

3 INSURANCE CO.'s HOLD OUT AGAINST STRIKING AGENTS

New Orleans, Sept. 30 (by Leon Lewis for ANP)—When more than 200 insurance agents of four local Negro companies walked out last week in a general strike because the company officials refused to negotiate with the agents' selected bargaining agent, the CIO, for increased wages and better work-

in conditions, it was the first time in the history of labor that insurance companies have been so affected.

The Good Citizens Insurance company withdrew from the local insurance executives council and effected a compromise with the agents' representative, the CIO. The other three, The Louisiana Industrial, the Douglas and the Unity refused to bargain with any union relative to working conditions of their respective agents and have placed a definite stamp of rejection upon the hopes for bargaining in this direction.

These three companies have replaced the striking agents and have called in their field representative to carry on the business. Special notices have been directed to policy holders informing them of the decision of the executive and warning that the premiums will have to be made as required in the insurance contracts, but only to the newly hired agents or at the company's offices.

At the outset of the strike the company officials asked the agents what their desires were. The agents refused to disclose this, informing the officials that negotiations would have to go through the CIO, their selected bargaining agent. Hundreds of dollars are being spent to force the claims of both the agents and the companies. A flare of violence broke out when several of the "scab" agents were beaten by the strikers.

The psychological factors behind the strike situation are far reaching in its general effect upon Negro business, particularly insurance. White company agents

are taking advantage of the situation to resell many of the Negroes insurance upon the grounds that the stability of Negro insurance is endangered by the strike. The Louisiana published a pamphlet disclosing that many of the striking agents had earned incomes last year in excess to salaries paid to school teachers. Twelve of these salaries ranged from \$1,100 to \$1,600 per year. They also state their agents work on the average of less than six hours per day. Insurance companies are not bound by provisions of the Wagner act and therefore do not have to negotiate with a labor union that might represent its agents.

Company officials state they will negotiate with the agents themselves and can assure that any reasonable demand will be met.

MRS. CRYSTAL B. FAUSET TO DIRECT RE-ELECTION CAMPAIGN FOR ROOSEVELT

(continued from page 1) breaking a tradition as old as our nation and giving President Roosevelt a third term to lead us into war. I think that the eminent Bishop should read that spirited article of Roy Wilkins in the Amsterdam News several weeks ago.

"Mr. Willkie, the Crisis Editor pointed out that it has been tradition that has marred and hindered the progress of our people. He said that 'the Negro is chained by tradition, cheated out of his rightful place by tradition and our child ren denied equality of opportunity because of tradition.'

"The time has come when Negroes need to think very clearly about the forces that influence their lives today and to vote only for the administration interested in the welfare of the mass of American people. President Roosevelt has proved his interest as shown by the many forms of social security never thought of before in connection with our government and richly deserves the support of the Negro voters of this country."

MINNESOTA NAMES NEGRO TO DRAFT BOARD

Washington, Sept. 30 (ANP)—The first Negro to be appointed to a state draft registration board is S. E. Hall, prominent business man of St. Paul, Minn., and nephew of Charles Hall, former statistician in the department of census.

Mr. Hall's appointment came through Gov. Harold E. Stassen, youthful and progressive Republican governor of Minnesota. According to information, there are about 2,000 colored men in the state who will be required to register and of this number only 9 percent will be chosen for service in the first draft group.

NEGRO CONGRESS FULLY SUPPORTS WORKER ALLIANCE

Washington, Sept. 30 (ANP)—The National Negro Congress, through its executive secretary, John P. Davis, pledged full support to the program of the Workers Alliance of America at its con-

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JOE LOUIS TO CAST HIS FIRST VOTE FOR PRESIDENT



New York—Fistiana's king, sloop eyed Joe Louis, who will cast his first Presidential vote this coming November, is expected to take an active part in President Roosevelt's reelection campaign, according to close friends of the Brown Bomber in this city.

Like his managers, Julian Black and John Roxborough, the Champ has found politics an engrossing subject and is patiently biding his time against the day when he will step into a booth and mark an 'x' beside the name of his favorite Presidential candidate. There are whispered reports in Democratic circles of an impending visit to Washington by the Brown Bomber sometime next month. According to sources responsible for these reports, the visit is for the purpose of meeting the White House occupant.

vention held in Chicago last week.

"It is our purpose to give unstinted support to you in your fight for jobs instead of guns and bread instead of war. We stand with you in your fight against conscription and the sabotage of adequate relief," he said.

Branding former President David Lasser as a deserter, and declaring that the New Deal was subsidizing him in his efforts to organize a new national unemployed organization among the 10,000,000 still jobless, Frank Ingram, national secretary, exposed what he called a plot to wreck the Workers alliance.

Another speaker, Edward Sutor, of Newark, New Jersey, charged that attempts were being made in his state to "railroad" all unemployed Negroes.

"Almost all of our grievances lately have come from the Negro people," he said. "This shows that there's something wrong in the state controlled by Boss Frank Hague. We believe that there is a concerted attempt to send our Negro brothers back to slavery."

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