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## Fourteen Years of Soviet Power

### ORGANIZE FOR NATIONAL HUNGER MARCH ON WASHINGTON.

#### WAGE INCREASE IN WAGES IN SOVIET UNION

At a time when wage cuts sweep the United States and the coming of the third winter of the crisis dooms countless thousands to death from starvation; at a time when workers employed in industry are unable to obtain wages sufficient to feed and shelter their families, the workers of the Soviet Union receive a wage increase.

The increase comes in the form of a reduction in prices of necessities of life by 30 percent throughout the Soviet Union. That means the wages workers can buy almost one-third more than before. In other words an increase in real wages if nearly one-third.

This is made possible because four years ago today the masses of Russia overthrew the government of the capitalists and established a government of workers and peasants and because today these workers that have done away with capitalist rule are building socialism. The Communist Party of the Soviet Union leads the victorious construction of socialism; the Communist Party of the United States is mobilizing the masses here to smash capitalism and establish a workers and farmers government. That is why every worker should fight under the revolutionary banner of the Communist Party.

#### Other Nations Default, Soviet Union Pays Debt

NEW YORK CITY.—Fears of the bankers that the Soviet Union would make a demand for a moratorium on the debts for American industrial machinery which was used as part of the gigantic Five Year Plan have proved unfounded. The Soviet government has paid, while the countries of the capitalist world are all howling for a debt holiday.

Six million dollars was deposited by representatives of the Soviet Union in the Chase National Bank and used on November 1st to meet the payment due, mostly on agricultural machinery.

#### Recognition Would Aid Industry

The Soviet Union purchases tens of millions of dollars worth of goods from the United States, in spite of the fact that the Hoover government tries to put every obstacle in the way of such trade. If the government at Washington would establish relations with the Soviet Union through recognition, the Soviet orders would increase many more tens of millions, thereby giving work to tens of thousands of workers who are now unemployed.

Workers everywhere should fight for recognition by the United States government of the government of the Soviet Union.



Troops drawn up before Lenin's tomb in Moscow.

Modern apartments in Moscow.

Joseph Stalin

Fourteen years ago today the Bolshevik (Communist) Party of Russia, under the leadership of Vladimir Ilyitch Lenin, led the masses of workers and soldiers to victory over the capitalist government under Kerensky. On that date was initiated the first stage of the socialist world revolution.

Today the victorious workers and peasants of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics marches forward to other victories under the banner of Leninism. In the world of victorious revolution, in the Soviet Union, today the masses are celebrating the decisive victories of the third year of the Five Year Plan of socialist construction. New giants of industry spring up at an unprecedented rate. Nowhere in all the history of the world has there been such a rapid development of industry as in the Soviet Union. Collectivization embraces 60 per cent of all agriculture. The tractor and other industrial products applied to the land has lifted masses of the peasantry out of their age-long misery and squalor. Nowhere else in all the world has agricultural development kept pace with industrial development.

This Fourteenth Anniversary sees the completion of the new tractor plants. The first tractor came off the conveyor at Krakov. The giant auto plant of Moscow, AMO, is turning out tens of thousands of tractors and automobiles. The great achievement of Magnitogorsk, site of the largest steel mill in the world, the tremendous increase in oil production, the new coal fields opened up all contribute to the great achievements of this third decisive year of the Five Year Plan.

The words of Joseph Stalin, general secretary of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, are emphasized by the great victories in this field of industrialization. Said Stalin:

"We are becoming a country of metallurgy, a country of automobiles, a country of tractors, and when the Soviet Union will be put on the automobile and its peasant on a tractor, let the worthy capitalist gentlemen who boast of their civilization, try to keep pace with us. We shall yet see which countries may be defined as progressive and

#### What is the Soviet Economic System?

By JOSEPH STALIN

General Secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union

The Soviet economic system means that:

1. The power of the capitalist class has been overthrown and displaced by working class power.
2. The instruments and means of production, and the land and the factories, etc., have been taken away from the capitalists and made the property of the working class and the peasants.
3. The development of production is not governed by the principle of competition and assurance of capitalist profit, but the principle of systematic control and systematic improvement of the material and cultural conditions of the workers.
4. The distribution of the national income is not in favor of the exploiting classes and their numerous parasitic flunkies, but in the interests of a systematic improvement of the material conditions of the workers and peasants and the enhancement of Socialist production of town and country.
5. The systematic improvement of the material conditions of the workers and the constant rise in the demand and the buying power which has become a permanent source for the expansion of production, which protects the working class from over-production and from unemployment, etc.
6. The working class is ruling the country, it does not toil for the capitalists, but for itself.

which as backward."

As the crisis of the capitalist world continues to deepen these words become ever more ominous. They strike fear into the hearts of the capitalists.

No longer is it possible for even the most trained liars of the capitalist press, radio, forum and pulpit to persuade the masses that capitalism is superior to Com-

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#### WINTER RELIEF DEMAND BEFORE U.S. GOVERNMENT

At the same time the charity fakery, under the inspiration of Hoover's committee, are waging "Community Chest" drives, to try to stifle the growing demands of the unemployed millions for unemployed insurance and winter relief of not less than \$150 for each worker and \$50 for each dependent the unemployed themselves are on the march.

