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Dallas Organizers Are Tortured

POLICE SMASH COMMUNIST PARTY ELECTION RALLY

Arrest M. Coads, Negro Candidate, Trial Thursday

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn.— Mack Coad, Negro worker and Communist candidate for Judge in the Chattanooga municipal elections, and Dave Doran, Communist Party Organizer, were arrested Monday night when they protested against a police attack on a Communist election rally at the Union Hall, 216 1/2 West Main street. Coads and Doran are held incommunicado in the City Hall and so far police have refused to allow bail to be posted for their release. They are charged with the usual frame-up charges of "vagrancy and loitering." They are also "held for investigation." Mary Dalton, Harry Gordon, and Elizabeth Lawson, leaders of the unemployed workers who were arrested when the link up with Chattanooga police attacked the Feb 15th demonstration of 2,000 jobless workers with drawn guns, are also in jail facing similar charges.

Try Feb. 16 Leader Thursday. Mary Dalton, H. Gordon and Elizabeth Lawson, come up for trial in Judge Lusk's Court in the County (Continued on Page 2)

Striker Framed By U.T.W. Leader

DANVILLE, Va.— Harold Sidmore, a militant worker of Danville, was released from jail here on March 16, when the Court of Appeals was forced to reverse the decision of the Police Court, where Sidmore had been sentenced to 30 days in jail and a \$25 fine on January 28th for strike activity. Sidmore was railroaded to jail by the German gang of traitors because of his militancy in support of the strikers.

A rat by the name of Dock Patterson, who is a member of the U. T. W. and one of German's pets, played the role of police spy and testified in court that Sidmore had stated that the only way he would go into the mills during the strike was with dynamite to blow them up. Of course, Sidmore made no such statement. But this good member of the U. T. W. U. got on the witness stand and swore that Sidmore had threatened to blow up the mills, which is a dirty lie-farred lie, which old Patterson will have to answer to the workers here.

The above only shows how some of these dirty rats in the United Textile Workers fake union will do anything a worker who wants to fight for better conditions. They are the true agents of the bosses, always ready to send a worker to jail if it will help the bosses break a strike. We Danville workers who have been sold out know their dirty game now. We will be fighting soon again, but this time under the banner of a union which fights the bosses and not the workers — the National Textile Workers Union.

Jail Red Union Leaders In New Orleans Strike

NEW ORLEANS, La.—H. Hyman, National of the Marine Workers Industrial Union, H. Harvey, National Organizer for the Union, and George Mitchell, a printer, were arrested here March 15th, and are held for Federal authorities.

Bill has been denied the organizers and not even a lawyer has been allowed to see them. It is expected they will be charged with calling on the 5,000 longshoremen now on strike here to violate the Federal injunction against picketing and tie up the dock for a winning strike.

A. F. of L. Demands Arrest

Hyman and Harvey were arrested at the demand of that union leading scoundrel, Holt Ross, head of the Mississippi State Federation of Labor, now in New Orleans as Special Representative of the A. F. of L. to do his bit to sell out the strike. The scab herder Ross, in a signed article in the New Orleans Federationist last week, called for the arrest of the revolutionary union organizers in the following words:

"A great amount of literature has been circulated by the Communists who advocate that the strikers act in the following way: (Continued on Page 4)

Wood Workers Strike In Knoxville Plant

KNOXVILLE, Tenn.— Seventy workers in the cabinet department of the Tennessee Table Company here, walked out on strike Friday in answer to wage cuts of from 21 to 27 cents an hour. All but two workers in the department joined the strike the first day.

The striking workers must begin mass picketing immediately and sell on the roof of the workers in other departments of the plant to make it a general walkout and tie up the plant completely.

Smash Bosses Terror March 28th.

Two of our comrades, Lewis Harris and Charles Coder, have been found tortured and almost killed for leading the struggle of the unemployed workers of Dallas for bread. This is the vengeance taken by the boss class here their hired gunmen against workers of the South for fighting against starvation.

Lynch Terror against the workers and poor farmers grows. In the Black Belt of Southern Alabama armed lynch mobs of white plantation owners smash the wishes of the Negro croppers for revolutionary literature and threaten the cropper with death who dares to read the Southern Worker. And while our comrades are beaten and tortured the boss class feverishly prepares new laws designed to terrorize the white and Negro workers into submitting quietly to starvation, and to outlaw any organization which unites the Negro and white workers and croppers for struggle against the boss shunger system.

