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MINERS DEMAND REAL SOLIDARITY BEHIND STRIKE

Young Miner Tells of Situation in the Anthracite

LEWIS FORGOT REAL ISSUES

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It is now the third week of the anthracite coal strike with the situation changed but little. The spokesmen of the operators are saying nothing, John L. Lewis contends he is "satisfied." Meanwhile, in the mining region not a wheel moves, not a car works in all the 888 collieries affected by the strike. Although it is the third week the miners themselves are passive and taking the situation as it is, which is so exciting that some feel like dying of stagnation and lack of anything doing.

Operators Refuse Demands.
The miners have presented to the operators certain demands. The operators have refused to grant these demands, all of them or even a substantial part of them. Among the demands are the "check-off," which if granted means full and unqualified recognition of the United Mine Workers in the anthracite field. The check-off has been existing in the bituminous fields for nearly 25 years but in the anthracite the operators have refused to grant it for many years. In the demands of the great 1902 strike the check-off was demanded. The check-off is an arrangement by the union and the company that the dues and assessments of the union miners shall be taken from the pay envelope of the miner by the company and turned over to the union. In this manner Lewis is assured that every union member is paid to date, that no doctoring of books by local union officials can continue, that the locals can no longer hold back on the per capita tax, etc. It is a very good thing for Lewis but from another angle is wrong. Lewis does not like "outlaw strikes." The check-off, (Continued on page 2)

BRITISH BEHIND SAKLATVALA BAN

Don't Want Truth Told About England's Plight

By JACK RICHARDS
WASHINGTON, D. C.—The barring of Saklatvala is causing a stir in the United States and England, and the news is being received in all countries throughout the world as a further indication of the nature of the so-called American "democracy."

Although liberals here are raising quite a howl about the action of Secretary Kellogg, saying that his action was foolish and only did more harm than good "for the bosses," Washington rumors tell of a serious reason for the barring of this Hindu member of the British parliament from attendance at the convention of the parliamentary union.

Would Tell About England
These rumors all trace the action of Secretary Kellogg's to Great Britain, and give pretty good proof that his action came as a result of persistent requests from the British government. "It was no so much that the American bosses feared the visit of Saklatvala in itself, but in consideration of the present situation in England they were afraid that he might tell the American workers about what was happening there."

While the British capitalist press is spreading propaganda throughout the world careful to hide the truth about the revolutionary situation developing in England, they have no desire to have Saklatvala come to this country and tell what is actually happening there.

And then, the United States has her colonies as well as England, and Saklatvala has always taken a strong stand against British imperialism.

The Secretary of State of the U. S. imperialist government naturally is anxious to prevent the coming of a well known enemy of imperialism to the imperialist stronghold of the U. S.

Workers Protest
Protests against the ban on Saklatvala are being held by workers throughout the country. In Chicago, Boston, Pittsburgh, Minneapolis, Philadelphia, New York and other large cities, huge demonstrations will be held under the united front auspices of the Workers (Communist) Party, various working class organizations (local unions, etc.) and the All-American Anti-Imperialist League.

Chinese Strikers Have Own Way of Handling Scabs

According to a Shanghai union leader, the men on strike are having no trouble in taking care of strikebreakers and have devised novel methods all their own for this purpose.

The secretary of the Electrical Workers' Union of Shanghai, quoted by Paul Blanchard in the Nation, has this to say about how the Chinese workers handle scabs:

"We just drop around to their houses, take them out to some convenient lot and make them kneel down in a circle of strikers. We don't beat them at all, but we make them sign a statement something like this: 'I am a dirty low-down traitor to my fellow workers.' Then we take their pictures and this statement and hang them up where everybody can see. No, we don't have many strikebreakers."

He further adds: Labor unions have never been recognized in China but we believe that before this strike is over they will be.

