For the Struggle

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The Second National Convention of the National Textile Workers' Union, just come to its close at Paterson, N. J., will be recognized as one of the most united, vital and hopeful conventions ever held.

It was a convention of rank and filers, of workers directly from the mills. Most of them had never taken part in such deliberations before. The delegates represented all races and a dozen nationalities. Coming straight from the unorganized masses in the mills, many of them found that their experiences were the same, their problems strikingly similar. Their decisions about what ought to be done next were practically unanimous.

All told the same general story, varying only in details, of increased extortion by the bosses, and of rationalization (speed-up, wage cuts, unemployment).

All agreed that the way out was organization and struggle. They repudiated overwhelmingly, so completely that it hardly made a ripple in the convention proceedings, the very few representatives of the Lovestone anti-labor anti-struggle group that appeared. The Cannon-Trotsky renegades have so long divorced themselves from mass struggle that they were not in evidence at all, whereas the Lovestone renegades could show nothing but the shreds of their past connections with the Party they betrayed. None of the workers for a moment thought of combining with the A. F. L. fake progressives, the Muste group. These textile workers already know that gang; it runs the United Textile Workers, which has betrayed them too often. And of course, the A. F. L. leadership was out of the question.

A rank and file convention, a convention of real workers, a convention of struggle, had, naturally a very high respect for the Communist Party and the Red International of Labor Unions. These workers have watched the Communists lead the vanguard of every battle they have been in during the last year, and stale arguments so much relied on by the bosses, arguments of chauvinism, of race prejudice, of religion, of conservatism and patriotism in general, just didn't take with them. Lenin's picture looked down on the great gathering, and Communists already tried under fire of the class struggle were elected to high positions in the union, unanimously.

The entire convention gave the lie to pessimists and hesitators. It showed a most exploited section of the American working class, seeing clearly, violating ruthlessly all enslaving principles they had been taught, judging by results, and planning intelligent and courageous class struggle against their exploiters. With this convention as a tremendous inspiring force, with over 200 delegates returning to their fellow workers who sent them, to set the whole mass in motion, great things will be accomplished before another convention meets.

There is no denying the will to struggle, and the ability to struggle on the part of the textile workers. There is no denying their obvious need of struggle against oppression and rationalization. That these struggles will be dramatic, heroic, revolutionary in significance, also goes without saying to anyone who has seen how all forces of oppression, from the state to fake labor leaders, mobilize against

Now all depends on the practical, every-day, detailed work of organization, preparation and leadership. Mistakes are not fatal, for there is here a great living movement that renews itself from within, it is a working class in motion. But mistakes are extremely inconvenient, and better not made. And the greatest possible mistake, would be to sink back into relative inactivity, for the leading committees or officers to become mere routiners. This is a progressive fight, an advance that has to be fought every inch of the way, calling for tirelessness, alertness, devotion, initiative, and undying energy, on the part of every member of the union. It deserves the interest and support of every worker, everywhere, and we are confident that it will get that support, that its leaders will deserve such support.

Organize the unorganized textile workers!

Break the hold of the betrayors of labor, and build the workers' own revolutionary union!

Karolyi's American Tour

HE question of Karolyi's entrance to America needs a certain critical review. Such a question as for instance how it got into the capitalist press, that Karolyi will be the speaker of the meeting under the auspices of the social-fascist Rand School? The "Anti-Horthy League," an anti-fascist organization, gave out

the following information to the working class press:

1. Karolyi made it clear weeks ago that he would appear as a speaker at every mass meeting of the Anti-Horthy League.

2. December 17th, Hugo Gellert, president of the League, received the following cable from him: 'Accept invitation conditionally if you can agree with Feakins." (Feakins Agency is in charge of his tour, with the exception of the mass meetings of the Hungarian

3. December 18th, the League received from him the following answer on the question, whether he knew of the meeting prepared by the Rand School, "Have not been asked by Rand School in principle. Willing to talk any Hungarian meeting opposed to Horthy even though they don't agree with me."

4. To the Anti-Horthy League's demand that he cancel the Rand School meeting, the following cable was received on December 20th: "Impossible to understand and contra orders from here. Have made contract with Feakins, cannot cancel arrangements made by him. Let-

These cables alone give the lie to the rotten Hungarian socialfascist of the Goendor type, according to whom the Hungarian antifascist organization arranged meetings without Karolyi's knowledge or consent. But the question by now is: If Karolyi is not going to clear himself in the Rand School matter, can the anti-fascists who stand on the basis of the proletarian class struggle against fascism and social-fascism accept Karolyi as their speaker!

Even if the agency arranged Karolyi's appearance as a speaker at the social-fascist meeting without his knowledge, the question remains, whether the "holiness" of a capitalist contract will be sufficiently strong to make him appear and speak at the meeting of the most rotten social-fascists, a meeting the chairman of which is Rev. Norman Thomas, the most deadly enemy of the American working class?

The declaration of Karolyi, that he is "in principle willing to talk at any Hungarian meeting opposed to Horthy' means that he is willing to speak even on the platform of the social-democrats if they "oppose" Horthy, even though they "oppose" Horthy in words alone and in practice they are the staunchest supporters of the white terror and fascism? In this case Karolyi's place is at their meetings and he has no place at anti-fascist meetings.

Another question which is connected with the first one and needs explanation is the question of the permit of his entry to the United

The social-fascist papers hail Karolyi's admittance as the "democratization" of the American government. They use this opportunity to poison the minds of the workers, to spread false, reformist illusions among the masses.

The fact is just the opposite to what the social-fascists give regarding the action of the State Department. The American government today is not ruling any more with the methods of "pure" bourgeois democracy, but with the methods which are a mixture of fascism and bourgeois democracy. The more ruthlessly the American ruling class employs the methods of fascist oppression the more the use of the terror against the working class is being increased, the more they try to save the semblance of "democracy" with the use of cheap gestures, in order to blind the masses. On the one hand Gastonia, Marion, New Orleans, Hoover's fascist Economic Council, rationalization, speed-up drive, mass prosecutions for "sedition," the ever-increasing persecution of the Communist Party, and on the other hand the cheap gesture ike the admittance of Karolyi.

Of course there may be another side to the admittance. At the time when American imperialism is cooperating with its British rival in preparing the counter-revolutionary war against the Soviet Union, with the only disagreement on this point the question of the leadership of this attack-we see that these two imperialist powers are preparing for war for world hegemony. As long as the Horthy government of Hungary is orientating itself toward British imperialism, the Amer-

The Convention Is Over; Now HOOVER'S FASCIST TRIES TO BREAK SHOE STRIKE

TEXTILE UNION BOARD MEETING TO PLAN STRIKE

Great Silk Struggle Is Certain; Convention **Outlines Strategy**

Preparation Is Needed

All Forces of Union To Be Used in Fight

BULLETIN.

PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 23 .-The National executive board of the National Textile Workers Union today discussed and planned the immediate struggles in the Southern, Paterson and New Bedford fields. It was decided to rush more organizers into the South.

A bureau of the board, consisting of five members, to be ready for call between the sessions of the executive board, was elected. It consists of James Reid, Clarence Miller, Sophie Melvin, Rappoport and Lieb. The board will issue a statement and program tomorrow.

PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 23.-While the bulk of the more than 200 delegates to the Second National Convention of the National Textile Workers Union are streaming back, too, as one Georgia delegate said, workers," and plunge into the storm a statement issued yesterday ex-"represent this convention to the decided upon, the executive board of American Federation of Labor in ney, Edwin Shattuck, earn \$75,000 the union is in session here today. its proposed "invasion" of the graft from the Cuba Co. because of It is arranging details and finding South. The statement is signed for the strings he could pull with the ways and means for a united drive into both the Southern cotton industry and the silk industry. It is the Gastonia strikers now head of worth of sugar properties in Cuba, not neglecting other fields, but these the district board, by the National and is one of the leading imperialtwo are the central points of attack Textile, Workers Union at Charlist powers in that country. Bloody at present.

mill locals, with rank and file con- the statement says: trol throughout. The city organiza-tions are for the most part abol-into the South is just what the heef criticizing Hoover's open con-nection with the sugar trust. While tion based on mill groups in the same industry, is substituted.

Negro Department. Other important decisions of the Report New Soviet

convention are that a special Negro organizational department is to be created, and a youth department, This does not mean that Negro work-

ected at the convention are simply citizens. It is made of rank and filers from dicate the success of the Mongolian the exposure of documents showing all branches of the industry, and people Party, a revolutionary orfrom all parts of the field. This ganization which was illegal under grafters. Wood does not deny that

McDonald Government

McDonald Government tives, and responsible immediately overthrow Mukden rule in the Barga the presidential chambers, and that (Continued on Page Three)

CORRECTION.

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American imperialism in particular.

within the limits set by the government.

for the meeting of the social-fascists.

aid one worker from Fall River, (Continued on Page Two)

ican government does not mind if Karolyi creates an unfavorable

sentiment against this British-supported Horthy regime. But only to

the extent that it does not harm the capitalist interest in general and

inevitably justify the suspicion of the workers, that the American

government has gotten the necessary assurance that he will only act

or has already become the ally of the social-fascists, or whether he

will remain on the line of the Berlin Anti-Fascist World Congress.

In which case he must dissociate himself from the "New Leader," the

official organ of the Socialist Party, which announced him as a speaker

If Karoyli will go to the meeting of the social-fascists, he will

The actions of Karolyi will finally decide whether he will become,

Murdered by the Coal Operators!



Removing bodies of some of the 62 coal miners murdered by the owners of the Old Town Mine, McAlester, Oklahoma. It is the rationalization which causes such losses of miners' lives against which the Illinois miners, led by the National Miners Union, are striking. And the N.M.U. will spread that fight thru all the coal fields, in-

HOOVER SILENT

ON HIS PART IN

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.-Hoover

made lame answers for Hoover's

outright aid to the sugar grafters.

the Wall Street president, remains

SUGAR GRAFT

UNITY LEAGUE EXPOSES A.F.L. **TREACHERIES**

"Drive South" Meant 'Unfortunate Incident', to Assist Employers

The Trade Union Unity League in of organization work the convention poses the anti-labor program of the ing his friend and personal attorlotte, N. C., and by Joe Golden, for Machado, the murderer of Mella, The national executive board is a the Southern branches of the Marine and hundreds of other militant body of rank and filers, the product Workers League. It points out that workers, co-operates very closely of a number of changes in the constitution of the union, all deliberately ers against the bosses, for it assists | Representatives of the rich farmintended to base the entire union on and is assisted by the bosses. Then ers in Congress, whose interests

ished, and the "area," an organiza- Trade Union Unity League predicted several republican leaders have (Continued on Page Three)

ers will be placed in separate locals. mation of a new Mongol Soviet re- Hoover's implication in the sugar nized that Negro workers are pecu- enemies of the Soviet Union who re- posure, Wood says: liarly exploited and oppressed, par- cently tried to nose into western train" under the excuse of hunting except to close the doors to all The national officers of the union for some of their supposedly lost comers and become a political re-

broad, representative council of 41. If true, the formation would inouncil elects all other national offi- Chinese rule though it made a revo- the sugar imperialists and their region.

