

# Lawrence Bosses Demand Lynching of Strike Leaders to Put Over Wage Cuts

The Daily Worker, as the official organ of the Communist Party, has sent the following telegram to President Hoover and Governor Ely:

"Mill owners' press in Lawrence today calls openly for lynching, forcible suppression and deportation by extra legal bodies of strike leaders and members of Communist Party. Press calls for 'permanent lasting action; swift blows as

evil and venomous as these red vultures' attempt to strike, and urges in murderous language the physical extermination of union organizers. Undeniably the terror campaign urged by whole Lawrence press is a rejection of the

right of workers to organize, strike assemble and picket.

"As the official spokesman of the Communist Party and the voice of hundreds of thousands of workers who look to us

for leadership in their struggle against mass unemployment, wage cuts and starvation, we notify you that we hold your government responsible for the lives and safety of the Lawrence strikers and their militant leaders.

"We shall do our best to defeat the Lawrence terrorists, make your responsibility for their acts clear to the toilers of America and win the strike, "DAILY WORKER."

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## TEXTILE STRIKERS! FORM YOUR MASS DEFENSE COMMITTEES! DEFEND YOUR LEADERSHIP AND THE RIGHT TO STRIKE!

## All Workers! Rally to the Defense of the Lawrence Strikers!

Vote For Your Class! Vote Communist!

Vote Against Imperialist War, Against Starvation, Against Wage Cuts!

WORKERS! The Communist Party of the United States calls upon you to vote for your class when you go to the polls tomorrow by voting Communist.

We call to your attention the fact that in every militant strike against wage cuts and the speed-up which drives you to the limit of human endurance, as in the mining and textile strikes, the police appointed by the machines of the Republican and Democratic parties, and by the "socialist" party in the cities of Reading and Milwaukee, gas, club and jail and shoot you. We call your attention again to the fact that the courts and judges in the hands of these three parties of American capitalism have railroaded hundreds of strikers and unemployed workers to jail and prison because they fought for the working class.

Vote as you Strike! Vote Communist!

We call your attention to the fact that lynching of Negroes, the shooting down in the streets of unemployed Negro workers, the murder of Negro sharecroppers for organizing to resist robbery and bloody terrorism at the hands of the landlords, the attempt to railroad the nine Scottsboro Negro boys to the electric chair to check the struggle for Negro liberation, is carried on by the capitalists through their Republican and Democratic parties, that these murderous deeds are condoned by the "Socialist" party and the hands of the boss class murderers upheld by such socialist-liberal organizations as the National Association for the "Advancement" of the Colored People.

The Communist Party fights for the liberation of the Negro masses—for self-determination of the Negro masses in the Black Belt of the South. It organizes the working class to carry on the daily struggle for Negro rights—against all forms of persecution, discrimination and terrorism.

Vote Communist!

Workers! The Communist Party carries on the daily struggle for Workers Unemployment Insurance equal to full wages, furnished by the government at the expense of the capitalists! It organizes the fight for immediate cash winter relief, against evictions of unemployed workers, for free food for unemployed workers' children. It supports the National Hunger March to Washington to demand the passage of the Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill put forward by the Trade Union Unity League and the Unemployed Councils. It denounces as traitors the A. F. of L. leaders who fight against unemployment insurance.

The capitalist class, through its three political parties, suppresses the struggle for unemployment relief and Unemployment Insurance. Unemployed demonstrations and hunger marches are broken up, unemployed workers are killed, gassed, clubbed and jailed.

Vote Communist!

Most important of all, the Communist Party of the United States leads the struggle against imperialist war and for defense of the workers' fatherland—the Soviet Union! Only the Communist Party points out to the working class of America the imminent danger of imperialist war. It tells the working class plainly that HooverWall Street government is leading the preparations for armed invasion of the Soviet Union, for the division of China, for a new war of conquest to be waged with the blood and lives of millions of the working class. Defeat the imperialist war program. Defend the soviet Union!

Vote Communist!

Our Party is the revolutionary political party of the American working class. It is the party of class war. It is the American section of the Communist International—the world party of the working class founded by Lenin. It has no interests separate and apart from those of the working class. It organizes the proletariat on the basis of class against class, working class against capitalist class, for the struggle for power. It fights as well, and as an inseparable part of the decisive struggle for power, for every elementary need of the masses—it surrenders not one inch of ground gained by the working class in its years of struggle. Our party is in the forefront of every militant struggle, in every strike, in every unemployment demonstration, in every hunger march, in every fight against evictions, in every struggle for Negro rights.

Our party has won in struggle the right to be called the most advanced, conscious and disciplined section of the proletariat. The program of the Communist Party of the United States is the fighting program of the American masses who now are moving forward in battle array against the capitalist offensive designed to drive their living standards to new low levels, to drive them into imperialist slaughter against other workers for the honor, glory and profit of the billionaire bosses and bankers who rob and starve them by the millions.

Workers! Vote for your class! Vote Communist tomorrow!

Central Committee, Communist Party of the United States.

A.F.L. Workers! Take Up the Fight Against the Vancouver Convention Decisions

CLEVELAND, Ohio.—A meeting called by the Painters' District Council of Cleveland on Thursday, Oct. 29, attended by 1,500, unanimously condemned the wage-cutting program of the A. F. of L. officials. The meeting was called to decide on a reduction of wages of \$9 for new work and \$7 for old work. The meeting was opened by the chairman, who announced that five minutes will be allowed for discussion. The maneuver to stop discussion from the floor was immediately booted down. As the workers entered the meet-

ing they were given a leaflet of the T. U. U. L. Building Group, exposing the betrayal and calling upon the workers to resist the attack of the bosses and A. F. of L. leaders and building the T.U.U.L.

When Zitt, socialist business agent, tried to tell the meeting that whether you "vote down or not, you must accept a \$2 cut of all crafts in the building trades," he was through as a speaker for the night.

Throughout the meeting all officials that took the floor were jeered down and none of them succeeded in speaking.

Secret Ballot Did Not Work.

The labor racketeers who had a secret ballot prepared for that night in order to railroad through the wage-cut, found that it would not work as all of the membership de-

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WANT TO END STRIKE THRU TERRORISM

Prepare Vicious Drive Against Striking Workers

Seek End to Picketing

Insist Workers Drop Union, Take Cuts

BULLETIN

Majority of the Massachusetts State Federation of Labor, and Riviere, organizer for the United Textile Workers Union (American Federation of Labor, have agreed in another conference with Governor Ely, to accept a five per cent reduction in textile mill wages for the Lawrence strikers and to have the whole wage question referred to a commission for study, according to the Daily News Record, a New York press service.