BRITISH WANT TO GRAB MOSUL

Raise "Christ" Bogey as War Danger Grows

BULLETIN.
Great Britain further prepared the ground for war today by charging before the League of Nations that Turkey had violated the provisional frontier of Mosul, rightfully Turkish territory but long held by British imperialism with the help of the forceful occupation of Iraq and the army maintained in Mesopotamia. The British delegate also raised the popular issue of the deportation of Christians from the war zone in an effort to start the propaganda going to arouse the public interest in favor of war.

The boundary dispute was referred to the world court recently, and the British have demanded that the League Council consider the matter immediately and take action. However the Turks have stated that they will not accept any decision which will uphold the robbery of this territory for British imperialism, since Mosul as well as Iraq right belong to Turkish domain.

The district over which British as well as French imperialists have long been disputing, is said to be the world's richest oil fields.

LONDON, England.—While the Turks have massed 75,000 troops on the Mosul frontier to make sure that the British imperialists won't be successful in their robbery scheme, the British are busy raising the "Christian" bogey and in other ways preparing the ground for war.

Lord Robert, British delegate to the present conference of the league of nations in Geneva, is spending more time walling about the fact that a few inhabitants of Christian or "British" villages were supposedly expelled from the future "war zone."

Can't Remember Arguments.
The British delegate spent most of his time spouting propaganda as he had few arguments to offer for the continued enslavement of Iraq by Great Britain. The best arguments he had to offer for the British control of Mosul in addition to Iraq, i. e., the large amount of oil there, was not mentioned openly at the conference.

Although none of the big imperialist countries that dominate the league of nations are anxious for Turkey to get back this territory which belongs to them, there is a good deal of dispute as to letting England get away with all the loot.

Altho the league has not yet come out openly against Turkey, they have shown where they stand by not taking action against the continuance of the treaty between Britain and King Feisal the British puppet in Mesopotamia. It is thru lending support to King Feisal with bomb and bayonet, that England has been able to keep what it has grabbed from Turkey. As long as the league allows Britain to maintain this force here they are directly supporting them in their occupation of Iraq and in their claims on Mosul. Not only haven't they revoked the treaty with King Feisal, but the commission has suggested that the old treaty be ended and a new treaty allowing for 25 more years of the present arrangement be drawn up.

Italian Reaches Korea.
TOKIO, Sept. 23.—Francesco de Pinedo, Italian Rome-to-Tokio-flyer, arrived safely late today at Mokpho, Korea, having flown there today from Shanghai. He is expected to make Tokio on his next hop.

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HOW MUCH LONGER?



NEW OPPOSITION TO IMPERIALISM

British T. U. Congress Repudiates MacDonald

(From Our Own Correspondent)
LONDON, England.—(By mail.)—The action of the British Trade Union Congress at Scarborough in taking a strong stand against British imperialism and repudiating completely the policy of MacDonald & Co., has caused a stir not only in England but throughout the world.

The resolution adopted by an overwhelming majority of the delegates at the convention representing 3,082,000 organized British workers pledged opposition to British imperialism and further repudiated MacDonald and the whole right wing of the labor party by favoring "the right of self determination for all peoples within the empire even to the point of complete separation."

This resolution has been a great blow to the right wing in the British Labor Party, and they are organizing a huge campaign against the left wing in which they are getting the full cooperation of the capitalist press. Thru this campaign in which they are using scare headlines about British labor "turning red," MacDonald and his gang of fakers hope to win back some of their losses at the coming labor party conference.

When the MacDonald "labor government" was in office it followed the policies of the Second International which has always supported the empire against the oppressed peoples in the colonies. In fact MacDonald outdid the conservative imperial governments in attacking, jailing and killing natives in India, in the British policy for exploiting the Chinese, and in bombing excursions in Iraq in support of the ambitious British oil kings.

British labor has become convinced that these actions of the MacDonald group has been one of the greatest betrayals of their interests, and they will answer the present campaign by organizing to fight this policy and further repudiate MacDonald at the coming Labor Party convention in Liverpool, as they have just done in Scarborough.

OVER 500 DELEGATES EXPECTED AT A. N. L. C.