APPEAL TO AID EIELSON.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.—Destory on the Textile Convention in spite its refusal to recognize the yesterday's issue of the Daily workers' republic an appeal was Worker changes the meaning in- made today by the United States to I. L. D. Foils Move to tended. The line as printed, "The the Soviet Union for aid in the N.T.W. is simply a company union," search for Lieut. Ben Eielson, should have read, "The U.T.W. is American aviator lost near the coast of Siberia.

Worsening Conditions In All Textile Mills Rouse Workers

cluse.'

of the sugar robbers.

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Try Schifrin Without

The trial of William Shifrin, mili-The trial was called suddenly Saturday in the hopes of catching the I.L.D. unprepared and prevent it PATERSON, Dec. 23 .- A detailed "13,000 are unemployed. Women from gathering its forces for a picture of the rotten conditions in working in Fall River make \$6 to proper defense, but the I.L.D. succeeded in foiling this maneuver by the delegates in the industrial A delegate from Knoxville, Tenn., conference at the second annual na- who was elected by a secret commitwhich was instigated by the yellow Forward - United Hebrew Trades tional convention of the National tee in his mill, stated: "When I Right Wing clique that are collabo-Textile Workers Union. To sports first went to work I worked on eight from the workers in the mills looms at \$24 a week. My last week rating with Tammany Hall in the effort to send Schifrin to jail for showed growing unemployment, I was running 39 looms at \$12.50 a life.

wage cuts, with speed-up and week. The workers are disgusted on charges of second degree mur-Mary S. Ackewa, of New Bedder for defending himself against "Out of a population of 90,000," ford, said: "I lost my job because I brew Butchers Union who assaulted him in September, 1928.

> rin, as well as of the furriers framed January 19, at 11 o'clock, in Irving curse. Plaza, 15th St. and Irving Pl. All working-class organizations are urged to send delegates.

Send Greetings to the Workers in the Soviet Union Through the Special Printing of The Daily Worker in the Russian Language!

STOP UMW SCABS, Low; Negroes' EXILE FOREIGN Pay Is Lowest BORN STRIKERS

Zeigler Frame-Up Case Used to Penalize Militant Leader

Strikers Must Have Aid

Thugs Replace Militia The average wage in many states

BULLETIN.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 23 .-An urgent appeal is being made to all workers and working-class organizations of the country to rush funds to help the Illinois miners win their fight against the powerful coal operators. Individuals are asked to make donations, and sympathetic organizations are urged to run affairs for the benefit of the striking miners. Rush all funds at once to National Miners Union, Room 410, 119 Federal St., N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mine Workers of America.

Attempts at terrorizing the miners, the Illinois miners with their traditions of Viren and Herrin, are

But the bosses keep trying. Yesterday Henry Corbishley, secretarytreasurer of the Illinois District of the National Miners Union, was ar-The Cuba Co. owns \$170,000,000 rested and may be returned to the state prison to serve the balance of his sentence received in the Zeigler

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conflict with the sugar trusts, have

Wall Street

shy and silent about his part in the in West Manchuria Will R. Wood, chairman of the na- state Commerce Commission, will made public Saturday by the Inter- SWEDISH IMMIGRANTS tional republican congressional com- undergo the close scrutiny of the Tokio dispatches report the formittee, is trying to white-wash railroad corporations at a meeting of the executive committee of the three families, totalling 20 persons, It means that special organizers public in the Barga district of west- lobby graft ring. Trying to explain American Association of Railway of Swedish peasants who were inand special leaflets, etc., will be got ern Manchuria. This outcome is Hoover's shyness in the face of a Executives in the immediate future. duced to leave the Soviet Union for out for them, and the fact recog- probably what was worrying the bombardment of criticism and ex- With the government having given Sweden, are returning to the Soviet its sanction to wholesale mergers in Union after being deceived into "The president has no defense the railroad sphere, it only remains emigrating by Swedish capitalists ticularly in the South, and need Manchuria with an "international against these unfortunate incidents, for the roads to straighten out their and "socialists." The anti-Soviet differences among themselves and campaign collapsed. The immigrant improve the plan to suit their inter- peasants are being held in Sweden "These unfortunate incidents," is

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council elects all other national officials, who are simply its representa-cials, who are simply its representa-lutionary attempt last August to grafting crew had an open door to the sugar imperialists and their grafting crew had an open door to the sugar imperialists and their grafting crew had an open door to the sugar imperialists and their grafting crew had an open door to the presentation of the sugar imperialists and their Africa; Admits 44Dead -Hoover used his legal and illegal influence in pressing the demands

"There can be no doubt," admits ish troops under the "labor" im- of them" when attacking British Mexico today stating that Sandalio perialist government of MacDonald troops. shot down not only the 18 Negro This does not explain, even if true, secretary of the Anti-Imperialist women reported at first by Mac- however, why further reports state League in the Carabean area and Donald's under-liar, D. Shields, un- that eight women were drowned. chief reporter on the Negro problem der-secretary of State for colonies, Perhaps "labor" imperialism's apol- at the Confederacion Unitaria in but 43 women and one man, in the ogist will later "explain" that the Montevedio, last March is still in Time to Plan Defense massacre of Nigerian natives at Nigerian men pushed their women jail pending deportation to Cuba. Opobo on Dec. 11,

tant worker, which was scheduled to the massacre by first reporting only when imperialists try to cover up the workers of Cuba also an exile in start vesterday, has been postponed a few killed, then revealing more cause—the taxation of the Negro na- Mexico has been arrested, and totill February 17, through the efforts bit by bit to avoid a sensational extive masses and their plunder in all gether with hundreds who are being of the International Labor Defense. posure. Even yet the excuse is made conceivable ways.

age \$12 to \$15 a week, according to a report of the Women's Bureau of the Department of Labor.

For these miserably low wages the women work as high as 60 hours per week. The Women's Bureau made a study of 6,000 women em-Boosts AFL and Scabs ployed in chain department stores in 18 states and reported that 60 Release 110; Arrest 4; per cent of the women received \$15 Bigger Picket Lines Is a week and 40 per cent \$12.

was \$9 a week. In its figures the Department of Labor always colors the facts to give the bosses the started the lockout of 22 shoe shops workers' conditions appear as rosy through U. S. Commission of "Conas possible.

Another report by the same de- to the bosses advising them to partment of women workers in Flo- break their contracts with the Inida showed that Negro women were being exploited under the worst On Dec. 11, it was announced yes-conditions. Of 1,266 Negro working terday by the union, Wood sent anwomen studied, the average wage other letter to the bosses, for the was \$6.65 per week for a 60 hour

working women in Florida. The his former attacks on the union, and average hours of work for all wo- and further tries to convince the WEST FRANKFORT, Ill., Dec. men employed in Florida was more workers that their strike is lost, 23 .- The striking Illinois miners than nine hours per day. The wages and still further, threatens with came out on mass picket lines today, for all women workers is very low, deportation to death in fascist Italy stopping many of the 1,000 scabs averaging about \$15.00 per week, all who dare to strike under the imported into the Taylorville and with a good many receiving \$9.00 leadership of the union Pleads Wood for Pres. other struck regions by the United per week for 60 hours of work.

International Wireless News

"BOLSHEVIST THANKS"-A PROMISE TO WORK FOR PROLETARIAT. (Wireless by Inprecorr)

MOSCOW, Dec. 23 .- The Communist parties of Germany, England, of Dec. 11, declares in horror that France and other countries have the Independent Shoe Workers' sent messages of congratulations to Union is "not a labor movement like Stalin on his attaining his 50th the Amalgamated Clothing Workbirthday. Numerous factories, insti- ers, the American Federation of tutions and farm collectives are Labor, the Railroad Brotherhoods, adopting the name of "Stalin" at or the Shoe Workers' Protective, Moscow, Tula, Kuban and other all of which are recognized as legipoints. Stalin has answered all timate labor organizations whose messages accepting congratulations purposes are to better the working Furthers War Plans of for the Leninist Party, and giving conditions of their members and Bolshevist thanks — promising to support the government, which pro-work tirelessly for the cause of the tects the rights of all law-abiding proletariat.

TURN TO SOVIET.

(Wireless By Inprecorr) STOCKHOLM, Dec. 23 .- The first ests. In any case, whether the plan in barracks like prisoners. Even their mail is censored. Discontent

that the women were killed because London reports show that the Brit- the men "put the women in front

to death in the river. The cause is It also states that Bareiro who is Shields clearly tried to minimize yet said to be "obscure," as is usual one of the leaders of the tobacco

Chemical Snow Melting Process Steals Few Pennies from Jobless

Capitalist improvement in tech-| vented by Prof. Barnes of McGill. nic, rationalization, always works Two tank trucks, like ordinary to the detriment of the workers. A water sprinklers are ased, each Schiffin is now out on \$15,000 bail new chemical form of cleaning with a capacity for 2,000 gallons of new chemical form of cleaning with a capacity for 2,000 gallons of the city. Factories employing the five knife-wielding thugs of the He- unemployed of a day or two work dissolved in another clemical com- will be canvassed with leaflets for in cleaning snow.

In order to mobilize all workingpapers like to describe as "a beauclass forces for the defense of Schiftiful, scintillating Christmas blanlers about two feet wider than the
Mexican president-elect is visiting ket, decorating the streets," to the truck. up in the Mineola case, the Interna- unemployed workers without shoes It was officially stated that the jugation of Mexico to American imtional Labor Defense is calling a and with scanty, ragged clothes, is two trucks with their 4,000 gallons perialism so ably begun by Morrow conference for Sunday morning, at the same time a welcome and a of snow eliminator, cost in material, and Gil. Cailes.