The lynching of the National Textile Workers Union strike leaders and militant strike leaders generally, called for by the entire Lawrence press today, is to enforce this strike-breaking program.

(Special to the Daily Worker)

LAWRENCE, Mass., Nov. 1.—The "Leader", one of the three Sunday papers in Lawrence, in a two column boldly displayed editorial, calls for the lynching of all Communists in the strike.

"As fast as the courts are working to clean this element out of the country," says the editorial, "a new disciple or comrade, as they call themselves, springs up like a weed to fill the place vacated by the first."

"There is need of more speedy, more determined, more permanent, lasting action; swift blows as cruel and venomous and stinging as these red vultures attempt to strike. This is not an exhortation for the people to go over the head of the law in order to clean the city of these red comrades, but it is a suggestion

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Workers' Correspondence is the backbone of the revolutionary press. Build your press by writing for it about your day-to-day struggle.

MICHIGAN DIVISION OF THE NATIONAL HUNGER MARCH



10,000 Los Angeles Workers Battle Police at Mooney Meet

Police, Legionnaires Block Entrance to the Hall Where Meeting Was to Be Held

(Telegram to the Daily Worker) LOS ANGELES, Cal.—Ten thousand workers turned out for the Mooney-Harlan defense meeting, held at the Philharmonic Auditorium Oct. 31. Heavy detachments of the police red squad and Legionnaires blockaded the hall. The workers then gathered at Pershing Square, across from the hall, and fought militantly to march to the hall.

Tear and gas bombs and shots from sub-machine guns were fired against the workers. Paul Walton, militant Negro worker, secretary of the Scottsboro Defense Conference, was shot in the leg. Workers broke up a huge wooden box and used sticks to defend themselves against the sudden and brutal attack of the police. Tear bombs were picked up by the workers and thrown against the red squad.

Workers Defend Themselves. Thousands of milling, enthusiastic workers held their ground for more than an hour, shouting for the freedom of Mooney and Billings and the

Kentucky miners. Speakers mounted auto radiators, trees, boxes and park benches to address the crowd. Among those brutally beaten up and arrested were Walton, Ida Miller, S. Caspin, A. Clay, Rubin Venger, Norman Edy Black and Eleane Black, secretary of the International Labor Defense. All were charged with suspicion of criminal syndicalism and Ida Miller was charged with aiding a riot and held in \$1,700 bail.

(Minneapolis Holds Conference)

(Telegram to the Daily Worker) MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Mooney-Harlan Defense Conference met Friday, Oct. 30, with 70 regular and fraternal delegates. Two American Federation of America local unions were represented at the conference.

A resolution demanding the release of all political prisoners was adopted. A United Front Committee of 25 was elected to conduct a mass amnesty campaign in this district.

Jobless Thousands in Cook County Hunger March Despite Bitter Cold

BULLETIN

CAMPBELL, Ohio, Nov. 1.—As a result of the Unemployed demonstration in Campbell, Ohio today by the Unemployed Council, the city distributed bread, milk and cheese to the unemployed workers. Of course, this miserable relief is not enough and the Unemployed Council is going to take further action in another demonstration to meet the full demands of the unemployed.

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 1.—Despite the bitter cold, thousands of workers, employed and unemployed participated in a militant county hunger march today. Over three thousand marched in the North Side line from Wicker Park to Union Park. There were over eight thousand in the line marching from the South Side, starting at Canal and Monroe Streets to

Prepare for National Fight for Relief Dec. 7th

Union Park.

The well-organized participation of the Unemployed Branches and the militant spirit of the workers were the outstanding features of the hunger march. This part of the struggle for relief leading up to the National Hunger March in Washington, D. C., on Dec. 7.

The elected delegation that went to the country building to present the demands of the unemployed were met by a dozen uniformed cops as well as the red squad. The authorities refused to grant a hearing to the delegation. Mayor Cermak was too busy attending a football game. Over 12,000 voted for the demands in-

Soviet Peasant Millions Attain Higher Standards

Money Income, Social and Cultural Life Advances Rapidly for the Collective Peasants

(Cable by Inprecorr)

MOSCOW, Nov. 1.—In the midst of the world crisis of capitalism, the Soviet Union approaches its Fourteenth Anniversary with advances on all front of Soviet agriculture in contrast with the American farmers' situation. The total cultivated area has increased from approximately 320,000,000 acres last year to 345,785,000 this year.

Collective farms, whose average income as well as social and cultural life is considerably higher than the individual peasant families have renounced as wasteful the antiquated methods of individual farming and have combined their lands, horses and implements in collectives. Sixty one per cent of all farms have been collectivized. Each member of the collective is paid accordingly. The results increase the productivity and income.

Every region has collective high schools preparing thousands of capable organizers. The large scale collective farms in all the districts give courses for tractor drivers. The brigade leaders constitute the bulk of the students, organizers coming from the peasants.

Twenty-five thousand city workers as yet remain to help organize the collectives. The bulk which remained in the collective work. This year the collectives are supplying 70 per cent of all garins marketed compared to thirty six percent last year. The kulaks share has been reduced to four percent. The remainder from the non-collectivized peasantry has been delivered to the state organizations for the industrial city populations. From July to September already forty-three percent of the whole year's quota has been produced compared to thirty-five and one-half percent a year ago.

Surpass Given Quota

Several regions in the Crimean Republic, six districts in the North Caucasus, six in the Ukraine and four in the central black earth regions and others have already surpassed the entire year quota. From those that are lagging behind the Party is demanding a large tempo under the slogan of seventy-five percent of the

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USSR Pays Debt of 6 Million On Time Gives Lie to Rumors

The Soviet Union has deposited with the Chase National Bank \$5,000,000 to pay the obligations of the Soviet Union on \$40,000,000 worth of agricultural equipment purchased in the United States. As part of the attack on the Soviet Union, rumors have been spread that the Soviet Union would ask for a moratorium on its obligations. It is now admitted that the Soviet Union has made no such requests but has paid obligations on the date due. While the capitalist press are sinking deeper and deeper into financial stability where they find it necessary to suggest moratoriums, the Soviet Union is able to meet all of its obligations when they become due.

R.R. UNION HEADS PLOT WAGE CUTS FOR 1,200,000 MEN

Wall St. Sheet Admits Secret Agreements

NEW YORK.—While railroad union officials are making a deal with the powerful Morgan-controlled New York Central Railroad to begin the wage-cutting drive to result in a 10 per cent cut for 1,200,000 railroad workers, the Wall Street Journal of October 30, reports that conferences are going on all the time with the Brotherhood leaders and the bosses out of which will arise wage cut agreements. The Wall Street Journal says: "Union conferees, at a recent meeting with rail executives, in some cases conceded that conditions were such that a wage cut is inevitable while others remained noncommittal on the matter."