WATCH HIM!



This is Holt Ross, headman for the A. F. of L. sell-out artists in the South. He is now in New Orleans, helping betray the strike of 5,000 white and Negro longshoremen.

T. U. U. L. Warns Strikers of Coming Sell-Out

ATLANTA, Ga.—Two hundred workers from the Losh Overall Co. are still on strike. The officials of the corrupt United Garment Workers in charge of the strike are attempting to arrange for Mayor Key of Atlanta to act as arbitrator and thus pave the way for an early sell out. Scabs are going into the show daily while the union heads forbid mass picketing. The T. U. U. L., in a leaflet issued last week calls on the workers to take the strike in their own hands and conduct a real fight with every striker on the picket line.

Coder, Hurst Brutally Beaten By Lynchers

DALLAS, Texas.—Charles Coder and Lewis Hurst, leaders of the Dallas jobless, who were kidnaped by an armed gang aided by the Dallas police, on March 15th, have been found.

The two workers, after being beaten up in jail, were released into the arms of a lynch gang who drove them twenty miles into the country, stripped them of clothes, tortured them and beat them with doubled ropes until they fell unconscious. Coder was then thrown into a river with the expectation that he would drown.

The two workers, bloody and delirious, were found the next morning by Negro farmers and nursed back to life. They were delirious for days and only last Saturday managed to reach Kansas City to report the attack to their organizations, the Communist Party and the Trade Union Unity League. Coder and Hurst have announced that as soon as they are sufficiently recovered from the effects of the beating and torture they will return to Dallas to resume the work of organizing the white and Negro workers for struggle against starvation.

POLICE AID KIDNAPPERS

Facts now coming to light show conclusively that the Dallas police Department and the District Attorney's office gave direct aid to the attempted murder of our comrades. Late last week Edward Herr, a reporter for a Dallas paper, admitted that (Continued on Page 2)

10 CENTS AN HOUR RELIEF JOBS

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—On the Gate City highway job, supposed to be started to help the unemployed, the night watchmen are paid 18 cents an hour, skilled men, like bricklayers, only get 15 cents an hour on this rotten job. All this talk of helping the unemployed by starting public works is just another scheme to force the starving workers to work for nothing.

PROTEST DALLAS TERROR IN GAL.

GALVESTON, Texas.—The first working class meeting held in this open shop town in years took place here March 12th, when a large crowd of white and Negro workers gathered at the call of the Trade Union Unity League in front of the County Courthouse to protest the brutal torture of the Dallas leaders of the unemployed, Coder and Hurst. Other meetings to mobilize the workers against the growing wave of lynch terror are being arranged in Texas and throughout the South.

A committee of white and Negro workers which had been elected to represent the unemployed at two mass meetings called by the Greenville Unemployed Council, arrived at the City Hall at 3 o'clock to present the demands of the workers. No lights were on in the Council meeting room and the workers were informed that the council had not met and adjourned. Later three Councilmen were seen smoking around a corner.

Mass Meeting Called

The Committee will report the failure of the City Council to meet the unemployed workers at a mass meeting called for Monday, March 16th, at the Perry Avenue Show Grounds. The unemployed workers of Greenville, thousands of whom are starving, will take further steps at the mass meeting to force the City Government to meet their demands.

City Forced to Act

The Greenville Unemployed Council has already gotten results. The day after the first demonstration of 1,000 workers on March 2nd, the Chief of Police was forced to announce in the local press that workers looking for jobs would not be jailed as vagrants. Workers also report that the Red Cross, alarmed at the growing militancy of the workers, has increased the miserable ration they serve out to a few of the unemployed. Several hundred unemployed workers have jobs of the Unemployed Council in the last week and money are signing up daily.

4 Southern States Plan To Outlaw Communists

Four Southern states are now rushing thru new laws to smash the growing struggle of the starving workers and crumbers.

In Texas and North Carolina Criminal Syndicalist laws aimed at the Communist and revolutionary workers are now before the State Legislatures. The North Carolina law provides for 10 years in the pen for workers who fight the bosses hunger system. The Texas law carries a vote to fourteen years sentence.