It used to provide a few miser- of street.

recommended the new method, in- workers.

pound which is a secret of the in-The snow, which the capitalist ventor. It is showered straight papers like to describe as "a beau- down into the snow from sprink- Mexico comes at a time when the

MINERS PICKET, Women's Wage WOOD THREATENS

Says Shoe Toilers Must Not Belong to Their Own Union

the Answer

The U. S. labor department best end of it, and to make the in the New York area by sending ciliation," Charles G. Wood, a letter dependent Shoe Workers' Union.

purpose of having them print it in the Italian capitalist and right wing The survey covered nearly 8,000 newspapers, in which he repeats

> This direct strike-breaking action of the U.S. government comes immediately after the organization by President Hoover of his Grand Fascist Council, participated in by A. F. L. bureaucrats, like William Green. Green promises not to allow any movements among the workers for wage increases during the present period of crisis, rationalization, speed-up and wage cuts and unemployment.

Commissioner Wood in his letter citizens and movements."

What a "Protection"!

Commissioner Wood and the rest of the fascist council will have trouble convincing the shoe workers who see the government, from the federal officials in Washington New York combining to smash

ANTI-IMPERIALIST JAILED IN MEXICO

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Negro Militant Faces Deportation to Cuba

A telegram was received from Junco, Negro militant provisional jailed every day are subjected to terrific tortures in the jails.

The telegram urges the workers of America to "organize international protests and demonstrations."

The New York branch of the Anti Imperialist League and the American Negro Labor Congress have organized a mass protest for Friday, 116th St. and Lenox Ave. Thousands of leaflets in both Spanish and will deprive even the few thousand liquid consists of calcium chloride majority of Latin American workers

The increasing white terror in with Moover to complete the sub-

about \$120 a day to clear ten miles American imperialism is directing the white terror against the militant able meals. Now chemicals are to In the Soviet Union, where the fighters of Mexico and Cuba. The workers control industry and gov- American workers will join with the Borough president Harvey, who ernment, new methods mean, less Latin American and Negro workers pushed the \$40,000 pay raise, as hours of work, more leisure and in the mass protest Friday night to well as the other "Christmas" pres- greater pay. In the United States stop the vicious attack being conents to the high-paid officials, has they mean added misery for the ducted in Mexico and the Latin

American countries.

U. S. WORKERS' DELEGATION HAILS ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE U.S.S.R.

15 Delegates Return After Attending 12th Anniversary Celebrations in USSR

Lancastria. The entire delegation ism. industries, sailed for the Soviet of this construction is the tremen-Union, October 23. Other members dous interest and enthusiasm with of the delegation remained for longer which the Five-Year Plan of intours of the Soviet Union, and will dustrialization is being carried out.

astically praised the achievements required by the plan. of the Soviet Union, and the progress made by the Five-Year Plan in "We are also greatly impressed to the women's silk workers, radio, can work 18 or 19 hours for the the construction of socialism.

Beniding Socialism.

and factories, homes for culture and the delegation, which will deal with numerous other institutions, and we various industries, collective farmfind that in spite of all the lies, ing, cooperatives, etc. The delegaslanders and propaganda put forth tion was sent under auspices of the by the capitalist class, and in spite Friends of the Soviet Union.

Fifteen members of the American of civil war, famine and counterworkers' delegation which attended revolution the Soviet Union has exthe twelfth anniversary of the Rus- ceeded the pre-war level of produc-Soviet Union yesterday on the S. S. toward the construction of social-

soon return to the United States. We find that in the first year, the

11,200,000 in Trade Unions.

with the Trade Unions, which have electrical workers and department union." The statement of the delegation in a membership of 11,200,000. We stores. find that one of the most important "We, the American delegation rep- tasks in carrying out the Five-Year resenting various industries of Plan is assumed by the Trade America, were sent to the Soviet Unions. Instead of the Trade Union to carry revolutionary geet- Unions being isolated from the other ings from the American workers to institutions, such as cooperatives, the workers and peasants of the state farms, etc., they, in collabora-U.S.S.R. on the twelfth anniversary tion with the Communist Party, are of their victorious revolution and to the driving force behind the whole study the conditions of the workers system, which thru social insurance, and the achievements made by them continuous work week, seven-hour under the Soviet form of govern- day, has raised and continues to raise the cultural level of the workers and peasants in the U.S.S.R."

"We have visited the mines, mills A detailed report will be made by

Communist Activities

Unit 12, Section 3.
On Thursday, Dec. 26, at 6.30 p. m. sharp, a very important meeting will be held of Unit 12, Section 3 in section headquarters. Every member must be present and on time.

Workers School Classes.

Classes will be held as usual Dec. 24 and 25. Fall term ends Dec. 31, except for late classes, and is celeprated by Costume Ball arranged by the school for that night (New Years Eve) at Rockland Palace, 155th St. and 8th Ave. Tickets 75 cents in advance and \$1.00 at door.

* * * * Section 4 D. W. Representatives.

Unit 15F, Section 2.
s week will meet Tuesday, 6
at 1179 Broadway.
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Unit 12F, Section 2.
Will have a functionaries meetinguesday, Dec. 24, 6 p. m. sharp at 179

Section 6 Units.
Units 2F, 3F, 4F and 2I of Section 6 will hold their meetings this evening.

Organizations

New Rail Plan Aids War Scheme

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is carried out as it stands at present, or whether it is amplified or carried out only in part, a long step has been taken in line with the wishes of the railroad magnates.

The railroad consolidation plan, following shortly after Hoover's message to Congress on Dec. 3 in which he called for large-scale railroad mergers, is the third largest merger movement this month. The other two were the \$350,000,000 steel merger connected with the Mellon interests, and Owen D. Young's recommendation of a giant electric communication monopoly in which the American Telegraph and Telephone Co. with the General Electric Co. and the Radio Corporation of America are to swallow up all other telegraph, cable and radio companies.

The speedy movement for the consolidation of the means of communication and transportation in ance as offensive moves on the part of American capitalism both from an economic and military point of view. Part of the attempt to adjust American capitalism at home for the ever-sharpening struggle for the world's markets, particularly.

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* America is of the greatest importthe world's markets, particularly against Great Britain, the concentra- ment" tion and unification of the means of cu communication and transport is a wital part of the war preparations now being carried on feverishly for this purpose in every sphere not only by the War Department but by every important government agency with larger as the management agency with larger age

Hoover as the managing head.

In linking up all the railway systems of the country, particularly the railroads of the North and South, the I. C. C.'s plan lays the basis for mittee. the I. C. C.'s plan lays the basis for the more rapid industrialization of the South as well as for the use of its vast resources in the event of war. As for the railroad workers, the execution of the plan will bring increased unemployment and speed-

YCL Anti-Religious Dance Tonight

The dance tonight of the Young Communist League at the New Webster Manor, 125 E. 11th St., will be the finest affair held during 1929. The hall has been beautifully decorated with anti-religious slogans, and with the wall newspapers of the Y. C. L. The John C. Smith "Harlemite" Jazz Band will play.

The Communist Youth are determined to change the Christmas holiday into a real revolutionary antireligious frolic. A wall-paper com- Labor and Fraternal petition will be held. All revolutionary workers should be present tonight. Tickets 50 cents, at door, 75 cents. Dance, eat and drink until

Huiswood Speaks on "Negro in Industry"

Comrade Otto Huiswood, who is the director of the Negro Department of the Communist Party, will speak on "The Negro in Industry," this Sunday, December 29, at the Workers' School. He will stress the White Chauvinistic policy of the A. F. of L., the use of Negro workers in breaking strikes, Jim Crowism, etc. speak on "The Negro in Industry,"

The lecture will start at 8 p. m. sharp and will be held at 26 Union Square. All workers are urged to bring their shopmates. Negro workers must come in droves. Admission is 25 cents.

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Working Women Conference.

Anti-war working woman's conference will take place Saturday. Jan. 4 at 2 p. m. Irving Plaza Hall. Irving Pl. and 15th St. under the ausnices of the Communist Party. New York District. All trade unions, shop representatives and progressive women's organizations are requested to elect delegates.

LITERATURE AGENTS MEET

A meeting of all Unit and Section
literature agents of the Communist

Workers Dance Group, which will participate in the Lenin Memorial in the Lenin Memorial Meeting of Madison. Squage Garden, 1970,

Working Women in Anti-War Conference at "Plaza" January 4

Working Class Women there were present about 70 delegates representing 35 councils. They officially endorsed the call for anti-war working women's conference which will take place Saturday, January 4, at 2 p. m., at Irving Plaza Hall, Irving Place and 15th St. Not only did sian Revolution, returned from the tion and made tremendous strides they pledge to send delegates to this conference from their councils but spoke for the union. We must orhave actively undertaken to visit or- ganize the unorganized; it is the the Soviet Union. included 28 workers from various "One of the outstanding features ganizations and secure delegates only way to improve conditions of

Ellen Heino, the secretary of the ganizations

Anti-war Working Women's Conference, January 4.

Hoover's Fascist Tries

(Continued from Page One) them down to lower wages, piece that they have built up after years 'Protective" unions, that this govshoe workers, recognizes the A. F. L., the Protective, etc.

For the rest, the Wood letter consists of a series of baseless and unsubstantiated charges of graft and crime against the Independent Shoe Workers officials. For inunion is criticized as being "under indictment for conspiracy in Massaing that what Biedenkapp is indicted for is for violation of an injunction in the New Bedford strike Important meeting of all Daily vert picketing will locked them out.

1. 7 p. m. sharp.

Calls Picketing Illegal.

tions, of course hates the idea that speaker of the occasion, Magliacano, piece rate in place of time rate-all

Wood intimates that picketing if it lasts a year. He says: "The workers who are pany gangsters attacked B. is now expected to run always four urged to defy the law and picket Schwartz, a striker, yesterday. and often six. "Rationalization and Unemployment" will be the subject to be discussed tonight by the members of Unit 1, Section 5. Louis A. Baum will lead. the shops" should demand that When police reported, the thugs ask- "Results of this speed-up are seen leaders of the union picket too. ed for protection from Schwartz, in the increased output of silk work-Wood omits to say that they do and got it, while their victim was ers who thus increase the profits of picket-that some of them have threatened with arrest. been arrested for just that.

en the shoe workers into scabbing section of the shoe workers yester- war. Commissioner Wood says, "An ad- gation trip to the Soviet Union com- have seen their earnings fall by 18 vocate of Communism cannot go pare the conditions of shoe work- per cent since 1920. Average hourly into court with clean hands," echo- ers here with those in the U.S.S.R., earnings of woolen and worsted ing the cynical, brutal Gastonia where the seven-hour day and five- goods workers have been moving trial judge who told the jury not day week prevails in most indus- downward, though not to quite the to believe anything Communist wit- tries and in being installed in the same extent as in the cotton branch Unit 5, Section 7.

