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KY. STRIKE SPREADS DESPITE MACHINE GUN TERROR

500,000 FACE STARVATION IN COOK CO., ILLINOIS

Feb. 4--Nat'l Unemployment Insurance Day

"It is a dangerous, almost desperate undertaking upon which the country is embarking... Let it be understood that we are handling dynamite. A few false moves here could precipitate disaster not to be surpassed by anything short of another world war."—N. Y. Evening Post, Sat., Jan. 23, 1932.

Such are the prospects for the American working class as February 4th approaches. The Hoover government prepares to hand out around \$2,000,000,000 to the leading capitalists, in a desperate attempt to keep up profits, to keep American capitalism from entering worse phases of the economic and financial crisis.

This year no spring revival is even promised. Every basic industry is in a worse position than ever before. Automobile production, for which so much was prophesied, is petering out. Steel production is around 25 per cent capacity. Unemployment is still mounting.

Every leading city in the United States is faced with bankruptcy. A story in today's issue of the Daily Worker contains a telegraphic report from Chicago to the New York Times admitting that 500,000 people in Cook County face destitution, and 120,000 families in Chicago will starve if relief is not provided by February 1st.

The Wall Street bankers, headed by Morgan & Co., and the National City Bank, have laid down the program of "no unemployment relief" out of city funds in New York City.

Mayor Murphy of Detroit, the most skillful demagogue of them all, admits he has \$33,000,000 available, but to "avert financial disaster," he proposes that the starving jobs depend on "private charity."

Not one step has been taken by the Hoover hunger government to provide unemployment relief. The hypocrisy of the Hoover declarations, that the unemployed are being adequately provided for by state and local relief, is now so thoroughly blasted that Hoover himself chooses to keep silent about it. The cities which were providing some miserly relief are slashing this relief all along the line.

As hunger grows, as relief is cut down or is completely withdrawn in many places, a new clique of misleaders like Father Cox becomes loud in an attempt to keep the unemployed from carrying on a militant battle for real relief.

The February 4th demonstrations will be the first national mobilization of the unemployed and employed for jobless relief since the National Hunger March. The situation has grown much more serious since the day the unemployed shouted their demands so that Hoover and all the other representatives of the capitalist government could hear them.

The capitalists are apprehensive about February 4th! They are drawing the strings tighter on their money bags and do not want to relinquish them. A mighty demonstration on February 4th will force immediate relief, it will develop a more powerful movement for unemployment insurance.

The next few days must see intensive preparations for a mass outpouring on February 4th of employed and unemployed demanding unemployment insurance and immediate unemployment relief.

Save the Daily Worker for the Spreading Fight of the Ky. Miners -- Rush Funds Now

FROM a Southern Illinois mining town we receive the following letter which tells a gripping story of the need for and a dependence on the Daily Worker, by thousands of miners and other workers all over the country today.

"I was just going to write about my sub when I got your letter—and to tell you how I feel about the Daily Worker?"

Well it can't be did. Just try that on yourself on a stomach that seldom has anything in it but water, and you will soon find out my feelings without the Daily Worker."

THOUSANDS of letters are streaming into the Daily Worker begging and pleading that we continue to send the paper to these workers. It must continue to come out and rally thousands of workers to protest against the bloody beating of Joe Weber in Kentucky and the entire reign of bloody terror of the coal bosses. It must be spread thru-out the entire striking mine area to give leadership and guidance to the militant miners and their families.

WHAT is your answer at this time when the Daily Worker is closely threatened with suspension? Can we allow the leader of the American masses in struggle against the boss' starvation and hunger program to stop coming out for even one day?

THE Daily Worker must continue to come out and rally thousands of new workers to support the Workers International Relief Drive for the Kentucky Miners.

THE Daily Worker must go on rallying masses of workers to the fight of the Unemployed Councils against starvation.

THE Daily Worker again calls upon all workers to rally to its support to help build a \$50,000 fighting fund enabling it to wipe out its present debts and continue the workers fight.

Save the Daily Worker!
Send in your donations today!

Yankee Imperialism in Action



A group of Nicaraguan constabulary, led by Lieut. Lee, holding three heads of Nicaraguan peasants they had captured, tortured and then decapitated. The brutality of the marines was shown during the last earthquake in Nicaragua when drunken marines shot down workers in order to be able to rob their ruined houses.

Battleships are now being rushed to El Salvador, where the masses are fighting against imperialism.

Workers, Peasants Revolt in Salvador

Wall Street Rushes Gun Boats, Marines to Shoot Down Starving Masses Who Seek to Oust Imperialist Rulers

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—War ships and marines are being rushed by the Hoover hunger government to El Salvador to crush an uprising of the workers and peasants, reported to be led by the Communist Party of El Salvador.

The Wall Street government which condemns 12,000,000 American workers to starvation is greatly alarmed by the news coming from El Salvador that the workers and peasants not only have captured many towns, but that a movement is spreading to the extent that the fascist dictatorship previously established is faced with complete breakdown.

Along with the American battleship, British and Canadian cruisers are rushing to El Salvador to help in the proposed slaughter of the hungry masses.

The State Department at Washington has issued a statement declaring: "The Department of State has been informed that serious disorders of a Communist nature have broken out in the Republic of El Salvador." Therefore the state department orders a Special Service Squadron at Panama to proceed to El Salvador, under the pretense of "protecting American lives and property", to endeavor to put down the workers' and peasants' movement.

El Salvador is the smallest of the Central American countries, with a population of 1,500,000. American imperialism has around \$15,000,000 invested there and dominates the railroads and public utilities. The great mass of the popu-

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Wall Street marine butchers in Nicaragua! Photographs reproduced from a Latin American, Spanish language newspaper, showing Nicaraguan constabulary, manned by marine officers, who are paid \$300 a month, with the decapitated heads of Nicaraguan, revolutionary workers and peasants who were fighting against the invasion of Nicaragua by Wall Street. Captain Schwerin of the U. S. marines, executing the Nicaraguan revolutionist, Jose Montero.

GUNN MINE AND BIG BLOCK MINE, TENN. STRIKE 100 P.C.; HUGE PICKET LINE OUT TODAY

Workers Must Send Relief to Help Heroic Miners Establish Soup Kitchens

U. M. W. A. Organizer Points Out Strikers for Arrest; Miners Spirit High In Face of Terror

Jail Miners for Criminal Syndicalism for Reading the Daily Worker

(Special Telegram to the Daily Worker)

PITTSBURG, Jan. 24.—The United Front Conference held in Coverdale yesterday representing the Terminal Mines, elected a Provisional United Front Committee, three from each mine, including women, unemployed and youth and decided to prepare a strike against the proposed wage cut slated for February 1.

The Conference called by the National Miners' Union instructed the Committee to issue a statement branding the lies of Fagan, of the U.W. W., who claimed that the men accepted the cut. A broad mass Conference to be held in Coverdale Monday will take a strike vote. Immediate steps for relief are being taken. A big mass meeting will be held at Mollenhauer, Thursday, for all Terminal Mines, followed by mass meetings at each mine.

The Terminal Miners declare they will not accept the cut. Fagan urged the miners to accept the cut but was repudiated.

(The following dispatch was filed by the Daily Worker correspondent who smuggled it out of Pineville, Kentucky, to a city 50 miles away, while three gun thugs waited at the Pineville telegraph office for the miner who usually files the telegrams to the Daily Worker.)

PINEVILLE, Ky., Jan. 24.—The largest force of gun thugs ever assembled in one county in Kentucky is today guarding every path, road, bridge and railroad track leading into Bell County, Kentucky, where a huge demonstration of striking miners, and the "Spread the Strike Conference" was to take place at 3 p.m.

Every person, bus, car, wagon, truck and railroad car is being searched for miners, and none so far have been permitted to enter the county.

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100 DELEGATES AT MEET TO PLAN KY. MINE RELIEF

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 24.—Over 100 delegates of striking Kentucky and Tennessee miners met yesterday at the Workers International Relief warehouse at a strike relief conference. They reported a great move for strike relief has been initiated in all parts of the strike area. The conference was not molested.

It was decided to establish a system of relief distribution through committees in all locals. An army of 200 volunteers is to be organized to go out to raise relief around Knoxville, Tenn. and in the vicinity of the strike area.

A telegram of greetings was sent to the Pittsburgh united front relief conference being held today.

Most of the delegates had to stand throughout the meeting as there were no chairs, and no hall could be hired in Pineville.

Delegates reported there are many cases of evictions to take place this week, and declared that an appeal should immediately be issued for a campaign to provide tents or lumber for shacks when the miners are thrown out of their houses. The miners are determined to fight against evictions.

