

# NEGRO CONGRESS OF WORKERS IN CHICAGO SOON

## Will Act on Problems of Negro Labor

An American Negro Labor Congress will be held in Chicago this summer to discuss the Negro problem. The congress will base its deliberations and actions on the fact that it is the Negro workers that have the power to lift the Negro out of the social, political and economic inequality in which they are compelled to exist.

### To Consist of Workers.

The congress, which is being called by an organization committee of prominent Negro labor leaders, will consist of delegates from the various Negro labor unions, mixed unions (black and white), delegates from groups of unorganized workers in the factories, shops, etc., delegates from organizations of Negro agricultural workers, and individuals of both races well known for their championship of the cause of the Negro working class.

"The workers comprise an overwhelming majority of the race, and their struggles on the economic field form a basis for uniting with the largest class of whites, in this country—the white workers." Lovett Fort-Whiteman, the well known Communist writer and speaker said in issuing the call for the congress: "The congress will concern itself with the problems of the Negro workers."

The exact date for the congress has not yet been set. However, local conferences are now being called thruout the country, to popularize the work of the congress. Members of the provisional organization committee, of which Lovett Fort-Whiteman is the organizer, will visit these local conferences to set forth the aims of the congress and its organizational character.

### Prominent Negro Workers.

Those on the provisional committee for organizing the Negro labor include:

**WILLIAM BRYANT**, Business Manager of Asphalt Workers' Union, Milwaukee, Wis.

**EDWARD L. DOTY**, Organizer of Negro Plumbers, Chicago.

**H. V. PHILLIPS**, Organizer of Negro Working Class Youth, Chicago.

**ELIZABETH GRIFFIN**, President of Chicago Negro Women's Household League.

**EVERETT GREENE**, Chicago Correspondent of "Afro-American," Baltimore, Md.

**WILLIAM SCARVILLE**, of the Pittsburgh-American.

**CHARLES HENRY**, Representative of Unorganized Negro Steel Workers, Chicago.

**OTTO HALL**, Walters and Cooks Association, Chicago.

**LOUIS HUNTER**, Longshoremen's Protective and Benevolent Union, New Orleans, La.

**OTTO HUISWOOD**, African Blood Brotherhood, New York City.

**LOVETT FORT-WHITEMAN**, Organizer of Congress.

**AARON DAVIS**, Neighborhood Protective Association, Toombsville, Miss.

**JOHN OWENS**, Organizer of Negro Agricultural Workers, Ripley, Cal.

**ROSINA DAVIS**, Secretary of Chicago Negro Women's Household League.

**E. A. LYNCH**, Fraternal Delegate from West Africa Seamen's Union, Liverpool.

**JACK EDWARDS**, Representative Negro Pullman Car Workers, Chicago.

**SAHIR KARIMIJI**, Fraternal Delegate from Natal Agricultural Workers, South Africa.

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