

# CALL OUT MAINTENANCE MEN FROM MINES

## Railroad Workers! Fight for Your Right to Strike!

STATEMENT BY THE CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE WORKERS (COMMUNIST) PARTY.

THE railroad workers of the United States are in danger of losing the one weapon thru which they can fight effectively for higher wages and better working conditions.

At the suggestion of President Coolidge, the officials of the railroad companies and the railroad workers' union have agreed upon legislation to govern the struggle between the railroad workers and the railroad owners. This legislation, while providing for the abolition of the railroad labor board, creates even more effective governmental machinery to prevent the railroad workers from using their organized power to force better wages and working conditions from the railroad owners.

### Government Supports Railroad Owners.

THE railway labor board has been a weapon in the hands of the railroad owners in the fight against the railroad workers. While the railway labor board had no power to enforce its decisions, the fact that a government board made a decision against the railroad workers when they demanded higher pay was a powerful influence against the workers' fight to better their conditions.

This was clearly shown in the railway shopmen's strike of 1922—a strike against an award of the railway labor board. When the railway shopmen refused to accept the decision of the railway labor board and went on strike, all the power of the government was used against them, altho the decision of the railway board was not legally binding under the

law, the government enforced the decision thru the support it gave the railway owners. The infamous Daugherty injunction stands as the most open and brutal use of governmental power against workers in the United States as an outstanding example of how the government enforced the decision of the railway labor board, in spite of the fact that it was not lawfully a binding decision.

The consequence of this situation was the fight of the railway workers against the railway labor board and the movement among the railway workers to use their political power independently.

### The Proposed Railway Legislation.

THE railway legislation agreed to by the railroad owners and the officers of the railway union holds out as the bait with which to win the support of the railway workers, the abolishing of the railway labor board—the instrument of the railway bosses against the railway workers. But railroad workers are asked to agree to legislation which will even more effectively prevent them from enforcing their demands for a higher standard of life against the railroad owners.

The threat of a strike or an actual strike is the workers' most powerful weapon against the railroad owners. Under the new legislation, strikes become practically impossible and if by any chance a strike is declared it is doomed to failure in advance, in view of the forces which will be arrayed against the strikers.

The proposed law provides first for negotiation between the railroad owners and the railroad workers. If these negotiations fail, the

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**JULIO MELLA, RETURNED  
TO STRENGTH; SENDS A  
GREETING TO MILITANTS**

The first direct word from Julio A. Mella since his release from the Cuban prison where American imperialism had placed him, was received yesterday in the form of a greeting to Manuel Gomez, secretary of the All-America Anti-Imperialist League which led the successful fight for his liberation.

Breathing the same indomitable spirit that helped him make the Cuban section of the anti-imperialist league a real weapon against Wall Street domination—a spirit that even a 19-days' ordeal without food could not shake—Mella writes as follows:

Now that I have strength to write and the desire to return again to the struggle burns strong in me, I send a cordial greeting to you, and to all those militant workers in the United States who have shown now well they are able to fulfill their duty.—Fraternaly, J. A. Mella.

## ANTHRACITE CONFERENCE BREAKS DOWN; FORCED BY PROGRESSIVES, LEWIS REJECTS ALL ARBITRATION

BULLETIN.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 12.—With the strike negotiations broken off in New York City, members of the general grievance committee of the Pennsylvania Coal company, representing 10,000 union miners, voted today to call out all maintenance men.

(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK CITY, Jan. 12.—Anthracite strike settlement negotiations were broken off shortly after noon today when John L. Lewis, forced by the rising revolt of the anthracite strikers against all proposals embodying arbitration, including his own "revised Markle plan," rejected all the proposals before the conference on the ground that they contained arbitration clauses.

