

# HERNDON NEW APPEAL FROM DEATH CELL

## "Many Ways to Aid L. L. D. Drive", Says Young Negro

ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 6.—From the Fulton County prison where he is confined in the death cell, Angelo Herndon, Negro organizer of the unemployed, yesterday answered Judge D. Thomas' denial of bail to him, with a new appeal to the toiling masses to rally to the campaign lead by the International Labor Defense for his release and for the smashing of the murderous chain gang system.

On Saturday, Judge Thomas arbitrarily rejected the demand of the I. L. D. attorneys that bail be set for Herndon, and threatened with a death sentence with the statement that the appeal against the chain gang verdict of 18 to 20 years might "result in the defendant's being given a capital sentence." Herndon's appeal is directed to the entire working class and especially to the white and Negro toilers of Georgia:

### Fight Just Begun.

"Fellow workers, I appeal to you to support the International Labor Defense in its fight to force the bosses of Georgia to release me immediately. The bosses of Georgia and their courts think by railroading me to the chain gang they will be able to crush the struggles of white and Negro workers. But they are mistaken!

"The struggles of white and Negro workers against starvation and oppression have just begun!

"The bosses think by their poison of race hatred and discrimination to split the ranks of the working class and prevent us from organizing together for our common interests. Particularly is this so in Georgia and throughout the South, where the Negro toilers are subjected to the most brutal and inhuman oppression by the white ruling class. The bosses hope to be able, without resistance from the working class to carry on their policy of brutal rule, of terrorism, lynching, persecution and starvation of both Negro and white workers.

### Defend All Class War Prisoners.

"I appeal to you, white and Negro toilers, to organize and carry forward our struggles against starvation, for unemployment relief and social insurance. I appeal to you to support the militant class policy of the I.L.D. for the defense of Angelo Herndon and other victims of capitalist justice, for the defense of all class war prisoners, who are being daily framed up as Tom Mooney was framed, as the Scottsboro boys and the Atlanta Six are being framed.

"There are many ways in which you can help the I.L.D., by joining the I.L.D. or actively supporting its mass defense campaigns, by contributing to its defense funds, by helping to raise money, by raising the question of the class war prisoners in your organizations, in your shops, etc., by exposing the frame-up nature of the charges against the class-war prisoners, by showing the masses that Angelo Herndon has been sentenced to the chain gang for the "crime" of organizing white and Negro workers together for joint struggle for bread, against starvation, against the national oppression of the Negro masses, against imperialist war.

Comradely yours,

(Signed) Angelo Herndon.

(Death) Cell, 3rd South."