Endorse the Call for Feb. 4 Union Sq. Demonstration

NEW YORK.—The special session of the New York Labor Conference, held at Manhattan Lyceum on Saturday, unanimously endorsed the call of the Unemployed Council of Greater New York for a mass demonstration at Union Square and parade to City Hall on Feb. 4, National Day of Struggle for Unemployment Insurance. Delegates from Unemployed Committees in working-class neighborhoods, breadlines, Top-houses, A. F. of L. locals and other workers' organizations told of the misery and starvation suffered by the workers they represented and pledged their support to the call. Each told of the local action being undertaken in the fight for immediate relief and agreed that these actions should mobilize the workers of all New York for the Feb. 4 demonstration.

The plan adopted by the Confer-

Japanese Land Troops in Shanghai; Attack Anti-Imperialist Movement

Action Creates Tense Situation Between Imperialist Looters of China; "U. S. 'Concerned'"

In a savage attempt to crush the resistance of the Chinese masses against the dismemberment of China by the imperialists, the Japanese on Saturday landed troops, armed with machine guns and heavy artillery in the Chinese city of Shanghai. Japanese warships in the river have been reinforced by

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Nation-Wide Demonstrations Feb. 4th for Jobless Insurance

NEW YORK.—Nearly 500,000 persons in Cook County, Illinois, comprising mainly the city of Chicago, face starvation if by February 1st there is no unemployment relief forthcoming.

This statement, which shows the tremendous importance of the February 4th demonstrations for unemployment insurance, is contained in a special telegram from Chicago to the New York Times.

"Chicago and the rest of Illinois are experiencing one of the gravest financial crises in recent years.

"Nearly 500,000 persons in Chicago and the rest of Cook County face the prospect of destitution within a week's time, and several down-state communities are in the throes of 'moratoriums,' with an almost complete shutdown of business activities in an effort to restore confidence in financial institutions.

"With available unemployment relief cash exhausted, actual starvation threatens 120,000 families here unless aid is forthcoming by Feb. 1."

Starvation in New York as Feb. 4 Nears

In New York City there is a breakdown in the promised \$20,000,000 relief program. It is becoming clearer every day that Morgan & Co. which headed the financing of the city budget demanded that not one cent of the new bond issue go for unemployment relief.

PICKETING AT DRESS SHOPS; CONFER JAN. 30

Shop Delegates Meet At Irving Plaza

NE WYOK.—The following dress shops are to be picketed Monday morning: Picketing at London Dress Co., 245 7th Ave., W. R. Dress, 253 W. 26th St., My Favorite, 245 W. 25 St., and Superfine, 341 W. 22th St. In addition to these shops, there are a number of others to be picketed. Workers are asked to report to the Org. Dept. of the union early Monday morning to be assigned for picketing.

The Dressmakers United Front Committee has issued the following call for the conference:

"Dressmakers: Remember January 30, 12 o'clock noon. The Mass Shop Delegate Conference at Irving Plaza, 15th St. and Irving Place, to decide on a general strike of the dressmakers.

"The workers from all shops, open shops, Industrial Union shops, International shops, right wingers, left wingers, Italian, Spanish, Negro and white, young and old, are called upon to discuss these demands and to elect delegates from their shops or shop committees to take part in the conference that will finally adopt the demands and make all necessary plans for a real mass united front strike under rank and file leadership to improve the conditions of the dressmakers and not a fake lockout engineered by the bosses and the leadership of the International to extort money from the workers.

Take up this call to once. See that your shop is represented at the conference on January 30, at 12 noon at Irving Plaza, 15th St. and Irving Place. Down with the fake strike lockout of the bosses and the racketeer International! Forward to the mobilization for a united front strike for union conditions."

Spanish Strike Wave Spreads; Barcelona Workers Now Out

MADRID.—With the myth of a "Workers Republic" thrown by the board, the Spanish coalition government supported and defended by the socialists has embarked on a reign of terror directed at the quickened revolutionary activity of the Spanish workers and peasantry.

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Workers Force City Council to Send Protest to Ala. Governor

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Jan. 24.—Arguments were completed Friday on the hearing before the Alabama Supreme Court of the appeal against the Scottsboro lynch verdicts sentencing 8 innocent Negro boys to burn in the electric chair. The boys were defended by the International Labor Defense

DEMAND RELIEF FROM COMMUNITY CHEST FUND IN N.J.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.—Thousands of unemployed workers here, who are facing the third year of starvation and misery, without getting any relief from the city or from the fake unemployment relief organizations that collected thousands of dollars, mostly from the employed and part-time workers, are expected to demonstrate under the leadership of the Unemployed Council on Tuesday, Jan. 26, at 10 a.m. in front of the Community Chest.

A delegation, elected by the workers, will demand immediate relief and endorsement of the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill from the bosses and Mr. Webb, the faker at the head of the Community Chest. The workers decided to go to the Community Chest after being tricked by Webb, who answered a letter inviting him to a Public Hearing held to expose the bosses' lies of "everyone being well taken care of."

When individual cases were brought to him, he attempted to dispose of them by promising an investigation. The workers, familiar with the emptiness of investigations, insisted on a definite answer. Pressed to the wall, Webb told them to return at 4 p.m. But when the workers returned they found the door of the Community Chest locked. Enraged, the workers decided on the demonstration and mass pressure to force the bosses to give immediate relief in the form of \$5 in cash, free food for the children in the schools, free clothing and shoes, free medical aid, no discrimination against Negro, youth and foreign born.

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Every shop, mine and factory a fertile field for Daily Worker subscriptions.

Bosses Take Inflation Road; Means More Mass Suffering

NEW YORK.—Panicky at their complete failure to stop the downward course of the crisis, the bankers and financiers of this country are embarking on a policy of huge inflation of credit. The Reconstruction Finance Corporation with an initial outlay by the Wall Street government of \$500,000,000 and power to issue bonds to the value of \$2,000,000,000 has been passed by the House of Representatives and will be passed by the Senate and signed by Hoover within a few days.

The measure is also aimed at stopping the havoc which the crisis has upon the workers in the marine industry, particularly at this time with feverish war preparations going on during which the government is seeking to smash every semblance of organization among the marine workers, a very important arm of the war machinery. The I. L. D. calls upon all workers and workers organizations to fight this case along class lines, along the lines of mass defense. The I. L. D. calls upon organizations to do the following as the first steps in the development of a mass campaign to fight the attack upon the marine workers.

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When a conference was held at the Tombs prison with the defendants, together with their attorneys and the I.L.D. attorney, J. Bultman, present, the line of the committee was thoroughly exposed. When Mr. Bultman was asked to what extent the class struggle would be brought into the case, the reply was in effect: "There is no class issue in this case. Communism will not be allowed to come into the case. That a fair trial can be had in a capitalist court for these workers, and last, but not least, that no committee, either the committee at present in charge of the defense or any other would tell him what the line of the defense is to be. This case, in the estimation of Mr. Sabatino, himself recently an assistant United States district attorney, is a purely criminal case and will be handled as such."

Names and addresses of prisoners: Thos. Bunker, Wm. Trajer, J. G. Soderberg. Tombs prison, 101 Centre Street, New York City.

Receipts from 'Torgsin' Stores in U S S R On Display in N. Y. City

NEW YORK.—There are now on display at the offices of Am-Derutra Transport Corporation, 261 Fifth Avenue, New York, a number of receipts from Soviet Russia for goods received on Torgsin orders, as well as for packages of merchandise sent by persons in the United States and Canada to their friends and relatives in U.S.S.R.

These receipts are all signed by the recipients themselves and also are marked by the official government stamp. Receipts may be seen from cities and villages all over the Soviet Union and are the surest proof that orders and packages are handled and received quickly and in good condition.

GOLDEN CALLS COPS TO HALT UNITED FRONT

Blockers Issue Call For Unity To Fight Pay Slashing

NEW YORK.—A committee of the Industrial Union came to the membership meeting of Local 42 with proposals for a united front of all workers who have expressed themselves in opposition to the Zaritzky collective wage cutting agreement, to propose a united front of all workers in defense of union conditions.

In the statement this committee speaks of the conditions prevailing in the trade and the need for unity in the ranks of the workers as the only effective means of combating the attacks of the bosses.

Negro White Toilers Unite Against Cops

A Negro worker and his wife were thrown out on the sidewalk in the rain today. This in spite of the fact that they had placed \$14 with the court attendant. Some members of the Unemployment Council were there at the time and they carried some of the furniture back. However the landlord mobilized his friends and sons and forced the workers out of the house. L. Brown, a Negro worker, a member of Unemployed Council then addressed the workers from the table.