The operators' spokesmen refused to submit any plan with the arbitration idea eliminated, and after the miners' representatives had given them plenty of opportunity by refusing to second the operators' motion to adjourn indefinitely, the operators

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## STOCKYARDS WORKERS MUST TOIL LONG HOURS WHILE SPEEDED-UP FOR MEAGER STARVATION WAGES

By VICTOR ZOKAITIS.

Any worker who has had the opportunity to follow the guide at the Armour & Company plant or in any of the other "yards" in the nation, will have seen a number of men feverishly making a certain cut all day long in the killing and cutting departments.

Everything is drawn on an endless chain which is kept moving rapidly. The worker must do his work quickly or else the hog, cattle or sheep goes by to the next man without the proper cut being made. At one end of the room stands the foreman and a number and straw bosses are

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## THINGS THAT NEED EXPLANATION AND CORRECTION BY EMPLOYMENT OFFICE OF THE CHICAGO A. C. W.

By a Worker Correspondent.

Some of the examples of the way things are being handled in the Chicago Amalgamated Clothing Workers can be seen from the following incidents.

On December 19, Saturday, a girl came from a shop to the employment office. She was a button sewer and would legally be supposed to register and wait her turn. But she got a job—a permanent job—right away, altho many girls of the same line of work were out of work and had been registered. On Monday following, December 21, when girl button sewers applied for jobs at the employment office, they were told it "had none."

Knew Enuf to Kick. One of these girls was not satisfied. She went back to the window and raised a protest. She had a DAILY WORKER under her arm and it may have had something to do with the employment office man calling her back and giving her a "temporary" job. On Jan. 5 there were clothing firms advertising in the capitalist press for workers to apply at the shops for jobs. The next day a girl brot the ad to the employment office. A man went to the window and asked, "Why

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## THE DRIVE AGAINST CLASS-COLLABORATION



### Current Events

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY

BARBARA HUTTON, the twelve-year-old granddaughter of the late Frank W. Woolworth, may well crack a smile if she run across that part of the declaration of independence which states that we are all born free and equal. This young lady inherited 175,000 shares of stock from her father's estate and on last Friday her brokers announced the sale of 46 per cent of this block of stock for \$10,000,000.

LAST Monday a picture appeared in a Chicago newspaper, which tells a different story. It was the picture of a young man, his wife and two little children, both several years younger than Barbara Hutton. The father could not get a job and he threatened to turn bandit unless he got work. Such is life in the richest country in the world.

THE Vanderbilt family has now only two of its original seven New York residences. A daughter of the late William H. Vanderbilt exchanged the 5th mansion for \$3,500,000. With this small change the female parasite can afford another trip to some French watering place, where bankrupt princes are willing to disport themselves for the entertainment of our jaded ladies of fashion.

SOMETHING may be said for the pirates who amassed the wealth that enables their descendants to smear a red streak across the European haunts of pleasure. But something could also be said in favor of the renowned and picturesque Captain Kidd. The captain took more chances in collecting his loot than did the Vanderbilts, Goulds and Astors. Kidd was a whole government in himself and he knew that

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## Left Wing Appeals to Membership of the A. C. W.

The policy of class collaboration, of surrender to and peace with the bosses, the policy of making the union—which is supposed to be the organ of struggle against the bosses for the interests of the workers—an organ of the bosses to speed up the workers, to drive them to increased production regardless of the interests of the workers, to force by this means ever more and more workers into unemployment which returns with its menace of low wages and bad conditions for those who do work—all this policy is swiftly growing in the labor movement. Among other unions the Amalgamated Clothing Workers—the supposed radical and even revolutionary union headed by Sidney Hillman—is being diverted from its course of class struggle into class

collaboration. The following statement issued by the Amalgamated Action Committee and the Needle Trades Committee of the T. U. E. L. exposes this perversion of the union in detail. It says:

THE general executive board of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America at its recent meeting in the city of New York made a decision on the New York situation. The decision of the G. E. B., embodied in its statement that was printed in the January 1 issue of the Advance, is now before the membership. In considering the decision the membership is ready to halt any sincere effort to rehabilitate the organization so that the lot of the workers can be improved. The decision of the G. E. B. however does not attempt to do this.