The unemployed, under the leadership of the Unemployed Councils and the Trade Union Unity League, scorn the tricks of the charity fakery. They know that Gifford, like Hoover, is a director of a nation-wide campaign of lying and deception to try to prevent the workers fighting.

The bosses try to make us believe that unemployment is purely a "local" matter. They hope to keep the unemployed divided into separate localities—to keep them quiet while they starve, to see their wives and children and aged dependents die of starvation, unless some charity-monger of the Red Cross, or the Salvation Army, or some faking preacher decides to prolong the starvation a while.

#### Nation-Wide Action

Against the whole fake plan of Hoover's committee there is growing a mighty movement. In every industrial city and in most of the farming and plantation districts there are being organized local hunger marches, county hunger marches and state hunger marches. In many places public hearings on unemployment are being conducted, exposing the mass hunger of workers and farmers, farm laborers and croppers.

All the forces that are now gathering will be consolidated into one great movement, whose representatives by the thousands will concentrate on Washington at the opening of Congress in December. There the CLASS demands for immediate winter relief and for unemployment insurance equivalent to full wages, and the demand for full wages for part time work will be put forward.

#### Scottsboro Freedom Demand

From every part of the country the Hunger Marchers will demand freedom for the eight Scottsboro boys sentenced to die in the electric chair because the ruling class of the South and of the United States in general want to hold the Negro masses in terror so they will not fight against the attempts of the capitalists to impose greater burdens upon all the workers. Through every state in the union will be carried the rallying slogan in defense of the Scottsboro boys that the fight for their freedom is the fight of every worker in this country. The Hunger March will strengthen the fight against lynch terror, whether conducted openly by masked

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# Great Advance of Soviet Five-Year Plan

## BIG NATIONAL HUNGER MARCH TO WASH'GTON

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hoodlums, or concealed by the judicial gangsters, and the police racketeers, the jailers and electrocutioners.

**Fight War Danger**  
The campaign against the danger of imperialist war which is being prepared at a tempestuous pace will be intensified by the Hunger Marchers. More millions of workers, in the course of this great mobilization, will realize the vast difference between the Soviet Union, where there is no unemployment, no hunger, no want because the workers have done away with capitalism, and the horrible conditions existing in the capitalist world.

A central demand of the Hunger Marchers is that all war funds be used for unemployment relief. As this paper goes to press public hearings on unemployment are being held all over the country. The results of some of the hearings will be published next week.

## Chattanooga Bar Head Lauds The Soviet Schools

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn. —“Whatever we may think of Russia and its leaders, we must agree that it is the greatest experiment on human beings the world has ever known,” declared James F. Finley, president of the Chattanooga Bar Association, in a speech at the Industrial Fellowship club.

Speaking on present-day Russia (the Soviet Union) Mr. Finley praised the mass educational work that is being carried on there, and emphasized the fact that “the mental side of the Russian is zealously looked after.”

**Educates the Masses**  
“There can be no doubt but what the Communist Party is making a strenuous effort to educate the masses,” he said, “but it is naturally along the lines of their own way of thinking. In fact, the bolsheviks are at bottom a teaching fraternity and, therefore, necessarily propagandists.

“Their state publishing board has brought out millions of volumes on various subjects and doubtless the effort will, and in fact already has improved the literacy of the Russian people. The revolution in education reaches throughout the Soviet states. Old methods seem to have been discarded with every subject in a water-tight compartment, and it seems that the effort is to relate all branches of instruction around selected central themes.

**Suggests Using Soviet Methods**  
“To illustrate, take the ‘City of Moscow’ as the theme. The historical geographical and even mathematical ideas are clustered about it in a practical way that we might well consider using especially in our lower grades of instruction. To illustrate further, the children are sent out from the schools to the nearest blocks and make various conclusions regarding their relations to the city as a whole. Maybe the Russians were compelled to make education intensely practical to get it over to the masses, but the means they employ of spreading knowledge are well worth considering.”

**Not An Experiment**  
At that point Mr. Finley referred to the Soviet power and its education

## Workers Should Join Party of Lenin on Fourteenth Anniversary--Today!

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munism. With the victorious advance of industrialization, there are other achievements of socialist construction; the tremendous increase in the well-being of the masses, the great success of the cultural revolution, the release of the creative initiative of the masses.

In the Soviet Union there is no unemployment, no hunger, no want. Instead there is a rapid increase in the well-being of the people. The Fourteenth Anniversary sees a great rise in the standard of life of the whole population through a 30 per cent reduction in all prices of necessities. In the capitalist world, we see the working masses doomed to hunger, disease and death. More than half of industry is paralyzed; the farm crisis deepens. The economic, financial, credit system is in chaos; the pillars that uphold the system of finance capital are crumbling in Germany, in England, in dozens of lesser countries and the powerful structure of American imperialism wavers on its rotten foundation.

