

# **Against the English Terror in India!**

**Complete Solidarity with the Workers and Peasants of India!**

**Appeal of the "League Against Imperialism".**

The last few weeks have brought with them a powerful forward development and a mighty upsurge of the social and national revolutionary forces of India. The compromise-resolution of Gandhi adopted at the All-Indian National Congress has proved unable to bring a solution of the Indian question. At this National Congress 900 delegates voted against the dastardly compromise. The Trade Union Federation of India and the Workers and Peasants' Party emphatically rejected it.

The Executive of the "League Against Imperialism", at its January meeting at Cologne, rightly pointed out that the next few months would be bound to bring a fresh intensification of the class struggle and of the fight against British imperialism in India. The imperialist agents at first attempted to break the solidarity of the Indian Workers by introducing religious quarrels into the movement in Bombay. This attempt, however, proved a miserable failure. The imperialists are therefore now proceeding, by brutal police actions, to deprive the movement of its leaders. The English Government, according to its well known methods, believes that by the "discovery" of a "plot" it has found a pretext for police provocation and wholesale arrests. By this means it is intended to repel and destroy the broad revolutionary movement, which, under the slogan of "complete independence for India", threatens to become dangerous to British imperialism.

The English Government has made a mistake. The wholesale arrests of workers' and trade union leaders, including nearly all the well known champions of the "League Against Imperialism" in India have led to a protest movement which already embraces broad strata of the Indian population. Powerful demonstrations and protest strikes are the answer of the working and peasant class of India.

In Bombay, 25,000 workers from 14 cotton mills are on strike. The workers in the railway workshops in Bengal have also gone on strike. The agricultural workers in the Shabad district of Bihar have risen in revolt. In many localities the students have joined the protest movement.

The English Government is endeavouring to suppress this powerful movement by proclaiming a stage of siege and occupying the factories with the military. The English Government does not shrink from the most brutal means. Six workers have been shot and many others have been wounded.

The British imperialists are endeavouring by police terror and fascist methods to render the Indian Labour movement incapable of fighting. They will not succeed in this. The Indian workers, together with the Indian peasants, will parry the blow.

The international proletariat, and all anti-imperialist groups and organisations of the world must now concentrate upon supporting the workers' peasants' and national revolutionary movement, which is seriously threatened by English terror.

The International Secretariat of the "League Against Imperialism", therefore, calls upon all anti-imperialist organisations, groups and trade union organisations of the whole world to enter on a great international solidarity demonstration in favour of the workers' and peasants' movement which is fighting for the independence of India.

Demonstrations and meetings must be held in all the big towns.

Funds must be collected for the victims of imperialist terror.

The imperialist terrorist methods must be stigmatised in a broad press and publicity campaign.

**Long live complete and practical solidarity with the Indian workers and peasants!**

**Long live independent India!**