CHICAGO.—Credentials are being sent out to all organizations that will send delegates to the coming American Negro Labor Congress which will meet in Chicago beginning October 25th. Accommodations will be secured for all delegates whose credentials are received before the Congress. Additional credentials may be secured from the national office of the Congress at 19 S. Lincoln St., Chicago, Ill.

Illinois Labor Meet Forgets Youth Except To Discuss 'Wild Oats'

CHAMPAIGN, Ill.—The labor fakers assembled at Champaign in the most reactionary state convention of the Illinois Federation for years, forgot all about the problems of the young workers but managed to set aside enough time to launch a spectacular attack on the "subsidized vice" in the state universities.

Edwin Wright, a delegate from the Chicago Typographical union, made the speech which added a comic touch to the convention. Not concerned with the development of workers' education or the fight against the bosses' propaganda that is handed out as education at the University of Illinois, this Chicago labor faker spent most of the time during his speech trying to get his name in the papers.

Challenges "Morality" of Bourgeois Institution.
Although Mr. Wright has no "teetotaler's" reputation in Chicago, he merely questioned the "morality" at the University of Illinois. He was much worried by wild stories of flapper parties in fraternity houses and other orgies of the wealthy youths attending this college. Why labor, faced with so many problems, should have to worry about reforming the bosses' children was not stated. Instead the majority of the delegates enjoyed the performance that their friend Wright staged for them and passed the resolution he presented, with the result that more time of the convention was taken up when a dean of the U. of I. came to answer the charges of "vice."

For Small—Against Labor Party.
The convention further showed its reactionary make-up by going on record in favor of supporting Governor Len Small and chose the republican party as against a labor party. When Andrew Overgaard, the only militant at the convention, spoke for class political action and presented a resolution calling upon the Illinois State Federation of Labor to work for the organization of a labor party, this resolution was repudiated by the convention after apologies by a few of the renegade radicals who are now marching side by side with the bosses.

SYRIANS CAPTURE FORTRESS OF SUEIDA FROM IMPERIALIST ARMY

LONDON, England, Sept. 23.—The Syrians have captured the fortress of Sueida from the French garrison, taking 500 French prisoners, capturing two armored cars, artillery munitions, and twenty-six thousand pounds in Turkish currency, it is reported from Constantinople.

The revolt of the Druse against French imperialism in Syria has received a tremendous impetus as a result of the victory.

SEAMEN TIE UP WORLD'S SHIPS

Strike Hits U. S. Ports As Seamen Show Solidarity

NEW YORK CITY, N. Y.—Two weeks of the seamen's strike finds ships in U. S. ports already well tied up. The strike which was only spread to America recently is growing in leaps and bounds according to reports of picket captains telling of ship after ship being tied up. According to reports the spirit of the seamen is fine and in most cases it is only necessary to talk to the men to get them to leave ship and join the strikers. Some of the big ocean liners are only sailing with the greatest difficulty and with short and inexperienced scab crews. Most of the other shipping is not able to leave U. S. ports at all.

Fakers Having Hard Time
The union officials who have been fighting the strike, labelling it unofficial, are having a hard time of it, for no matter how hard they yell that there is no strike, everyone can see that there is not only a strike, but an effective one, in which the seamen are showing the greatest solidarity, and as a result the work of these fakers is having little effect.

In England the strike is so effective that British shipping is paralyzed and the shipowners are losing such large sums daily in the delayed trade that they may be forced to make a settlement soon. Havelock Wilson, king of the fakers, officials of the International Seamen's Union, is having a hard time in his capacity as agent of the ship owners. He is faced on the one side with a repudiation of his policy by all organized British labor at the Scarborough convention and at the same time sees the militant members of the Marine Transport Workers of the I. W. W. organizing one of the strongest strikes in years.

A good book on Communism will make you a better Communist.

Young Workers To Support Strike of Anthracite Miners

MANIFESTO OF THE YOUNG WORKERS LEAGUE OF AMERICA.

IN Pennsylvania 150,000 anthracite miners are on strike against the attempts of the coal barons to force lower wages and worse working conditions upon them. Altho profits for the anthracite operators have been greater than ever before during the past ten years, conditions for the miners have been growing continuously worse. Despite the many great struggles carried on by the United Mine Workers, wages have always lagged behind the rising cost of living during this period.