PRINCESS SHOE WORKERS STRIKE

Battle Socialists Who Call Cops

The shoe workers employed by the Princess Shoe Store Co., 314 W. 4th St., near Amboy St., Brownsville, are out on strike. The reason for striking is that the bosses fired one of the workers and are cutting wages. The store is being picketed.

Furriers To Meet In Cooper Union Jan. 27

NEW YORK.—The Cooper Union mass meeting of furriers on Wednesday, Jan. 27, will decide on the program of struggle for union conditions and will act on the decision of the unity committee not to recognize any agreements concluded by the Kaufman clique and the bosses, and to continue the movement to unite the furriers in the struggle for union conditions.

Shoe and Leather Workers Prepare for Struggle

By S. ZIEBEL

The Shoe and Leather Workers Industrial Union is calling a Mass Meeting of the Shoe Workers of New York, January 28th, at Manhattan Lyceum to discuss with the Shoe Workers the conditions in the trade and to make plans for building a United Front of all the Shoe Workers against the attacks of the Shoe Manufacturers upon the standard of living of the Shoe Workers.

The shoe season is approaching and already the bosses are preparing for the workers new wage-cuts and in many factories the workers are laid off and new one are hired at lower prices. The defense against the wage-cuts and lay-offs is an immediate problem for the Shoe Workers, and we must look for means how best to organize the thousands of Shoe Workers in New York to fight against the intolerable conditions in the trade.

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Soccer Results

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Tico, 3; Juventus, 1.
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DRESSMAKERS IN STRONG UNITY READY TO FIGHT

Katzoff And Zeiger Shop Wins Demands Day And a Half

NEW YORK.—The united front in the ranks of the dressmakers has become an actual fact. Members of the Industrial Union, members of the International, are striking and winning better conditions under the leadership of the Industrial Union and the United Front Committee.

The shoe workers of Andrew Geller's shop stopped work, left the shop determined to defend their fellow workers. Through the militant action and determination, the boss was forced to reinstate the workers and also grant an upward revision of prices.

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Millinery Workers Trade Committee To Give Report Tonight

NEW YORK.—A membership meeting of the Millinery Dept. of the Industrial Union has been arranged for Monday, right after work, at the office of the union, 131 W. 28th St. At this meeting the trade committee will report on the plans of the coming season and the further steps toward uniting all millinery workers in struggle for better conditions against the fake strike of Zaritzky and Company.

PROTEST LEAGUES TOOLS OF BOSSES

Radical In Phrases; Fascist In Action

CAMDEN, N. J.—A taxpayers march called for January 21 in this city by the Citizens Protest League against the 1932 budget was called off. The business men and bosses became frightened at their own plan, fearing that the thousands of unemployed workers who were being brought into what the bosses tried to make appear as a "common" fight might get out of their control and carry the demonstration forward with demands for immediate unemployment relief. Instead of fighting for the bosses who are only interested in reducing their own taxes and are not concerned about the workers of Camden.

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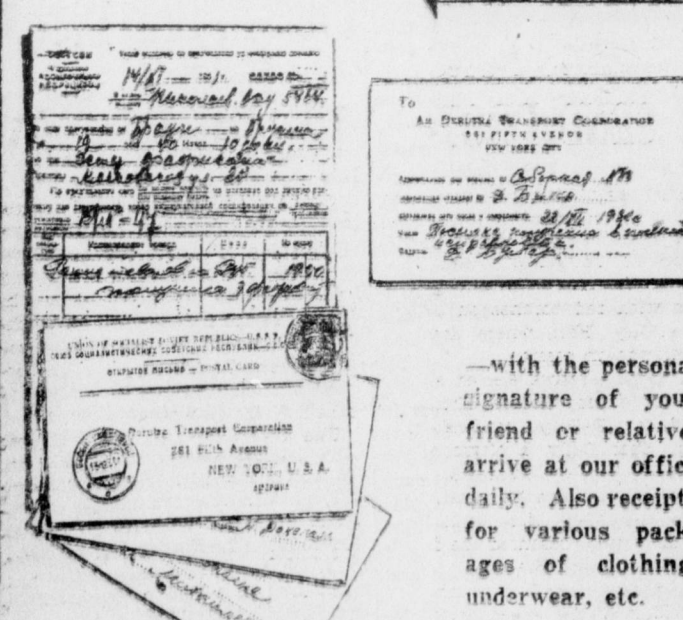
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WHY A "SECRET" CONVENTION

STATEMENT BY THE NATIONAL MINERS UNION ON THE U.M.W.A. INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

U. M. W. A. organizers have travelled through the field and picked loyal "delegates" for an international convention. These organizers have proceeded in a most secretive manner. They arrived in a mining camp, a few close henchmen were gotten together, using whiskey as bait, and a "delegate" designated by the organizer is supposedly "elected." No more internal democracy in the union. No more regular election of delegates, for whom all members are given a chance to vote. No more discussions of resolutions and suggestions to be made to the convention. Why all this secrecy? What has happened? Are the U.M.W.A. officials trying to hide anything? Is John L. Lewis afraid to openly face his membership? The following are the reasons:

A Record of Treachery
The reason is that Lewis brings to this convention the blackest record of treachery and betrayal against those he is supposed to represent ever known in the entire history of the American trade union movement. The record that Lewis brings is written in blood from tens and hundreds of thousands of miners whom he betrayed and left to the "mercy" of the operators, their Government and thugs. The record begins with the betrayal of last year's Kentucky strike. The U.M.W.A. betrayed that most heroic strike and left the miners on the battlefield leaderless to be slugged, jelled and murdered. This is followed with the record of the betrayal of the Glen Alden miners, in the anthracite. The Glen Alden miners struck twice last year and twice they were betrayed by Lewis and his "progressive" agents. Then follows the 5 1-2 years agreement that Lewis made with the anthracite operators which the operators are violating daily, with the UMWA doing nothing about it. Then the story of the role Lewis, and his little brother, Pat Fagan, played in the recent strike of 40,000 miners in Western Pennsylvania, East Ohio and West Virginia, against starvation.

Can the miners of the Pittsburgh Terminal mines ever forget how they were stabbed in the back at the height of the strike, when the UMWA signed a fake agreement with the company, giving up every inch of ground that the miners gained through long years of bitter struggle? While this is written the newspapers publish a statement by Pat Fagan grant the Pittsburgh Terminal a 10 per cent wage cut, in order to maintain the check-off. Then follows a copy of Van Bittner's agreement with the West Virginia operators cutting the already miserable miners' wages down to 22 1-2 cents a ton, a 25 per cent cut. And so page after page the record that Lewis brings to this convention is filled with treachery—betrayal—treachery—betrayal.

U. M. W. A. Future Program
What is the future program which Lewis intends to railroad through at this convention and for which he so carefully picked his "delegates"? The fact that his future program has not been announced in advance is of small importance. The rank and file of the UMWA, the unorganized miners and the N. M. U. know exactly what his program is. The U.M.W.A. future program is found in Lewis' past and present practices. The following is his program:

1. Collaboration with the operators to further cut the miners pay and deepen the misery of the miners;
2. starvation of the unemployed and against unemployment insurance;
3. against the six hour day and five day week;
4. Maintain the check-off system, in return for which the U. M. W. A. will act as an organizer for the operators to put across their program of starvation;
5. Maintain the blacklist against militant miners;
6. against the solidarity of all miners in their struggles, and particularly against the solidarity between the white and Negro miners;
7. for deporting of the foreign born militants;
8. for shutting down the so-called "unprofitable" mines and squeezing hundreds of thousands of miners out of the industry to die a slow death;
9. for another war and armed attack against the Soviet Union, the workers' fatherland;
10. for keeping the militant miners and their leaders in prison and for a reign of terror against the miners.

And so down the line, a mile long program every word of which is against the interests of the miners and for the bosses. Is there any wonder why such a program is not sent to the local unions in advance to discuss? Were Lewis to do this his royal days as czar among the miners would be limited indeed. Even the fake "progressives" would not be able to save him. The role of these "progressives," and their record, is written on the same pages as that of Lewis. They are a part of the machine, a part of the general scheme to keep the miners safe for the coal operators.

Some Real Problems Facing the Miners
What are some of the problems facing the miners of this country today? The miners are suffering hunger, disease and slow death. Over 400,000 or 60 per cent of the entire total are permanently unemployed. The rest work only part time, under the most miserable conditions. The companies are pressing harder and harder, cutting wages and cutting more. The operators' "stabilization" program means more profits for the companies and more misery for the miners. For this program they have the fullest support of the government and the U. M. W. A. with its fake "progressives." Here is a problem for the miners, it is a problem of life and death. What can the miners expect from the U. M. W. A. convention to solve this problem for them? Is Lewis and his picked "delegates" interested to solve this problem for the miners?