From this it is clear that the Brotherhood leaders are united with the railroad bosses to put over the "inevitable" wage cut. That out of this will grow a wage-cutting agreement is admitted by the Wall Street Journal which says that railroad wages will be reduced in the near future when "labor heads make a deal with carriers now, while roads are sorely in need of credit."

"It is admitted," they go on to say, referring to the conference with the Brotherhood leaders, "in almost all quarters that railroad wages will have to be eventually adjusted."

Over 11 million unemployed in capitalist America. Unemployed liquidated in the Soviet Union. Attend the November 7 Celebration mass meetings.

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PREPARE TO ATTACK USSR FROM POLAND

Pilsudski Made Head of Polish, Rumanian Armies in Attack

France Orders Moves

British Resist Attack of U.S. and Japan

The war plans of the imperialists on the western frontier of the Soviet Union are proceeding with constant meetings of the Polish and Rumanian general staffs together with high officers of the French staff. Pilsudski, who was in Rumania recently went there according to the capitalist press "to straighten out differences existing between the Polish and Rumanian General Staffs." The "differences," as the result of his visit shows were around the question of how the attack on the Soviet Union should be conducted by these two vassals of France. The result was that Pilsudski received an offer of the rank of Marshal of the Rumanian army while he was there. The capitalist press deliberately avoids stating whether he accepted or did not but virtually admits that he did. The New York Times reports this from Warsaw in the following:

"Some here believe this would mean that in case of a war in which Poland and Rumania were allied, Marshal Pilsudski would automatically become Commander-in-Chief of the combined forces." N

This arrangement for the consolidation of the forces of Poland and

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MASS TODAY AT CRUSADER STRIKE

Call Workers Out to Help Win Struggle

NEW YORK.—The strike at the Crusader Cafeteria on 14th Street is now in full swing. The working class public has shown a tremendous spirit of solidarity with the result that the place is practically empty. The workers are aroused with indignation against the bosses who refuse to settle with the union in the neighborhood where the boss depends almost entirely on the workers who have continuously patronized this restaurant.

The Food Workers Industrial Union calls on all class conscious workers to come to the mass demonstration tonight in front of the Crusader, at 6 p. m. This is the fight for union conditions and is going to be carried on till such a settlement is made. Workers come en masse to the demonstration!

The Harlem Section of the Communist Party has arranged a mass meeting on the "Role of the Soviet Union and the Oppressed Nationalities" at the Lafayette Hall, 26 West 139th St., Sunday, November 8, 4 p. m. Prominent white and Negro speakers will be present.

WALL STREET ENDORSES NORMAN THOMAS AND "SOCIALIST" PROGRAM

By I. AMTER. The republican candidate for president of the borough of Manhattan, Carrington, has proven that he knows the art of corruption as well as Sheriff Farley, his assistant McQuade, his accomplice Olvany, Whalen, Sherwood and Walker. He, too, knows how to make a deal with Tammany politicians and build up a fortune. The disclosure of the fact came at an inconvenient time, just at election time, when Mr. Carrington was lambasting the democrat for their graft and corruption.

Norman Thomas, in good puritan form, called on Carrington to withdraw from the running, stating that he would "besmirch the good name" of borough president. To be sure it would be too bad for the bosses of this city to have as borough president a known corruptionist, who sought favors. As long as nobody knows what he had done, or might do, it would not matter. Still Carrington would fit in nicely with the grafters in City Hall, whether he is republican or democratic. But Norman Thomas is worried about the morals of capitalist officials.

PARADE ON EAST SIDE WILL RALLY FOR THE ELECTION

Mass Organizations to Participate in the Election Parade. Today at 8 p. m. the workers of the East Side will start a parade at 7th St. and Avenue B. Many organizations will take part. The Downtown, East Side, and Seamen's Unemployed Branches, the Marine Workers' Industrial Union, the Workers' Ex-Servicemen's League and many workers clubs and fraternal organizations will also take part. The Red Front Band will lead.

This parade will be a mighty blow to the starvation conditions on the East Side and will rally the workers to the struggle and to Vote Communist. The workers of the lower East Side have felt in full the starvation program of the bosses. Hoover has promised them no wage cuts but scarcely a worker is there who has not had his wages cut. Only militant struggle can stop wage cuts. The Communist Party has stopped wage cuts in the dress, fur, millinery, food and other industries by leading strikes.

The democratic party promised relief but daily the furniture of workers piled on the streets tells us with our own eyes that the democrats are liars. The Socialist Party promises "unemployment insurance" instead of bread lines, but in Germany they are permitting the bosses to cut the dole. Here on the East Side when the "Socialist" Panken was magistrate he signed eviction notices for over 2,000 workers just as any other capitalist judge. Today the Socialist Party is rewarding him by running him as chief justice of the Supreme Court to give injunctions out against workers. The Communist Party has organized and leads in struggle the Downtown and East Side unemployed branches. These organizations have stopped evictions and won free rent for over two hundred workers' families and have gotten relief for many children. In this district the Communist Party is running for office organizers militant leaders of the struggles of the working class. June Croil, Henry Sazer, and Rose Wortis, leaders of the strikes of the needle trades workers, Harry Gannes, of the Daily Worker staff, and other fighters. Electing these organizers will put them in a strategic position to lead the struggles with still greater success. Vote Communist!

Therefore, the N. Y. Times, the World-Telegram and the Tribune support Thomas. The Citizen's Union, the Brooklyn Bar Association endorse Thomas. What better capitalist support could Thomas ask? He serves the bosses well and they have given him his reward. Has it come unsolicited? Do the bosses give endorsement for that which is not in their interest? Any workers knows better—but Thomas pretends to be a leader of the workers. He is put forward to fool, betray the workers. The Citizen's Union also endorses Panken, Hillquit, DeWitt, Karlin, Shipplaff. Therefore, workers, beware, when the bosses support those whom you consider working class leaders.

BRONX JOBLESS RAISE DEMANDS

Hear Exposure of the Tammany Racket. The members of the 1622 Bathgate Ave. Unemployed Branch appeared at the front of the Bronx Registration Offices, where they spoke to the workers, who gathered there by the thousands in the hope of getting a job. They explained that the whole registration is a fake election stunt of Tammany Hall and that the workers will not get jobs, or relief, unless they organize themselves and demand immediate unemployment relief, or jobs at union wages.

