

Fight for Farmer-Labor Party at St. Louis

Negroes Seek United Action at Big Assembly

COAL DIGGERS CALL STRIKE ON THE KLAN

Mines Close As State Troops Reach Herrin, Illinois

HERRIN (The Daily Worker) Coal mines are already shut down and a general strike of all the coal diggers in Williamson county is expected in labor's defensive fight against K. K. K. usurpers who have taken over the government of the county and arrested Hon. W. W. Smith, state official of the United Mine Workers of America, Mayor Anderson and Sheriff Galligan, on framed-up charges of murder.

The strike comes as hundreds of militiamen, members of the 182nd Infantry, arrived yesterday to protect S. Glenn Young and his policemen from lawlessly taken miners of the city.

Willie Arnett, of Herrin, Captain of the miners' force of mur-

derers, Constable Cagle, is the second captain of operators forced to frame up the miners. He was the famous Herrin trial where he was com-

pletely vindicated by a jury.

Arrested yesterday by the Klan police under S. Glenn Young, is the mayor of Herrin, an anti-Klanman, Dr. W. H. Johnson. Also arrested are Mrs. E. Byn and M. J. Trout, deputy sheriffs; Jim Davis, John Murphy, John C. Thompson, Paul Smith, James Johnson and Ora Thomas. They are held in the basement of the Elks Club headquarters, where Klansmen congregate.

Klan Arrests Sheriff.

Heribert Goss, a Negro who sought to restrain the terroristic policies of the Klan, is lodged a prisoner in the jail of Herrin, also charged with murder. He is given the same support as the Klan's charge.

S. Glenn Young, when the United States intervened with the assistance of a federal "protection enforcement" agent as he directed the Ku Klux Klan to stop its activities in Williamson county, is in control of the local police forces in Herrin and is holding in hand with the guardians.

Soldiers Save Klan.

The miners' forces of the State of Illinois came when Mayor Anderson's men were fighting against a mob of Klansmen who had held the hospital to Lynch Deputy Sheriff Layman who had been shot by Fred. The Klan police chief who was arrested yesterday, when the soldiers arrived at double quick with fixed bayonets, was the Klan gunmen from the next town who were camping in response to a hurry call of the new chief of police, S. Glenn Young, sworn in by his assistant chief irregularly, is shown by his failure to name the Klan police chief, Deputy Sheriff Layman by Chief John Ford. Witnesses saw Ford

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ABSOLUTELY USELESS

Great All-Race Negro Congress Opening Today Seeks to Weld Oppressed Against Oppressors

All previous attempts to bring American Negroes together will be overwhelmed by the All-Race Assembly or Sanhedrin, which opens its doors in the Tabernacle of the Negroes, Chicago Y. M. C. A., today, for a week's deliberations.

That is indicated by the large advance guard of delegates from the 41 registered organizations that several hundred colored men and women will participate which seeks to weld the Race together against the lynching, disfranchisement, peonage and other forms of oppression that are still in full blast today in violation of the ordinary criminal laws, the 14th and 15th amendments and all principles of human justice.

Minor-Fort-Whitman Speaking. Speaking on a theme which is near and dear to the Negroes of America, Robert Minor, editor of the Liberator, and Lovett Fort-Whitman, of the Chicago Defenders, spoke on the Negroes of the South. The Minor-Fort-Whitman arrival at double quick with fixed bayonets, was the Klan gunmen from the next town who were camping in response to a hurry call of the new chief of police, S. Glenn Young, sworn in by his assistant chief irregularly, is shown by his failure to name the Klan police chief, Deputy Sheriff Layman by Chief John Ford. Witnesses saw Ford

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Klan Password Required Under Military Regime

HERRIN, Ill., Feb. 11.—With troops patrolling Herrin, all persons who would enter or quit the town limits.

The Klan, the Klansmen, rule the town, guarded by Illinois soldiers' fixed bayonets. Surrounding them are the gatemen of the Klan, their desks. There is talk of a friendly arrest by the Klan with which the town is seething.

**Workers Standard of Living Falls
As Rents Rise; Worst Victims Are
the Negroes, Daily Worker Reveals**

By JAY LOVESTONE.

Not only are the workers compelled to live under the most deplorable conditions of sanitation and congestion, but they are also being forced to pay exorbitant rents—rents far beyond the reach of their scanty budget allowances for housing.

More and more the workingmen and working women of New York are being driven to cut down on their food, clothing and education in order to be able to pay the high rents that are

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Bank Broke; Took Money.

EDWARDSVILLE, Ill.—Three officers of the defunct First National and Savings Bank of West River were found guilty in circuit court today of receiving deposits while the bank was insolvent.

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