What about the unemployed and blacklisted miners? Will the convention do anything about them? Will Lewis carry on a struggle for the six-hour day and five-day week? Will the U. M. W. A. fight for immediate relief to the unemployed and for unemployment insurance? Will they fight for the reopening of the mines? Will Lewis fight for the abolition of the blacklist? No, a thousand times no. Yet this is a vital problem for the miners.

The operators, through their government and supported by the U. M. W. A., are carrying on a reign of terror against the miners and their leaders. Their most elementary rights, such as to strike, meet and picket, are taken away from them. They are clubbed, given long jail sentences and even murdered. While this is written, Hightower, a 77 year old militant Kentucky miner, was given a life sentence on a framed-up charge by a Harlan County court for militant activities. The leaders of the present Kentucky, heroic strike have been thrown into jail. Joe Weber, a leader of the strike, was taken for a ride and beaten. Tom Meyersough, Leo Thompson, Adam Getto and others militant leaders of the recent strike of 40,000 are in jail serving sentences from two to five years for their strike activities. There is a basic problem for the miners—how to retain their most elementary political rights? Will the U. M. W. A. convention solve this problem for the miners? How many leaders of the U. M. W. A. are now serving jail sentences for strike activities? When was John Lewis last arrested for fighting the operators? The miners have numerous other equally important problems, but they cannot look towards the U. M. W. A. convention to solve them for them.

The National Miners Union Holds National Convention
The N. M. U. is also holding a National Convention. The convention will be held February 27th in Pittsburgh, and will last for four days. The N. M. U. is not making a secret of its convention. Not only will delegates, openly elected at our local union meetings, come to the convention, but there will be delegates from the unemployed branches, women's auxiliaries, Youth delegates, Negro delegates and delegates from unorganized territories. What's more, fraternal delegates are invited from the U. M. W. A. locals.

Wherever the reactionary officials of the U. M. W. A. will succeed to block the sending of an official delegate, then the Opposition group inside the local is invited to send a delegate. Our convention is open to all miners and to the entire working-class. The main resolution for the convention will be sent to the local unions in advance for discussion. We have nothing to hide from our membership. We are not ashamed of our past activities and our future program. The record which the National Board of the N. M. U. brings to this convention is filled with experiences of sharp struggles against the operators and their agents, no matter in what cloak they may appear. The strike of 40,000, in Western Pennsylvania, East Ohio and West Virginia; the present heroic strike in Kentucky-Tennessee, which is spreading to other fields; the struggles for immediate relief to the unemployed and for unemployment insurance; numerous demands, for youth demands, etc. This is the N. M. U. record since its second National Convention. The third Convention will consider ways and means of increasing the fight for better conditions for all miners in the immediate future.

JAPANESE LAND TROOPS IN SHANGHAI; ATTACK MASS ANTI-IMPERIALIST MOVEMENT

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that Shanghai is not Mukden. The attitude of the British imperialists is that the Japanese are unjustified in beginning by themselves armed intervention in Inner China looking toward the partition of China; that such a move should be carried out in unison by all the imperialist looter forces. The recent riots in Shanghai, admittedly incited by Japanese residents and marines, are used as the pretext for the further extension of the Japanese aggressions into Inner China. That the Japanese action is aimed directly at the revolutionary organizations of the Chinese masses, and does not even take into consideration the bankrupt counter-revolutionary government of Nanking, is clearly shown by the Japanese demand that the revolutionary organizations and all anti-Japanese organizations be disbanded. They also demand that the anti-Japanese boycott movement, originally started by the Chinese bourgeoisie, has been taken over by their hands by the workers who have blocked the recent attempts of the Chinese bourgeoisie to curtail the boycott movement, in line with the promises to Japan by Eugene Chen and other Kuomintang betrayers of the Chinese masses, that the boycott would be abandoned.

Chiang and Wang Return to Complete Sell-out
In the meantime, Chiang Kai-shek and the "left" leader, Wang Ching Wei, have returned to Nanking to complete the betrayal of the Chinese masses. They both had a conference yesterday with other Nanking government leaders. The conference made a fake gesture of severing diplomatic relations with Japan. It rejected a proposal for armed resistance against the Japanese aggressions in China. A proposal to refuse to enter into direct discussions with the Japanese over Manchuria was similarly rejected. The Nanking traitors are again attempting to deceive the Chinese masses into looking to the League of Nations for a way out. Their tactics are not succeeding, as more and more sections of the Chinese masses are daily turning to the revolutionary way out, and inspired by the successes of the Chinese Red Army and the existence of the powerful Chinese Soviet Republic, are taking up the armed struggle against the imperialists and their Nanking agents.

Japanese Stepping On Toes of Other Imperialists
The Japanese action in Shanghai has brought them crowding out the toes of the other imperialist looters of China, with the result that an extremely tense situation has developed. The United States imperialists who have large investments in Shanghai and in this section of China have expressed their concern to the Japanese. The Japanese naval commander at Shanghai, Admiral Shiosawa is said to have met representatives by the United States Consul with the promise that no action would be taken involving the International Settlement without "first consulting the foreigners there."

Shanghai is divided into three sections—the native city with a population of 2,100,000, the French concession with 400,000 and the International Settlement with 1,000,000. The last two are practically colonies of the imperialist powers. The United States has a permanent force of 1,190 troops in Shanghai. United States warships are constantly stationed at Shanghai. The destroyer Truston is at present in the river. At various points along the Yangtze River, up to 1,500 miles into the heart of China, are three more U. S. destroyers and seven gunboats. The main part of the U. S. Asiatic fleet is stationed at Manila, three days' sail from Shanghai. As a result of the preparations for the joint army and navy spring maneuvers in the Pacific, the United States now has in the Far East, or en route, the largest military and naval force ever assembled in that part of the world. This concentration is primarily aimed against the Chinese masses and the Soviet Union, for armed intervention to forward the partition of China among the imperialists and for war against the Soviet Union, whose solution of unemployment and the national question, pointing the revolutionary way out of the capitalist crisis, has accelerated the revolutionary struggles of the working-class and the colonial masses throughout the world.

Bosses Take Inflation Road; Means More Mass Suffering
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played with American banks. The Federal Reserve System, first established to "prevent" bank failures, has completely failed to accomplish its purpose. There were in 1931, 2,290 bank failures with deposits of \$1,759,000,000. Of this total of banks 518 were members of the Federal Reserve system which "guaranteed" its member banks against failure. Far from helping to overcome the crisis, this inflationary measure will only deepen it. The Reconstruction Corporation is one with the Glass Banking Act which proposes to use government funds through the Federal Reserve to pay to depositors of failed banks up to 75 to 80 per cent of the amount of deposit. The National Credit Corporation to extend credit to bankrupt business is of the same nature. The result of these measures is the open adoption of a policy of inflation by the American government. It is an indication of the terrific damage which the crisis has done to the financial structure of American capitalism.

Side by side with these special organizations created to put into the open a huge credit issue that is based on thin air, is the policy of the Federal Reserve System of extending its "easy money" policy. The latest sign of this has been the lowering of its discount rate from 4 per cent to 3 1/2 per cent. In addition, Hoover signed the bill giving \$125,000,000 additional capital to the Federal Land Banks. This is done to prevent the immediate smash up of the whole artificial Farm Loan system.

Already European capitalists are getting as far away from American capital as they can in anticipation of the break down of the American financial system. France and Belgium are beginning to draw the gold they formerly held here in huge quantities. France has begun the first of its withdrawals of \$175,000,000 in gold which they have stored in American vaults. A broad "dollar panic" is developing in Europe as the policy of inflation continues to grow in Wall Street and the supposedly solid gold standing of America begins more and more to show signs of weakening.

Although the capitalists say that they are merely putting into effect a temporary measure, it is certain that the policy of inflation will very rapidly get out of all control. This is admitted by the Financial editor of the Journal of Commerce who wrote on Jan. 18: "There is no assurance, however, that the expansion policy can be stopped in time and that a new easy money campaign may not in the course of time get out of hand."

