

# FOSTER HAILS STRUGGLE IN N. CAROLINA

Issues Statement on  
Big High Point  
Strike

SPEAKS IN DETROIT

Nominee Urges Unity  
of Employed, Jobless

DETROIT, Mich., July 24.—Wm. Z. Foster, Communist candidate for President, last night addressed a huge gathering here at the Arena Gardens, Woodward and Hendrie Sts. In a statement today, hailing the militancy of the 6,000 North Carolina textile and furniture workers, Foster said:

"The splendid and heroic action of the North Carolina workers merits the widest support. Southern workers well remember the Gastonia, Elizabethon and other struggles. The present strike follows directly in the tradition of these previous battles against the mill barons and their starvation wage policy.

"Particularly to be commended is the unity shown by the employed and unemployed workers. This mass revolt against the bosses and their hunger government has ben due for a long time; it has ben simmering on the surface.

"Let the North Carolina workers be warned of their enemies, however. Agents of the department of labor will form citizens committees made up of local businessmen, bankers, preachers, etc. They will try concillation methods of 'settling' the strike. They will bring in the American Federation of Labor of their Mustelte little brothers to head off the spreading struggle.

"National gaurds, K.K.K, etc., will try to smash the picket lines. The strikers must guard against such labor betrayers as Hoffman and other A. F. of L. and Mustelte misleaders. The ysold out the Marion and Danville strikers; they sold out the Full Fashioned Hosiery Workers in putting across a 30 to 50 per cent wage-cut a few months ago.

"The strikers must depend upon their own democratically elected strike committees and beware of such leaders as Bradley, who is consciously or unconsciously working hand in glove with the police and mill owners.

"Workers throughout the country, organized and unorganized, employed and unemployed, must rally to the support of this heroic struggle."