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# THE GREAT SATURDAY

## NEW ENGLAND TEXTILE STRIKE SPREADS RAPIDLY

ALMOST 100 PER CENT EFFECTIVE IN ITS TWO GREAT CENTERS. WORKERS DETERMINED TO CONTINUE STRUGGLE UNTIL THEIR DEMANDS ARE MET

### LAWRENCE WORKERS JOIN STRIKE

Employers Make No Secret of Their Intention to Reduce Wages in Massachusetts and New Hampshire If Strike Is Broken Where Workers Are Now Out.

With the strike entering its tenth week, the textile workers of Rhode Island are holding their ranks intact. In the Pawtucket valley, the Amalgamated Textile Workers' organization is practically one hundred per cent, and in the Blackston valley, where the United Textile Workers, an A. F. of L. organization, is strong, the mills are from 85 to 90 per cent closed. In regard to the particular organizations they are affiliated with, the workers in the entire strike area are presenting a solid front. The Amalgamated is still conducting its community kitchens and feeding over five thousand a day, and they also supply food for others to be prepared in their own kitchens. The question of financing the walk-out is a grave one, but the workers are not hesitating because their unions are not paying them enormous strike benefits. The principal support thus far for the strike has come from Lawrence, Fall River and New Bedford. Massachusetts, where striking girl workers from the Pawtucket area are constantly soliciting funds and provisions. This has been the principal source of supply so far, but other unions throughout the district are beginning to respond to the strikers.

### LAWRENCE STRIKE ORDERED

The announcement of a reduction in wages of 20 per cent in the large textile center resulted in an immediate order for a strike from Thomas F. McMahon, president of the United Textile Workers. The result is a complete strike of the Lawrence Mills, employing 10,000 men, at the Everett Mills, employing 7,000 and the Everett Mill, employing 1,200. The Arlington Mills announced a complete temporary shutdown, because of unsatisfactory financial conditions. Other districts in Massachusetts and New Hampshire threaten to reduce wages and claim to be waiting until the outcome of the Rhode Island strike is known. Lawrence has been a scene of many bitter labor battles and there is a strong militant sentiment there among the textile workers who have been seasoned in the labor struggle. The cuts announced in the Lawrence mills are the same as those announced in Rhode Island and which precipitated the walk-out; that is an average 20 per cent wage cut.

### GARMENT WORKERS AID MAY BE ASKED

The Amalgamated Textile Workers, it is understood, is to seek alliances with the Amalgamated Garment Workers and other large independent unions for the purpose of reaching agreements whereby no New England textile goods will be handled by the needle trade during the period of the strike. Negotiations for this purpose will be immediately conducted. Simultaneously with this arrangement comes the declaration from the United Textile Workers that they will also make overtures to other American Federation of Labor unions for the purpose of co-operating with the strike and refusing to handle goods from the strike areas. Negotiations will be carried on with the United Garment Workers and the International Ladies' Garment Workers Union by the United Textile Workers, according to President McMahon. Union mills on other textile districts are to be investigated in order to determine whether any operatives are cutting or printing the products of the struck mill and, if so, they will be stopped. The entire strike is showing surprising strength and is steadily gaining momentum.

### GENERAL STRIKE MAY RESULT

The more militant elements are bringing pressure to bear upon the officers in an effort to extend the strike into other territories, and are making appeal to organized workers to walk out so that the entire industry in New England may be tied up. A general strike, tying up the entire industry, would result in a speedy victory for the workers, according to the more militant elements. Such a struggle might develop into a general sympathetic movement throughout the affected areas in New England.

### TWO POLITICAL PARTIES APPEAL TO STRIKERS

Propaganda of Workers Party and Communist Party Appears in Textile Strike Districts.

The distribution of a leaflet under the Communist Party of America in the strike area in Rhode Island caused considerable comment on the part of the militant strikers. The most of the men who had been suffering from hunger and cold, who were making the streets of the strike area and the suburbs are said to be frantic in their efforts to locate the source of supply. One of the leaflets was sent to the Workers'

### FACTS IN BRIEF OF STRIKE THAT WILL INVOLVE 600,000 MINERS

ISSUES—

**Anthracite:** Miners demand 25 per cent increase for coalmen. 31 day increase for day men, the black-out, and the 24-hour day day man. Operator demand: 100,000,000 tons annually, but have presented no specification.

**Bituminous:** Miners demand maintenance of existing wage scales and the check-off where it is now in effect. Operator demand: cuts of from 25 to 60 per cent, the abolition of the check-off, and the abolition of district agreements.

**Number of Men Involved:** Anthracite, 135,000; bituminous, including convention men expected to total 663,000.

**Stocks of Coal on Hand:** Anthracite, estimated at from six weeks to ten months full supply. Bituminous, not less than three months' supply.