In New Orleans the City Council is preparing to pass a new ordinance making it a crime to print revolutionary literature and for fighting working class organizations to even hold meetings.

In Alabama the State Legislature, not satisfied with the present Criminal Anarchy law, which provides for ten years in prison for militant workers and crumbers, is putting thru a new and more drastic law aimed directly at the Communist Party. At the same time the present Vagrancy law will be amended to include all Communists as vagrants liable to one year on the infamous chain gang. The big jailbirds in the Legislature are frantic at the growing strength of

the Communist Party in the Alabama Black Belt where the Negro crumbers are rallying around the Party in increasing numbers.

The workers must answer these laws with determined fights to retain what few "rights" they yet have and to smash thru this wall of anti-working class laws.

Jail Starving Marion Worker

MARION, N. C.—Garland Buckner, 19-year-old textile worker, was sentenced to one year on the chain gang here for taking a few pairs of shoes from a railroad box car.

Buckner was blacklisted together with his father and other members of his family since the strike at the Marion Manufacturing Company over a year ago. Last January David Buckner, 14-year-old brother of Garland, died as a result of being shot by a mob during the strike a year ago. Young Buckner received 43 buckshot thru his neck and shoulders when a mob tried to murder him. The mob went free of course. The United Textile Workers Union, hated by textile workers thruout the South for its record of betrayal, sold out the Marion strike.

The Marion Manufacturing Company again cut wages 10 per cent in February. The Marion textile workers are asking that an organizer of the fighting National Textile Workers Union, which recently won the strike of 12,000 workers in Lawrence, Kans., be sent in to help them organize and defeat the wage cut.

Coder, Hurst Brutally Beaten By Lynchers

(Continued from Front Page) he had been told by Norman Register, secretary to the Dallas District Attorney, that Coder and Hurst had been taken to the woods near Hutchins as divers beaten into unconsciousness and Coder thrown into a nearby river. It is clear that Register had advance information on the kidnapping and probably took part in it himself.

Further, the police, at the time the kidnapping took place, told the son of the attorney representing Coder and Hurst, who was kidnapped at the same time but released on the outskirts of town, that his "father would not be harmed," and "not to worry."

This proves without question that the police took part in the kidnapping and attempted murder and delivered the two organizers directly over to the gang of gunmen at the entrance to the jail.

The Dallas District Attorney, aided by Governor Sterling of Texas, is doing all possible to cover up the participation of the city government in the affair and to prevent a real investigation. The city authorities will undoubtedly protect the gunmen they aided and the lynchers will grin.

The Communist Party and the Trade Union Unity League, cooperating with all other fighting working-class organizations, are preparing for huge protest meetings in the South and thruout the country to protest this brutal attack on the working class and demand death to lynchers.

Jobless Worker Kills Himself

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn.—J. B. Conley, unemployed textile worker, killed himself here Friday night. Conley had been out of work for months and shot himself rather than see his family starve. Conley is added to the long list of workers who have been, in effect, murdered by the capitalist system which dooms them to slow starvation in the midst of plenty.

The Blacktown unit of the Communist Party has issued a leaflet on Conley's death, calling on the workers to organize in the Chattanooga Unemployed Council and fight against the conditions which caused him to kill himself.

Demand Death For Lynchers!

Hosiery Workers Dying From T.B. As Wages Are Slashed

Well, it looks like as poor hosiery workers will have to organize to get a stop to our wages being cut. I think we should be getting more all the time, rather than less.

We were told by the boss that, in order to work every day the company would have to cut our wages. The average wage for a week is only \$2.00 and now we are cut 10 and 20 on the down and we are docked for members. That means cash out of our checks and this wage cut will come out too. We won't have enough to pay bus fare and before long we will be working for a pair of socks a day.

Yes, times are getting better. Who for? The company. Fellow workers, our conditions are terrible. This is a T. B. plant, and you don't have to stay long to get it. The factory is not ventilated at all. The fuel and dirt just fly all over. Many are dying from working in here and one never sees a health doctor within a mile of the factory.

You don't have to ask me who is sick with the T. B. (tuberculosis) and who has died with it that has worked right in here. Just study for yourself and see.