YANKEE IMPERIALISM IN ACTION
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ation are poor peasants, depending on the coffee crop for their livelihood. With the steep drop in the price of coffee and the huge over-production, the peasants have been ruined, their land being taken from them, and most of them being faced with starvation. On December 3, a group of army officers took gogo and La Libertad. When the great majority of the population began to support the revolutionary struggle, the American Charge d'Affaires immediately called for warships and troops. Wall Street now seeks to make of El Salvador another Nicaragua, with perpetual marine domination and the wholesale murder of militant workers and peasants. Every worker in the United States, now suffering wage cuts, unemployment and starvation, should protest and fight against this latest, mon-

500 Knoxville Workers Meet to Aid Ky. Strike Relief Drive

KNOXVILLE, Tenn., Jan. 24.—In spite of all the "Red scare" headlines carried in the local newspapers against the mass meeting arranged by the newly opened headquarters of the Kentucky-Tennessee Striking Miners Relief Campaign of the Worker's International Relief in Knoxville, over 500 workers attended the spirited meeting.

Workers, looking as though they needed aid themselves gave their pennies and netted a collection of \$31.04. Many who could not give anything until payday signed a pledge to contribute later and others signing the "volunteer to help win the Kentucky Strike" pledge promised to give from 25 cents to \$1.00 per week. Several old men who had been through strikes in their young years came up to the platform after the meeting offering to help canvass homes and stores, apologizing for not giving anything because they didn't have anything to give.

Two ex-service men now members of the American Legion said they had wanted to take the floor but didn't know we would have given it to them. One stated he would never give another nickel to the Legion after he heard what they were doing against the strikers. The other David Jean Rainwater came all the way from St. Charles, Va. to tell that he had seen the kidnapping of Joe Weber. He was terribly grieved when he realized he should have taken the floor to tell all those present. He went down to the Knoxville News Sentinel with Joe Weber and made a statement of the facts. He was passing by the filling station where Joe Weber and Bill Duncan were picked up. "It appeared strange to me," he said "that so many deputies should be taking in only two men. I asked what was going on. Some of them told me bootleggers, others said reds. So I thought to myself afterwards when I read the papers that they were organizers of the National Miners Union and that the coal operator Creech denied they had been kidnapped but I went right on thru to Knoxville, thought I had better come in and tell what I saw."

Doris Parks, secretary of the Kentucky Tennessee Striking Miners Relief Headquarters set up at Knoxville after the raids and arrest of relief workers in Pineville on the first day of the strike, opened the meeting. Lloyd Lowe, Blanche, Ky and Bill Garland, Ar Jay, Ky., told of conditions of the miners and declared they would fight until they won a living wage.

Joe Weber just recuperated from the beating which the thugs gave him when they kidnapped him and Bill Duncan, was greeted with the greatest applause. Mrs. Caulkins a miner's wife made an impassioned appeal to the meeting to help the strikers win out against starvation. We cannot bear to see our babies starve any longer and we women are fighting just as hard as the men to win this strike, so our men can eat breakfast before they go to work and our children stop dying from the flux. "She followed her speech with one of the strikers songs which she sang when she led the march into Pineville a few days ago—"Put Your Shoulders to the Wheel."

Two miners' children thirteen and fifteen years old William and Ruby Kilgore spoke of the horrible conditions in their schools, "keep house for my father and the children because I have no mother and it is pretty hard to do so on \$48 which he gets in compensation for he lost his leg in the mines and can't work anymore."

"Could you keep house for 6 people on \$48, a month?" she challenged. The children are so helping to win the strike for it will be for our good and we ask you to help us by giving money food and clothes. A resolution was unanimously carried demanding the immediate unconditional release of all those arrested during the struggles of the coal miners for the crime of fighting starvation, especially that of Willard Hightower, 77 year old coal miner member of the U.M.W.A., sentenced to a life term in jail and Dorothy Weber arrested together with the other eight, on the opening of the strike, because of her illness.

The meeting also carried motion, by an overwhelming majority to send a telegram to the State Supreme Court in Montgomery, Ala., protesting the attempt to carry through a legal lynching by electric chair or any other way of the nine innocent Scottsboro boys, now before the State Supreme Court on an appeal. The few who voted against were laughed down when the chairman decided to take a vote by hands after a few no's were heard. Quite a number of Negro workers were present although they sat by themselves.

SPANISH STRIKE WAVE SPREADS; BARCELONA WORKERS NOW OUT
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Troops, naval destroyers and airplanes have been sent to all chief industrial centers of Spain with particular heavy concentrations at Madrid, Barcelona, Matres and Seville. The entire Llobregat section of the province of Barcelona in Catalonia is under the heel of an open military dictatorship. Even harsher measures are being prepared and carried into effect as the general strike over all of Spain scheduled for today, begins to take shape with the calling of a general strike in Barcelona. All commercial and industrial activity in that city has come to a complete standstill. All large factories have been closed down as a result of the walkout of workers. Trolley cars are not operating and buses are driven and manned only by civil guards.

As usual the socialists are playing their reactionary role as strike breakers by issuing orders to the workers in the unions controlled by them not to join in the general strike. With the exception of the socialist workers and the unorganized workers in the smaller shops, the entire city of Barcelona has been struck and the movement spread to the surrounding towns. With the growth of the revolutionary movement to ever larger proportions, the attack on the Communist Party of Spain, as the only consistent and revolutionary leader of the Spanish masses has increased. The official organ of the Spanish Communist Party has again been suppressed, twenty-seven workers connected with it arrested and all Communist Party headquarters raided. Despite the fascist measures aimed at it, the Communist Party of Spain continues to carry out its main task of winning the majority of the Spanish workers and peasantry for its program of the overthrow of the bourgeois coalition government and the establishment of a real Workers' Republic. More and more the Spanish masses are rallying to its banner and away from the dangerous and suicidal policy of the Anarchists, Syndicalists and Trotskyists. A feature of the upsurge of the Spanish masses is the growing tendency of the movement to spread to hitherto untouched sections of the Spanish workers and peasants. Often there are demonstrations and armed clashes in which the masses take part without any leadership whatsoever. The Communist Party of Spain is working under the most difficult conditions of terror to give organized expression to these spontaneous outbursts. The absolute poverty and worsened conditions of the workers and peasants under the fake "Workers' Republic" with which the socialists are fully co-operating has produced a seething discontent signalized by weeks and months of intense revolutionary activity. In the province of Jaen, whole villages have marched to the capital city of the province demanding work. The workers of the Grandia province have come into armed clashes with the civil guards who attempted to prevent them from gathering firewood in the surrounding forests. Demonstrations against the socialists in Puebla Salobrena ended in bloody fights between the peasants and civil guards. Similar clashes in the province of Badajoz, in Castellblanco, in San Sebastian and in other provinces and cities have taken place as the peasants and workers become more militant in their hatred of the coalition government of starvation and terror and in their action against it.

GUNN MINE AND BIG BLACK MINE IN TENN. STRIKE 100 P.C.; HUGE PICKET LINE IN STRIKE AREA TODAY

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A ring of machine guns encircles Pineville from the surrounding hills, and gun thugs are stationed at every mine within a radius of 40 miles. Martial law was threatened yesterday by the sheriff of Bell County, who called in local strike leaders and told them that the miners would face death today if the demonstration is held. The miners replied that nothing was going to prevent them from fighting for the right to live. Bates, a notorious Pineville organizer of the United Mine Workers of America, is driving around the city with the sheriff, pointing out strikers to the sheriff. The militancy of the miners is at high pitch as a result of the terror which is even greater than that of bloody Blair of Harlan County. The whereabouts of the strike leaders in Pineville was unknown at the time this telegram was sent to the Daily Worker.

Allan Taub, attorney for the striking miners, and Tom Jones, a National Miners' Union organizer, were held on the road near Maynardsville by the Pineville chief of police and eight armed gunmen. They were turned back from Pineville. The strike continues in Tennessee and a huge picket line is planned for Monday in Harlan and other places. Miners at Cold Creek, Tenn., 60 miles from Pineville, are begging the N.M.U. to send in an organizer. Back Creek miners are preparing to strike. Four hundred Rush Creek miners will walk 16 miles Monday to help the Gatlinf miners picket. Miners at King Mountain, Tennessee, picketed despite the command to stop given by five deputies with automatic Winchester, who raised their guns and aimed, but were afraid to fire into the ranks of the militant miners.

The sheriff of Woodley County, Tennessee says he will arrest any miner carrying N.M.U. leaflets on the charge of criminal syndicalism. Operators are resorting to the wider use of the frame-up to crush the strike. Noah Turner, striking miner of Stoney Fork, Ky. is in jail charged with stealing dynamite from the Gunner Mine. Warrants are out for six other miners on the same charge. Miners continue to be jailed for criminal syndicalism on the ground of reading the Daily Worker. Post offices throughout the strike zone are refusing to mail the Daily Worker. John Hodges, 63 year old miner of Dapout, Ky., was jailed for criminal syndicalism yesterday when he called at the post office for the Daily Worker bundle. Harlan gun thugs arrested him and took him to the Harlan jail.

