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Carry on the Fight for Social Insurance!

All the forces of the bosses were mobilized on September 1 against workers demonstrating for unemployment insurance. Police, K. K. K., American Legionnaires were Johnny-on-the-Spot, ready to prevent the mass demonstrations against starvation.

In Birmingham, members of the K. K. K. and A. F. of L. gangsters acting in full accord with the city police department whose detectives were present in abundance, forced Tom Johnson, District Communist Organizer, and Gene Braxton, Negro T. U. U. L. Organizer, into cars, rode them miles out of the city, beat them, stripped them and left them with the warning not to return.

In Charlotte, N. C. only the courage of the workers Defense Groups and the militancy of the 3,000 workers present succeeded in repelling a vicious police attack.

In Chattanooga, Tenn. American Legionnaires, police, and A. F. of L. rowdies were present in abundance, but so militant was the spirit of the workers present that no one dared interfere.

This is a direct attack upon the whole working class, which is now going thru one of the worst periods of unemployment and starvation that it has ever had to face. In Birmingham the Tennessee Coal and Iron Co., in Charlotte, the mill bosses, in Chattanooga the bosses of the metal and textile plants, mobilized against the workers cry for unemployment insurance. These bosses and their lackey democratic politicians are trying to keep the workers down at starvation, bearing the whole brunt of the crisis. But the workers will fight, not starve.

Against such tactics we must organize our Workers' Defense Groups. We must win the right for ourselves to demonstrate, make our demands, and to organize. Against this whole gang of oppressors—boss, politician, A. F. of L. officials—we must enter a mighty protest at the next election with a big Communist vote.

ORGANIZE WORKERS' DEFENSE GROUPS!

BUILD THE REVOLUTIONARY UNIONS OF THE T. U. U. L.!

NOT A CENT FOR WAR, ALL FUNDS TO THE UNEMPLOYED!

FOR THE WORKERS' SOCIAL INSURANCE BILL!

VOTE COMMUNIST NEXT FALL!