New girls, we should get together and demand from the company what is due us. We need the National Textile Workers Union here and we should everyone join it. I am against the United Textile Workers, it is not a fighting union, but a sell-out union. I know, because I was a member of it.

—A Hard-Working Girl in the Hosiery Mill.

Organize Defense Corps! Fight Lynchers!

Government Cuts Navy Yard Wages

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—The Government Navy Yard here has announced that the wages of all skilled workers will be slashed this week. Officials of the Navy Yard told the workers to "take the cut or lose their jobs." In the past six months over 500 workers in the Navy Yard have been fired and thrown out on the streets to starve. President Hoover of the A. F. of L. prepared the way for these wage-cuts last year by his strike-breaking agreement with President Hoover that the A. F. of L. will not fight against wage-cuts during the depression.

No More Relief In Dallas, Texas

DALLAS, Texas.—The Dallas City Welfare Department will stop giving out relief to the starving workers this week. Mrs. Albert Walker, head of the department, announced Thursday. An average of 125 orders for groceries, worth \$3 each has been given out each day. An order is supposed to last a family two weeks. Now even this miserable amount is to be stopped. Coder and Hurst, organizers who led the fight of the Dallas unemployed for cash relief, were tortured and left unconscious by a armed mob of Dallas business men last week.

RED CROSS QUILTS RELIEF

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—Red Cross relief in the farming section of Alabama is to be cut off March 15th, according to an announcement here today.

Machine Guns For Cuban Workers

The murderous anti-labor government of President Machado in Cuba, which is owned body and soul by American bankers, has organized 20 squads of police, armed with machine guns, to patrol the streets of Havana to shoot down workers suspected of being Communists. The blood-thirsty Machado has murdered thousands of working-class fighters in the past several years and now with the organization of these new murder squads is out to beat his own bloody record.

The Communist Party is completely illegal but despite the terror the Party is growing and rallying new thousands of Cuban workers to the fight against Machado and American imperialism which keeps him in power. In Tampa, Florida, 15 Cuban cigar workers, former members of the revolutionary movement in Cuba, have just joined the Communist Party.

ARK. FARMERS CALL ON PARTY

OSCEOLA, Ark.—All Red Cross relief to the starving farmers of this section ended March 1st. Since this date suffering has increased tremendously and the crumbers are seeking aid in organizing for the Communist Party.

CHINESE REDS WIN VICTORY

Cables to the New York Times from Shanghai, China, show that the Communist-led Red Army of the Chinese workers and poor farmers has won another decisive victory, capturing thousands of machine guns and artillery and 20,000 rifles. Ten thousand soldiers of the counter-revolutionary government of Chiang Kai-Shek, who is supported by the biggest American bankers, mortised and went over to the Red Army.

The Soviet Government of the Chinese poor farmers and workers now controls a great territory with a population of over 40 millions. The Workers' and Farmers' Government has introduced the 8-hour day, raised the wages of the workers, confiscated the lands of the big land owners and turned it over to the poor farmers and established a whole series of laws to protect the workers and working farmers.

Arrest M. Coads, Negro Candidate

(Continued from Front Page) Court house on Thursday morning, March 19. The International Labor Defense, which is defending them, calls on workers to jam the court room at this trial to demand their immediate release.

The police raid on the election rally Monday night, was led by the "Red expert" of the Chattanooga police department, a cheap dick by the name of Neal Neal, together with his stoekick, the stool-pigeon and rat Cunningham who was expelled from the Unemployed Council for ratting, have shadowed active workers in the Unemployed Council and the Communist Party for weeks in an attempt to terrify them and prevent them from continuing the struggle.

The two workers arrested will probably be tried before the labor-hating Judge Fleming, who in previous trials has stated that he wished all revolutionary workers were "dead or in jail." Fleming, a part of the corrupt Boss gang, which control the City Hall, was opposed in the election by Mack Coads, one of the arrested workers. At numerous meetings at which Coads and Fleming spoke from the same platform, Comrade Coads exposed this corrupt politician for what he is—an enemy of every worker in Chattanooga who lives nothing better than to send Negro and white workers to the chain gang for long terms for the "crime" of not having jobs.