It fails to solve the real problems confronting the New York workers. Instead the G. E. B. has issued a declaration of war not only against the militants and progressives in the Amalgamated but against the whole rank and file.

The statement of the G. E. B. is silent on the question of piece work, standards of production, reductions in working forces, reductions in wages and the corruption and inefficiency of the bureaucracy that dominated the New York organization. The G. E. B. offers not a single constructive proposal for the New York situation. It continues the evils existing. It supports a program that, advantageous to the bosses, will further degrade the workers and aggravate their misery.

THE statement of the G. E. B. proposes that law and order be established in New York. The corrupt reactionary officials who do not represent the will of the masses are given full power to establish law and order by a ruthless use of gangsterism against the membership. Opposition to the policies and practices of the officialdom is to be crushed with an iron hand. Two reasons actuate the present policy of the Hillman administration in New York. One, the G. E. B. wants to establish piece work in agreement with the bosses for the next season in the New York market and, second, the G. E. B. wants to raise by force, without the consent of the membership, the dues from 35 cents to 50 cents.

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## RALLY TO AID THE ANTHRACITE! CALL OF PROGRESSIVE MINERS AS FIGHT TO THE FINISH LOOMS

By ALEX REID

Secretary Progressive Miners' Committee.

Ten thousand hard coal miners employed by the Pennsylvania Coal company voted today to call out all maintenance men that are working for that company. The sentiment thruout the hard coal region is that a 100 per cent strike be declared, with all men out.

The rank and file miners, by this action have indorsed the policy of the progressive miners as against the policy of Lewis. Since the beginning of the strike the progressive miners have advocated that all maintenance men be pulled out, but Lewis has bitterly fought against that policy.

However, the wisdom of a 100 per cent strike policy of the progressives is now understood by the rank and file, who are beginning to demand that the mines be closed, and a real struggle commenced. This is the forerunner of similar action thruout the region, and a program that will make the strike a real struggle.

No doubt the class collaboration Lewis gang will still fight against this program, as Lewis has shown he cares more for the welfare of the coal companies' property than he does for the welfare of the miners.

As long as the coal companies' property is taken care of, the owners can afford to have the mines shut down. While the miners freeze and starve the owners will not go without a meal, and as their property is taken care of, they can let starvation defeat the coal diggers.

Action Demanded. Anthracite strikers! Go to your locals at once and call for support to

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Organization Meetings Workers (Communist) Party Social Affairs Resolutions

Let Us Prove We Are Leninists in Action

By SYLVAN A. POLLACK. NOW that the party has been reorganized in several districts on a shop nucleus and international branch basis, the problem of making the new units efficiently carry out the work of the party must be met and solved.

lems to solve, that has never faced our brother parties, and as such, we must find our own solutions for them. Question of Language. The question of mobilizing all of the comrades who were in the past active in the old language branches for work in the new units is a serious problem for our party.

pecially in the large party centers, (New York and Chicago) is to make the comrades realize that the new units are working bodies. During the past few years, the old language branches, besides being branches of the Communist Party, also had their social attractions.

ing door between them. The attendance at each meeting was about ten or twelve, and because neither meeting averaged as many members as the old branches, a suggestion to slide back the door and have a joint meeting, thus making one "livelier" meeting, was seriously proposed.

The Work of a Factory Nucleus

THE following article is a report of another shop nucleus of the Communist Party of Germany. This report is very instructive. It deals with some of the pressing problems which our shop nuclei must meet if they are to succeed.

FACTORY nucleus work which was rather neglected lately has again become the most important task of the party. It is certainly quite good for the party that it gives such prominence to this question, but it must be said that there is still far too much discussion and not enough practical work.

In order to approach this work seriously and unitedly, the district executive organized on October 30th an organization conference, which was also attended by a number of nucleus leaders from the existing nuclei.