Special meeting Wednesday, 8.20, at 2901 Mermaid Ave.; Section representatives will be present and there will be discussion on section resolunesses said. Incidentally, Wood ap- rest, and all workers are organized. of the textile industry.

shoot Gastonia strikers. will hold its regular meeting Wed-nesday evening. Y.C.L. Anti-Religious Dance.
Christmas eve (anti-religious) dance will be held this evening, 8 p. m., at the New Webster Manor, 125 E. 11th St., under the auspices of the Y.C.L. Music by J. C. Smiths "Harlemites." Tickets 50 cents. officials and representatives of the 21st St. workers in the union, and can be audited any time. But to let Mussolini's gang audit them! That would be asking for a frame-up!

> "I hope this warning will reach the foreign speaking workers in season to convince them that to follow such leadership (as the Independent Shoe Workers Union) is certain to get them into trouble. They not only lose their jobs, but lose the protection of the police and the courts." He means the police will club them and the courts will

Lenin Memorial Pagent.

The Lenin Memorial Pagent to be presented by the Workers Dramatic Council at Madison Square Garden. Jan. 18 is now in hehearsal under direction of Comrade Edith Segal and Emjoe Basshe. One hundred comrades are needed for important parts: no experience necessary. Come to rehearsal Thursday. Dec. 26, 7.30 p., m., at Workers Center, room 402. frame them up. Then he says: "A majority of our foreign speak ing workers are potentially good citizens. Many of them are unaware Package Party and Dance. arranged by the Bronx Workers letic Club on Tuesday evening. 24, at Rose Garden, 1347 Boston that pledging themselves to the obligations of a movement like the International Shoe Workers Union prejudices their own standing whenever they seek to become naturalized citizens. Even those who have been admitted to citizenship are liable to proceedings which contemplate revocation of such citizenship"-and exile to black-shirt Italy, with Mussolini's firing squad and hangmen

> Workers proceeded against by the U. S. government on this basis will find powerful forces fighting to save them under the leadership of the International Labor Defense.

This latter, the shoe workers declare, will be replied to by the workers through bigger picket lines and Party will take place on Friday evening, Dec. 27 at 7.30 at the Workers Center, room 402., Company at the Workers Center, room 402., Company and a for the 40-hour and five-day week,

WORSENING MILL Soviet Films to Aid in Five Year Industrial Plan

Year Industrial Plan ("Pyatiletka").

The Sovkino has been invited to

cial operators attached to

titled "Life Speaking."

strike here in Paterson.

6,000 are now employed

K. Vinogradskaya, author of "A

The composer N. Shostakovitch,

fied and want action. Conditions

In the wool and worsted mills, as

coming worse and worse. Delegate

"In Lawrence, in 1922, there were

Speed-up in Silk.

A statement issued by Clarence

Miller, secretary of the executive

board of the N.T.W.U., one of the

Gastonia defendants, faced with a

the bosses, but earn less in wages.

Average output of a silk worker has

Wages Fall.

"Woolen and worsted workers

Workers, Led by NTW. Prepare for Struggles carry out experimental research, the Sovkino Moscow works.

(Continued from Page One)

CONDITIONS ARE

the workers. A Gastonia worker reported: New York District of the Finnish "They've got us stretched out as far Women's organizations, in addition as we go. We are going to organize to the call addressed to them, has the South in spite of the boss, mili-In a unanimous statement the increase in production was 24 per addressed a call in the Finnish lan- tia and police. We are going to ormembers of the delegation enthusi- cent, which was 3 per cent more than guage to all the Finnish women's or- ganize the Negro and white workers into the N.T.W.U. I told the boss: A special leaflet is being issued 'If I can work 10 hours for you I

"There are 2,000 people working All working women are urged to in our mill," declared a worker from get together in their shops and send Draper, N. C. "The mill is owned their shop representatives to the by Marshall Field & Co., who own mills at Charlotte, Draper and Leaksville. The people are clamoring for the union. The only successful method is the one Fred Beal and the N.T.W.U. employed in the to Break Shoe Strike South—a house-to-house canvass."

Best Ella May Monument. . Wes Williams, of Bessmer City, N. C., said: "The only chance to work, crush their own organization win is to organize the unemployed. I was on the truck when Ella May of betrayal by these A. F. L. and was shot down. She fought until she died for the union and for the ernment is protecting them. No I.L.D. The strongest monument we wonder such a government, say the can put up for Ella May is to organize the South, because that is what she bought for.

"Section workers, mainly Negro, or a railroad, face a wage cut. Only 5 per cent are organized."

In the silk mills conditions are very bad. "We work 12 hours on well as in the knit goods factories, the night shift and a 9-hour day the conditions are the same-bestance, Manager Biedenkapp of the shift," said a worker from Scranton, Pa. In Scranton, pointed out Deak reporting on Passaic, said: one of the delegates, "most women "Conditions are very bad. Out of chusetts and out on bail pending are employed in the mill, working 16,000 who were out on strike only the trial of the issue," without say- for \$10 to \$12 a week. More organizers should be sent to organize

the workers, especially the women. 20,000 textile workes employed; "Wage cuts are the rule the last now there are 6,000. If the machines -nothing for shoe workers to be few weeks," reported a Paterson break down the wages of the workashamed of, since their whole union mill worker. "Weavers used to get ers are deducted for the time the was laid under injunctions, in the 9 cents, now for the same work the worker is not working." New York courts, by judges who price is 5 cents. Half of the time tried to break their strike and pre- we must work in the dark. The vent picketing when the employers workers are pretty much dissatis-

and improved working conditions. The letter quotes from the In- A meeting of the Williamsburg 20-year jail sentence, for his union ternational Red Day statement of section of the Independent Shoe activities, says: tic methods all workers' organiza- Saturday and Sunday, and the main labor, longer hours, extension of some of them will continue to exist each shoe worker present voted to these familiar types of speed-up illegally, and tries to poison the fight it out with the bosses in the have been tried out in a drive to inminds of the workers against it. 22 shoe shops now locked out even crease the silk workers' output of

goods. Where formerly a weaver the shops is violation of the law. Two of the Dan Palter shoe com- ran only two looms 'in the silk' he

> Back from U.S.S.R. At a meeting of the Ridgewood increased by 35 per cent since the

proved of the sending of troops to Comrade Kibrinsky of the Cooper- "Overproduction has been accomative Colony collected \$7 for the panied by widespread unemployment Wood tries in a slimy indirect striking shoe workers. Other work- in this industry since 1923. About manner to charge the union offi- ers are asked to do likewise. At one-fourth of the workers have been cials with stealing the union money, every affair held by workers, apthrown out of work during this five-calling on them to let a committee peals should be made for the relief year period. When workers are out of the fascist Italian newspapers in of the striking shoe workers. All of jobs the union will try to organ-New York audit the books. The money collected can be turned over ize them in councils of the unemunion books are open to all elected to the office of the union, 16 W. ployed. The convention took steps

The Secretariat of the Associa- author of the opera, "Nose" (an intion of Workers in Revolutionary terpretation of a work by the fa-Kinetography has confirmed a mous Russian author, N. Gogol), is scheme of work for an experimen- supplying the music for the film, tal Sound-Film group. This group "Odna," Sovkino production - no will study the theory and practice less than twenty film-shooting 'Unfortunate Incident' of the production of sound films, groups are at present working in

systematize all the data on the Kozintsev and Trauerberg have technique of the production and the left for Oiratya, to take landscape development of the sound film in films for the picture, "Alone." The The Presidium of the Board of cation has passed a plan for the participation of the kinematograph shown here at the Cameo Theatre. ndustry in agitation for the Five

JOAN CRAWFORD AT PITKIN THEATRE make systematic use for its topical

films of all measures connected with the "Pyatiletka," and to increase its output, and aid in the industrialzation of the country and the collectivization of agricultural ert Montgomery. The Sovkino has opened the first

Topical News Kino Theatre in the U. S. S. R., in the premises of the this week features Leon Navara kinematograph hall of the Museum and his orchestra. This Capitol of the Revolution. Each showing Theatre production also has Mawill last 7 minutes; price of admis- dame Maria Nedime, Cole and Snysion, 5 kopeks (about a penny). der, Cordon and King, the Three Wall Street's governmental "ad-Both current numbers and topical Dennis Sisters and a group of visers" to the bloody Machado govfilms will be photographed by spe-Chester Hale girls on the program. ernment, also got his hands dirtied

> NEEDLE TRADES SECTION T.U.U.L.

Remnant of Empire," has written All members of the Needle Trades another scenario for the Sovkino, Section of the T.U.U.L. are called to graft scheme was president Hoover. attend a membership meeting on The object was to get his personal Thursday, December 28, 7 p. m., at aid. This he promised immediately Irving Plaza Hall, to discuss "The and brought all sorts of pressure to New Functions of the T.U.U.L. in bear for his sugar trust friends. are very ripe for a struggle in Paterson. All that remains to do is to New Unions and in the Old Reform- That is why he decorates his grief ist Unions." All needle trades Left at the exposure of his "connections" build a strong union to lead a good Wing workers are urged to attend, with the silence of the guilty.

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HOOVER SILENT ON HIS PART IN SUGAR GRAFT

PleadsWood for Press

(Continued from Page One) Hoover's spokesman in this day of principal role of the teacher will be his great grief, "that Lakin (presitaken by E. Kuzmina, the heroine dent of the Cuba Co.) and Shattuck the People's Commissariat for Edu- of "The New Babylon," the film of (Hoover's personal attorney who got the French Revolution recently \$75,000 graft) has established contact with the White House as revealed in the former's letter to the

There is nothing startling about the fact that Hoover works hand in Joan Crawford appears this week hand with the big imperialists. The at Loew's Pitkin Theatre in her scandal crops up in the fact that first all talking picture, "Untamed." the Cuba Co. spent hundreds of thousands of graft, which Hoover's The supporting cast is led by Rob- friends got, in an effort to obtain tariff laws passed to their benefit, "Oddities," the stage presentation without having to oppose the barrage of opposition raised by the Congressional representatives of the rich beet farmers.

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out and speed- up systems.

Bridesburg Yards completely, throw-

Indian Trade Union Congress Imperialist Powers Want More Arms; AFRICAN NEGRO Joins Pan-Pacific Movement Unite Against USSR

Tremendous Swing of Masses to Left Forces Right Wing fight for naval armaments between Retreat; But Danger of Reactionary Maneuver Exists, Says General Secretary Browder of P.P.T.U.S.; Real Left Must Lead cussions" continued yesterday in

of the working class of India, indi- of the congress. cated by the enormous spread of "Should this report prove correct, cret. The information given out by strike movements and mass demon- it must be taken as a sign of tre- Stimson was in line with the Hoover strations against British imperial- mendous movement of the masses to "peace" propaganda which is aimed ism, is registering a new stride for- the left, struggling courageously to cover war preparations. ward if the report be true that the against the right-wing trade union All-India Trade Union Congress has officialdom hitherto in control of the

tional stupidities which prevented betray them later. anything like true democratic expression of the ranks reaching or-

cific basin in struggle primarily their influence upon the masses. against imperialism.