Many workers responded to an indoor meeting, where the demands of the unemployed were drawn up by them and they decided to participate in the organization of the November 2nd Hunger March and they will present their demands to Borough President Bruckner. Many joined the Unemployed Branch which is carrying on a day to day activity against evictions, for immediate relief, for the establishment of a number of Free Milk Stations and to carry on the fight for Unemployment Insurance, paid by the bosses and the U. S. Government.

All out Monday, Nov. 2nd, at 11 a. m. at 149th St. and Cortland Ave. and march in thousands to Borough Hall.

Special Notice. The Nov. 7 Paenat that demands a mass of 100 workers will NOT take place unless this number is filled. MORE COMRADES ARE NEEDED. Union sport and cultural organizations should send groups down to the final rehearsals to be held at the Workers Center, 35 E. 12th St., at 8 o'clock, Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Come on. Comrades, PROLETARIAN CO-OPERATION. Workers Cultural Federation, Drama Bureau.

Mussolini Orders Mass Pay Cuts for Italian Workers

Italian fascism, under the direct supervision of Mussolini, Saturday ordered wholesale wage cuts of around 10 per cent for all industrial workers and many farm laborers. This is not the first time that Italian fascism, the land that serves as the fascist model for the other capitalist powers, has cut wages. Recently a 12 per cent cut was ordered for millions. Mussolini says "further wage cuts" will be necessary. Coupled with the growing wage cuts in the United States, England and Germany, it is clear that there is a world-wide attack on the workers at precisely the time when in the Soviet Union wages are continuously going up.

POLICE AID THUGS ATTACK STRIKERS AT H & M KNITTING

Police Arrest Strikers as Gangsters Allowed to Go Scott Free. Carrington did not withdraw—his master, Mr. Koenig, even chastising the republican functionaries for showing a tendency to desert him. If Koenig is satisfied with Carrington, what the hell have the ward heelers to say? "If you don't like the candidates that the party chieftains put up, then get out of the party." Thus spake Koenig—but that section of Wall Street which is republican, cannot afford at this time to have open grafters on its ticket. Hence there is a switch—not to Tammany. No—Wall Street switches to something that is just as safe: Norman Thomas.

Mrs. James Russell Parson, republican leader, throws in her lot with Thomas. Endorsing Baldwin and Moffat, she states that the three of them—Thomas Baldwin and Moffat—would "form a real nucleus about which to build better government." Mr. Wickersham, the well known lawyer, states that "public-spirited citizens will have a real nucleus around which to work." Splendid testimonial! "Better government"—for whom? For the workers? Thomas and representatives of Hoover's Teapot Dome party—the party responsible for the steal of more than \$100,000,000 worth of oil lands, with Hoover sitting complacently in the cabinet when the steal was effected. A proper team! The party with the program of hunger and wage cuts for the workers! The party of ex-Mayor Thompson of Chicago, the pal of Al Capone and his underworld gang! "A nucleus around which to work"—for the benefit of whom? The workers? The three would be a nice nucleus for the bosses, for they do not fear Thomas. On the contrary, they know that he is perfectly safe—for as the World-Telegram, when endorsing Thomas, wrote (Oct. 30): "Socialists are no longer ogres with which the major political parties can scare their more liberal-minded children." How true!

The needle trades workers as well as all other militant workers must answer these attacks by rallying to the support of the strikers of the H. & M. and help rout out the gangsters as well as the entire Tammany gang. The strike against the Robinhood Hat Co., 65 W. 39th St., which in order to evade union conditions locked out the workers and signed an agreement with the racketeer Amalgamated, an organization formed by the bosses, is entering in its third week. The attempt of the bosses to break the strike through an injunction will have no effect on the strikers, who are determined to carry on regardless of any injunction. The trimmers of this shop who are members of the Industrial Union were the first to go out on strike and were later joined by the operators who forced their officials of Local 24 to declare the shop on strike. The trimmers as well as the Industrial Union have been continuously exerting every effort to get the operators of Local 24 to form a united front strike committee so as to carry on the strike most effectively.

All millinery workers are called upon to give active assistance in order to help win the strike and thus deliver a death blow to the racketeer union. On the screen: "The Spirit of Notre Dame" with Lew Ayres, Frank Cardozo and "The Four Horsemen." On the stage: Harry Savoy, Manny King, Sylvia Froos, Wally Jackson & Co. and Homer Romayne; others. A new Italian picture, imported from Italy, "Terra Madre," ("The Motherland"), an Italian romance with English sub-titles, is showing at the Cameo Theatre. The film is presented by the Pittaluga Corporation, and features a group of noted Italian artists.

Workers Ex-Servicemen League, Br. 2 will hold an openair meeting at 7th Ave. and 125th St., 8 p.m. Speakers are requested to come early. Red Front Band will meet at 55 E. 122th St., 6:30 p.m., for a demonstration. Workers Anti-Fascist League All workers are invited to attend the general membership meeting of the W.A.F.L. tonight at the Workers School, 35 E. 12th St., 8 p.m. NEW JERSEY. Elizabeth. A big "Bottom" campaign mass rally will be held at Lutwin Hall, 69 So. Park St., tonight at 7:30 p.m. Comrade Juliet Poyntz, recently returned from the Soviet Union will speak. All workers are called upon to attend. Final Rehearsals for Nov. 7 Paenat will take place at Workers' Center, 35 E. 12th St., Monday, Wednesday, Friday, at 8 o'clock. More comrades are needed to fill parts.

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Pull the Lever Down on the Hammer and Sickle-- VOTE COMMUNIST!

DIRECTIONS FOR VOTING ON THE VOTING MACHINE. SWING the Handle of the Curtain Lever (overhead) from the Left to the Right as far as it will go, and leave it there. (This will close the Curtain around you, and unlock the machine for voting.) Then in columns 2 and 3, turn down the Pointers over the names of the candidates you wish to vote for, from this position. Manhattan, and above them a Pointer. Turn down the Pointer over the name of the candidate you wish to vote for, from this position. Leave the Pointers down in their voting position, swing the Handle of the Curtain Lever (overhead) to the Left as far as it will go, and leave it there. (This will register your vote and return the Pointers to their first position, after which it will open the Curtain.)

A grid of 100 voting options for various offices including Supreme Court, City Court, State Senator, and Alderman. A large arrow points from the top right towards the bottom left, with the text 'VOTE COMMUNIST!' written across it. The grid contains names of candidates and their party affiliations.