It is significant that this latest attack on the workers of Chattanooga and their organizations came the night before election. The election campaign of the Communist candidates Ludford for Mayor, Coads for Judge, and Cassidy for City Commissioner, has aroused the bosses and their tools in the City Hall to fury. They have done everything possible to cripple the campaign of the working class candidates but without success. The Communist candidates alone have dealt with the real issues in the campaign, such as unemployment and the

WORKERS MAY FORCE STRIKE

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—The Phillips-Lester Company here, makers of overalls, have announced a 25 percent wage cut for all workers in their plant. Workers in this shop are organized in the sell-out United Garment Workers' Union. Victor Altman, International Representative of the fake union, is now in Birmingham preparing to sell the workers out and prevent a strike if possible. In Atlanta 200 workers in the Marcus Lock Overall Company are now on strike against a similar cut. The union leaders did everything possible there to stop the strike, but the workers forced them to call it.

The Trade Union Unity League calls on the overall makers to take the situation into their own hands, elect a rank and file strike committee and prepare to fight against the wage cut. It points to the record of sell-outs by the A. F. of L., to which the United Garment Workers Union is affiliated, in the South and warns the workers to be on their guard to defeat attempts by the union leadership to prevent a strike and if one takes place, to sell it out.

Prisoners to Take Workers' Jobs

AUSTIN, Texas.—A bill providing for use of prisoners from the states on the state highways has been introduced in the Texas State Legislature.

This is the kind of unemployment relief they give down in Texas where they attempt to murder working class organizers for leading the fight of the unemployed. They take work from those who are starving for want of it and have it done by prisoners under the lash of brutal guards.

T. C. I. Fires 200

BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—Two hundred men were cut off in the Hooley rail mill of the T. C. I. Co. two weeks ago. The remaining workers are pulling out as much work as before the lay-off.

The Metal Workers Industrial League which has a number of members in the mill, put out a leaflet this week exposing the vicious speed-up and the drive-driving tactics of "One-Eye" Ledbetter, the super.

Failure of the City to provide decent relief, the increasing police terror against the workers, the roadblocking of the unemployed to the chain gang in horrendous numbers.

As the Southern Worker goes to press the Communist Party announces that a protest meeting will be held at an early date to demand the unconditional release of the 5 workers now behind the bars in Chattanooga and to protest the brutal attempted murder of Coder and Hurst in Dallas. Workers are called to beat back this latest attack on their organization by intensifying the fight for cash relief for the unemployed and for free speech for the working class.

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FROM THE MILLS, MINES AND THE FARMS

FARMERS RALLY TO ORGANIZE FOR RELIEF

By a Farmer Correspondent
Silver Creek, Ga.

I received your letter a few days ago and got the papers and books. I sure did enjoy reading them. I just think they are the very thing, and a good many more of my friends think just like me. They are ready to take sides with you in this matter, as they are in the same shape as myself.

Mr. H. told me to write a few words for him. He said he was ready to do anything that would help us, and several others said were about to write you. Everyone that knows about your letter steps here, as they say it is a good thing, as we need help.

—A Farmer.

Note: This letter was sent to the Communist Party organizing after we had written a letter to this farmer outlining plans to fight for real relief. Organizational steps have already been taken in this community.

By a Farmer Correspondent
Cedarhurst, Ga.

I am an unemployed man and have a family that is starving. Please give me advice on how to organize and start the fight against starvation.

By a Farmer Correspondent
Harpersville, Ala.

Please send full information and advice on how to start the fight against starvation.

By a Farmer Correspondent
Round Mountain, Ala.

I haven't a penny since the first of last year. I have been working some this year, but have taken it out in groceries and we have eaten corn bread and peas most of the time.

I have tried to get subscribers for the Daily Worker, and Southern Worker, but the working people are all broke. I hear they were holding meetings in Gadsden, Ala. I hope they get a good opinion there. I sure would like to go to a meeting and get lots more to go.

I'll try to get a bunch together for a meeting here, to get people more interested in the movement. We are mighty close to the breaking point.

Rabbits are scarce around here and they call them Hoover Hogs.

By a Farmer Correspondent
Silver Creek, Ga.

I am writing you for full information which your papers tell how to fight starvation. There are hundreds of people starving here in our part of the country.

Write at once and tell us how to get something to eat before we get so weak that we can't do anything.

Prepare Now For March 28th!