Already living under such conditions, the men who do the work in the anthracite cannot accept any wage cuts and at the same time hand bigger and bigger profits to "those who own."

Morgan Pays Visit to England After S.O.S. From British Bosses

(Special to Young Worker)

LONDON, England.—The economic plight of England has been considered sufficiently serious to demand a call from J. P. Morgan. Morgan is not only involved with huge investments in England, but he is always ready to consider playing the "angel" to tottering capitalism's of other countries if he can be guaranteed big enough profits.

Morgan sailed from New York recently and no one knew of his departure until he was discovered on board, as he had taken pains to keep his trip a secret. His only answer to queries was to state that his trip was merely a "vacation."

In the meantime the British workers are becoming daily more militant. Unemployment is increasing. The seamen's strike has been successful in tying up British trade to a great extent and the British bosses only succeeded in averting the miners strike by granting the demands temporarily and forming a nine month's truce. In addition the empire is in such a condition that it can no longer make concessions to the workers, and a crisis seems so unavoidable, so much so that the British bosses are mobilizing a national police force and backing the fascist.

If Morgan attempts to avert the crisis by saddling a British Dawes Plan on the back of the workers, the British workers will not accept the increased exploitation and slavery involved without a struggle.

SOLDIERS MUTINY IN MOROCCO WAR

Won't Be Slaughtered For the Imperialists

(Special to Young Worker)

LONDON, England.—Despite the most rigid censorship the fact has leaked out that there have been serious mutinies by Spanish troops both near the capital and at Malaga and Algeiras. Although officials communicate have been coming in steadily telling of big Spanish and telling of only light losses, rumors of huge losses by the Spanish have persisted and finally the truth leaked out about extremely heavy losses in the field. Two battalions of the foreign legion are reported as completely wiped out in their attempted recovery of Ben Karich, the height overlooking Tetuan.

Soldiers Won't Leave for Front
Spanish soldiers are refusing to leave for Morocco as they don't want to be shot down for the benefit of the Spanish imperialism, and the greatest trouble with mutinies has been met with at the ports of embarkment. The reactionary Spanish government has mobilized the entire police force of the capital and is preparing to try and crush these revolts of the soldiers. One Autruais regiment quartered at Carabanchel, a suburb of Madrid, has chosen open revolt rather than shipment to Morocco. The Young Communist League of Spain is carrying on an intensive propaganda within the army against the Riff war.

For Real Solidarity.
The anthracite operators are the best organized group of mine owners. (Continued on page 2)

Not only is it impossible for the hard coal diggers to accept these terms, but their very lives and the life of their union depends upon a militant struggle to get their demands granted in this strike. Already the coal barons have forced down the standard of living of the bituminous miners with the help of shifting operations to non-union fields and by conducting a huge campaign against the union miners. Now that this campaign is so well under way, the operators are concentrating a huge drive on the hard coal miners aimed as much against the union as against the standard of living.

Young Miners, How Does This Affect You?
How does this present struggle in the anthracite affect the young miners?

In those fields where the union is strong and the conditions of the miners are best, the young miner finds himself equally well off. For example, in the Illinois district all young workers in and around the mines (with the exception of the trapper boys on mule haulage in a few of the smallest mines) get full pay and the miners refuse to allow any discrimination against the younger workers either in the way of lower wages or worse working conditions.

But as soon as there is any forcing down of the standard of living as there has been in the bituminous fields and in the anthracite, the young miners will be among the first to feel it and will be the first ones the operator will discriminate against. Not only this, but lowered wages and worse conditions for the miners force more and more of the youngest workers into the mines and factories when their fathers can no longer support the family alone on the small wages of a hard coal digger.

Young Miners! The fight in the anthracite is your fight. You will be among the hardest hit if this strike is not won. Get into the front ranks with the fighters, and not only see that this strike is won, but make sure that you will get your share of the victory and equal wages for equal work once the strike is over.