Special New York Election Edition of 'Worker' Tomorrow

On election day, tomorrow, there will be a special election edition of the Daily Worker for New York. Thirty thousand copies of this edition will be printed. The leading candidates of the Communist Party in the city elections will contribute articles to this edition. Among these are I. Amter, J. Louis Engdahl, Vern Smith, Harry Gannes, Rose Wortis and others. In order that this edition gets the best possible distribution among the workers of the city all mass organizations should order special bundles of this edition to be distributed by the membership which should turn out one hundred percent for this very important duty. All Party units should order special bundles for distribution.

Big Indoor Rally In Brooklyn On Nov. 2

The final mass meeting in Brooklyn before the elections take place will be held at the Public School at 196 Bushwick and Maseroe Sts., on November 2 at 8 p.m. Williamsburg, Brooklyn. All of the candidates as well as other prominent speakers of the Communist Party will be present. This last mobilization of all workers citizens as well as the exposure of the capitalist parties in Williamsburg. Support the Communist Party. Vote Communist!

Jobless Dressmakers to Meet Today at 2

A regular meeting of the dress Unemployed Council will be held Monday, November 2, at the office of the union to plan the activities of the week, especially the Hunger March. The Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union issued a call to all active needle workers to report on the picket line Monday morning at the following shops: The H. & M. Knitting Mills, 310 Varret St., Brooklyn; Robinhood Hat Co., 65 West 39th St. and the Pearlman shop, 250 West 40th St.

Harlem and Yonkers Watchers Report Tues.

Watchers for election night in Harlem and Yonkers are instructed to report at Finnish Workers Home, 15 West 126th Street at 5 a. m. on Tuesday. "Cynara" Opens at Morosco Tonight. The Shuberts will present this evening, "Cynara," by H. M. Harwood and R. F. Gore-Browne, a play done in London recently. Philip Merivale is the principal player. Others in the cast include Phoebe Foster, Henry Stephenson and Adrienne Allen.

TUUL ORGANIZING THE OIL WORKERS

The committee for the organization of oil workers of the Trade Union League is carrying forward the struggle for the organization of the workers of the Tide Water Oil Co. against the wage cut that the company has put through. This wage cut amounts to \$4.20 per week. Following the announcement of the proposed wage cut the workers voted in a mass meeting overwhelmingly to strike against the cut, and to strike on November 2. Faced with this mass determination of the workers to strike, the company realized that they needed some tricks to put over the wage cut. A so-called "vote" was taken in the plant Thursday, October 29, under the supervision of the company officials, who were thus able to control ballots, boxes, casting of ballots, counting, etc., to suit themselves. As a result they announced an "overwhelming" vote to accept the wage cut, but did not announce how many for and how many against! Why? Because the workers voted solidly again against the company and for a strike!

Negro Jim-Crowed in Socialist Club

NEW YORK.—Only a few days after Norman Thomas, the socialist candidate for Boro President, poked in the Finnish Socialist Hall telling the workers that the socialist party stood for full social, political and economic equality for the Negroes, a Negro worker by the name of Campbell was thrown out of the recreation room by a group of socialists who said the hall was only for white workers. The incident took place on the morning of October 29 when Samuel Harvey, a white worker, accompanied by Campbell, went into the socialist club to play a game of pool. The two workers were immediately approached by a group of socialists and told that no Negro workers were allowed in the hall. Harvey at once protested, stating that Norman Thomas only a few nights before in the same hall said that socialists were for Negro rights. The socialists replied that this was merely a political speech and that it did not apply to the social life of the club. Campbell was ushered to the door and told not to return to the club again, while Harvey, the white worker who defended Campbell, was severely beaten by the socialists.

WRIGHT CO. CUTS PORTERS' WAGES

By a Worker Correspondent. PATERSON, N. J.—At the Wright Aeronautical Company after the strike of last winter the bosses promised to restore the 10 per cent wage cut in a few months. Instead they installed a bonus system in some departments. Through this move the men get a few cents per hour bonus while the company is getting a 60 per cent increase in production. The latest move of the company was to cut the pay of the janitors, porters and watchmen 9 cents an hour. The company, however, is not finding everything as they expected as there is thousands of dollars worth of work being spoiled. The men working at reduced wages are not very particular. The latest batch of work spoiled was 100 Curtis master rods, which is worth a pretty penny. We have gotten rid of most of the scabs and hope to clean the rest of them out shortly. There are still some fighters left here awaiting their opportunity. We hope for better luck the next time.

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BY GROPPER

# On the Carrying Out of Decisions of the National TUUL Exec. Board Meeting

## BASIS FOR STRUGGLE GROWS—REQUIRES BETTER ORGANIZATION

The National Committee of the Trade Union Unity League met at a time when important events had taken place in this country as well as all over the world. In the sphere of foreign events we witnessed the growth of a financial crisis in Germany, Great Britain and a number of other countries bringing with it inflation and the consequent reduction of the living standards of the masses of employed and unemployed workers. This had its repercussion in the United States immediately. It was only a day or two after the announcement that Great Britain had gone off the gold standard that the U. S. Steel Corporation made its announcement of the sweeping wage-cut in the steel industry that was followed by wage-cuts in most of the other industries, and gave impetus to the drive on the wages of the railroad workers.

The announcement of the wage-cut by the U. S. Steel Corporation was the beginning of an intensive drive on the living standards of the masses of workers of this country. It was the complete and official abandonment of the "high wage theory" as a means to bring back "prosperity." It was the going over from the scattered wage cutting drive to a sweeping drive affecting all workers. The wage cut was not meant to be the last one. It was but meant to be the beginning. This fact we already see with the hint given by the Steel Institute that the wages of the steel workers will be cut again.

With regard to the unemployed we witnessed at the time of the meeting of the National Committee the most concerted drive against unemployment insurance. It is no secret that the Hoover government made one of its conditions of financial support to the German and British capitalists the cutting down of the unemployment benefits. These cuts in turn were utilized by the capitalists here to make their drive against unemployment insurance.

These new features of the situation brought to the National Committee of the TUUL the fact that the basis for the development of the struggle has widened and deepened. That while heretofore the struggles of the workers were limited mainly to the mining and textile industries that had themselves been in a crisis long before the beginning of the present economic crisis and where the standards of living of the masses had been pressed down to the lowest levels, the situation among the steel workers, the auto workers, etc. had now become more equal to that of the miners and textile workers thus laying the basis of the development of the strike movement in these industries.

At the same time the growth of part time work created an ever wider basis for the development of joint action of the employed and unemployed. The "employed" steel workers, for example, work from one to three days. Their interest in the fight for unemployment relief and insurance is obvious. At the same time these workers faced with reduction of their wage rates on top of the unemployment became more and more and more they are reduced to the level of starvation. But unlike the completely unemployed they possess the weapon of strike.