Joe Phillip was arrested for putting his furniture back into his home at Pruden, Tenn., where 77 miners have been evicted. Tennis will soon have to be furnished by the Workers International Relief. Sixteen miners were reported to work at Brush Creek, but 600 miners immediately formed a picket line and now the entire section is out again. A successful Bell County youth conference was held yesterday, as well as the relief conference, attended by 150 representatives from mines. Section conferences will be held in Wallins Creek and Middleboro.

PINEVILLE, Ky., Jan. 23.—The striking of new mines in Tennessee and the forcing of Governor Laffoon to listen to the miners' delegation's demands for the cessation of terror and for unemployment insurance, combined with increased picketing, are infusing fresh enthusiasm into the 10,000 striking and blacklisted miners who are fighting for the right to live on the 60 mile strike front.

Plans for the huge demonstration and the "Spread the Strike Conference" for Sunday, as well as for the vigorous defense of both, were laid down Thursday night at a meeting of the strike executive committee. The Committee pointed out the following weak points in the strike: insufficient mass picketing, too much individual relief, insufficient soup kitchens where miners can meet and discuss their strike problems, insufficient drawings in of women and youth, insufficient exposure of the lies of the operators' courts, newspapers and the American Legion. The strike spread to new mines in Tennessee Thursday. The entire Gunn mine in Pruden came out solid and the Big Block mine is reported to be out 100 per cent and 100 more are out at the Pruden mine, leaving only a few left there.

New Warrants Act
The spreading of the strike in Tennessee is followed by an immediate increase in the terror. Warrants are out for National Miners Union members and the miners have voted to send a picket line of 500 around the Balkan mine in Bell County to answer the threats of the operators who say that anyone trying to picket the mine will be shot. A mass picketing march will also be thrown around the Big Fork Mine in Bell County on Tuesday. The Section Strike conference which was held in Gatlinf, Tennessee, yesterday, is similar to the conferences to be held in Wallins Creek and Middleboro over the week end. Two workers in the Middleboro overall factory reported at the National Miners' Union meeting in Middleboro that they witnessed the kidnapping of Weber and Duncan. A discussion in the Pineville high school of "the red menace" led to a passionate defense of Communism by a miner's daughter who now faces dismissal. Dean of the Branch Coal Co. plans to evict 2 striking miners and their families today in Grassy Creek Bell County, where the mines are shut down tight. Miners say they will refuse to be evicted.

Raid Soup Kitchens
The Harlan soup kitchen is raided almost daily for Daily Workers. The constable in Gatlinf resigned to join the National Miners' Union. Harlan miners report that their letters to the Daily Worker are being stolen by the deputies. The Creech Mines in Wallins Creek filed a petition of bankruptcy. Creech is among the most vicious of the operators. He supplied three girls with money and clothes to spy on the miners. The operators are charging that the "reds" drove the Bell County National Bank into bankruptcy. A miner's wife marched on the Glendon picket line against her own husband and said she would leave him if he continued scabbing. His mother joined his wife and the miner is now striking.

A big mass meeting of the Workers' International Relief is to take place in Knoxville tonight. A miners' orchestra will play. A meeting of all the relief committees will take place on Saturday to reorganize the relief on the basis of soup kitchens wherever possible.

WORKERS FORCE CITY COUNCIL TO SEND PROTEST TO ALABAMA GOV.

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The pressure was exerted by a demonstration of 1,500 Negro and white workers who marched through the streets with red torches on Jan. 19 to the City Hall, where the City Council was in session. The demonstrators elected a committee of three, George Kristalsky, Communist Party candidate for Mayor; Cass Bally, a Negro worker candidate of the Communist Party for Councilman, and Yaronski, Communist candidate for councilman. The Committee presented the following telegram to the Council demanding that the Council adopt it and send it to the governor of Alabama: "The City Council of Hamtramck, Michigan, Jan. 19, protests attempt to legally lynch nine innocent working-class Negro boys in Scottsboro, Alabama, on framed-up charge of 'rape.' We denounce effort of white ruling class of the South to legally lynch these boys. We demand the immediate and unconditional release of the nine Negro boys."

Kristalsky in presenting the telegram spoke on the Scottsboro case and denounced the discrimination against and segregation of Negro workers in the city of Hamtramck, exposing discrimination against Negro workers by the Hamtramck welfare department and demanded unconditional equal rights for Negro and foreign-born workers. All out to the Demonstration Feb. 4 at Grand Circus Park, Detroit, Michigan parade will start from Peep Hole 1 p. m. to Grand Circus Park.

Party Recruiting Drive

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SOME POLITICAL-ORGANIZATIONAL DIRECTIVES ON THE ISSUANCE OF SHOP PAPERS

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

THE role of shop papers in the development of shop work is assuming great importance. The 13th Plenum of our Party in taking up shop work emphasized the strategic role of shop papers.

In this statement we will not deal with the political significance of the shop papers, their contents, methods, etc. The statement is mainly for the purpose of clarifying some political-organizational problems that have arisen in connection with our shop paper work.

1. Every functioning shop nucleus is to issue a shop paper. Shop papers must appear regularly once a month. The organization and agitprop departments should be politically responsible for the regular appearance of shop papers.
2. Shop bulletins may be issued from time to time by street units or sections concentrating on a given shop. They are to be issued in connection with various political campaigns of the Party, at the time of a special campaign within the shop, etc. In contradistinction to shop bulletins, a shop paper must be considered as the regularly appearing organ of the Party within a shop, published regularly by a shop nucleus.
3. If in a given shop there is no shop nucleus but a broad functioning grievance shop committee or factory local union committee, a shop bulletin may be issued by one of the above-mentioned economic shop organizations. The T. U. U. L. union papers and Labor Unity are to base themselves more than at the present time on shops.

4. Shop bulletins that have been published regularly by street units or sections have undoubtedly created the basis for the establishment of shop nuclei. Steps therefore should be taken immediately for the establishment of a shop nucleus and the appearance of a shop paper as the organ of the newly-established shop nucleus.
5. The shop nucleus to be drawn in more actively into the political-organizational preparation of the shop papers. Each shop paper to have an editor who is a member of the shop nucleus. The bureau of the shop nucleus should also act as the editorial board. The shop papers must be discussed collectively by the shop nuclei. More initiative should be given to the shop nuclei in the issuing of the shop papers. At the same time the shop nuclei should receive technical assistance in the publication of their papers.
6. The SHOP PAPER EDITOR must receive more attention in the districts. The method established by the Central Office in reviewing shop papers should be followed up by the Districts.

Organization and Agitprop Departments, C.C.

The WAY HOUSE COMMITTEES WORK



By BURCK



Can It Be Possible?

But it must be, because the sailors say so themselves. They have been trying to get the Young Communist League in New York aware of the fact that New York is a seaport, that forty per cent of the seamen are young, native Americans under 25 years, prospective cannon fodder for the bosses, yet—strange as it may seem to the Y.C.L.—rather ready to heave to for the Y.C.L.

One of our more ancient mariners relates that he tried to convince the League D.O. of these pertinent facts, but was treated as if they and he were both impertinent. Then he says:

"One fine jolly young sailor boy tried since last March to join. He paid initiation fee twice, and finally I grabbed him and took him up to a Y.C.L. unit meeting and wished him on the Unit Organizer there, 142 E. 3rd Street. He attended one meeting but did not get his book. A couple of days later I tried to call attention of His Nib Organizer—but the answer and the look I got! Now the kid has shipped out, and I suppose he'll have to try all over again. Strange as it may seem to the Y.C.L., sailors, when they work, have to go to sea.

"One other kid joined, and attended one unit meeting—and that cooled him off. 'What's the good,' he said, 'when you are treated as an outsider.'

"But," and here the crocodile opened his jaws in deep astonishment, "there is one unit of the Y.C.L. that does things. And it's a mystery to me how they get away with it. That is the Red Hook Unit. They actually work on the waterfront and build the Marine Workers Industrial Union on ships! One young comrade carried out the decision of his unit (80 per cent of all activity to building the union) and lined up 26 members for it in about four months—and didn't get fired either. Indeed, he's still going strong.

"The whole unit is doing seamen's work; it has seamen in it—all wonders!"

It does seem incredible. We have been so used to bad work and no work at all, that it is a pleasurable shock to hear of that Y.C.L. Unit at Red Hook.