Pan-Pacific T.U.S. Comment.

as yet unconfirmed, the All-India agents in the trade union movement. Trade Union Congress voted to affi-Wing trade union leader, was elect- the trade unions."

The swift political development | ed to an important leading position and the Japanese delegation.

who work hand in hand with the clared that British imperialism has sweep the whole continent.

"Therefore the truly wing and er." An effort is being made by the ganizational form in the congress, revolutionary elements in the Indian big capitalist powers to draw Ger- tives in their own country to every the right wing could dare no more Trade Union Congress must immedi- many closer in the alliance against conceivable restriction by brutal than postpone all action on interna- ately initiate a broad explanatory the Soviet Union, which will be one police, confining them to native campaign emphasizing the opposite of the main objects at the Five- "compounds" at night in cities; poll It appears that since then, the class position of both groups on all Power meet on January 21. Left Wing, upon the background of fundamental questions of the revointensified oppression by the "labor" lutionary and trade union moveimperialist British government, as ment. The masses must be shown symbolized by the Meerut trials of that the right wing and the fake Leads Traitor Attack from schools, libraries and theatres; 32 trade union leaders, has pro- lefts have been and remain the algressed far rallying mass support lies of imperialism and agents of to the motion made at last year's the native bourgeoisie. At the same congress to affiliate to the P.P.T. time, a most resolute offensive must U.S., the trade union center uniting be carried on against the socialall trade unions of the gigantic Pa- reformists for the liquidation of

"The participation of Bose, or any other true left winger, in the lead-Indian unions were the chief great | ing body of the All-India T.U.C., national group in the Pacific area presents an important problem to which had remained until now iso- the Left Wing. Considering the lated from the Pan-Pacific Trade present composition of the congress Union Secretariat. The significance and its leading body, such particiof the reported affiliation, and the pation is permissible only on condiperspectives it places before the tion of the complete political indegenuine revolutionary elements of pendence of the revolutionary elethe Indian unions is set forth in the ments, their most active work among following statement issued by Earl the masses, and, above all, the inde-Browder, General Secretary of the pendent leadership of the mass struggles against British imperial- particularly the United States. "According to reports from India, ism, the native bourgeoisie and their

"The revolutionary elements must liate to the Pan-Pacific Trade Union now strive more than ever to estab-Secretariat, and that Bose, a Left- lish their own actual leadership in

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(Continued from Page One) to the council, removable at its pleasure. This insures collective and continued leadership.

Elect Gastonia Defendant. The council has elected an executive board of 15, also representative move into the field of action. of the whole field, which is to hold monthly meetings, between the sesretary of the union under the old U.T.W.," "Join the N.T.W.U." constitution. The chairman is James rence strike, the Textile Mills Com- agencies, shall be drawn into the charged with murder and framed up, is no need to look to Moscow to find whole system of police terror, fas- and the biggest users of fake fight in between and since. The secretary of the strike shall be made a part of the strike s was secretary of the convention, and in other parts of the country. All tenced to prison. Paroled in acis one of the Gastonia defendants, the best elements among the workers sentenced to 20 years and out on in the struck mills must be drawn self back into the struggle, becombonds during the appeal of his case. into leading politions in the struggle. ing a leader of the National Miners of Mines, this friction is overshad-All officers of the union, according to a provision of the new constitution, cease drawing pay when a strike is on in their district, and

get necessary expenses only. Other members of the executive New Bedford and Gastonia; Pitta, New Bedford; D. Martin, South; J. Rappaport, N. Y.; E. Mendez (a woman worker), New Bedford; M. Russak, Allentown; Summe, South; Burlak, Scranton; E. Totherow, Burlak, Scranton; E. Totherow, Burlak, Scranton; E. Totherow, mills, or around particular areas. South and Youth; Lieb, Paterson; The workers must know the dan-

Salzberg, Paterson Protest Strike.

The convention voted for a general one-day strike if the North right to picket against mill owners' Carolina supreme court upholds the class verdict of the Charlotte trial The resolution on strike strategy man Thompson, three of the leaders court in the Gastonia case. Thou- points out that the N.T.W. demands of the National Miners Union, was sands of workers will shut down the particularly in the South; disarming received yesterday by the National mills that day to protest against the right of the terrorist, black hundred bands, Office of the Workers International the right of the workers to organize Relief. Ludwig Landy, executive sentenced because Gastonia strikers themselves against mill bosses' ter- a call to the entire American workdefended their tent colony from a rorists; the right to organize, to ing class to reply to this telegram murderous raid of mill-boss hire- strike and to picket; and the right at once. Rush all funds for the relings, led by the Gastonia chief of to free speech and free assemblage. lief of the Illinois miners to the Napolice last April.

But wide-spread strikes will take place for economic demands. The question of a great silk strike is the first order of business in the convention itself adopted a resolution British Get Contract summing up the lessons learned so far from the strikes led by the N. T. W. The resolution, a guiding principal for the board in its present deliberations, emphasizes the need of having gotten a \$30,000,000 reclamapreparatory organization and prop-tion contract from the Greek governaganda. It points out that strikes ment "in the face of keen competishould be led by rank and file strike tion from American contractors." committees, elected by organized and unorganized workers in the mills, and Sons of Sheffield, get the conand this includes the rank and file tract to drain the plains of Thessaly of even such reactionary strike- and Epirus, building a seven-mile breaking concerns as the United Textile Workers Union, Associated Silk Workers, etc. But no official indicates that Greece has no intenparticipation in the strike commitparticipation in the strike commit-tees is allowed to the bureaucrats of those unions. The strike committee

Build Strike Fund. The work of creating a strike fund shall begin, with collections at mill gates, etc., and among workers of other industries, even before the workers and organizations.

is a united front from below.

those unions. The strike committee nearly a semi-colonial country.

wished to harness the Indian prole- "Under no conditions must there British imperialists need a vast against the Empire. The London normally 1,000 men, is now working tariat to the international of treach- be any illusions of a change of heart navy to keep the colonial masses in papers speak of the unrest as com- on half time.-C. R. ery at Amsterdam and to the "La- of these right-wing and so-called slavery. bor Office" of the League of Na- "left" bureaucrats. For the, the detions. But even then the tide of cision of the congress, if true, is rvolt against the Right Wing was nothing else but a maneuver to de- is proposing that the German capi- The "Manchester Guardian" is so strong that, in spite of organiza- ceive the masses now, in order to talists send a representative to the forced to admit however that "a seri-

To the Masses With Policy!

es in the area to be struck must begin even before the strike, if pos- Miners Stop UMW Once the strike starts, all avail-Zeigler Man bled to death. able force, all organizers and offi-

Melchett (Mond).

cials of the N.T.W. and representatives of the W.I.R. and I.L.D. must (Continued from Page One) In addition to the immediate local some years ago, the Farrington ad- white workers toward the native and ences with the A. F. of L. The ington. demands of the workers ready to ministration of the U.M.W. District colored workers has been one of open workers will remember the sell-outs sions of the national council, and to strike, slogans of a general nature of Illinois, sent in members of the hostility. Certain menial jobs have in Elizabethton, in Ware Shoals, in keep immediate control of all campaigns, organization drives, strikes, been "Ku Klux Klan and other gunmen been "Kaffir work" and no white paigns, organization drives, strikes, such as "Prepare to raise disturbances and eject the man would engage in them. Where etc. The chairman and secretary of for Struggle," "Form Mill Committeet Wing leadership of the local. employed at the same work, the a chance to betray the workers. The great masses of workers in the the executive board and of the countries of Action," During the course of this struggle wages of the white worker were workers will compare these mislead- Sc. th. The T.U.U.L. will constantly cil are to carry on somewhat the "Organize Workers' Defence Com- the Farrington gangsters started often three or four times those paid ers to fighting leaders like Fred point out to the workers that their same work as the president and sec- mittees," "Smash the Fakers of the shooting, and one of them killed a the black worker. Negroes were

Cook has adopted it.

All parts of the union and all pos-P. Reid, formerly president of the sible sections of the labor movement, courts to punish the murderer, but Such is the backgéround. The life The Hertoz government (Nationalmittee and many other struggles support of the strike, and support of with legal representatives of the the cause of unrest. While there is cism and military repression is be-Union. This is now interpreted by owed by the conflict between the na- The upsurge is spreading to every Once the strike starts the emphasis is on mass picketing, in which of parole." They will now try to as a whole. Both parties of the needs guidance and leadership. young and old, women and men, and

the strikers' families particularly, A hundred and ten of those aras well as sympathizers in other board are Fred Beal, Lawrence, lines of work, take part. The tactics rested during early days of the pickof picketing are to be suited to the eting in Taylorville mines were reoccasion, but all picketing is in the leased today on their own recog-

> Need Funds. "Scores of families are hungry and practically destitute. You must and be prepared to defend their act quick."

This telegram, signed by Pat Toohey, William Boyce and Freeto 20 years of the seven workers and arm for defense, and to defend secretary of the W.I.R., has issued tional Office of the W.I.R., 949 Broadway, Room 512, New York

> PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 23.—A large number of mine delegates are expected to attend the district conin Greece Against US vention of the Trade Union Unity League of Western Pennsylvania to be held in this city Saturday, Januilant statements of the British at British a Building, 607 Webster Ave., this

> > The intense rationalization and speed-up, particularly in coal and steel, has caused a sharp decline in production and is alarmingly increasing the army of unemployment, the official call for convention, signed by John Kaspar, district organizer of the T.U.U.L. declares. Representation to the convention is based on one delegate to every five members. The convention will take up the following major problems: Organization of the unorganized; fight against speed-up; building the T.U.U.L. in this district. For further information, write to Trade Union Unity League, Room 250, 119 Federal St., N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.

REVOLT RISING WASHINGTON, Dec. 23.-The Japanese and United States imperialism, which the capitalist press

the discussions between Stimson Looks to U. S. to Give ing. The Warner Co., building mand the Japanese delegation Aid and Guidance

By WM. WILSON.

The flame of colonial revolt has work. This company specializes in ers: LONDON, Dec. 23. - Admiral African Negroes has been touched delphia.

ing from organizations in touch with the Communist Party and "instruct-BERLIN, Dec. 23.—Great Britain ed by the Communist International." London race-for-armaments confer- ous and wide-spread revolt" is on ence in the capacity of an "observ- against virtual slavery.