These more favorable conditions for the development of the struggle the National Committee emphasized do not require the change of the line of the Trade Union Unity League. The line laid down by RILU and which already brought results in the mining and textile industries in the struggles of the needle workers remains the same. But the conditions for the carrying through of the line become more favorable. Does this mean that we have nothing to learn and nothing to do as a consequence of these new events? Of course not. These new conditions demand that we quicken the tempo of all of our work. They require that we act with greater speed in the organization of the masses for

struggles. These conditions do not mean that we must now abandon the hard work of organization and rely more on the spontaneity of the masses. Just the opposite. When we confront the trustified steel industry we must pay even more attention to the organization of the struggle than we have given in the mining and textile industries. If we ask the question now, a month after the announcement of the U. S. Steel wage cut, why there have been no struggles in the steel industry to date we must give as the first and primary reason the lack of organization and the lack of contact even in most of the steel mills on the part of our organizations. Only through the development of the organization inside the mills will we be able to transform the moods of struggle of the steel workers into definite action.

At the same time the National Committee was confronted with the tendency on the part of some comrades to view the development of the strike in the steel industry only from the viewpoint of a national strike. These comrades tended to minimize the possibility and even the advisability of the development of local and sectional strikes. This tendency is not new. It has its roots in the development of the labor movement and the role of betrayal of the American Federation of Labor in past struggles through the division of the workers and defeating them section by section. In the mining industry we were confronted with the same tendency in the beginning of 1931. It was only after overcoming this tendency and the development of a series of local strikes that the National Miners Union was able to organize and lead the struggle of 40,000 miners subsequently.

The recognition of the broadening of the basis for the development of the struggles of the workers and the necessity of a more rapid tempo led the National Committee directly to the consideration of the important questions we must take up in order to prepare ourselves and lead the struggles. The work in the factories, the development of the basis of our organization in the shops, the application of the united front policy, the development of work inside the reformist union, the development of joint action of the employed and unemployed, the importance of special attention to the various categories of workers (Negro, women, youth, etc.), the inner life of our organizations, the development of new cadres of leaders from the ranks of the workers, these were the questions that occupied the attention of the National Committee.

In these columns we hope to take up these questions for discussion and development of their application to the concrete industries and factories. Many articles and experiences will be contributed by the members of the National Committee and the leaders of the various unions. But most important of all is that the rank and file membership, the local leaders in the various unions, shall participate in the discussions. The resolution of the Trade Union Unity League adopted at the meeting of the National Committee has been printed. It furnishes the basis for our discussions. But the resolution has not answered all questions. It is not a formula by which we can solve all questions. It is only a guide to the solution of our problems based on our experience and the experience of the RILU and all its sections. Only by testing the resolution in the light of already existing experience of our comrades engaged in the daily work, in the experiences that are accumulating daily in the course of the work we are carrying on will we be able to master the various problems that face us in the development of the struggle and the building of our unions.

We invite all workers to participate in the discussions. Send your contributions either directly to the Daily Worker or to the Trade Union Unity League.

## EATING FOR THE UNEMPLOYED



## FEBRUARY, 1917

### FEBRUARY, 1917; BY ALEKSEI TARASOV-RODIONOV, NEW YORK COVICI-FREIDE.

ARE you one of those who have been victimized by the bourgeoisie that the February Revolution in Russia, which overthrew the czarist autocracy, was the work of the "socialists" and "moderates"? Then read this book, written by the leader of one of the first regiments of re-voluting soldiers to enter Petrograd to support the insurrectionary workers. The first book of its kind available in the English language, it gives a vivid, first-hand account of the events of February to April, 1917, up to and including the first weeks of the arrival of Lenin from abroad. Here you will see the Cadets and Mensheviks, together with the Social-Revolutionaries, conspiring with the czarist circles to defeat the Revolution, to drown it in blood, and restore the Romanoff dynasty. And at the same time you see the Bolshevik Party at work, tirelessly, with a clear, sharp line, the leader and organizer of the forces of the Revolution. The return from exile, from Siberia and from abroad, of the most steely, experienced Bolshevik leaders, Lenin, Stalin, and others, is shown in the details of daily life in the midst of revolutionary mass upheaval, when every detail took on historic significance. The slanderous "history" of February by Trotsky, which was written to prove that there was no Bolshevik Party until he arrived, is shown up in its true Menshevik colors. The vacillations of various Bolshevik leaders (Kamenev) at critical moments come into the picture in concrete examples in the course of actions. All these things are dealt with only in the course of a flowing narrative of the personal experiences of an officer in a machine gun regiment, who, as a member of the illegal Bolshevik Party, led the soldiers into the revolution against the autocracy on the side of the masses. The author today is a member of the general staff of the Red Army, but at the same time he demonstrates literary skill of a high order. This book cannot be too highly recommended both from a literary and political point of view. It is a veritable treasure for the student of revolution.

—E. B.

## The Struggle Against White Chauvinism

THE struggle against white chauvinism remains one of our basic tasks if we are to bring large sections of Negro workers into the ranks of the Communist Party. The boss ideology which poisons the minds of the workers on the false illusion of race superiority must be bitterly fought. The ideology permeates not only the working class generally, but also our revolutionary organizations, and even the ranks of the vanguard of the proletariat, the Communist Party. It remains the task of the white comrades in our Party to convince the Negro masses that they are really carrying on a fight against this poison or else the Negro will consider us just another "White man's party." It is, therefore, unnecessary that in the forefront of the struggle for the rights of the Negro masses shall stand the white members of our Party and revolutionary organizations.

The case of Section No. 10 (Newark), which we are discussing, is most likely not an isolated instance, but can be found in many sections of our Party. These manifestations of white chauvinism not only cropped up among the members of our Party there, but even in the ranks of the Section Committee. Some typical examples can be given. For instance, at the Section Conference a speech was made by a leading member of the section, as follows:

"Why make so much fuss about the Negro question? We revolutionary workers believe that all workers are born equal, therefore why drag Negro workers into the Party by their hair. We must judge workers by their ability and understanding."

Another instance. The Section Committee was to be proposed by the Section Bureau for the conference here on Oct. 11. A proposal was made that "A minimum of 4 out of the 13 elected shall be Negro workers." The majority of the leadership of the section fought bitterly against placing these four Negro workers on the Section Committee on a pretense of "immaturity," "backwardness," "not the best elements," etc. In spite of the fact that these elements were good proletarians (the Newark Section has one of the largest Negro proletarian sections in the East). This showed a total underestimation of the

necessity of a special approach towards the Negro workers and the necessity of drawing in and training Negro workers who represent an oppressed section of the working class for leadership in our Party and for leadership in struggles.