**Production During Suspension:** Anthracite, none. Bituminous, estimated by some officials at not to exceed 3,600,000 tons a week; estimated by nonunion miners up to 4,000,000 tons. Weekly consumption, 16,200,000 to 18,000,000 tons a week.

**Length of Strike:** Congress of opinion, operators and mining anthracite, six to ten to two months; bituminous, three to six months; in some districts, and indefinite in some of the outlying, thinly organized sections.

**'Protective' Alliance with Railroad Unions:** Two leaders of the Railroad Brotherhoods have announced that their organizations will give "moral" support to the strikers. They are W. G. Lee of the Trainmen and W. W. Stone of the Engineers. Many of the railroad shop agents might also support the strikers.

**The Rank and File:** There is a strong tendency toward a direct appeal to the rank and file of the miners in the anthracite fields, in the hope of a general alliance of the mass of the workers in these interdependent industries which would secure their victory.

### YELLOW SOCIALIST GOVERNMENT RAIDS WORKERS' HOMES

The German Socialist Government, Protectors of the Socialist Party of America, Throws Workers in Jail on Charge of Treason Against Spain.

Spain the Social Democratic government of Germany against its head as oppressors of the working class. This is the government composed of yellow socialists, who have betrayed the German workers at the outbreak of the World War after many years of their revolutionary activities of the workers as they had been known. The latest arrested by this government was the actor of a number of Communists and Communist sympathizers. Charges of treason have been placed against these arrested.

The police announced that a plan was exposed in a raid on the home of a Communist Party member, where a list of names and addresses and charts of telegraph connections were found together with lists of telegraph operators considered safe by the Communists. Abstracts were sent to the police. The list of names was only too well the fate will meet in the near future because of the Communists. Party knew of the wiretap station and the list of operators found in his possession were names of Communists who were to take orders from the party in a struggle against the government.

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### Miners Will Embrace Every Organized Worker in Industry As Executive Refuses to Satisfy District Wage Court

**EMPLOYERS REFUSE TO CONFER WITH MINERS**  
Attorney General Still Making Boastful Throats Regarding Activities On Eve of Strike. Pin Head Hooves Also Horn In a Situation

The strike of the miners has been ordered by the officials of the United Mine Workers of America and will affect 600,000 workers in the United States and Canada. Both the anthracite and bituminous fields will suspend work on April 1, the date of the expiration of the present agreement with the operators. In addition to the 600,000 organized workers, there will be special appeals made to the 200,000 unorganized workers in the mining industry, in an effort to close every mine in North America. Propaganda will be carried on in all the non-union fields to places where it is deemed necessary airplanes will be used to distribute leaflets, it was announced from union headquarters at Indianapolis. In many of the coal fields of Kentucky and West Virginia the miners have held in a conference of purpose through the strength of the hired thugs and gunnery of private detective agencies, and organizers run great risks to get the message of unionism to the miners. A particular drive will be made to organize the mine workers of Mingo County, West Virginia, the scene of open fighting last winter between miners and the state militia, supported by the Sheriff's forces. There is no more brutal and disgraceful disposition than in the coal fields of West Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee. These strongholds of reactionary and unorganized mine operators, the leaders of the nation. The apostles of the 'open shop', which is merely a high-sounding phrase for the scab shop, will fight to the limit in order to keep the coal fields in these three states unorganized. The least has often been made that the existence of these vast non-union fields was a guarantee against any successful strike by the United Mine Workers. Therefore a special effort is to be made against these fields.

### Union Leaders Arrested and Ran on Road

Head of Executive of Industrial Federation Arrested on Strike Charge, While Others Are Murdered, Killed and Police.

After crushing the strike, which developed into Civil War in the Rand mining district of South Africa, the authorities of the Union of South Africa, under the direction of General Jan Christian Smuts, author of the League of Nations program, and promoter, have begun the systematic extermination of every person who was prominent in the strike movement. Joe Thompson, president of the South African Industrial Federation, the organization calling the general strike in Johannesburg and the Rand, has been arrested and held in jail without bail.

Two other strike leaders, Fisher and Spindell were murdered by government police in Trades Hall at Johannesburg, and a statement was issued that they had committed suicide, according to marks of shrapnel on their bodies. These shrapnel marks, despite to the police, are said to have come after they had committed suicide during the bombardment of the city by government forces.

Everywhere terror stalks through the former strike zone and no one is safe from the attacks of the police and military. So atrocious are the acts of the government forces that there are there are frequent suicides between miners, aided by their wives, and the soldiering.

Smuts, the premier, is playing the same role as murderers of their own people by issuing daily reports to the effect that justice and order will be brought through the force of law, and that the more militant spirit of the rank and file is busy preparing for a general defensive alliance with the railroad workers by expediting detours to their rail and road to refuse to send trains carrying coal.