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ried-out for the first time in the factory. Since then the contributions are always collected in the factory thru the nucleus. When this system was introduced it came to light that during the past illegal period, comrades were three to four months behind with their contributions.

The first meetings of the nucleus were badly attended. This made us adopt the method of sending out handbills to the comrades. The nucleus has 39 members. Lately the average attendance at the meetings was 25.

We give below an extract from a report made at this conference by a comrade who is nucleus leader in a big metal factory in the Ruhr basin.

THE factory employs 9,000 workers. The nucleus executive consists of the Pol. Org. trade union leader, the cashier, the reported and the press representative. An important post, that of agitprop leader is not yet filled.

Lately, the nucleus executive has not held any sessions outside the factory. The members of the executive meet in the factory itself to discuss various questions and the work which is to be done.

WHEN we were forming the nucleus we got into touch with all the blocks in order to ascertain the number of comrades employed in our factory. With the help of this list we established a filing system.

On January 1st, 1925, the collection of membership contributions was carried out for the first time in the factory. Since then the contributions are always collected in the factory thru the nucleus.

In the factory there is every sign of the formation of a white nucleus. We have ascertained who its leader is. During the last few days he posted sticky-backs in the factories.

NO factory workers' meetings have been held during the last few months. The reformists refuse to have anything to do with such meetings, and declare that they will only hold factory workers' meetings, to which only organized fellow workers are admitted.

Literature is only sold in the factory. Literature sales have improved considerably during the last few days. This is a sign that the comrades are more active.

Our literature sales were as follows: February 35 mark, March 14.90 mark, April 15.85 mark, May 43.30 mark, June 24.10 mark, July 25.00 mark, August 19.65 mark, September 46.00 mark, October 39.05 mark.

So Much for the Report. COMRADES, this example, which we will shortly follow up by others, shows clearly that it is possible to form live nuclei everywhere provided the comrades show some interest in the party.

Also there are shortcomings in the nucleus and not every comrade is probably as active as he should be, it must be acknowledged that the comrades have understood what it is all about and that they are honestly trying to do justice to the tasks of the party.

Comrades, show that you can do as much as Nucleus No. 10. Work hard and support the party in its difficult struggle.

Correction.

In the report of the organization conference by Jay Lovestone there appeared, as part of the report on the Philadelphia district, the statement: "Comrade Tallentire told of the opposition to reorganization in one of the Lithuanian branches. . ."

"The organization department of the district found opposition to reorganization in one of the Lithuanian branches in which a number of comrades refused to register. With the help, however, of the leading comrades of the branch, the opposition was overcome and the branch almost completely reorganized. The importance of this is realized when one considers the fact that a large percentage of that branch have now been placed in shop nuclei."—Organization Department.

DISTRICT 8 LENIN MEMORIAL MEETINGS IN ELEVEN CITIES

- Following is the list of Lenin memorial meetings scheduled in district No. 8: Chicago, Jan. 24, Coliseum, speakers, Ruthenberg, Dunne, Max Schachtman, L. F. Whiteman, and a Chinese speaker, C. S. Jon. Chairman—Arne Swaback.

GOT A CAR?

Anything from a Ford to a Rolls-Royce? If you have—will you drive it yourself for one day for the party? Autos are needed to advertise the LENIN MEMORIAL MEETING at the Coliseum on Jan. 24.

Chicago Organizations Asked Not to Arrange Dates for March 7

All labor organizations of Chicago are requested not to arrange any dates to conflict with the Polish workers' celebration in Chicago on March 7, 1926, of the second anniversary of their fighting paper, Trybuna Robotnicza, organ of the Workers (Communist) Party in the Polish language.

ATTEND REORGANIZATION MEETINGS! DISTRICT FOUR OFFICE ADVISES MEMBERS

BUFFALO, N. Y., Jan. 12.—In accordance with instructions sent to all city central committees and branches, reorganization of the party units in District Four will take place under the direction of the district organizer who will visit every city in the district in the course of a tour as follows: Niagara Falls, N. Y.—Thursday, Jan. 14.