While in the Soviet Union the government is that of the workers and peasants, in the capitalist world the governments serve the ruling class in the most frightful drive against the standards of life of the masses. They are capitalist dictatorships striving in the most monstrous manner to solve their own crisis by placing the whole burden upon the backs of the already starving masses at home. They wage wars of extermination against the colonial masses in an effort to dismember and pillage those lands of their wealth. They plot imperialist war against each other in an effort to force a new redivision of the world between imperialist bandit nations. Never for one moment do they cease their plots for intervention against the Soviet Union. Already in the far East Japan has launched an adventurous imperialist war and is trying to concentrate forces near the Soviet borders. Poland to the West is preparing for armed intervention. American imperialism horns in on the Manchurian situation because it wants to protect its own interests there and grab more and, most important of all, to take the lead in world reaction; to decide when and under what conditions war is carried out against the fatherland of the workers of all the world

al work as an experiment—the greatest the world has ever known. “Nor should we delude ourselves by thinking that you may experiment with so many millions without influencing and affecting the rest of the world.” In spite of his praise and his attempt to put forth the facts as he viewed them in the Soviet Union, and from his study of the Soviet system of education, in which he is especially interested, Mr. Finley is in error when he imagines it is an experiment. It is no experiment that enables the proletarian state power to eliminate illiteracy almost completely in a country whose masses were held in the darkest ignorance for centuries—and to achieve such a result in less than fourteen years. Such a result can only be brought about by a ruthless fight to exterminate everything that holds the masses in ignorance. That means that the ruling capitalist class, whose very existence depends upon the ignorance of the masses, must be destroyed. It means that not only must the real facts of life, of man's place in organized society and in the universe, be made plain and simple to the masses, but that all the traditional lies of history, the capitalist fairy tales about life, must be shattered. This can only be achieved by the toiling masses, under the leadership of the Communist Party, smashing the capitalist state power, raising the working class to the position of ruling class and then proceeding not merely to complete the destruction of capitalism, but to destroy the very soil upon which capitalism grows.

**That Widespread Influence**  
Certainly it would be absurd to expect the president of the Chattanooga Bar Association to become an adherent of proletarian revolution as a result of one visit to the Soviet Union

The fact that one brought up in

—the Soviet Union. While hailing the Fourteenth Anniversary of the great 1917 revolution, and celebrating the achievements of the third year of the Five Year Plan of Socialist Construction, we must never for a moment relax our fight against the imperialist war mongers.

We must resist with our mass power the attempts of capitalism to solve its crisis through placing the burdens up us.

We must fight against wage cuts.  
Fight against hunger!  
Demand unemployment insurance!  
Demand winter relief on the basis of the demands of the Unemployed Councils now mobilizing for the march on Washington a month hence!  
Freedom for the Scottsboro boys!  
Demand self-determination for the Black Belt!  
Fight for the revolutionary way out of capitalist misery!

Demand that Hoover publish his secret agreements with Laval, agent of French imperialism!  
Defend the Soviet Union against intervention!  
Fight against the plunderers of Colonial countries!  
Defend the Chinese revolution and fight the imperialist bandits who wish to divide up China.

Down with the imperialist bandits who are plundering Manchuria and preparing war against the Soviet Union.

Long live the fighting alliance of all the oppressed and enslaved with the working masses of the Soviet Union for achieving world socialism!

Long live the victorious World October!

Long live the leader and organizer of the October revolution and of socialist construction, the Party of Lenin, the Communist Party of the Soviet Union!

Long live the Communist International!

Long live the United States section of the Communist International, the Communist Party of the U. S. A., which will lead the masses of workers and farmers to the revolutionary overthrow of American imperialism and the establishment of the dictatorship of the proletariat here!

## Vicious Police Torture 60-Year Old Farm Worker

SNOW HILL, Md.—Orphan Jones, 60-year-old Negro farm worker, was indicted here Wednesday for the murder of a rich farmer and his family in the midst of a vicious lynch law atmosphere. Only after he was indicted, was he permitted to consult with the lawyer engaged for him by the International Labor Defense. During the interview with the attorney, a policeman was found concealed in a cupboard in the room.

After the indictment, Jones was taken to Cambridge. A mob of rich white farmers and their henchmen were marching on that town with the openly expressed purpose of lynching Jones.

**Push Trial Amidst Terror**  
In Berlin, a town near here, a lynch mob has been organized against the Negro population. Four Negroes have been beaten up and the terror is still continuing. The authorities are

such surroundings as Mr. Finley returns and praises the Soviet achievements in the field of education is very significant because it testifies to the profound effect the mighty achievements of the revolution have upon all who come in contact with its reality. Perhaps Mr. Finley now has some sort of idea why it is that the victorious revolution in the realms of the former czars influences countless millions of workers and peasants throughout the whole world—those whose class interests are always defended by the vanguard of the world revolution—the Communist International and its most powerful and influential section, the Communist Party of the Soviet Union.

preparing to rush thru the trial of Jones in the midst of this terror.