### Chicago Federation of Labor Endorses Industrial Unionism

*(Special Correspondent)*  
CHICAGO, March 28.—Industrial unionism has been endorsed by the Chicago Federation of Labor. At its regular meeting yesterday the organization was in favor of the industrial unionism as being the most effective method of organizing the workers of the country.

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### GIVES THE LIE TO NEW YORK PUBLISHERS

John McParland, Integrational President of Typographical Union, Replies to Statements of Newspapers Concerning Scab Negotiations.

John McParland, president of the International Typographical Union, issued a statement from the headquarters of the union at Indianapolis, Indiana, to the effect that no agreement as to wages and working conditions ever existed between the union and the American Newspaper Publishers' Association. This is in flat contradiction to statements made by the New York publishers to the effect that negotiations for a new agreement between the two organizations had had a stage.

After declaring that the publishers' statement contained "misstatements," McParland continued: "No agreements as to wages and working conditions has ever existed between the two bodies concerned, nor has one been contemplated. An arbitration agreement has been refused and under the terms of that agreement wages and working conditions have been fixed locally by con-

### WESTERN MARYLAND RAIL STRIKE STARTS

BALTIMORE, March 28.—Main-leasors of way workers and shopmen throughout the Western Maryland Railway system walked out Saturday in protest against the contract system recently put into effect by the state.

The men demand the same scale of wages and working conditions in effect before the change in their contract system. The scale of wages and working conditions in effect before the change in their contract system. The scale of wages and working conditions in effect before the change in their contract system. The scale of wages and working conditions in effect before the change in their contract system.



INTERNATIONAL CORRESPONDENCE

THE WHITE TERROR

Delivered Once to the Hangman... By Paul Fröhlich (Berlin)

For the Communist Party of Germany... The Communist Party of Germany has been established by the German government into the hands of the Spanish hangman.

No more what the German Social Democrats do they cannot help but reveal their true miserable, colorless and cowardly nature.

Why need a Social Democratic Minister of Justice... Why need a Social Democratic Minister of Justice to be a Social Democrat?

How clear, how transparent and special! The Social Democrats... How clear, how transparent and special! The Social Democrats...

How clear, how transparent and special! The Social Democrats... How clear, how transparent and special! The Social Democrats...

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THE COOPERATIVE MOVEMENT

The Italian Communists and the Cooperatives... By Edmondo Poleso (Rome)

The cooperative movement was always very powerful in Italy... The cooperative movement was always very powerful in Italy...

IN THE INTERNATIONAL

Liberated from Hungary's Oppressors

Seven prisoners of conscience... among them the former People's Commissars Agoston, Bokan and Chabos.

The comrades stayed at the Dresden main station for about 9 hours... The comrades stayed at the Dresden main station for about 9 hours...

SMUTS SAYS AIM OF REBELS WAS A SOVIET REPUBLIC

Propose Industrial Commission To Settle Dispute Between Capital and Labor

The setting up of a Soviet Republic in South Africa was the aim of the revolutionaries... The setting up of a Soviet Republic in South Africa was the aim of the revolutionaries...

The country, he said, has escaped a tremendous danger... The country, he said, has escaped a tremendous danger...

It had been clear for some time... It had been clear for some time...

Smuts is a member of the bourgeoisie... Smuts is a member of the bourgeoisie...

Smuts also stated that the Government intended to appoint an industrial commission... Smuts also stated that the Government intended to appoint an industrial commission...

UNION MEN EVERYWHERE

Rally to the support of the striking textile workers in Rhode Island

The rally to the support of the striking textile workers... The rally to the support of the striking textile workers...

You gave for the imperialist rally in order to hurt your masters' pockets... You gave for the imperialist rally in order to hurt your masters' pockets...

"KURBAS"

What this great project is and where you can play your part in it

The Organization "Kurbas" is an effort to reconstruct Russian industry on a non-profit basis... The Organization "Kurbas" is an effort to reconstruct Russian industry on a non-profit basis...

The Organization "Kurbas" has already elected officers of advice from MEN... The Organization "Kurbas" has already elected officers of advice from MEN...

The Organization "Kurbas" is prepared to consider the application of any special law... The Organization "Kurbas" is prepared to consider the application of any special law...

What can you do? And when can you do it? Help a good man to go and take personal and intimate interest in your own representative in "Kurbas"...

PARIS ELECTS TWO REDS

The Communists Andre Marty and M. Radia were elected to the Municipal Council of Paris

The workers of South Africa will be the first to know... The workers of South Africa will be the first to know...

PROGRESSIVE DEFEAT REACTION IN TWO NEW YORK UNIONS

The eloquent for members of the executive committee and manager of International Ladies Garment Workers' Union

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THE GENOA CONFERENCE

By KARL PADEK

The French and British imperialists are organizing a conference... The French and British imperialists are organizing a conference...