For a Standard Wage.

While Lewis and other fake leaders of the United Mine Workers have been busy compromising every struggle of the miners for small wage increases (as in 1922) one of the greatest evils for the miners, especially the young miners, has been left untouched. This is the chaotic system of "scales" which has been in effect since 1900 in the anthracite. All the wage advances of the anthracite miners have been based on these scales and the operators have had a good chance to do a lot of juggling of wages and have been able to discriminate against different groups of miners whenever they felt strong enough to get away with it.

These scales are of great danger to the young miners. They offer the coal barons an opportunity especially to discriminate against the young miners, often paying him much lower wages even when doing the same work as an adult miner.

Young Miners! Fight against these scales in the anthracite. Fight not only for the increases but keep up the fight along with the progressive miners for a minimum wage of \$10 a day for all miners at the face, whether they are young or old.

CHINA FACES A NEW CIVIL WAR

Imperialists Backing Bourgeoisie in Plot

UNITE AGAINST CANTON

BULLETIN.

Everything is in preparation for civil war which is expected in China in the immediate future. All Tokio banks and business houses with branches in China are receiving telegrams from their agents asking for instructions in case of civil war. Both Chang Tso Lin and Feng Yu Helang are heavily concentrated in the Peking area, ostensibly for maneuvers.

That both sides are buying arms in large quantities in preparation for the conflict is displayed by a scandal involving three prominent American lawyers who received large sums of money for arms from both camps and after cashing the checks and pocketing the money forgot to deliver the arms. Japan has placed an embargo on arms and cash which will not be allowed to reach the arming factories.

LONDON, England.—(By Mail.)—A serious situation, involving the danger of a new outbreak of civil war is developing in Canton. Attacks by the opponents of the Kuomintang government are becoming more frequent and there is evidence that these malcontents are receiving support from the imperialist interests, outside Canton, which desire the overthrow of this government, the most advanced which China has yet produced.

Specially significant is the launching from Hongkong, the British Crown Colony, of an appeal by the Chinese Chamber of Commerce. This message has been broadcast by cable through the world. It declares that the Canton government has adopted "Bolshevik principles," and that "the control of all the naval and military forces has passed into the hands of the Russians."

"A reign of terror," it continues, "is being inaugurated throughout the province, to the unspeakable distress of its population. If assistance is not speedily given, this poisonous tide will speedily grow until it engulfs the whole of China beyond the hope of redemption."

Judicial Commission in Trouble. The so-called judicial commission appointed by Great Britain, America and Japan to investigate the causes of the Shanghai riots, is producing a situation for the imperialists. Not only is it meeting with the greatest opposition from the Chinese workers and students who see in it nothing but an attempt to whitewash the robber activities of the big imperialists in China, but smaller but ambitious imperialist nations including France, Italy, Belgium and Holland have refused to join which makes the commission far from legal even in the eyes of the imperialists themselves.

Boycott Against Japs Lifted. There are also reports that the boycott against Japanese shipping brought on by the anti-foreign strike was lifted today, although the boycott against the British continues. The Japanese imperialists who have much to gain and little to lose by following a more friendly policy towards China, have let down sufficiently lately to get the boycott removed.

45,000 British Troops Test Warfare Methods

LONDON, Sept. 20.—Forty-five thousand regular army and territorial troops, aided by the newest type of airplanes, anti-aircraft guns, tanks and personal equipment, will start at midnight tomorrow the first grand scale army maneuvers the British have conducted since 1913.

The maneuvers are expected to have an important influence on future warfare, as regards both methods and weapons. They will involve critical tests for aircraft and will represent the final trial of the efficacy of cavalry against more modern arms of the service. The maneuvers are also expected to determine whether trench warfare as employed on the western front, can be replaced by the old fashioned open warfare of the past.

In a great area bounded by Reading, Bath, Chichester and Blandford and covering portions of five counties, the armies of the imaginary kingdoms of Westland Eastland will do battle for four days.