The Afro-American of October 24 reports that it had been told by Josiah Henry, attorney for the Baltimore branch of the N.A.A.C.P., that he had seen Jones in prison and “that from the results of this interview he was certain that the prisoner would finally plead guilty to the charge of killing the Davis family.” Henry could not have helped noticing the signs of a severe beating and third degree which had been given Jones by the prison authorities in the effort to extort a confession. The N. A.A.C.P. was quite willing to permit Jones to be either legally or illegally lynched, without a murmur of protest. It is significant that while the I.L.D. attorney was not permitted to see Jones until after he had been indicted, a N.A.A.C.P. lawyer was permitted to see him. In addition, a representative of the N.A.A.C.P. states openly that he believes Jones to be guilty, thus helping the ruling class to send him to certain death.

**I.L.D. Telegraphs Protest**  
Charging that third degree torture had been used to extort a “confession” from Orphan Jones, the International Labor Defense has wired Gov. Albert C. Ritchie demanding that I.L.D. attorneys be permitted to interview Jones in the Baltimore City jail and “holding the state government responsible to stop campaigns to lynch or legally lynch the Negro worker.”

## NEWARK BUILDING WORKERS SOLD OUT

NEWARK, N. J.—Sold out by the American Federation of Labor officers in the building trades unions the laborers on the Prudential Insurance Co. building returned to work after vainly striking against a 20 per cent wage cut.

## The Soviet Union Solves Problem of Natl. Minorities

By MARGARET NEAL  
Old Russia—the boss-owned Russia of before 1917, when the workers and farmers took the country over and run themselves—held within its borders by force hundreds of non-Russian peoples. These peoples were oppressed and discriminated against by the Russian boss government in the same brutal way that the boss government of the United States today oppresses and Jim Crows ten million Negroes.

Before the revolution in Russia, millions of workers and peasants of the minority groups were robbed of all rights, like the Negro worker and farmer in the Southern part of the United States, they were held in ignorance, denied education; they had in practice almost no legal or civil rights; they were lynched and massacred.

It is well-known how the Jews, for instance, were forced to live in Jim Crow areas and were regularly massacred by the czar's soldiers. Among all these various peoples, the government stirred up national hatreds, just as today, in the United States, the bosses stir up hate between Negro and white workers, knowing that as long as they fought each other they would be less able to fight bosses and landlords.

Two days after the victorious revolution of November 7, 1917, the new Soviet government of workers and farmers issued a decree proclaiming freedom and equality for all nations, races and national minorities. This meant that each nation which had been held by force under the Czar was free to organize its own life as it wished, even to the point of separating completely from the country as a whole. Those nations that remained within the country formed self-governing republics and national districts.

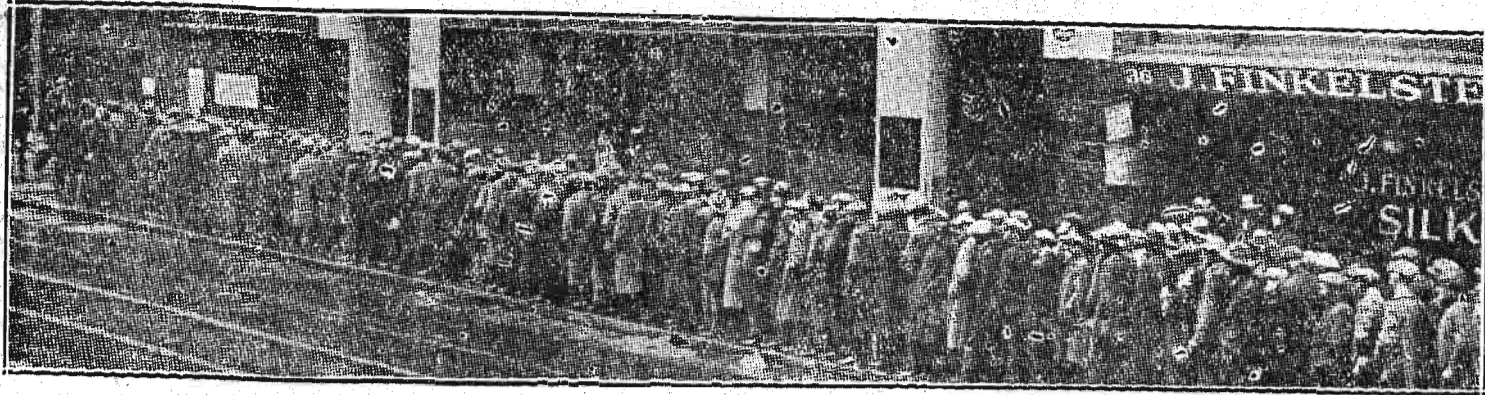
Today, in Soviet Russia, there is no such thing as oppression of one nation or race by another. Differences in rights on the basis of race, color, or language are unknown. Every worker and poor farmer, whatever his origin, has equal rights.

Those groups that were oppressed under the boss government of old Russia are given special attention today, so that they may catch up industrially and culturally with the other groups.

Under a workers' and farmers government in America, the Negroes will also have complete freedom and equality, even to the point of having the right to form a separate government of their own. Only under a workers' government will the workers of any nation be really free. But to wait for a workers' revolution to free the Negro workers and farmers is to give up the whole struggle. The Communist Party is today urging on all Negro workers and farmers the need to struggle together with the rest of the workers, for equal rights, against lynchings, against the increasing terror, against their enslavement by the landlords.