If we examine the L.S.N.R. groups in the section, we will find that not the slightest effort is being made to draw in white workers, on the basis of developing struggles for Negro rights.

The mass organizations, presumably under the influence of our Party in the Section, show very strong manifestations of white chauvinism. There is no exception to this rule. In the Jewish Center, which is controlled by the International Workers' Order, a meeting of a Woman's Council, composed only of Negroes, held a meeting. Some white women opened the door and instead of entering this room, and working closely together with these Negro workers, they stood at the door as a sort of barrier to prevent other white workers entering. This also manifested itself in another mass organization, where talk such as this went around: "Why do the Negro workers pick on this hall? It cost us so much to build it. They are just dirtying up the place."

What was the action of our leadership in the section who were aware of this situation? Did they take any steps to eradicate this situation? Did they carry through a discussion in these mass organizations and mobilize the membership in these mass organizations to carry on a struggle against white chauvinism? No.

A decision is made by the Section Bureau, in which it naively states: "Only members of the Section Bureau can be present at Section Bureau meetings, except when called in." In addition to being bureaucratic, there was another intent in this motion, and that was to prevent the comrade in charge of L.S.N.R. work from attending these Section Bureau meetings because he was "raising too much hell," and rightly so.

We cannot speak of winning the Negro masses to our program of struggle unless we burn out the sores that exist in our Party, that make it impossible for us to break down this mistrust of the Negro masses of our Party.

## PARTY LIFE

### One Week's Recruiting in New York City

By LENA DAVIS.

The party registration will be followed by a recruiting campaign. The purpose of this campaign is to penetrate into the large factories and to build shop nuclei. We should examine the recruiting we have been doing up to the present in order to correct the weaknesses and make every recruitment bring added strength to the Party forces in the weakest points—the big factories.

In the past week 47 new members entered the ranks of our Party in the New York district. We welcome these workers who have accepted revolutionary leadership of the Party and enrolled in the ranks of the advance guard of the working class. However, when we examine the composition of these new recruits, we see the following:

Food 9	Metal 3	Miscell. 2
Leather 3	Housewife 3	Building M. 1
Transport 3	Marine 1	Medical 1
		Office 1, etc.

What does this indicate? That while we have succeeded in winning new members from light industries, we have secured only a limited number from the heavy basic industries. The extended wage cuts just carried through in the basic industries must be answered by the Party on its recruiting campaign with positive organizational gains for struggle.

The new recruiting campaign must be planned so that our new members shall not be brought in like the past—loosely at mass and open air meetings, etc., around general slogans; but our recruits shall be won on the basis of concrete demands and struggles and through continued factory work, especially in the big factories, talking to shopmates, visiting contacts, arranging of gate meetings, organizing of grievance and shop committees, building of the group of revolutionary unions, issuing of shop papers, etc.

Such activity will mean that the members gained will be mobilized around concrete issues affecting their daily needs and this will activate and help us keep our newly gained members. With a correct approach and plan of work they will be able to draw in the other workers in the factory into struggles.

Therefore, new members will be of such a character that will not only bring quantitative increase, but at the same time change the social composition of our Party.

The Party members will be activated. The work and prestige of the Party will grow and in this way our Party will be on the road of becoming a mass Communist Party.

Comrades:—What is your nucleus doing to develop shop activities? What suggestions do you have? Every active Party member has sufficient experience in the everyday activities to give to the Party concrete suggestions how to better our work. Write for the Party Life column. Send short articles concerning any phase of our Party work, giving special attention to our mass activities.

Send all articles to the Party Life Editor, Org-Department C. C., P. O. Box 87, Station O New York City.

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## Red Sparks

By JORGE

### "It's the War!"

"Those more than 25 years old ought to recall the old saying used during the war by any high way robber of a merchant as an excuse for his prices: 'It's the war.'"

We were reminded by a comrade of the Workers' Ex-Servicemen's League, who, though jobless for 14 months, had never been given the slightest attention by either democrat or republican party until now. But now—"It's the elections."

So he, being a voter, is the subject of sympathetic solicitude.

The republican, Herbert Brownell, candidate for State Assembly in the Tenth District, sent him a neat little phonograph disk with a record on it of Brownell's speech, opening up with the Yale Military March.

He didn't say how a jobless worker might hold of a phonograph, but he, the candidate, was a sterling son of Gotham and a supporter of Seabury, and so on.

The democratic party candidate, having fastened on graft of office, was in funds enough to send a man to see this worker. They don't work for nothing, as a Tammany lady recently said although Communist Party workers ALWAYS do this work for nothing. And that's what the jobless worker told the democrat, and said: "stand for and will vote for the Communist Party!"

You tell 'em that, too, on election day!

### Capitalist "Progress"

The bosses have closed down the factories, a comparatively easy thing to do, though the results are tough on the workers.

But how are you going to close down the cows? That's a hard nut to crack. Yet the so-called but fake "farmers" Co-operative Dairies have made the brilliant suggestion that one out of every ten cows be killed!

Burn up the coffee! Plow under the cotton! Close the factory! Cut wheat acreage! Stagger the workers! And kill the cows! Such is capitalist "progress!"

But there's a little joker in this business of cow killing. Since some poor devil of a small or middle farmer might have three cows and not ten, he naturally won't kill "every tenth cow" as suggested.

That's where the Tuberculin Test comes in SO handy. The big dairies and rich farmers, the Milk Trust that wants to reduce production, have it all fixed up. A law is passed under the guise of "protecting public health," and the cow-killing veterinarians get to work at big fees, seeing that the small and middle farmers' cows are "tubercular."

And then they expect the small farmer to get worked up over lies about how the Soviet is "abusing" farmers!

### Farmers and Bankers

Darned few of our Party members are interested in farmers. Lenin wrote books about them, but because he called them "peasants," some Party members think that farmers are not important, so while they might be devilish interested in peasants, they "haven't time" to study the farmers.

And sometimes those who do study get into the wrong pasture. Some months ago, some comrades, too much impressed by the fact that some "farm bloc" fakers were talking about a moratorium on farm mortgages, sort of ran a couple of miles and a half ahead of the mass of mortgaged farmers and cried out that moratoriums were out of date and we couldn't or shouldn't have anything to do with such demands.

"Anyhow," they added, "it's a demand now taken over by the fakers." Which is a strange reason to give up any demand, when we know that whatever the fakers say they won't fight for what they pretend to demand.