Passport laws subjecting the nataxes forcing them off the land and into mines where they are paid in Cook, Fake "Leftist", company money and known by a number; the color bar keeping them Upon British Workers the area in which they are allowed to live so that no possibility exists London dispatches remark upon of their making a living at farming; the significance of a conference held these outrages the "Guardian' cautibetween the representatives of "la- ously admits "might create disbor" and capital, the "labor" angle trust"!

fascists of the British Trade Union plete. The depth of poverty and bosses and their newspapers are to rally to their support. They have Congress, to consider the report of misery in the country-side is in- quick to recognize this. The Greensthe "joint inquiry" initiated by Lord describable. Here the Negro natives boro News for December 17 states Beal, Clarence Miller and the others British Church Kicks physically attached to their tribes seal of approval on the collabora- poorest land, their native customs Greensboro News plainly states which leadership is theirs. tion between the trade union bur- forcibly abolished and the people what the purpose of the coming of "The workers will remember how Feudal Forms of Robbery.

workers, cut the wages and generally aid British imperialism to compete with imperialist rivals, ods used does not allow even the possible use of the inadequate land al-This sort of treachery to the lotted. The reservations are densebureaucrats by voting for the re- sequence is that disease takes fearreport was made by none other than | tremely high.

In industry the "color bar" has barred solidarity between black and

victimize him by sending him back bourgeoisie stand for exploitation of American Negro proletarians must the native masses.

"Only the Communist Party!" gram for solution of the native prob- guidance to the revolutionary masses et workers are organ talist rationalization is increasing lution,

SOME EXAMPLES OF "PROS-PERITY" FOR PHILA. WORKERS Fight Boss Thugs; PHILADELPHIA, Pa. (By Mail). Build NTW in South closed you will find a money order for \$4. Three are for the copies -An example of the "prosperity" the Philadelphia workers are enjoy-

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WORKERS' CORRESPONDENCE --- FROM THE

barge men and truck drivers out of reached Africa. The inflammable cement and gravel. This reflects A few words from the South and material of the ruthlessly oppressed the depression in building in Phila- the Charlotte and Gastonia area. of the whole world don't come to affiliated to the Pan-Pacific Trade All-Indian Trade Union Congress, Beatty in the House of Lords de- and the conflagration bids fair to The Edwin H. Titler Co., the long sentences passed on our fellow to join shoulder to shoulder and largest cordage works in Philadel- workers and the raids of the bosses' The British imperialist press of phia and making every conceivable gangsters which included most all Last year the congress was still dominated by the Right Wing, which ism and the native capitalist class. In ointention of even discussing "disdominated by the Right Wing, which ism and the native capitalist class."

The British imperialist press of phia and making every conceivable gangsters which included most and the course, sees in this a "Moscow plot" like the course, sees in this a some that never were no good for Green of the A. F. of L. and his anything except to peddle booze to flunkeys. the bosses and do their dirty work. We call them bums, but the bosses had a local for 10 years in Concord have been using them in their or- of the U.T.W. and their wages were ganized gang to break the N.T.W. But they have just caused the union workers that are willing to help here and what it was for. build a real union that will gain bet-

> Like the Leaksville strike, coming The bosses of Marion were afraid nonths ago. The A. F. of L., well after the raids and long sentences of the N.T.W. and not the U.T.W., called by the workers the American on our fellow workers, with a com- for they had made a settlement with Fakeration of Labor, is coming to plete shut-down and a continued Hoffman and not the workers. They the South at the call of the bosses. picket line with relief running out knew that the workers were learning Their main purpose is to fight and nothing to go on but solidarity the difference between the two against the militant leadership of to the union and their fellow work- unions, that the workers could see the Trade Union Unity League and ers in other struggles. This means the difference in the strike at Gassomething to all workers not only in tonia, N. C., and their own strike its affiliated unions like the National Textile Workers Union, the the South but to all workers every- which was like all the other strikes National Miners Union, etc. The where and should cause all workers handled by the U.T.W

'... if the influence of the Commu- of the National Textile Workers This conference put the official are herded upon reservations of the nists can be eliminated The Union and they will understand at Soviet Union Only

eaucrats and the employers to ra- subjected to the imperialist exploit- the A. F. of L. into the South is- the A. F. of L. deserted them in tionalize industry and speed up the ers' demand for cheap native labor. to fight against the militant unions Gastonia in 1921, in Charlotte at vent religious meeting there in proaffiliated to the T.U.U.L., the sell- the same time, in dozens of other test against alleged persecution of the machines but they don't own The primitive agricultural meth- ing out of the workers to the bosses, places. The workers will see the religion in the Soviet Union, can be the worsening of the vicious stretch- differ nce between an organization looked at from more than one angle. controlled by agents of the bosses This meeting seems to have been "The A. F. of L. is further plain- like Green, Hoffman, McMahon, called to counteract the effect of the from the Communist Party whose workers was agreed to by the union by packed with people and the conwhen it refuses to organize the organizations controlled by the the Pope "beatified" a few hundred port, and the motion to adopt the ful toll, with infant mortality ex- Negro and white workers but in- workers themselves, like the N. T. Catholics who were killed by these they produce—but we like to hear stead Jim-Crows the colored work- W. U., N. M. U., etc.

the fake "leftist," A. J. Cook, who Here share cropping, quit rent, ers, thus following the practice of "The A. F. of L. besides helping well's tme. less than a year ago denounced that and other feudal and semi-feudal the bosses—dividing the ranks of the bosses to speed up the workers lords by labor, the desperate natives A. F. of L. will continue its Jim F. of L. has not uttered one word man empire."

T. U. U. L. Will Organize.

worst enemies are these agents in rapidly), is the Communist Party. Greens, Wells, Mustes and Hoffanion, and a veteran of the Law- through the T.U.U.L. and other several of the Left Wing were of the native is a living death. There ist) is aware of this and hence a they use the most deceptive phrases

join the Communist Party and school

The only organization with a pro- ership, fitting themselves to give organization work until the southlem and the problem of the poor of Africa. Long live the African industrial unions based on the class whites (whose numbers under capi- revolution, a part of the world revo- struggle and until the workers have wan botter conditions and freedom.

CHARLOTTE, N. C. had a farmer that gave chickens to Dear Comrades and Fellow Work- the textile workers. The bosses have Republic Steel Co. cut the wages. also started the evictions this week. Seven must hit the cold without The work is great considering the their aid and show that they want fight a winning battle against the bosses and their government and the government tools, like President

The workers told me that they continually cut from time to time till the N.T.W. came South and then to settle more solidly in the South, the bosses knew that the time had for the N.T.W. is not a Northern come for them to put a fight, for union but a union of all textile they knew what kind of a union was

Shows Fakers Aid Boss build a real union that will gain bet ter wages and living conditions and for the workers and not for the They knew that the N.T.W. was keep these conditions after they have bosses. That is the reason that we had such a rough time.

Hypocritical Pretense

London dispatches telling of a ferhypocritical protestants in Crom- radicals talk but we don't help to

This kind of takes the edge off which he is doing today as treach- forms of tenacy are used by Dutch the workers. 'They do not want to and break strikes, is active in help- Viscount Brentford's lying remark the district office and ask to be ad-Workers International Relief and erous. It is still treacherous, but and English landlords to increase stir up the race issue, says the ing to force the American workers that the supposed "religious persemitted into the only Party that is exploitation and profits. Unable to Greensboro News of the 17th. This into a new world war for Wall cution" in the Soviet Union "is the fighting for the workers only. And meet the excessive demands of land- is very plain. This means that the Street. The leadership of the A. most cruel and bitter since the Ro- when all the unemployed will do the

are offered a "helping hand" by Crow policy and help to keep down of protest a the sending of ma- Religious freedom in the capital- turn not for the bosses but for us Scabs; Penalize usurious money-lenders, and once in the Negro workers, the most optheir clutches the native tenant is pressed section of the working Negro workers and peasants of than the orthodox kind of dope for Haiti. No! It approves of all these that particular country if possible, Soviet Union, is an equal right for acts, because it follows slavishly and to utterly outlaw atheist ex- athest expression, because the athe-"The workers of the South will the dictates of Wall Street and the pression, as we see in the United ists always win. So these hypoframe-up. In the Zeigler, local white worker. The attitude of the remember their own bitter experi- Wall Street givernment in Wash- States. What both the Catholics crites don't want real religion freeand protestants complain of in the dom at all.

SPREADS THE DAILY WORKER AMONG NEGRO WORKERS.

(By a Worker Correspondent) WARREN, Ohio (By Mail) .- Enand one is a donation from myself.

Things are very bad here, so many are starving and on top of this the The Negro workers are the first to go out and I have given them The anywhere to go if the working class Daily Worker for a week free. We got today many sympathizers to the movement. They come here every day and ask for The Daily Worker and they bring their friends.

Before I close I am going to say that if we spread The Daily Worker it is easy to build the movement.

HOW TWO WORKERS JOINED THEIR OWN PARTY.

(By a Worker Correspondent) CHICAGO (By Mail) .- We are self have been doing so for the past six weeks. George has been doing it for more than five months be-

cause he is a laborer and I am a skilled mechanic, and he was laid off sooner than I, and he is 20 years older than I am. Maybe that's got something to do with it too. We stop at the Merchandize Mart Building, the biggest of its kind under contract in the world. It isn't

half finished yet, but took so far some five dead and scores maimed from the workers. We see machines working. Electric saws cutting the lumber, conveying belts carrying the bricks and

mortar excavating machines were digging out foundations. I said to George, "We are not wanted, for here are the machines

doing all the work." "Say." George says to me, "How

is it that workers have brains enough to build nice buildings but don't think themselves good enough to live in them? And workers make them or its products." "Well, George, you and I are both

to be blamed for we are slackers -everything to the workers that achieve what they teach us." And George and I are going up to

same the wheels of industry will

GREETINGS the WORKERS

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Central Organ of the Communist Party of the U. S. A.

By Fred Ellis

PARTY RECRUITING DRIVE

TO ALL DISTRICT ORGANIZERS:

This chart will be published ever Tuesday in the Daily Worker. Reports to be inserted must be in the Party Central Office not later than the preceeding Saturday. All reports and material in connection with the Recruiting

2 Weeks Gone—6 Weeks Left | Drive must be sent direct to the Organization Department of the Central Committee and not to the Daily Worker.

ORGANIZATION DEPT. C. C.