The Party puts forth the slogan: “State unity of the black belt and the right of self-determination (the right to decide for themselves how and by whom they want to be governed.) even to the point of complete separation from the United States.”

# U. S. In New War Move In Manch



A New York City bread line; one of thousands throughout the United States. These men are without work because the capitalists cannot make a profit off their labor. Today in the Soviet Union, where the workers are celebrating the Fourteenth Anniversary of the overthrow of capitalism there are no bread-lines, there is no hunger, no want. As long as the workers need production goes on. Increased production without capitalism means increased living, more comforts of life, better education, more happiness. With capitalism it means shorter hours, higher wages, long vacations with pay, and safety in illness and for old age.

With capitalism increased production means greater unemployment, mass hunger, starvation, disease and death.

By following the Revolutionary path pointed out by the Communist Party of the Soviet Union the masses have crushed capitalism and are building Communism.

By following the revolutionary standard of the Communist Party of the United States the workers and farmers here can destroy capitalism and build socialism.

## HOOVER AG. TAKES TRIP TO SOVIET BORDER

The United States government, the government of war mongers with Mellon, Hoover and Stimson, as the chief conspirators, has taken another step toward armed intervention against the workers' and peasants' government of the Soviet Union. This step was the sending of George Hanson, American consul general at Harbin, to Tsitsihar, near the Soviet-Manchurian border, to "make a personal investigation of conditions in Northern Manchuria."

### To Investigate "Alliance"

The papers brazenly state that Hanson is to find out whether or not there exists an alliance between certain Chinese forces and the Soviet Union. What business is it of the United States or of its messenger-boy, Hanson, whether there is or is not an alliance? That ought to be the affair of the Chinese and the Soviet government. If I were to believe Hoover and the rest of the political sleight-of-hand performers and "black art" magicians that the United States has no financial interests in Manchuria and no designs upon China, there could be no reason why the U. S. government should bother about what sort of alliances exist. But no one who thinks can believe Hoover, the political agent of the Wall Street bandit gang. When he says this country (meaning the capitalists of the U.S.A.) have no material interests in China and Manchuria, and no designs upon Soviet Russia, he lies and he knows he lies. It has enormous and ever growing capital investments there.

Hanson has gone to the Soviet border as a part of the war conspiracy directed against the growing Chinese revolution, as a part of the game of trying to outdo Japan in the looting of the rich resources of Manchuria and to try to prepare immediate armed intervention against the Soviet Union. His visit is not for peace but for war.

### See Revolution Spread

What is probably happening in Manchuria and in the Chinese region South of Manchuria is a tremendous swing of the masses toward the revolutionary standard of Communism. The masses are arising to fight and drive out the imperialists of all countries. The spread of the revolution to the Soviet borders would naturally create a formidable combination that would scourge all the imperial lackeys from that territory. It is this danger that impels the United States government to send to the border its man, Hanson, who will probably report that "to save civilization" (that is, capitalist tyranny) the United States must send warships, soldiers, air forces, to Manchuria.

### Poland and Briand

Meanwhile from the Western borders of the Soviet Union and around the League of Nations, more intrigue is being carried on. The Japanese delegate to the League of Nations (Yoshizawa) has been meeting with Aristide Briand, renegade socialist, who has long been a crawling lackey of French imperialism. Briand, in turn, has been conferring with the representatives of the blood-streaked Pilsudsky, head of the fascist government in Poland, and also with the lackeys of the butcher governments of Roumania, Hungary, Yugoslavia. All this is part of the preparation for an interventionist drive against the Soviet Union from the (Turn to Next Page)

## 500 Jobless Demonstrate Against Hunger in Houston

HOUSTON, Tex.—Four organizers of the Unemployed League, who were arrested when they broke up an unemployed meeting of 1,500 workers, the majority of whom were Negroes, were released on low bond after the Internal Labor Defense had waged a campaign for their freedom. At the meeting was well under way, the police arrived, attacked and arrested the speakers, and they were charged with vagrancy and congregating and thrown into jail under high bail. The authorities are especially alarmed because of the fact that the demonstration showed that white and Negro workers were acting together in the fight against starvation.

At the Glendon mine the terms of settlement include recognition of the union, the 8-hour day, instead of working 10, 11 and 12 as before; the right to elect own checkweighman; all men taken back, none blacklisted; pay for dead work; guarantee of at least four days' work a week, and other demands (a full list of all demands won will be published next week). At the Caroline mine the eight hour day was won; the right to elect checkweighman, no blacklisting, etc. At the Coleman mine the settlement, far less satisfactory than the Glendon and Caroline, is only temporary. One man was discriminated against; the men went back under the same conditions as they came out as far as wages and hours were concerned. They got a trivial concession by having their coal reduced in price from \$3.10 to \$2.10 a load. At the Cary mine the men were back to work 75 per cent before the settlement in the Glendon and Caroline mines. Conditions are rotten and the men are preparing to strike again soon. At the Castro mine there will be no work for a month or two because of water in the mine.