100 Votes Gained Thru Spreading of Literature

By a Worker Correspondent
St. Cloud, Minn.

By sending numerous farmers and workers in this section copies of Bishop Brown's enlightening books and literature issued by the Communist Party we have succeeded in getting 100 votes for the Communist Party in the last election.

Try out this plan in your county. Write Comrade Bishop Brown at Grinn, Ohio, and he will send free literature to you or your friends. We would urge all workers to do the work with the SOUTHERN WORKER and the Daily Worker.

—A Worker.



Photo here shows the huge Glantoff Rayon Mill in Elizabethton, Tenn. Workers in this mill struck five times in the last three years. The mis-lenders of the United Textile Workers Union sold them out twice. Now they are organizing in the fighting National Textile Workers Union. Correspondence from workers in this mill appears on this page.

Eliz. Scab Herder Put In Charge of Relief

By a Worker Correspondent
Elizabethton, Tenn.

Since I wrote to the SOUTHERN WORKER last a good deal has happened. The Red Cross came in with a story of how they were going to take care of the poor and needy for the balance of the winter months. They appointed dispensaries in each locality.

In Valley Forge they appointed a man, M. Chambers, who did not discriminate between the blacklisted workers and others.

In our community we have a shuck called W. C. Williams, who everybody calls Bill, and the name fits him fairly well, for he has his bill in everything. He was a scab herder in the great strike and a friend of the noted yellow-striped attorney-general, Benn Allen, who is a vicious labor killer.

He would never do to let Mr. Chambers handle the Red Cross money, since, if he did, the workers who were blacklisted by Benn Allen and his gang might get something to eat. So they made a re-appointment and appointed this notorious scab herder and crook, W. C. Williams, to see after it.

You can bet your life no worker who was in the strike or a sympathizer, will get a red cent. This activity of Mr. Williams is making Reds all over this district, and we consider a new Red worth much more than the starvation relief of the Red Cross.

We want the workers to know about this damned rascal at Valley Forge and that we are organizing strong forces against him and the rayon mill's low down tactics.

On Sunday morning we saw him in the church house with a face as long as a rare horse telling others how to be good Christians. The shark is a good place for such scoundrels to thrive in, as it needs hypocritical, shoving bounds like him.

Work Ten Hours For \$1.00 Relief

GALVESTON, TEXAS.—The local Rotary Club, an organization of business men, has been planting trees along the highway with the announced purpose of giving work to the unemployed. The few unemployed who get this work are paid the miserably small wage of \$1 per day. This is the "help" the local business men give to the unemployed—ten hours work at \$1 a day. To hell with this "dirty scheme to cut wages under the guise of "charity!" The unemployed workers of Galveston should tell these rotten fakirs to plant their own trees, and then their Unemployed Council, force the City government to come across with some real relief.

By a Worker Correspondent
Elizabethton, Tenn.

I am a reader of the SOUTHERN WORKER and I like it. I was black-listed during the strike and have been out of work for over a year now. I am a union man from the end of my nose to the top of my hair and not the same kind of a union man I was in 1928-1929. I am a Red Union man.

I live three miles out of Elizabethton on a farm. A bust a month ago the Red Cross came to our district, but they put a scab herder in charge of the relief blanks and blacklisted workers can't get a thing. Also if you

Elizabethton Striker Raps U. T. W.

By a Worker Correspondent
Elizabethton, Tenn.

Want to keep the job you have you must trade in this man's store and use his legs but to ride to work in, or else you get fired.

I am a member of the Communist Party and I am glad of it. I think the next strike that happens here will be a real one and not a sellout like the other ones were, that was led by the United Textile Workers.

I read the SOUTHERN WORKER every week and lots more around here do and they all like the paper fine. I think many will join the Communist Party.

A Blacklisted Worker.

Stretch-out and Cuts For Ky. Mill Workers

By a Worker Correspondent
Kamapolis, Ky.

A few days past the weavers in one mill were given an additional six looms, making a set of thirty. Also a reduction of 15c per day in pay.

We have no workers organization here, but our growers and merchants are organized.

The General Manager of the mills a few months ago gave \$2000 for an organ for one of his hypocritical organizations, but he will not do anything for the unemployed here in town, or give his workers a decent living wage.

My fellow workers, there is only one remedy, and that is thru the Communist Party.