"Nothing less than cancellation," was the proposal in effect. And, of course, if we Communists are merely hunting for perfect slogans, cancellation of all debts is a dandy. It would fulfill our Communist idea of what ought to be done. But whether we can get masses of farmers to fight for it, and we mean fight, might be another question. It all depends on the given conditions in specific areas.

The Montana Record-Herald recently tells what the farmers want. It is a three-year moratorium, and a resolution of the state Farmers' Union (an organization led by reformist tricksters who are daily getting more reactionary) demanded that the Montana governor "use police power of the state" to enforce the moratorium.

Of course it's absurd to expect the capitalist government to "use the police" against the capitalist bankers, and the only way to enforce such a moratorium is for the farmers to organize and refuse to pay their debts and resist foreclosures.

But it is also clear that the farmers want a moratorium. They're mistaken if they think they'll be better off three years from now, but they want debts postponed till then.

The top layer of the Farmers' Union and the other so-called "farmers' organizations," however, are sold in the same paper under a Washington, D. C. date-line, to "oppose a moratorium" and they add that any proposal to Congress will fall because it "lacks their support."

Why do they oppose it? Because, they say, "a suspension of payments on interest or principal of the more than a \$1,000,000,000 (yes, a lot more than that!) outstanding in loans, would destroy the integrity of the system." So, to keep the "system" (the bankers) properly "integral," these misleaders of the farmers are going to take the "integrity" out of the farmer's hide.

Are we Communists interested in saving the system? If not, we should be leading the fight for a moratorium among the farmers who will fight for that. But enforced by the farmers and not depending on governors or Congress!

## HOW TO ORGANIZE SOCIALIST COMPETITION

By V. I. LENIN. (Written in 1918)

### INSTALLMENT 2.

"They" think that the "common" people, the "common" workers and the poorest peasants cannot cope with the great, truly heroic, in the world historic sense of the word, tasks of organization which the socialist revolution has laid upon the shoulders of the toilers. The intellectuals who have been accustomed to serve the capitalists and the capitalist state consoled themselves with the thought: "They cannot do without us." But their impudent calculations have been upset; already educated people are deserting their ranks and are coming over to the side of the people, to the side of the toilers, and are helping to break the resistance of the servants of capital. And the organizing talents of the peasantry and the working class are very great and these talents are just beginning to reveal themselves, to wake up, to draw close to the living, creative, great work, to undertake the construction of socialist society.

**Develop the Initiative of the Workers.**

One of the most important tasks, if not the most important task now, is to develop as widely as possible this independent initiative of the workers, and all toilers and exploited in general, for creative organization of the work. We must at all costs destroy the old, clumsy, savage, odious and disgusting prejudices that only the so-called "upper classes," only the wealthy or those who have been schooled by the wealthy classes, can administer the state, can manage the organized construction of a socialist society.

This is a prejudice. It thrives on rotten routine and conservative slavish habit, but even more on the filthy covetousness of the capitalists who are interested in plundering while governing and governing while plundering. No, the workers will not for a moment forget that they need the power of knowledge. The extraordinary interest which the workers are now displaying towards education proves that there is no illusion among the workers on this score and that there cannot be any. The rank and file worker and peasant who is literate, knows people and has had practical experience is quite capable of carrying on his own work. There are very many of these among the "common people" about whom the

bourgeois intelligentsia speak with such arrogance and scorn. The talents of the working class and the peasantry are as yet untapped, and they are enormous.

The workers and peasants are still "shy," have not yet accustomed themselves to the idea that they are now the ruling class; they are not resolute enough. Such qualities in millions and millions of people, who all their lives have been forced by hunger and poverty to work under the stick, could not create a revolution all at once. But the strength, the Italy, the invincibility of the October Revolution of 1917 lies in the fact that it arouses those qualities, breaks down the old obstacles, tears up the worn-out roads, leads the toilers to the path of the independent creation of a new life.

Accounting and control—this is the chief economic task of every Soviet of Workers', Soldiers' and Peasants' Deputies, of every consumers' cooperative, of every union or committee of supplies, of every factory committee or organ of workers control generally.

We must combat the old habits of regarding the rate output and the means of production from the point of view of subject persons, whose only concern is to evade extra burdens, to grab something from the bourgeoisie. This struggle has already been begun by the advanced, class-conscious workers who resolutely repel those newcomers in industry (very many of whom came in during the war) who regard the people's factory, the factory which has become the property of the nation, as they formerly regarded the factory, i. e., with but one thought in mind: "to grab something and run away." All the class-conscious, honest and thinking sections of the peasantry and the toiling masses will join in this struggle on the side of the advanced workers.

**Accounting and Control By the Masses.**

Once the political rule of the proletariat has been established and assured, accounting and control, if carried out by the Soviets of Workers', Soldiers' and Peasants' Deputies as the supreme state power, or at the order or direction of this power, accounting and control carried on everywhere, generally and universally, accounting and control of the amount of labor expended, of the distribution of goods, etc., becomes the quintessence of socialist reconstruction.

Accounting and control, necessary for the transition to socialism, can only be of a mass character. Only if the masses of workers and peasants, voluntarily and conscientiously, with revolutionary enthusiasm, help to check up and control the rich people, the scoundrels, the parasites and the hooligans will these remnants of the cursed capitalist society, these dregs of humanity, these hopelessly decayed and withered members of the human body, this infection, plague, ulcer and sore which socialism inherited from capitalism be destroyed.

Workers and peasants, toilers and exploited! The land, the banks, the factories, the mills have passed into the possession of the entire nation! Take upon yourselves the responsibility for accounting and controlling the production and distribution of goods. This is the path and the only path to the victory of socialism, the pledge of victory over all exploitation, over all want and poverty! For there is enough bread, iron, lumber, wool, cotton and flax for every one in Russia if only labor and products are correctly distributed. If only this distribution is controlled in a business-like, practical way; if the enemies of the people: the rich, their parasites, the scoundrels, the idlers and the hooligans are to be conquered not only politically but in daily economic life.

### War to Death On the Hooligans.

No mercy for these enemies of the people, these enemies of socialism, these enemies of the toilers. War to the death on the scoundrels, the idlers and the hooligans. They are all of the same kind and kin, all are the children of capitalism, the sons of aristocratic and bourgeois society; a society in which a small group of landowners and capitalists robbed and mocked the people; a society in which want and poverty threw thousands on the path of hooliganism, venality, rascality, made them lose their human form; a society which inevitably imbued the proletariat with the desire to evade this degrading toil, if only for a moment, to get a crust of bread by whatever means, in order that he, and those near and dear to him, should not starve, should not be underfed.

(To be continued in a subsequent issue.)