









# 87,883 Workers Fired from W.P.A. Jobs Since March

## WHITE COLLAR GROUPS IN ROCHESTER STRIKE AGAINST CUT IN PAY

Trade Union Leaders Pledge Support to Walk-out—Group Was Denied Wage Increase Given Other Workers on Projects

WASHINGTON, July 24.—A total of 807,883 workers have been thrown off WPA rolls since the beginning of March, according to figures released today by the Works Progress Administration.

The week ending July 11 saw 8,968 workers cut off WPA.

On Feb. 29, 1936, WPA was employing 9,309,000. By July 11, this figure had shrunk to 2,231,117.

Several months ago other groups of WPA workers received a 10 per cent increase which was denied the white collar workers.

The strikers are receiving support from other labor groups. The grievance committee of the Central Trades and Labor Council is working together with the strike committee.

Unionsists Pledge Aid. Gillette, of the Barbers Union, gave the strikers a message of solidarity from his organization.

The Communist and Social Parties, the Young Communist League and the Young People's Socialist League are actively participating in the strike, aiding in the picketing and the drive for funds.

What's On. RATES: For 18 words 35c Monday to Thursday; 50c Friday; 75c Saturday; 1.07 Sunday.

Worcester, Mass. August 2 Scandinavian Athletic Field (Route 9 Boston to Worcester).

Pittsburgh, Pa. Annual Picnic of the IWO at Letort Grove, Homerville, Pa., Sunday, July 26, 12 noon.

Ambridge, Pa. Picnic held by Beaver Valley Section of C.P. Sunday, July 26 at Fair Oaks, Pa.

## Unions Fight Food Blockade In Santa Ana

Orange Grove Owners And Deputies Try To Crush Strike

(By Federated Press) SANTA ANA, Cal., July 24.—A state of war has been declared by Orange County orange growers against striking Mexican and Filipino pickers seeking wages of 30 cents an hour.

Aiding the ranch owners in this former Ku Klux Klan stronghold are 400 deputy sheriffs, special armed guards and state cops.

The first casualty of the walkout was reported when a baby born prematurely to Virginia Torres, 35-year-old imprisoned striker at Santa Ana jail, was found to be dead at birth.

Los Angeles labor organizations seeking to bring food to the 2,000 strikers, who live in miserable shacks and huts throughout the orange belt, found a veritable food blockade in effect.

Documents secured by the Western Worker, San Francisco office, show that ranch owners have organized a widespread blacklist system.

Since Senator Norris has definitely broken with the Republican Party, and since he did not seek the Senatorial nomination in the Democratic primary, many observers point out he would be a logical nominee for the new Farmer-Labor Party.

## Vat Explosion Kills 1, Injures 5 In Chicago Plant

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau) CHICAGO, Ill., July 24.—One dead and five injured is the toll of an explosion in a cleaning vat at the National Fur Dyeing and Dressing Company plant here.

The explosion appears to have occurred in a cleaning vat, where non-explosive chemicals were supposed to be used.

The convention call cites graft and misuse of funds in the Senators' Relief Funds, State Treasury, State University and the general relief fund, a scandal practiced by alternating Democratic and Republican administrations since 1900.

Hathaway to Speak In Boston July 31 At Anti-War Meeting

BOSTON, July 24.—Clarence Hathaway, editor-in-chief of the Daily Worker will speak at an anti-war election rally arranged by the Communist Party here for July 31.

Connecticut Textile Labor Rally Tomorrow

Coast Workers' Press Picnic August 3

## ATTACKED FOR AIDING PICKETS



CHATTANOOGA, Tenn.—James A. Castelman, WPA worker, lay preacher and member of the Hod Carriers and Common Laborers Union, beaten over the head with a pistol and brass knuckles when he attempted to prevent Harry Worsham, contractor's man, from using a pistol on pickets at the Pound Building July 18.

## Champion Sub-Getter Larsen Held by U. S. for Deportation

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau) CHICAGO, Ill., July 24.—A. A. (Whirlwind) Larsen, champion Sunday Worker sub-getter, was arrested yesterday morning and held for deportation.



There can be no doubt that Larsen was arrested for his activities as a Sunday Worker subscription agent.

Received Recognition. The Party recognized his work as exceptional by presenting him a hundred dollar check, and a set of Lenin's works.

## Chicago Bishop Backs March For Peace on August First

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau) CHICAGO, Ill., July 24.—The Peace Parade Arrangements committee announced that additional endorsements of the parade are coming in from organizations and prominent people.

Resorts. AVANTA FARM, Ulster Park, N. Y. Workers' recreation place. Real farm with all its beauty and improvements.

## Miners Warm To Communist Campaigners

Southern Illinois Diggers Want Unity, Canvassers Report

(Daily Worker Midwest Bureau) CHICAGO, Ill., July 24.—Communist Party workers in Southern Illinois reported at a party conference early this week that they found no hostility but generally a warm friendliness when they sought signatures to put the party ticket on the ballot for the Fall election.

Wanted United Front. In Livingston, a mining town, Socialist workers refused to sign either the Communist or Socialist petitions as a protest.

Hill Soviet Religious Freedom. Many Catholic workers there signed the petitions. They said that the Soviet Union is the only country that has religious freedom.

Tours of Southern Illinois were planned for several candidates. Sam Hammersmark, candidate for Governor will speak in Montgomery County August 14 and 15.

A big campaign drive is planned in outlying sections in the Southern counties. Squads will tour the countryside in automobiles.

## Boston Women's Council Conducts Campaign Against Traffic Hazard

BOSTON, Mass., July 24.—A campaign for the immediate installation of automatic traffic signals along Charles Street and Cambridge Circle has been started here by the West End Working Women's Council.

Because of the lack of a signal system on Charles Street and Cambridge Circle, several people have been killed in automobile accidents.

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## JUNEAU GOLD COMPANY CITED FOR VIOLATION OF U. S. LABOR LAW

Largest Gold Mining Company in Country Listed As Interfering with Right to Organize—Stove Workers Ordered Reinstated

WASHINGTON, July 24.—Charged with interference in the affairs of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, the Alaska Juneau Gold Mining Company, largest gold mining enterprise in the United States, was found today to have violated the National Labor Relations Act.

\$60 a Year For Jobless In Carolina

WASHINGTON, July 24.—South Carolina is empowered to pay unemployment insurance benefits as low as \$60 a year and stay within the provisions of President Roosevelt's social security program.

South Carolina's unemployment compensation law was approved as meeting the requirements of the Federal law. It thus becomes the thirteenth State in which employers subject to Federal tax on employers of eight or more persons may get credit up to 90 per cent of that tax for contributions made to the State fund.

Glenn Harbor reported that radio broadcasts had created a big stir among the workers. Workers there signed willingly, and said they were convinced the Communist Party had the sole solution for the workers' problems.

Employers make no contributions under South Carolina's law. The Federal Social Security Board announced yesterday that fifteen States have passed unemployment insurance laws up to the present.

Parleys Collapse. Shell Oil Workers Continue Strike

ROKANA, Ill., July 24.—Conciliation conferences broke down yesterday and the Shell Oil Company strike goes on. It was announced by both the company and by International Union of Operating Engineers, leading the struggle on the part of 1,500 employees.

At a hearing last March in Owosso, the company maintained that the two men were discharged for holding up production on their assembly line.

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