ON COORDINATING ORGANIZATION AND AGITPROP WORK

THE slowness with which the Party initiates various campaigns, the lack of continuity and systematic actions and the development and follow-up of the campaigns and daily activities are due, to an extent, to the absence of agitprop work in the preparation, carrying through and follow-up work. The lack of agitprop work is particularly noticeable in times of preparation for strike struggles, during these struggles and following them.

The lack of the development of agitprop work in connection with mass work tends to separate agitation and propaganda from organization and to separate organization from propaganda and agitation. The coordination of agitprop and organization activities must be based on the Leninist unification of politics and organization and not, as exists quite often, their mechanical separation.

The growing opportunities and tasks before the Party require a quick response and mobilization of the Party membership for the growing activities on many new fields. Political sensitivity and organizational mobility must therefore go hand-in-hand.

The political mobilization of the Party must be based on clarifying the nature, aims and methods in the daily activities and campaigns of the Party. The units, functionaries' conferences, must become the center for such political mobilization. Elementary theoretical propaganda training gives a broader perspective and deeper understanding for the daily mass activities. Such elementary training makes possible a better political understanding and quicker reaction to the tasks of the Party. The statement of the Org-Agitprop Departments, which was printed in the Daily Worker of Jan. 13, deals with this problem in detail.

Mass agitation and mass propaganda are essential to make clear to the masses the aim of the campaigns and the struggles that they are to participate in. Our mass agitation will help to develop enthusiasm, understanding and a faith among the masses for the campaigns and struggles that they are to be mobilized for by the Party. The bourgeoisie is releasing a flood of poisonous agitation in connection with the campaigns and struggles led by the Party. The propaganda of the bourgeoisie, its lies about the Party, must be answered and exposed. Mere denunciation will not be sufficient. Our agitation must be simple, factual and convincing.

We must therefore consider agitation and mass propaganda as indispensable weapons in the political mobilization of the masses for struggle.

Organizational Measures and Methods of Coordination

On the basis of the political mobilization of the Party, as well as on the basis of the political mobilization of the masses, the work of the organization and agitprop departments must be coordinated.

The general political line and directives laid down by the Central Polburo and District Buros for various phases of mass work and special campaigns, should be concretized by the Org and Agitprop Departments. The Org and Agitprop Departments then are to work out jointly the plans for the carrying out of the political directives laid down by the District Buros. An exchange of representatives should be established between the two departments.

The District Bureau to take up regularly various major phases of agitprop work. It must also assume the political responsibility for the functioning of the Agitprop Department.

One of the first conditions for the development of agitprop work is the establishment of functioning agitprop departments. All sections and units are to assign comrades for agitprop work. At the present time in practically all sections located outside the district headquarters, there are no functioning section and unit agitprop directors. The district must immediately take steps for the development of agitprop functionaries in their "out-of-town" sections.

In most of the leading districts, the overwhelming majority of the unit agitprop functionaries assumes special importance. Meetings on a section or city scale to be held with the functionaries to explain and train them in their tasks as agitprop directors. Such conferences, however, must not substitute for personal attention and guidance.

The present continuous change of agitprop directors and agitprop committees should be avoided. It is also necessary to strengthen the agitprop departments by adding to them politically experienced comrades.

Mass Agitation

The masses are today in a more receptive mood to listen to our agitation than ever before. We must therefore learn to SIMPLIFY and at the same time POLITICALLY enrich the CONTENT and introduce a VARIETY of form in our agitation and agitational material.

As a result of the continuously deepening crisis, the faith of the masses in the capitalist is steadily on the wane. The ruling class is increasing its agitation, giving its class explanations of the crisis, creating illusions of a return of prosperity, covering up and distorting the growing misery and murderous exploitation of the starving millions. The bourgeoisie is particularly directing its agitational fire against the waning faith of the masses in the capitalist system and against their growing sympathies to the Soviet Union.

The agitation of the bourgeoisie for imperialist war, particularly against the Soviet Union, is on the increase. Here both its pacifist and jingoist propaganda blend.

As against the capitalist war out of the crisis, our agitation and mass propaganda must show the REVOLUTIONARY WAY OUT OF THE CRISIS. This must be based on popularizing the lessons of CONCRETE STRUGGLES, by exposing the poverty and misery of the masses, by contrasting the TWO WORLD SYSTEMS—DECAYING CAPITALISM AND THE SOVIET UNION.

BUILDING TRADES WORKERS



ments and statements of the various capitalist politicians must be exposed.

The political role of the Party as the leader of the revolutionary struggles of the workers must be made clear in our agitation and propaganda for the revolutionary way out of the crisis. The wrong ideas and lying conceptions cultivated by the bourgeoisie regarding our Party must be convincingly exposed. Every phase of our agitation and propaganda must serve to free the masses from the influence of bourgeois ideology and to deepen and extend their waning faith in capitalism.

The Daily Worker, agitational and propaganda literature, must be developed as the most basic forms of our agitation and propaganda.

Organizational and Agitation Propaganda Dept. Central Committee.

By RALPH SIMONS.

(This is the final article of three on this subject, pointing out the importance of the marine industry, the way to overcome the weaknesses in the Marine Workers' Industrial Union, and the need for our Party to correct its lack of attention to the waterfront.—Editor.)

THE work of the Marine Workers' Industrial Union was based on a normal functioning lower organization on the ships and docks, and also in the International clubs, on a broad mass ship delegate system with active participation in the everyday struggles, if in the union there would be more trade union democracy and if the work would be planned and systematically organized, it would be possible, firstly, to educate and bring out new cadres which is very important for the further growth of the union, carry on more energetic and mass struggles and make a break with this inactivity and weakness.

It would be possible on the basis of concrete economic demands for improvement of conditions on the basis of the united front to draw in broad masses of marine workers and longshoremen. It would be possible to successfully unite the struggle for bettering of conditions of the employed with the struggles of the unemployed for concrete immediate help, for unemployment insurance, against using of gangsters by the bosses, and reactionary unions, against injunctions, police terror and deportation of foreign born militant workers.

In this way we would be able to draw in new and broad masses of workers into our union. It would be possible to draw in longshoremen who stand aside of the union. We would be able to get the sympathy of the most exploited groups of workers in the marine transport, the Negroes. It would be possible to organize the broad mass of unorganized marine workers and longshoremen. It would be possible to also build up a strong financial basis.

Work Theories Obstruct Work.

The question of finances becomes very serious. The financial situation in the union is very critical. If the present situation remains, it will bring demoralization of our functionaries and destroy the work. The financial difficulties now become an obstacle in the way of strengthening of the work and all energetic efforts must be made immediately to overcome this. But first of all we should overcome such theories as that the marine worker is different from the worker in other industries, will never pay their dues regularly, that the character of the marine workers is to neglect to fulfill their financial duties to the union, that it is hopeless to try to build up a finance committee directly from the marine workers and build up an independent financial basis.

The orientation of getting financial help from broader revolutionary trade unions and skepticism to various methods for the purpose of getting finances with their own forces, must be overcome. To build up the lower organs of the union, bring in mass activity, develop economic struggles, build up a collective leadership, system and plan means to build up a basis for strengthening the finances of the union.

We must stress the fact that in the work of the Industrial Union there is very little attention being paid to the work in the reactionary unions. This is a big underestimation. There exists in the union an underestimation of the forces and influence of the company unions. There is an absence of understanding in the necessity of developing systematic work in these unions and of building up in them revolutionary oppositions.

More Wrong Theories.

We often hear such arguments as that these unions are very weak and do not play a role, that first of all we must build up the Industrial Union. There are ideas that the work of winning of the members of reformist unions is impossible because there is no elementary trade union democracy, because they do not call membership meetings of the union.

Instead of mobilizing the forces to penetrate into these unions, carry on systematic work among the members, mobilize the workers to fight for the calling of regular membership meetings, for elementary rights of the members, for trade union democracy, instead of carrying this work on directly among the members of these unions, concentrating mainly and direct-

ly on the ships and docks, our comrades are hopelessly resigned.

It is true that numerically the opponent unions are not big and are weak. Against the Marine Workers' Industrial Union there are the International Longshoremen's Association with 34,000 members, the International Seamen's Association with 2,500 members, the I. W. W. with 300 members, and last of all the Associated Marine Workers' Union with 6,000 members. But all these so-called unions, due to their class collaboration policy, with the help of the employers and with the help of the government, will still play an important role in breaking strikes and selling out the workers. The field for organizing strong groups of revolutionary opposition in these unions is very favorable because of the great discontent of the workers who are members of these reactionary unions due to the strikebreaking role which the reactionary leaders of these unions play. But the fact is that no work is also being carried on inside the religious and charity organizations such as the Seamen's Friend, the Seamen's Bethel, Salvation Army, YMCA, the Seamen's Church Institute, etc.