Build the DAILY WORKER.

News for Section 5, Chicago

On Friday, January 15, an important educational membership meeting will be held at the Hungarian Workers' Sports Alliance Hall at 453 North Ave., on the subject of "Lenin and Leninism." Arne Swaback, district organizer, will be the speaker, leading a discussion with all members participating.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Party School Makes Progress

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 12.—The Pittsburgh school, while being somewhat late in getting started, will not be outdone by the schools in the larger cities. The enrollment is already around fifty.

The first class that was organized is being divided in order that the more advanced may make greater progress, which will also give more opportunity to the elementary students. The advance class will meet every Monday, at 8:30 p. m., at the Labor Lyceum 35 Miller street.

In addition to these classes will be the class of party functionaries, to instruct the comrades in actual party work, to be held on Saturday afternoon beginning Jan. 9 at 3. This class will be conducted by Comrade Jakira, the district organizer.



POLICE STOP PICKETING AT IMPERIAL GLASS YOUTH STRIKE

BELLAIRE, Ohio.—Not only is the local press belching forth filth and lies on the heads of the two hundred young strikers of the Imperial Glass company, but the local police are stepping in. These hired clubmen of local capitalism have been ordered to disperse all groups of young strikers who endeavor to picket the plant.

Youth Strike in Bellaire Shows Need for Young Workers' Conference and Labor Party

WHAT better example can we have for the living need of a Young Workers' Conference than the present strike of the young glass workers of the Imperial Glass company of Bellaire? The conference intends to deal with exactly such live issues. The question of the economic conditions of the young workers will be on the agenda of this conference.

Message of Youth Strike Committee of Imperial Glass Co., Bellaire, Ohio

FORWARD TO VICTORY! To all young workers: FELLOW workers and brothers! We are on strike against the dastardly attempt of our bosses to lower our wages and we will fight to the end. Everyone of us knows how hard we work for the wages we have been receiving. And what now!

When the bosses hear that you have allied yourself with such big forces by electing delegates to the Young Workers' Conference they will begin to shiver in their timbers. Then you can truly force them to accept your demands, 'Young strikers! Line up solidly behind the Young Workers' Conference. It is lining up solidly behind you in your fight. Let us stick together and win!

Wage Cut Causes Youth Strike

BELLAIRE, Ohio.—The strike in the Imperial Glass company of at least 200 young workers started when the company tried to force thru an approximate 10 per cent reduction in wages. The young militant workers thought that the company was soaking enough profits out of their sweat and blood. They decided to resist this attempt to lower their standard of living.

The young strikers' committee has issued a call to all workers to help them in their struggle. More can be done. All militant workers must take this question up in their local unions and in their central trades councils. They must pass resolutions of greetings and vows of solidarity and send same to the young strikers.

SPECIAL YOUTH STRIKE ISSUE

Lenin once wrote: "The Communist press must be the collective propagandist, the collective agitator and the collective organizer of the party and of the proletariat!" Young workers. Help us put into life these classic words. This issue of our Young Workers' Column deals specifically with some worker's problem close to your home.

BOSSSES' PRESS LIES ABOUT YOUTH STRIKE

BOYS STRIKE AT IMPERIAL BELLAIRE POLICE ARE CALLED TO DISPERSE YOUNG STRIKERS THE UNITED FRONT OF BOSSSES & POLICE! YOUNG MEN WANTED FOR LIGHT FACTORY WORK Day and Night work alternating weekly. Wages: Men experienced with working in a glass factory can earn from \$3.50 to \$4.90 per day, or night, of 8 1/2 hours. Apply for Work at IMPERIAL GLASS COMPANY Bellaire, Ohio DON'T ANSWER THIS SCAB AD!



