ing support to the Duluth and Superior dock-workers strike. A resolution of support for the issuing of the "Mine Worker" was also adopted. A proposal to raise finances for the printing of the program and constitution of the NMU, in conjunction with the other districts, was accepted.

The Plan of Work approved by the convention for the building of mine shaft, and grievance committees in the six sections of the district, and the spirit with which the delegates discussed the possibilities of growth of the union, is a guarantee that the District Convention of the metal miners and preparing them for strike struggles against wage-cuts.