### Conduct Own Strikes

The miners affected conducted their own strikes; there was at no time even one outside organizer in the Straight Creek field. By following the policy of the National Miners' Union as best they knew how, the miners have made some gains and Straight Creek is practically 100 per cent lined up in the National Miners' Union.

### Will Aid General Strike

While the strike did not spread beyond the left fork of Straight Creek, due to the difficulty of consolidating the mines affected and not knowing how to fully use the National Miners' Union policy of extending strikes on the basis of General and local demands, the partial victory now won will spur the other miners in this section to action.

## Michigan Cops Leave Hanged Negro for Dead

PONTIAC, Mich. — At Oakland County Hunger March on October 15th, 25 workers were brutally beaten and placed in jail, including one woman. These workers were beaten with clubs in the street. Then handcuffed and beaten when put in jail.

Only one Negro worker was arrested. This worker was beaten up and hung up with a rope then laid out for dead. This Hunger March was of unemployed workers, protesting against starvation.

Single workers only receive 50 cents per week to live on. Married couples, \$1.00 per week.

Straight Creek is in Bell County, thirty miles from Harlan county, where agitation for a general strike in the Kentucky fields has struck deep roots. The work of organizing committees of action to prepare for strikes in Harlan county and in Bell county and Tennessee is proceeding and in a very short time a general strike will be brought about that will fight for the Wallins Creek conference demands and smash the terror.

### First Victories in South

These are first victories of the National Miners Union in the South and it is the first mine strike led by the militant union in the South. Such a victory, although only partial, proves that strikes can be won in the South even under the conditions of the economic crisis, and will give a big impetus to the movement toward strikes not only in Kentucky and Tennessee, but will stimulate the preparations in Alabama for mine strikes against wage cuts and long hours of slavery.

### CALIFORNIA AUTO WORKERS

OAKLAND, Cal.—The Fageol Motor Company cut wages of all its employees from 15 to 30 per cent.

## A GEORGIA CHAIN GANG



Capitalist America lies about "forced labor" in the Soviet Union, while it practices horrible slavery as this holds thousands of jobless workers in its grip. Note the heavy chains on the legs of the prisoners in striped cloth digging by roadsides.

## Strike Action Wins in Two Straight Creek, Ky., Mines

LOUISVILLE, Ky.—The strike that involved five mines on the left fork of the Straight Creek ended October 29th, with substantial demands won in two mines. A third mine (the Cary) went on strike in a few days to meet demands from the bosses. The strike followed N. M. U. Policy. A partial victory was achieved by following the National Miners' Union policy of launching the strike in one or a few mines and extending it to the other mines. The Caroline mine and the Cary mine struck on September 21; the Coleman mine struck September 24; the Glendon mine September 28. The Castro mine, a small mine, was closed for repairs two weeks before there was any strike, but the men joined the National miners' Union and called a strike.

### Some Demands Won

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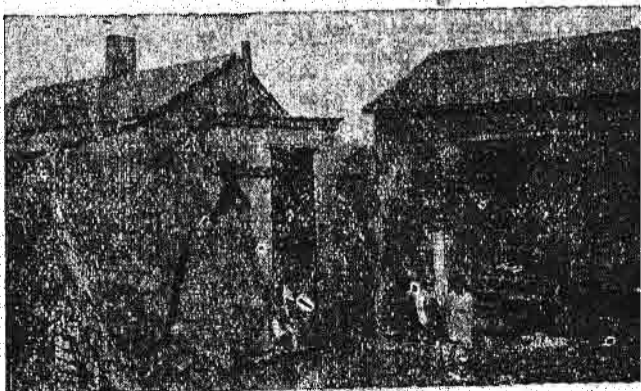
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## WORKERS' HOVELS IN AMERICA



On this Fourteenth Anniversary of the Bolshevik revolution compare these two hovels (the one to the right with the door open and the other to the rear of the out-house) in which working class families live in the United States with the rows of fine new apartment houses for workers in the Soviet Union shown on page one of this issue. Take your choice: capitalism or Communism.

# AGENT TRIP TO VIET BORDER

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Western European hotbeds of fascism.

## Workers Will Fight Bosses

But just as the Chinese revolution is advancing, so the revolutionary forces of the countries of capitalist Europe, under the leadership of the Communist Parties are building up more and more powerful organizational machinery for fighting against war and intervention. When the bloodhounds of Poland and the other dogs of fascism launch an attack on the Soviet Union they will be faced from the first with widespread agitation and organization directed toward turning the imperialist war into a civil war against capitalism. The soldiers in the capitalist armies will be told to desert those armies and with their arms and munitions go over to the side of the Red Army of the Soviet Union. In a war between imperialist countries the preparatory work to bring about mutiny and insurrection will go ahead until the time will come, in the course of such a war that the commands of the imperialist officers will be scorned and

laughed at, and the soldiers will turn their arms against the only enemy the workers have to fight—the capitalist brigands of all stripes and of all countries.

## Launch Revolutionary Wave

Already because of the economic crisis, there is all over the world a rising wave of working class militancy; in some places a revolutionary situation is maturing. The capitalists are driving toward war as one of their hoped-for ways out of their own crisis. But they must remember that such a war will itself raise the revolutionary movement to new heights. The revolutionary wave now rising will surge upward and reach such stormy proportions that it will engulf other capitalist countries.