The Party Recruiting and Daily Worker Building Drive is just getting its first stride. The reports show great enthusiasm on the part of the membership and the Drive is being conducted in the spirit of Revolutionary Com-

in	RESULTS OF FIRST WEEK.					New		New	
	District Q	uota Re	eruited	Quota	Solicited		n Org.	Shop I Quota	
1.	Boston	400	20	300	8	20	5	3	_
2.	New York	1000	73	1000		10		10	-
3.	Philadelphia	300	36	360		5		2	_
4.	Buffalo	. 250		250		5		2	
5.	Pittsburgh	500		500		10		5	
G.	Cleveland	400	30	400		10		10	-
7.	Detroit	500	26	1000	4	15	4	10	,
S.	Chicago	600	53	600		10		7	
9.	Minnesota	420		380		14	-	6	
10.	Kansas	200		200		. 5		2	-
11.	Dakotas	100		100				-	_
12.	Seattle	200		200		5		2	-
13.	California	350	32	200		6		5	
15.	Connecticut	200		500		5		3	-
16.	South	50		50	-	5	-	1	_
Total	u	. 5470	270	5900	12	125	9	68	

The chart does not give a glowing picture of the Party Recruiting and Daily Worker Building Drive. Only seven districts have been active enough to produce results during the first two weeks of the Drive. A fourth part of the time of the Drive has passed but no district has yet fulfilled one fourth of its quota. To date 53 Negroes were recruited, 13 from New York, 20 from Philadelphia, 8 from Cleveland and 7 from Detroit. Philadelphia is the only district that goes above ten per cent of its quota, the other districts lagging behind. Regarding shop nuclei, only Boston and Detroit show good progress-and we hope that these new shop nuclei do not exist only on paper. The other districts must do all they can to carry on an effective Drive in building new

The scandalously low results on new subs for the Daily Worker show that the districts are not taking the sub drive seriously. Such leading districts as New York and Chicago report not a single sub. We expect a big step forward next week. No neglect of the Daily Worker activity can be permitted by the Party

Of the 270 new members only 33 are Negro workers. This is another shortcoming which the districts must remedy immediately-and let it show in the reports next week. Philadelphia is leading also on this field with 20 Negro comrades out of 26 new members. Chicago has not a single new Negro member, which opens a rather bad perspective for their successful carrying out of the tasks of the

Admitting a certain slowness in the preparations for the Drive in most districts, we have full right to expect a big step forward in the figures of the chart next week. The quota of each district must be filled and we must strive to better the quotas.

Comrades! Mobilize all forces to push the

"JUST WHAT I NEED!"



The big railroad mergers, now planned by the Wall Street Government, in addition to being a measure attempting to meet the economic crisis, are a part of the preparation for imperialist war.

Overhauling the Party

A Letter to the Members of the Communist Party from the Organization Department of the Central Committee

Dear Comrades:

Some districts have already held their organization conferences. Districts which have not yet held them should add one point on the agenda: Strengthening our Party organizationally. Other districts have to pay very energetic attention to this task during the recruiting drive.

The points to be taken up are the following: Radical Defects In Our Organizational Work. 1. Too few shop nuclei, and in many cases existing only on paper or very weak in their

activity-consequently work in the factories almost non-existent. 2. Too deep rooted traditions of mechanical

routine work in our Party, and street nuclei not even carrying out residential activity.

It is necessary to concentrate first of all upon our shop nuclei work, otherwise the Party will not be able to carry out the decisions of the Tenth Plenum. The factories must become the center of our activity if our Party is to become the leader of the class struggle in this country.

It is very important that our organization conferences receive reports from the largest and most active shop nuclei in the district. Self-criticism must be given by the shop nuclei representatives and especially the activity of the direct responsible leading committees of the Party (Section and District) should be considered from a Bolshevik critical standpoint. Pay special attention to all forms of mass work. The shop nuclei should be represented not only by their secretaries, but also by rank and filers.

Most important to discuss are the forms of establishing contact with the non-Party workers in the shops, which is the first task of every organized, active shop nucleus if it is going to reflect Party influence among the

We must establish a form of work where: 1. Every member of shop nuclei must do regular systematic work in the shop. Recruiting of new members is the first aim.

2. In case of strike sentiment or sentiment of struggle among workers this should at once be reported to the nucleus committee.

3. Non-Party workers should be drawn into discussions (shop delegate meetings, shop committees, W.I.R. committees, Anti-War Committee, etc.). The demands of the workers should be worked out, slogans issued through leaflets, shop papers, etc. Eventual struggles should be organizationally prepared.

4. The slogan of "Every shop nucleus publishes a shop paper" must become a slogan also

The existing street nuclei must be re-organized for more active and effective work. Orientation towards the shops in their residential area. Street nuclei members who work in factories must get busy to organize a shop nucleus in their shop, with assistance of nearest street nucleus. Passive paper maneuvers in street nuclei must be cleansed out from the Party.

The Party must be very energetic and more bold than before in taking in new, proletarian forces into all leading committees.

Question of reporting, control of carrying out of decisions should be given place in the

Our very poor literature distribution must be improved 100 per cent. The distribution of the Daily Worker must be fundamentally changed. Here we need a revolution in the Party. The Detroit district has shown the way, now distributing 500 copies a day instead of 3 copies as before. There the comrades show some enthusiasm in their work for our

With Communist Greetings,

P. SMITH.

Organization Dept., Central Committee.

Letter From Red Army Division to U. S. A. Communist Youth

Fighting Red Army greetings to the Communist youth of America from the fighters, politicals workers and commanders of the Tenth Mounted Artillery Division, on the occasion of the glorious Tenth Anniversary of the Young Communist International.

Two years of our exerted studies and labor have contributed to the strengthening of the

Workers! Join the Party of Your Class!

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

I, the undersigned, want to join the Communist Party. Send me more information.

Name Address City..... Occupation Age.....

Mail this to the Central Office, Communist Party, 43 East 125th St., New York, N. Y. fighting powers of the Red Army of the Soviet lnion. In the factories, mills, mines and farms we will continue to build up the defense capacities of the Soviet Union, for that is the sole guarantee of its safety, the guarantee for the successful construction of socialism.

Preserving the revolutionary traditions of the Budenny Red Cavalry of which we are a part, under the leadership of the Leninist Comunist Party, we, together with the whole proletariat, will transform the Five Year Plan into a living reality.

We expect from you, comrades, that with your incessant revolutionary work, you will dig the grave for capitalism. We are also confident that not one real honest revolutionary will follow those who have deviated from the correct Bolshevik path, whether it be to the left or the right. You must declare a ruthless war against Lovestone, Pepper and their like, and all of their ideas. Their ideas are killing the energies and willingness of the working class to struggle and consequently are delaying the victory of the working class.

Their path is the path of opportunism. Your path must be the only true revolution-

ary path-the path of Lenin. We have conquered and are conquering. You are fighting. In this fight you are not alone. The toiling masses of the Soviet Union stand behind you. The Red Army is with you. The Red Army stands for Communism, for the victory of the working class the world over.

Long live the world revolution! Long live the Tenth Anniversary of the YCL.

> FOMENKOFF, Commander YOUNAKOVSKY, Party Sec'y.

(Unanimously adopted at the general meet-

the United States

The Coming of An Economic Crisis in

By WILLIAM W. WEINSTONE.

THE development of the beginning of an economic crisis in the land of much vaunted prosperity is at hand. The crash on the Stock Exchange, which experienced the wildest scenes in its history, is already referred to as the panic of 1929. The wiping out of the huge sum of 25,000 million dollars of stock exchange values is not only the effect of the decline in production, it is itself an accelerating force for the development of the crisis.

The huge lying machine of capitalist propaganda is busily at work trying to cover up the meaning of the stock exchange collapse. From the president of the United States down, assurances are being poured out, that "all is well," "business is sound" and the events in Wall Street have no disturbing effect upon business. This was the burden of the statement issued by the president upon the first crash, but his subsequent actions have belied is words. During the week of November 18 he has alled together a series of conferences of the mightiest of industrial magnates, agricultural, railroad and trade union leaders "to take teps for the progress of business and the mai tenances of employment." At these onferences extraordinary mo sures were discured to ke business movin; such as the establishment of a public construction program, which in itself admits that serious causes are at work undermining the prosperity boom and that the latter is at an end.

The secretary of the treasury has recommended a cut in the income tax. Various big trusts have announced extra dividends on the basis of the last earnings of the last year: but all of this is directed to maintaining an atmosphere of "business as usual" and to keep up the myth of "eternal prosperity." Henry Ford admitted in a statement issued after the president conferences that the stock market deflation is attributed to a decline in business, and attested to this fact by closing down several of his minor plants.

The bourgeois press, while keeping up a n tom of "business as usual" on its first page, gives the true picture of the situation cn its business pages and in its economic journals. The "New York American," as early .s October 28th, declared that a decline of production had taken place, not only in some of the basic industries, "which have reported consistent declines in activity contrary to the seasonal trend," but likewise that shoes, silk, etc., show overproduction. The "New York J. 1 of Commerce" declares that the peak of usiness activity has passed, while the index figures of the "Analyst" bring out clearly the fact of the very sharp decline in Luction which has been under way the past

Steel production in the last six months has fallen steadily from the index figure 131.6 for June, 1929, to 104.5 for October, while automobiles declined even more-from 150.5 to 118.4 for the same period. The largest decline occurred in the last month. Building construction for the past 9 months declined 11.1 per cent as against 1928; the crop yield is 9 per cent below that of 1928, and the total production volume has gone down to the index figure of 1927. When we consider that the automobile production is 73 per cent of its capacity, and that automobile and building construction have been two of the strongest points in the recent business boom, then the coming of the economic crisis is more plainly portrayed. This is grudgingly admitted in the recent monthly review of the big Wall Street bank Guaranty Trust Company at New York in the words: "It is fair to say that with ing of the fighters, commanders and political banking conditions strong . . . the backworkers of the Tenth M.A.D., on Oct. 24, 1929.) ground for business recovery from either a

sharp, short recession or a mild and longer depression is stronger than in other panic conditions" (Emphasis mine, W. W.).

An interesting by-product of the stock exchange crash is the admission of the bourgeois press, in trying to minimize the losses on the exchange, that the broad masses of workers, who previously were reputed to be large holders of stocks, have in reality an insignificant, unimportant share of the stock

Over-production stares American bourgeois society in the face. The problem of the advance of production and the lagging of the market is the fundamental question for American capitalism, which is only sharply aggravated by the end of the business boom. The conference of the president and the assurances that employment will continue, will not solve this problem. The aim of the president's conferences is to try to mobilize the small savings of large strata of the population to help out in the present difficult situation. It is likewise designed to forestall a drop in instalment buying, which has been one of the means of extending the internal market during the recent prosperity.

