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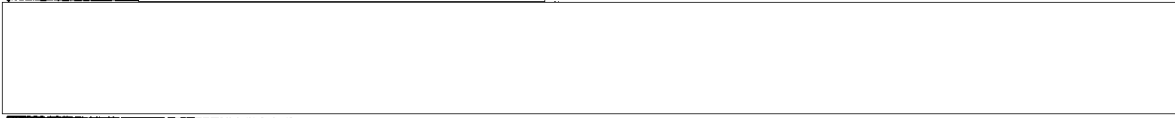
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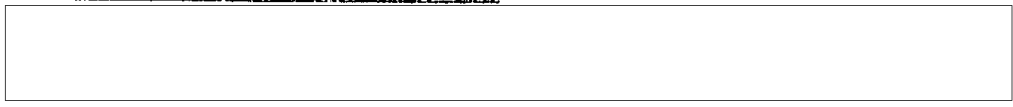
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1. Communist labor workers are trying to set up a new printers and publication workers union for Canton. Registration of workers for this union is going very slowly, and only about 300 have signed up. The reorganization of the Canton-Hankow Railway Labor Union has been going on for a month; here too the workers are very slow to register. Meanwhile railway workers have heard a rumor that the former union is being reorganized in Hong Kong, and they are showing great eagerness to find out about it from Hong Kong friends.
2. Unemployment has been increasing in Canton. An unemployed workers committee has been formed by the Preparatory Committee of the Canton General Labor Union, the Provincial Labor Bureau, the Industrial and Commercial Bureau, the Communist Party South China Sub-bureau, the Women's Association, and the Youth Corps. Only a very few unemployed workers have registered with these organizations, as most fear Communist methods of handling workers.
3. The Communists have dubbed the air raid of 3 March in Canton the "Bloody Debt of March 3rd", but the people pay no attention to this slogan. Each time a raid is over political workers preach to passengers on trains denouncing CHIANG Kai-shek and the Americans, but the people do not appear to listen to them.

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