Just fourteen years ago today the workers and soldiers of old Russia standing united, used their arms against their CLASS ENEMIES, and smashed capitalism. As we celebrate that anniversary, the mightiest event in history, we must face the reality of preparing to smash our ruling class as the masses of old Russia under the leadership of the Bolshevik Party, smashed theirs.

Every class-conscious worker should, on this anniversary of the victorious October revolution, join the Party of Lenin, the Party of Proletarian Revolution, the Party of Proletarian victory—the Communist Party.

# SOVIET YOUNG WORKERS

Nowhere is the contrast between conditions in the Soviet Union and in capitalist countries greater than the comparison between the Soviet youth and the young workers of the United States and other despotic nations.

Illiteracy among the youth of the Soviet Union is unknown; every child receives the best that can be obtained in the way of education, and even such people as the president of the Chattanooga Bar Association admit that the Soviet educational system is superior to the educational system of the United States. It means the education of the Soviet youth is the most advanced in the world.

## No Child Slavery

In all the vast territory of the Soviet Union which embraces one-sixth of the inhabitable globe, there is not one child slave. Such horrible slavery as exists for children in the cotton states of the South, for instance, could not possibly exist within the confines of the workers' and peasants' land—the Soviet Union. In Soviet industry the young workers get equal pay for equal work. Besides they have special favorable conditions, enabling them to complete their education, to reach a higher cultural level than any youth on earth. The Soviet youth of seventeen years is better equipped educationally than any graduate of any university in the United States. The seventeen-year-old could give lessons in science, economics, philosophy and history to any college professor in the United States, because in the Soviet Union the schools teach the facts of life and use the most effective means of instruction. The schools of capitalist countries exist to teach capitalist lies to the students; they dare not teach such simple things as elementary economic facts, because to do so would condemn the capitalist system itself. They dare not teach the facts of history because to do so would be to expose the "heroes" of the capitalist world as loathsome and servile flunkies of their capitalist masters. Woodrow Wilson, instead of appearing under the halo of a "great war president" would appear as he really was—the servile lackey of J. P. Morgan and company who helped murder the youth of America in order that Morgan's investments in Europe might be safe.

## Youth Will Defend Soviet

Enjoying greater freedom, better advantages than any youth that ever lived anywhere, the Soviet young workers, boys and girls, also play a mighty part in the building of socialism. Youth "shock brigades" are organized to strengthen weak spots in Soviet industry and agriculture. The young workers and peasants of the Soviet Union regard it as a great honor when they are able to serve in the Red Army.

The youth flock to the army in larger numbers than can be taken care of, because the young workers and peasants know that it is their army, that when they defend the Soviet Union they defend themselves and their own government.

All capitalist armies must resort to lies and deception to maintain discipline. When a capitalist nation prepares for war it must lie and deceive the youth; not one capitalist nation today dares admit the fact that it is preparing for war. They all talk peace, like Hoover and Stimson, in order to conceal their war preparations. When Morgan's and Rockefeller's and Mellon's and Ford's and Insull's interests are endangered the United States government dare not tell young workers that they must fight and die to make the world safe for the investments of these capitalist thieves—the government has to lie to the young workers; tell them that they must fight to make the world safe for democracy or some other such fairy tale. Only the youth of the Soviet Union know what they are fighting for. They fight to smash the capitalist intrigues, to break the imperialist conspiracies so they can live in peace and build a new society.

The young workers of the United States, boys and girls, native born and foreign-born, white and Negro, should realize that the youth of the Soviet Union, in fighting against capitalism, are fighting for the young workers of all the world. They know what international solidarity means. We must also learn what it means.

We must fight against the war danger; must fight for youth demands in industry such as equal pay for equal work, time off to pursue educational work, no child labor. By fighting against every tyranny of capitalism we, the working class, will be able to generate the power neces-

# In The Shadow Of The Electric Chair



The nine boys are, left to right: Andy Wright, 19; his brother, Roy Wright, 14; Hayood Patterson, 17; Eugene Williams, 14; Willie Robinson, 17; Olen Montgomery, 17; Clarence Morris, 19; Charlie Weems, 20, and Olen Powell, 16.

These are the nine Scottsboro boys through whose tortured bodies the Alabama boss class hopes to shoot chained lightning. These boys are all innocent. But the bosses are growing more desperate as the movement toward unity of action between the white and Negro workers grows. The bosses are still trembling at the discovery that the croppers are organizing to fight against slavery. They are becoming rabid as they realize that the croppers' union at Camp Hill, which they tried to smash with blood and fire still lives. The bosses know that there are new Camp Hills that have grown since their murder drive. They know tomorrow there will be still more. They see the first steps toward a movement that must culminate in the agrarian revolution in the South. They know that the slogan of self-determination for the Negro national minority (which is a majority in 92 contiguous counties of the Black Belt) is striking deep root wherever it reaches, and that it is reaching farther and farther into the densest South.

They see that it is becoming more difficult in face of mass hunger and starvation of black and white workers to whip up the mob frenzy.