Mayakovski Tickets for Sale in Many Places

Tickets for the Mayakovski meeting which will be held Friday eve, Oct. 2, at Temple Hall, cor. Van Buren and Marshfield Ave., are for sale at the office of the DAILY WORKER, 1113 W. Washington Blvd., at Frelheit office, at the Russian Co-operative restaurants, the Workers Home, 1902 W. Division St.

The famous Russian poet Vladimir Mayakovski will speak on Russian poetry and literature. He will read some of his own poems.

Get your tickets in advance and tell your friends to do likewise.

A good book on Communism will make you a better Communist.

Miners Demand Real Solidarity Behind Strike

(Continued from page 1) in a way would make an "outlaw strike" practically impossible of success, and when we consider that in the past two years more than 800 of these "wildcat strikes" have been pulled to one wonders why Lewis is so concerned to establish the check-off in the anthracite coal fields. The 800 strikes referred to have all been in District One under the leadership of Cappellini, chief faker and demagogue of the Wilkes-Barre field.

Demand 10 Per Cent Increase. Another demand of the miners is for a 10 per cent increase in wages for contract miners and \$1.00 per day increase for all labor classified otherwise than "contract mining." At the Tri-District convention, held in July the Communist bloc present fought militantly for 20 per cent and \$2.00 but went down to defeat by the well oiled Lewis machine steamroller. The demand for this slight increase is not so terrible as the operators can very easily grant it since their profits yearly total many millions of dollars.

Other demands of the miners are for payment of props and timbers. Much time and hard labor are spent by the miners cutting and setting the props and timbers, which hold the roof, and for this labor they receive nothing but the well wishes of the bosses and usually not that. They want pay also for all dead work, cleaning of caves, boiling of water, etc. They want to be paid for the coal they mine on the tonnage basis instead of on the car. In this case the miners load four to six tons of coal and are paid from \$2.40 to \$4.00 for the car.

Lewis Fogrot Important Issues.

In all the miners have twelve demands. The most important Lewis does not fight for but "fights" for demands such as the check-off which does not fight for but "fights" for working conditions of the miners, but which is an organizational measure. Lewis, Kennedy and the other bureaucrats concentrate chiefly on this demand, which even if granted will not change the miserable conditions of the miners underground. Lewis does not fight for the concrete, vital demands of the miners, which there are a few contained in the demands, but concentrates on an issue such as the check-off.

The Communists and Progressive Miners have initiated a campaign during the strike, pointing out to the miners the only practical solution of their many problems. They have raised the demand of a minimum wage rate, the six-hour day and thirty-hour week, nationalization of the mines with workers' control, abolish the contract system, for a labor party, for a general strike, for a national agreement covering the entire industry, etc. The yellow capitalist press, the operators and the bureaucrats form a united front against the militant advance of the Communists and the Progressive Miners.

The demands and slogans of the Communists are recognized as the only measures whereby the conditions of the miners will be bettered, and will be fought for until they no longer are demands and slogans but an actuality.

Must Have United Front.

When the soft coal fields strike the anthracite strikes the soft coal works. How beautiful! And this is the pet policy of Lewis, this organized scabbery. The recent victory of the British miners in forcing the government to subsidize the industry was not won by such tactics as are employed by the Lewis bureaucracy in this country. Only a united front of all coal miners in this company will guarantee victory. Under militant leadership, when a strike is called, only a general strike of all coal miners. In West Virginia at the present time a "general strike" (of the Lewis variety) is taking place, called on April 1st. A few miles away the Eastern Ohio miners continue work, the Western Pennsylvania miners continue work. The anthracite strikes; Central Pennsylvania works; Oklahoma strikes; Arizona, Texas and Montana work. Sometime later it is vice versa with the same teams at bat, under the "able" leadership of Brother Jawn L.

In the next issue we will give an account of the conditions of the many thousand young miners employed in the anthracite mines, the element of the miners who are exploited more than any other class of anthracite mine labor. Any sympathizing comrade who wishes to compliment J. "Lackey" Lewis on his leadership of the American miners may send all horseshod and dandelions to the Bellevue-Stratford, Philadelphia, the very "cheap" place he is now vacationing at.