American capitalism will aim to overcome the crisis by a new wave of rationalization, wage-cuts, lengthening of hours and speed-up and by more feverish preparations for war. The "Chicago Daily Tribune" reporter, in the ssue of November 5th, hits upon the purpose of the conferences and the formation of an economic council when he says that it represents "a sort of rationalization formerly applied to production in separate industries, now is applied to the entire economic field."

The consolidation proposals, as well as the construction program, will be mainly directed towards war industries and war preparations. Already new wage cuts are being introduced in textile, shoe, mining, etc.; and speed-up is being increased in automobile and other industries. The workers are resisting this drive of the bosses, which resistance is incurring the fierce repression of the state. A campaign of terror against the Communist Party is under way, aimed at making the Party illegal and cutting off the working class from their advance guard. Already sedition charges have been brought against the leadership of the Chicago district of the Party, as well as a number of other districts. This terror campaign only foreshadows the most repressive measures that will be undertaken by the capitalist class against the fighting workers who will combat unemployment and the lowering of the living standards arising from the de veloping economic crisis.

The coming of the economic crisis which will be under way at the turn of the year gives the answer to the social reformists of all stripes, the Lovestoneite renegade opportunists in particular, in regard to their exceptionalist theory for American industry. It is an answer particularly to their conception of

the softening of the inner contradictions. The end of the business boom, which with a short period of depression in 1927 lasted for eight years, will signify a tremendous intensification of all fundamental inner and outer contradictions of American capitalism, as well as a sharpening of the world crisis. A period of sharp class battles is ahead of the American working class, for which the Communist Party is preparing itself. The present situaon places before the Party the task of increasing the tempo of the Bolshevization process which is now under way and for a more intensified struggle against social reformism (S. P. and A. F. L. bureaucrats, and particularly all shades of Left social reformism and

SOUTHERN COTTON MILLS, AND LABOR

By MYRA PAGE. (Continued)

Pellagra, a disease which springs from malnutrition and attacks not only the body but finally the brain as well, is very common in southern cotton mills. A study made of the ravages of this sickness among southern workers by the U.S. Bureau of Health showed very clearly the relationship between the workers' poverty and the illness, for it was the lack of means with which to buy milk, eggs, fresh fruit and vegetables, (especially in the winter months) which gave rise to a physical condition leading to the dread disease. The lower the amount of earnings, the higher the rate of sickness in a family. Tuberculosis is also common among cotton mill workers, due to their malnutrition and weakened condition from mill work. Unsanitary living conditions make an epidemic of typhoid each summer a

matter of course. In the face of low wages, any illness or unemployment brings immediate disaster; yet there are no forms of social insurance in the cotton mill states against unemployment, old age dependency, or occupational diseases; maternity benefits are unknown, and the systems of workmen's compensation, in the few states which have them, are miserably inadequate.

Southern mill hands are a poverty-stricken and propertyless group. Their rented homes are furnished with a most meagre equipment which has usually been purchased from a "loan shark" on the five dollars down, one dollar a week basis. The loan shark is an acknowledged institution in the village, making his profit out of the frequent reclaimings of furniture he is able to make from his debtors who cannot meet some of the weekly payments. He lives upon the workers' misfortune. In cases of default, mill families have been known to be left without a scrap of furniture in the house. One case I remember of a sick person being left to lie on the bare floor. When the neighbors hear of a family's misfortune they dig down into their overalls or aprons and pennies are scraped together; or charity workers or mill management make the necessary five dollar loan against future wages, and another loan shark is called in to refurnish the shack complete on the five dollars down, one dollar a week basis.

Being in debt and living on credit are an inescapable part of life on a hill. Clothes, household furnishings, and an occasional piano or Ford are purchased on this long time credit basis. Likewise groceries are advanced at the company store, next week's wages serving as security.

Living within the four-room shacks is crowded, and adjusted to the lack of water, heating systems, and other conveniences. Complaints become bitter when houses leak or bugs and ants become unbearable. Yet in spite of all difficulties many families adhere to certain standards of cleanliness which demand strenuous efforts on their part in order to be maintained. There is a rather widespread practice of supplementing wages by a little farming, either on small patches of ground back of their house, or on a piece of company land at the edge of the village set aside for this purpose. Communal practices in the cultivation and distribution of these gardens' products are also common. The typical dress of mill workers reflects both their rural past and their present necessity. Children run about in a one-piece, nondescript garment. During the week men wear overalls, shapeless felt or straw hats and heavy shoes, girls and women dress in faded gingham slips or black and white checkered percales, with the traditional sun-bonnet serving as protection from the hot southern sun. On Sunday, or for parties or funerals, this everyday garb is discarded by all those who have a "Sunday best" suit or dress. Especially the young girls, stimulated by what they have seen in city store-windows and worn by city women folk, strive to own a dress of slazy silk or satin. Many men pur-chase a cheap black, or dark blue suit, white collar and shirt, and a large white bow tie. To quote another villager, "Us mill folks is too poor to dress nice and eat good too. You hev to choose one or other. Some of the young gals puts all they earn on their backs, but me, honey, I likes my vittles the best. This here 'un is the only dress I got but we eats decent."

By moving from farm to mill, these Poor Whites may have improved their standard of living somewhat (although the extent of this improvement has been much exaggerated by mill apologists), but their general economic and social status has remained much the same. Many mill workers feel their present position to be even inferior to their former one as small farmers. They are still Poor Whites-ostracized and looked down upon by their "betters."

(To Be Continued)

Lessons of the Demonstration and Fight of the New York Workers for the Streets

By HERBERT BENJAMIN.

THE demonstration arranged by the Communist Party on Dec. 14 against the murderous invasion of Haiti by American marines; for defense of the Soviet Union and Support of the Chinese Revolution; was a splendid demonstration of international working class solidarity. At the same time this demonstration gave added proof of the radicalization of the working masses, of their fighting will and courage and of the growing influence of the Communist Party.

Thousands of workers, members of the Communist Party and class conscious workers who are not (but should be) members responded to the call of the Party and assembled around the place of the demonstration long before the appointed hour. In addition to those who came directly in response to the call of the Party, many hundreds of workers were drawn into active participation in support of the demonstration as they became acquainted with its purpose through the placards and the leaflets which were scattered among the vast crowds of workers on their way home from work. The dauntless courage displayed by the demonstrators in the face of the savage attacks of police and mounted cossacks evoked the admiration and sympathy of all who were attracted by the

In the scores of battles that took place during the two hours of struggle, the workers more than held their own. Scores of comrades were wrested from the hands of the police and saved from serious injury by groups of workers who came quickly to their aid. Quite a number of police "slipped on the ice" (although there was none in sight) or "bumped against something." The embittered workers did not submit meekly to beatings, clubbings and arrest. The streets rang with their shouts of protest; their songs of challenge and defiance. Broadway had the appearance of a battle ground. The thousands of leaflets floating through the air and raining down on the onlookers not only explained the purpose of the demonstration but served also to prove that the protest of the workers could not be suppressed.

This, the first demonstration of its kind organized under the leadership of the Party in this district, gave undeniable proof of the correctness of the line and policy of the Party, which is based on a correct estimate of the fighting mood of the masses. Instead of secretly organizing a small group of Communists and making a "surprise" visit to the point of demonstration, as was done in the past, the Party undertook to openly mobilize the masses for a real political mass demonstration. On the night before the demonstration, eight mass meetings were held in as many sections of the city where the workers were explained the purpose and importance of the demonstration and why it was their duty to participate. Through the Party press which featured the demonstration in articles, editorials and streamers, the readers of our press were informed and urged to join in the struggle for support of the aims of the demonstration. All this had to be done in the space of a few days.

While registering the positive achievements, we must also note and learn from the serious shortcomings that were exposed in the course of the battle. These shortcomings are the result of lack of experience. They result also from habits and methods of work which characterize our past and which are entirely impermissible in the present period when the responsibilities of the Party increase, when the workers enter more bitter and severe struggles against a better organized united front of all forces of imperialism. If our shortcomings did not have more serious results in the present demonstration, then we must realize

that the police were not altogether prepared for the kind of demonstration which was staged. They will be better prepared the next time and so must we be.

Our shortcomings were in insufficient mobilization and preparation. The poor co-ordination between the various departments, units and fractions of the Party was evidenced by the fact that most of the organizations under the leadership of the Party failed altogether to mobilize their members. Only a few organizations (the A.N.L.C.; Womens Councils and Labor Sports Union) issued statements endorsing the call for the demonstration. The revolutionary unions and the scores of fraternal and other mass organizations failed even in this perfunctionary effort at mobilization. Only one mass organization, a Latin-American and Spanish speaking workers federation made a seri-

ous attempt to mobilize by issuing leaflets in

their language, calling upon the workers to

The shortcomings in the preparations, which are shortcomings of the Party leadership were even more serious. These must be clearly and critically examined. We showed a certain amateurishness in the arrangement of very important details. The locale of the demonstration was not carefully enough studied. Details of strategy were overlooked and were not communicated to a sufficiently large force of comrades. Tardy preparation resulted in an insufficient number of placards. The speakers were not notified in time and were not brought into conference with the detachments to which they were assigned. The liaisons between leading forces and the various sections and detachments of the demonstration were not adequately maintained. All these are examples of tardiness and lack of precision which must be avoided in the future. A repetition of these errors in the future will prove much more costly.

The present period will call for greater and more frequent political mass demonstrations. The Communist Party has a right to call upon the workers as often as necessary to come out into the streets and express their protest and determination to fight against every action of the ruling class which conflicts with the interests and aims of the working class. The Party must, however, be fully conscious of our duty to provide the workers with the most effective leadership and organization forms for these struggles.

The work of all departments, units and fractions of the Party must be perfectly co-ordinated. They must be capable of prompt and thorough execution of all Party decisions. We must eliminate all tendencies and practices that lead to slovenliness in our methods. We must completely uproot and eliminate all vaccilation, apathy and cowardice. Our contact with the masses must be increased a thousand fold through the establishment of nuclei in all the important large factories. We must draw in and train fresh proletarian forces for leadership in all our struggles. A powerful Wark ers Defense Corps must be built up and trained under Party leadership. By proper organization we can also prepare to retire at the end of our demonstrations so that small groups are not isolated and left to the tender mercies of the brutal police. In fact much of the art and strategy of military organization must be studied and applied in all such struggles.

The members of the Communist Party must show that they have learned and are applying the valuable lessons to be learned from the experiences in this and other struggles, by greater and more energetic activity in the work of the Party. The class conscious proletarian fighters who acquit themselves so splendidly in these struggles must realize from these experiences that the Communist Party must be built and strengthened and that they can help do this by joining and working as part of the organized advance guard of the working class, by becoming members of the Communist Party