Seeing and knowing these things, the boss class working overtime to strike terror into the Negro masses and to spread lies about rape of white women by Negroes in the hope of diverting the growing hatred of white workers from the bosses to the Negro workers.

Workers everywhere must fight to rescue the boys from the lynch gang.

Answer this frame-up by unity of action of Negro and white workers.

Build united front committees of action in the industries. Organize block committees, organize Unemployed Councils. Build Workers' Defense Corps of black and white workers to defeat the lynch mobs.

Let the bosses know that their terror campaign will never halt the advance of the workers!

Demand immediate freedom for the Scottsboro boys!

## Kills Negro On Pretext of Rape

WAYCROSS, Ga.—The old lynch law excuse, on the pretext of which Negroes are brutally persecuted and murdered, was again used by Fred Hunt, white, who last week shot Ed Cooper, Negro farmer in the back and fatally wounded him.

Hunt claims that Cooper was attacking a 12-year-old white girl in a wooded section north of Waycross when he heard her screams. When he approached, he says, Cooper began to run and Hunt shot him in the back. Cooper was arrested and taken to the Ware county jail, where he died from his wounds. Hunt was not even arrested.

Both whites and Negroes hereabouts declare that Hunt had a grudge against Cooper and killed him to "get even," knowing that he would not be touched for "killing a nigger" especially if he could supply the rape excuse. Waycross is in the heart of the Georgia tobacco country where tobacco sold at the lowest price in years and where the Negro and white tenants are starving as a result.

## FAREWELL BANQUET

NEW YORK.—The City Committee of the League of Struggle for Negro Rights and the Finnish Women's Club held a farewell banquet for Mrs. Wright, mother of two of the Scottsboro boys, who is preparing to return South, and also to greet August Yokinen, who has just been released from Ellis Island, on Thursday, October 28th, at the Finnish Workers' Hall.

sary to eventually overthrow capitalism here and establish a Soviet government in the United States.

Today, on the Fourteenth Anniversary of the Bolshevik revolution, the youth of America must remember that there is only one fight worth the shedding of a single drop of working class blood—that is the fight of the working class against the capitalist class.

Join the Young Communist League.

## U. S. Delegation In Soviet Union

Today in the Soviet Union, where the Fourteenth Anniversary of the great revolution is being celebrated, there are delegations of workers from every country on the globe. Fourteen Although oppressed by the most virulent and mining industries of the United States are there and also five fraternal delegates.

## Four Negroes Present

Four Negro workers are present. Although oppressed by the most vicious lynch terror in many parts of this country, they are today in a country which from the day of the revolution has been putting into effect its policy of complete self-determination for all national minorities, a country in which race prejudice is a crime, a country where one who tried to jim-crow another would be punished by the proletarian state power and be despised by all his fellows.

Coming from the richest imperialist land, where masses suffer and die of starvation, these workers are today in the Soviet Union where in all that vast territory there is not one worker who cannot find employment, not one man, woman or child who suffers from the pangs of hunger.

## The Negro Delegates

The Negro delegates are Morris Wikman, a marine worker of New York and a member of the Marine Workers' Industrial Union; J. W. Jones, of the Upper Monongahela coal district of Pennsylvania who was elected by the striking miners, and the third is a steel worker from Gary, Ind. The fourth is Mrs. Lillian Lynch, militant Negro worker from Heidelberg, Penn., and president of the Women's Auxiliary of the National Miners' Union. She is a delegate from the NMU, and left to join the delegation after it had sailed. She joined it in the Soviet Union and is today watching the mighty pageant of victory in the construction of socialism that is part of the celebration of the Fourteenth Anniversary of the revolution.

## Death Sentence for Self Defense

LIBERTY, Miss.—For defending himself from a white planter who tried to kill him, Emanuel Jackson, Negro cropper, is to be hanged on November 27th if the decision of Judge R. L. Colburn is carried out. The trial lasted less than an hour.

## Tried to Steal Crops

Jackson, who was working shares, resented the attempt of Bramlett Bates to steal his share. His objections angered Bates. Bates white owner threatened to kill Jackson and tried to enforce his threat. In the fight that followed the Negro got the best of it and Bates died.

## Bilbo Calls Out Troops

Governor Bilbo, head of the lynch gang in the state, called out troops although there was no threat of violence. The troops patrolled the streets while the Negro pleaded for mercy. He killed in self-defense when threatened with a knife.

Twelve autos full of troops accompanied Jackson and some deputy sheriffs to the county jail in Liberty county, because the authorities in Amite county said they feared violence.

## Must Organize Mighty Movement

The farm laborers and the croppers must organize a big movement against the habitual slaying of members by the rich farmers.

Everywhere the rabid lynch campaign is raging throughout the plantation areas of the South. Camp Scottsboro is the outstanding example today of mass terror against Negroes. The Peterson case is another. So is the Jones case in Mississippi. Now comes another—the Jackson lynch conspiracy in Mississippi.

## COLORADO RAILWAY WORKERS HIT

COLORADO SPRINGS, Tenn. switchmen on the Midland here received a wage cut from a day to \$5.00 a day.