Allies in the World War. This unity is already broken upon the question of French domination of Central Europe... Allies in the World War. This unity is already broken upon the question of French domination of Central Europe...

Three thoughts are in the mind of any French statesman who contemplates returning relations with Russia... Three thoughts are in the mind of any French statesman who contemplates returning relations with Russia...

They decided at the Soviet Congress that the future of the relations between the different categories of debts... They decided at the Soviet Congress that the future of the relations between the different categories of debts...

As for our statements are quite simple... As for our statements are quite simple...

Look at Turkey... Look at Turkey...

Germany... Germany...

Genoa... Genoa...

Genoa... Genoa...

truly unite country with a united agricultural... truly unite country with a united agricultural...

ENGLAND... There remain our relations with England... There remain our relations with England...

Neither the Manchester crowd nor the City man dream of recognizing the situation... Neither the Manchester crowd nor the City man dream of recognizing the situation...

RUSSIA... As for our statements are quite simple... As for our statements are quite simple...

Germany... Germany...

Genoa... Genoa...

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WORKERS' CHALLENGE

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MR. HARDING IS PRIVED

The country newspaper publisher of Marion, O., who was elevated to the Presidential chair by Judge Gary of the Steel Trust...

Mr. Harding indignantly declares that the United States has never agreed with any nation and that in his opinion, it is not only inadvisable, but "contrary to the interests of the United States"...

It is as difficult for the administration to convince some of the college-bred in the government of the honesty as it is for them to convince others that the four-power treaty is not another step toward another World War...

Such treaties may not appear to children and imbeciles, but with the facts of recent history of secret intrigue before us...

Yet, at the identical time they were hilling the populace into blind acceptance of their lies...

It is these cheats, these frauds, these

Men, who ask the workers of the world to again believe them. Secret treaties or an open treaty...

EMMA GOLDMANN No doubt many people who saw the announcement that the New York World was to begin the publication of a series of ten articles by Emma Goldmann...

The doctrine of individualism is the most dangerous doctrine that can be taught the workers...

It was tolerated with considerable kindness as the Bolsheviks would never turn down anyone who comes to them as an exile...

She left Russia and took up a residence in Sweden where she intended to respect the alliance with the United States...

Her articles have not yet appeared, but everyone who understands the psychology of anarchism can anticipate that they will be one of the most brilliant attacks on the Bolsheviks...

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Striking Worker: "What Agent of the Bosses is This?"

The Presidential speech by Woodrow Wilson in his radio address to the Peace Conference at Versailles...

THE FAMINE RELIEF Grim death still stalks through the famine region in Russia...

INDUSTRIAL UNIONISM Words come from Chicago to the effect that the Federation of Labor has gone on record in favor of industrial unionism...

THE UNION AFFILIATED WITH THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR must be a part of some international union and subject to its laws and its mandates...

THE "YELLOW" INTERNATIONALISM The "yellow" internationalism is the inevitable consequence of united action...

the industrial form of organization. Propaganda clubs should be organized for the purpose of spreading the idea of complete amalgamation...

Work can be accomplished in the famine zone similar to that being accomplished in places where it is not needed...

While every intelligent union man must be aware in favor of this stand taken by the Chicago Federation, we must not forget that a resolution in action that it is action that counts...

The resolution of the Chicago Federation of Labor should be obtained by unity of leaders, but must come from the rank and file of the workers themselves...

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NEW ENGLAND BRANCHES OF UNITED TOILERS IN THE THICK OF TEXTILE STRIKE ISSUE. CLARION CALL FOR EFFECTIVE ACTION.

The workers learn through action. The wonderful struggle of the Textile Workers in Rhode Island is teaching the workers of the United States...

TEXTILE WORKERS! MAKE THE STRIKE GENERAL.

To Those Workers in the Industry Not Yet on Strike! In our hands is enormous power if we only have the courage to use it...

Our POWER is in our NUMBERS. Let no one persuade you that anything can be gained in this struggle except through a STRIKE.

THE CAPITALISTS may appear deaf to your demands, but you can do them "flavor" and cure them of their deafness—BY ACTION!

Present a UNITED FRONT to the bloodsuckers of labor. Stop every mill in the Textile Industry and Victory will be yours!

PUBLIC TRIALS TO BE HELD FOR RUSSIAN PLOTTERS

Members of Social-Revolutionary Party Accused of Plotting Assassination of Soviet Officials to Be Tried Publicly.

After hundreds of such trials held by the bourgeois factors of capitalist imperialism about the injustice about to be meted out to the counter-revolutionists who are on trial for conspiracy to murder Nicolai Lenin...

The tactics of Vandervelde and Brannen further prove the continuation of the Red International that the leaders of the reactionary international unions of the United States...

The attitude of Amsterdam further emphasizes the fact that its unity of action must be obtained by unity of leaders, but must come from the rank and file of the workers themselves...