The Party Must Be Criticized.

The work of the fraction is very weak. Until recent times the marine workers did not feel the guidance of the Party committees. Not only in such places like Philadelphia and Boston, but also in New York they did not feel the guidance and help of the Party organizations. No help was given also by the Central Committee of the Party. The Central Committee did not mobilize the Party for the work on the waterfront, did not give concrete guidance to the District Party committees in this direction.

Not long ago for the first time the Political Bureau handled and discussed the question of the importance of the work on the waterfront in connection with the war danger. But the decisions of the Political Bureau are not yet carried through by the Party and the respective Party organizations are not mobilized for the work on the waterfront. They do not make any efforts to get nearer to the waterfront. The Party and the trade union press did not handle the questions of the work on the waterfront.

The Party is not brought forth on the waterfront before the marine and longshoremen masses. They do not hear the voice of the Party. There exists very many concrete facts which manifest the impossible neglect of this work. Amongst the seamen, we trace syndicalist tendencies, these tendencies should be energetically combated and must be overcome. The Central Committee, therefore, must not only give more attention, but check up the carrying out of its decisions. We should not forget at the same time that if we do not give the necessary attention to the waterfront, the Lovestones are making energetic efforts to get connections and find a basis on the waterfront.

We emphasized so sharply the weaknesses and shortcomings, not because there are no positive gains in the union, and not because the condition is so deplorable, but because we are positive that by sharply self-criticizing our weaknesses and shortcomings and drawing the attention of the Party and revolutionary trade unions in the United States and securing their very serious attention and help, it will be possible with the help of the Party and unions in an organized manner to more quickly overcome these weaknesses and shortcomings and create a field for the quicker growth of our union.

No, we are not afraid of self criticism. We are not afraid to openly bring out our failures, mistakes, weaknesses and shortcomings. That is our method of overcoming the weaknesses in our work of mobilizing the masses for this purpose. This open, uncovered self-criticism for us is a guaranty for the success and further development of the work ahead of us.

What must we do as a whole to overcome these weaknesses and shortcomings and guarantee further political and organizational strengthening?

What Must Be Done.

First of all the Party and T. U. U. L. must turn their face and get politically and organizationally nearer to the waterfront. Good functioning fractions must be built up in the union and guidance given by the district Party committees. We also must strengthen the Party work on the waterfront, and at the same time,

combat the syndicalist and opportunist tendencies amongst the seamen.

The Industrial Union must intensively go over from propaganda and agitation to action, prepare and carry through on the basis of independent leadership the economic struggles, on the basis of the united front tactic, overcome the tendency to divide strikes into "ours" and "theirs," uniting them with the struggle for unemployment insurance and immediate relief, gradually carrying it to a more highly political level. We must carry through more systematic work in the reformist and company unions and build revolutionary opposition groups there.

This work must be taken care of immediately. For this purpose a special plan must be worked out with concrete tasks. These tasks must be given the greatest attention by the union. We must concentrate in the coming period the work of the union first of all mainly in New York (Atlantic coast district), New Orleans (Gulf Coast), and San Francisco (Pacific coast). The union must turn its face to the ships and docks and must carry over the center of gravity of the everyday work of the union onto the ships and docks. We must see that the trade union groups (ship branches or groups) begin to function regularly. We must instruct the ship groups and ship delegates constantly in their work. We must work out concrete instructions for the work of the ship branches. We must better the work in the International clubs.

Very serious attention must be given to the drawing in of American elements, organize a collective leadership (dock bureau), organize a broad "active," draw into the clubs not only members of the Industrial Union, but also marine workers and longshoremen who are members of the reformist and company unions and unorganized. The activities of the union must be planned and carried out systematically.

Recruit Members!

A broad recruiting campaign should be started, opening it with a two weeks' mass campaign. It is imperative to open wide the doors, particularly for the longshoremen, organizing a special section in the union for the longshoremen. In this broad campaign, special attention should be given to drawing in masses of Negro workers into the union.

In all the organizations from top to bottom, also in the International clubs, special departments for the work among the Negroes should be organized, to more energetically draw them into leading posts of the unions and the clubs.

The "Marine Workers Voice" must be turned into a mass militant organ, must organize a broad net of worker correspondence directly from the ships and docks, organize periodical conferences with the correspondents and readers, start a broad campaign for subscribers and readers, increase the circulation in the coming months to 15,000. Alongside with this we must start systematic cultural and educational work by organizing with the help of the Cultural Federation lectures, reports, concerts, etc. For the purpose of developing new cadres of leaders we must organize short courses on trade union problems.

In order to improve the financial situation of our union, we should find out those who do not pay their dues regularly and carry on a campaign for regular payment of dues. Organize affairs, create finance committees in all organizations, organize auditing committees and have periodical finance auditing, limit the expenses of the union, work out a budget and see that the expenditures are carried on within the budget, take some steps in order to build a strike fund.

All these tasks can be carried through when the Party and T. U. U. L. will give help and guidance to the Marine Workers' Industrial Union and really turn their faces to the waterfront.

In May, 1932, there will be held in Hamburg (Germany), the first International Congress of marine workers, longshoremen, rivermen and fishermen. If instead of the old methods of slow tempo, we will bring in new contents and new methods of mass work, collective leadership, system, plans and mass activity of the membership, the Industrial Union will be able to participate in the International Congress as an important link in the International army of militant fighters on the transport field and bring to the Congress its share of militant experience in the work.

Recipe For Losing Members

The marine industry is, we have heard, a "concentration" point. To build the Party, of course; for without the Party nothing is done.

In spite of all handicaps, chiefly a strange paralysis in the "concentrators," some forty marine workers have been initiated by the hard work of the active seamen in New York. But now we hear that, when these seamen are assigned to units, and shake up the dead routine and petty boredom of endless rag-chewing with proletarian initiative, a cry goes up from the units: "Don't send us any more seamen!"

The skeleton hates to be rattled. And, according to one sea-dog, when he said "damn" at a meeting, the rest of the evening was taken up discussing his "impermissible language." The revolution is like that, comrades. It may use bad language. But if we want a revolution we have to take the workers as they are. In fact if we can get more seamen, we prefer them, cuss words and all, to graduates from the Dorothy Dix school of etiquette.

Even the most hardened stickler for politeness has to recognize this upon occasion. And one of the occasions, some time back, was when at the Steuben Casino, in New York, the comrade in charge, wishing an unwelcome group ejected, called on a bunch of seamen to do the job, though what, by some mysterious mistake is known as the "Red Front Fighters" had a large group present in this place, which is their customary hangout. "The Red Front Fighters need a defense corps," was the comment of a job delegate of the Marine Workers Industrial Union.

Then, late in December, the W.I.R. presented a movie of the National Hunger March. And Port Organizer Koster of the Marine Union, who is—no, was—the head of the Seamen's Unemployed Council (it has perished by the way-side for some queer reason) wrote us:

"Comrade M. of the Party, the Marine Union and the Seamen's Unemployed Council, decided to see this picture if it cost him his last dime for carfare. But because as an unemployed sailor he could not pay 35 cents entrance fee, our dear comrades of the W.I.R. threw him out. Of course this had to happen to a new Party member in the membership drive."

This was the fault, we learned after inquiry, of the local head of the W.I.R. And the sailor comrade was not the only one. A number of unemployed were kept out by this same raw deal, which is not the first example of bureaucracy in which this W.I.R. functionary has starred. But if all these things are allowed to continue, we have a fine recipe for losing members as fast as they are recruited. In fact, we understand, that is just about what is happening.

Extra edition!—An earthquake? A revolution? Something happened! After we wrote the above, the New York District told us the glad tidings that the Party is opening a regular sure-enough headquarters on the waterfront—at last—and wants all New Yorkers who have books and pamphlets, to spare, to help along by leaving said books at the District office for the seamen who will pass their time ashore at the Party headquarters. We think that's a good idea, too!

The Month's Leading Cynicism: In view of the fact that one of the most barbarous of "Red Squad" clubbers and tear-gas bombers of workers in this country is known in Los Angeles as "Hynes," we feel we make no error in quoting the following from the New Year's Edition of the Los Angeles "Daily News": "William F. Hynes, Acting Captain of Detectives, L. A. Police Department, Extends Season's Greetings. Let Us Resolve to Be More Considerate to Those Less Fortunate than Ourselves."

Prize Lie of the Week: "So far as we know the economic depression hasn't caused a single death by starvation in these United States and there is no likelihood anyone will be permitted to suffer hunger."—From the N. Y. "Mirror" editorial column, Saturday, Jan. 16.

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