—A Textile Worker.

CITY FARM IN HOUSTON, TRAP AFTER 25% CUT

By a Worker Correspondent
Houston, Texas.
By Al Melville

Who are we, the workers, going to wipe up and do away with, these prison farms. Think of the 11 Negro workers that were burnt like cord-wood in Kennesawville, N. C., chained to their benches in a corrugated iron and wood building.

We have a City Farm in Houston, about ten miles outside of the city limits. Once this past hole takes fire, the men will not have the slightest chance of being saved.

The Pen Farm in Houston is a building with two rows of cells and a corridor in the middle. On one side are the whites and on the other side the colored prisoners. The corridor is about 14 feet across.

Separating the corridor there are pipes about 2 inches in dia., 2 inches apart. When prisoners enter this past hole they slip through a small door about 6 feet, 6 inches high and about 2 feet, 5 inches wide. Only one prisoner at a time can go through there doors. The windows are wreathed with heavy wire and barred with heavy strap iron, and bolted on the outside.

The night guard is a stool about 45 years old and as deaf as a bat. If there was a fire and the men screamed for help he wouldn't know the difference. The captain of the prison has a separate home away from the prison house, so he would be of little help.

The farm is greatly overcrowded, because the buses have been jailing unemployed workers.

Fight for the destruction of the traps like these.

Women's Home Work Pays Only 4c an Hour

By a Worker Correspondent
San Antonio, Tex.

The Juvenile Manufacturing Co., on Santa Rosa street, manufactures dresses. About 500 women slave for them.

A lot of the women take the dresses home to work on. One of the women told me she slaves from early daylight 'till ten at night, that she makes from \$4.50 to \$5 per week, or less than 4c an hour for actual time worked.

We must organize to throw off such slavery as this.

—A Worker.

Protest Terror On March 28th!

1-YEAR SUB. FOR BEST A.F. OF L. SELL-OUT STORY

By a Worker Correspondent
Danville, Va.

The dirty Gorman gang have framed up Harold Sidmore on a false charge that Sidmore was supposed to have said he would blow up the mills. Of course, this is a clear case of a frame-up with the A. F. of L. and the police working hand in hand. Sidmore was given \$25.00 fine and 30 days in jail. The Circuit Court finally threw the case out of court for lack of evidence after he had been in jail for 28 days.

The town jailer here gets 65 cents a day for feeding each prisoner and the cost to him is about 10 cents a day. He gets \$1.50 for every prisoner that he locks up.

Most of the workers here are very anxious to have a real fighting union. Now that the workers are fully convinced that they have been double crossed by the Gorman-Green gang, they are sending in their applications to a real union, the National Textile Workers Union. I don't believe it would be healthy for these "seven to ten dollars a day and expenses" men to come back to this town.

The workers of Danville and Schoolfield have learned their lesson and will not be duped again by white collar men. But the next strike will be pulled by a fighting union, and by gun, the next strike will be won by the workers. For every man, woman and even the children will be on the picket line, and I jolly the first scab that starts in a mill gate. He sure will be out of luck.

The Chief of Police won't like it so much either. He won't come into the "fighting unions" secret meetings and tell the boys that he is with them, for the law is never with the workers.

I will pay for ONE YEAR'S SUBSCRIPTION to the SOUTHERN WORKER for any worker who writes the best story on a recent sell-out by the rotten A. F. of L. leadership. All stories should be sent to the SOUTHERN WORKER as the Editor will be the judge of which is the best.

—A Danville Worker.

Note: The Editor asks that workers sending in stories should not make them more than two written pages, in order that we can publish all the stories. Send in stories as soon as possible, as the contest starts now.

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No Clothes—So Children of Ky. Miner Stay Home

By a Worker Correspondent
Thornton, Ky.

I have stood about all the punishment I can. As I have worked, and logged for better conditions, they have made my conditions worse in every respect.

I have been forced to take my girl out of high school because I wasn't able to pay \$3.25 a month railroad fare. Our clothes are getting low and on top of that they have cut our wages again. The rest of my children are in need of clothes and they say I am forced to send them to free school.

How can I send them to school when they are all barefooted and have no sufficient clothes? They say the sheriff is going to be putting me in jail if I don't send them.

—A Coal Miner.