RUSSIAN-UKRAINIAN PERFORMANCE & DANCE SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11

The Russian and Ukrainian branches of the Workers Party have arranged jointly a performance and dance for Sunday, Oct. 11, at Emmett Memorial Hall, corner Ogden and Taylor.

All friendly organizations are requested to keep this date open and not to arrange other affairs.

YOUNG MINERS! FIGHT IN FRONT RANKS AGAINST MINE OPERATORS!

(Continued from page 1) The powerful anthracite operators, linked up with the coal barons of the bituminous fields, never have any trouble in getting the co-operation of the bosses' government against the miners. First the government offers its help thru appointing a commission which is supposed to "arbitrate" and does its best to force the miners to accept only the slightest increases. Second, if this fails, the government intervenes to the extent of sending its armed troops against the unarmed coal diggers.

For a Labor Party. The manner in which the operators use the capitalist government against the miners in addition to their use of the courts, the press, the schools, etc., makes it clear to the miners that they must fight for political organization of the working class. Only by building a labor party supported by the masses of workers in America, can we be sure of the backing so necessary in order to carry our struggles thru to victory. Only with a huge labor party representing the workers can we fight the attempts of the bosses' governments to turn our industrial victories into defeats. Only with the help of a labor party can we force the nationalization of the mines and carry the struggle thru for a workers' and farmers' government that will be a government of the workers and will not issue injunctions and break strikes of the miners as the present bosses' government did in 1919 and 1922.

The young workers who know so well what wage cuts and worse conditions mean must be the first to rally to the support of the anthracite miners. If the government should call on scabs to break the strike the young workers must be among the first to refuse to fight against the miners if they are put into uniform and called upon for strikebreaking purposes.

The young workers who know from bitter experience what a victory for the operators will mean for the young miners, must give their militant support. They must fight with the anthracite miners and help to turn this strike into such a victory that it will mark a turning point in the retreat of the working class before the huge offensive of the American bosses.

For Nationalization of the Mines and Workers' Control.

The winning of the present strike will not end the many grievances of the anthracite miners. The winning of the demands for a dollar a day increase; for the check-off; and the 10 per cent increase for miners will not put an end to the intolerable working conditions in the anthracite. It will not prevent the operators from taking the increases they are forced to grant out in worse working conditions for the hard coal diggers. It will not abolish contract labor in the mines. It will not abolish child labor in and around the mines. It will not end unemployment and all the anarchy at present existing in the industry. It will not get the 6-hour day and 5-day week for the miners and thus regulate the hours so as to give everyone employment.

It is true that victory in the present struggle will prevent the bosses from forcing down the standard of the miners for the moment, and will strengthen the union. But as long as the present powerful group of capitalists is in unchallenged control of the industry, they will be able to force intolerable conditions on the workers and the greatest grievance of the miners will remain unsettled.

The only solution for this is a strong fight against this private ownership of the mines by a few corporations and a fight for the nationalization of the mines under workers' control.

Against the Use of Troops in Strikes! Against Government Interference.

Los Angeles Juniors Plan Many Activities; Picnic September 20

ISRAEL SHULMA. Now that vacation time is over, activities of the Juniors will once more begin at full speed.

The different groups are now busy arranging musical programs. Group A and B meet every Tuesday night at the Co-operative Bldg. and give their program on Tuesday, Sept. 22. Group C will give theirs on Wednesday, Sept. 23, and group D, on Wednesday, Sept. 30. All children are welcome to any and all of these programs, in fact, they are urged to come if they want to enjoy an evening.

A good number of the members are busily engaged writing plays. Of course, plays of a working class nature. The best ones will be used for these and other concerts, and will also be sent away for publication in our paper called the "Young Comrade." That is why they are all doing their best, and you may expect to see some good plays if you come.

On Saturday, Sept. 20, all the Juniors and their friends will go out for a whole day to the Exposition Park. We are expecting to have a keen time, as the Juniors always enjoy themselves when out together on a picnic.

