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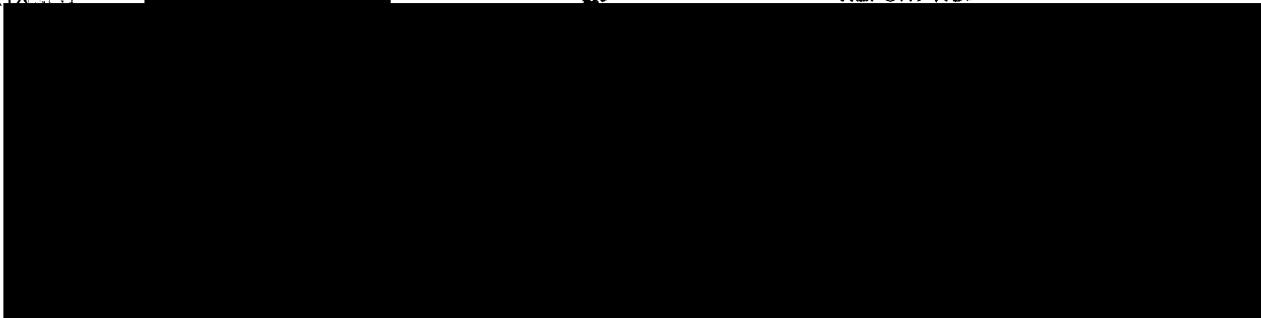
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1. At a recent Calcutta meeting of the All India Trade Union Congress (AITUC), Jyoti Bose, Satyanriya Banerjee and Krihal Kanti Bose set forth a plan to revive agitation in the trade unions in railways, post and telegraph offices, docks, jute mills and oil companies.
2. Three organizations, the Dock Mazdoor Union, the Shipping Employees' Union, and the Port Trust Workers' Union, a splinter of the United Trade Union Congress, have pooled together under AITUC leadership.* The dock workers, numbering about 12,000, are being used to agitate for higher wages and allowances.**
3. According to Krihal Kanti Bose, various trade union splinter groups are ready to collaborate with the Communists in fighting the Indian National Trade Union Congress (INTUC) and the Socialist-sponsored Hind Mazdoor Sabha. Such splinter groups include the United Trade Union Congress, the Bolshevik Party of India, and the Forward Bloc.

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[Redacted] Evidence of a slowdown on the docks has already been reported by another agency.

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[Redacted] The Calcutta Statesman on 7 February 1951 reported a meeting of the Calcutta Tramway Workers' Union on the Maidan on 6 February. Banerjee and Jyoti Bose (paragraph 1) were among the speakers at the meeting.

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