

For An American Triple Alliance

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The railroad men of Philadelphia, who are still on strike and determined to stick to a finish, are taking the lead in what we hope will soon develop into a nation-wide movement to strengthen and solidify the forces of labor for the coming struggles with the organized capitalist class. Seeing the great power wielded by the famous "triple alliance" of British miners, railroaders and transport-workers, we have started the ball rolling for the same kind of an organization in America.

We are holding conferences now with the striking anthracite miners of the Pennsylvania fields and we are also in constant communication with the transport workers of Philadelphia. The following circular which we have addressed to the miners sets forth our ideas on the subject. If the rank and file all over the country will take up the idea and push it through in spite of the so-called "leaders", who are only agents of the capitalist class in disguise, we will soon have a power that will be able to tell "conciliation boards" where to get off at.

Appeal To The Miners.

You are still on strike, in spite of the influences that are trying to drive you back defeated. We railroad workers have been on strike for the past sixteen weeks. These two facts should mean something to both of us as workers.

Last year the steel workers went on strike. They were defeated. They fought alone. Last year you coal workers went on strike. You were defeated. You fought alone. We railroad workers also went on strike. If we continue on as at present, we, too, must be defeated. All these defeats took place because no effort of the kind we are now making was then made. Mr. Miner, if you continue striking in the same manner as you did last fall, alone, you will again be defeated. Past defeats must have demonstrated to you, as they have to us, that this is the truth.

There is one answer. This is it: **THERE MUST BE A COMBINATION OF THE FORCES OF THE WORKERS WHO ARE FORCED TO STRIKE!** We are asking you at this time to cooperate with us, not only because we must have

you in order to win our strike, **BUT BECAUSE YOU MUST HAVE US IN ORDER TO WIN YOUR STRIKE!!** With the miners and railroad workers united, there is no power on earth that can deny us even a portion of that which we demand. **WE MUST** get together for the first time in history of the American labor movement, and unite our forces to give the boss the soundest licking he ever got; a licking which he will so remember that hereafter the mere threat of a strike on the part of our **JOINT ORGANIZATION** will be sufficient to bring him to his knees in granting our demands.

Mr. Miner, representatives of our organization will soon visit your Unions, and it will then be the duty of you, who have had the opportunity to read this leaflet, to see that these representatives are given a chance to talk to you **NO MATTER HOW MUCH THE PULL-BACKS OF THE LABOR MOVEMENT MAY OPPOSE IT.** **MR. MINER, WE RELY UPON YOU. YOU MAY RELY UPON US.**

Joint Organizations:

UNITED ASSOCIATION OF RAILWAY EMPLOYEES OF NORTH AMERICA; and WORKERS, SOLDIERS AND SAILORS COUNCIL OF PHILA. AND VICINITY.

92 per cent of the whole government expense is for the army and navy. The 640,000 civil service employees account for only 4 per cent of the annual expenses. "Peace" loving America! There will soon be an army of 300,000 regulars, 435,000 national guards with the latest equipment — even tanks — mainly for home use. Workers who failed to reach the front during the late war, may still learn what tanks are like in action.

In order to **RAISE PRICES**, the Rubber Growers' Association has decided to reduce the output of raw rubber 25 per cent.

In 1923, the United States will be the leading power, with 16 warships with 16-inch guns as against none for England.