At our last C. C. C. we decided to give a big concert on Sunday, November 22, at the Co-operative Bldg. This means a lot of work for the Juniors, but also a lot of fun. We know that funds are needed for the upkeep of the Co-operative Bldg., so we decided to give all the proceeds of this affair for the Co-operative Bldg.

Since the Juniors were organized, there have been no changes in our group. However, an important change is going to be brought about now. As

the powerful anthracite operators, linked up with the coal barons of the bituminous fields, never have any trouble in getting the co-operation of the bosses' government against the miners. First the government offers its help thru appointing a commission which is supposed to "arbitrate" and does its best to force the miners to accept only the slightest increases. Second, if this fails, the government intervenes to the extent of sending its armed troops against the unarmed coal diggers.

For a Labor Party. The manner in which the operators use the capitalist government against the miners in addition to their use of the courts, the press, the schools, etc., makes it clear to the miners that they must fight for political organization of the working class. Only by building a labor party supported by the masses of workers in America, can we be sure of the backing so necessary in order to carry our struggles thru to victory. Only with a huge labor party representing the workers can we fight the attempts of the bosses' governments to turn our industrial victories into defeats. Only with the help of a labor party can we force the nationalization of the mines and carry the struggle thru for a workers' and farmers' government that will be a government of the workers and will not issue injunctions and break strikes of the miners as the present bosses' government did in 1919 and 1922.

The young workers who know so well what wage cuts and worse conditions mean must be the first to rally to the support of the anthracite miners. If the government should call on scabs to break the strike the young workers must be among the first to refuse to fight against the miners if they are put into uniform and called upon for strikebreaking purposes.

The young workers who know from bitter experience what a victory for the operators will mean for the young miners, must give their militant support. They must fight with the anthracite miners and help to turn this strike into such a victory that it will mark a turning point in the retreat of the working class before the huge offensive of the American bosses.

For Nationalization of the Mines and Workers' Control.

The winning of the present strike will not end the many grievances of the anthracite miners. The winning of the demands for a dollar a day increase; for the check-off; and the 10 per cent increase for miners will not put an end to the intolerable working conditions in the anthracite. It will not prevent the operators from taking the increases they are forced to grant out in worse working conditions for the hard coal diggers. It will not abolish contract labor in the mines. It will not abolish child labor in and around the mines. It will not end unemployment and all the anarchy at present existing in the industry. It will not get the 6-hour day and 5-day week for the miners and thus regulate the hours so as to give everyone employment.

It is true that victory in the present struggle will prevent the bosses from forcing down the standard of the miners for the moment, and will strengthen the union. But as long as the present powerful group of capitalists is in unchallenged control of the industry, they will be able to force intolerable conditions on the workers and the greatest grievance of the miners will remain unsettled.

The only solution for this is a strong fight against this private ownership of the mines by a few corporations and a fight for the nationalization of the mines under workers' control.

Against the Use of Troops in Strikes! Against Government Interference.

Launch Second Airship Carrier After Records Are Broken in Building

By JACK RICHARDS. The Lexington, second of the airship carriers, will be launched in the Quincy, Mass. shipyards Oct. 3. The Lexington will be exactly like the Saratoga and will join its sister ship after being launched when the work of completing the carrier will be begun. When completed the Saratoga will probably join the Pacific fleet and the Lexington will join the Atlantic fleet. All records are being broken in the construction of these two carriers which will play an important part in the next war.

Exactly Alike. The Lexington, exactly like her sister, will be 888 feet long over all, of 105 feet beam, and electrically driven. She will have a speed of 3 knots and a displacement of 33,000 tons. Each ship will be able to carry seventy-two airplanes.

Originally designed as battle cruisers, the two ships were changed to airplane carriers after the limitation of armament treaty. Four other cruisers then under construction were scrapped by that treaty.

Completion of the Saratoga and Lexington, naval officers said, will give the navy two carriers beyond comparison with those of any other power. Japan has two similar carriers under construction, but they are smaller and have less engine power.

Has Latest Armament.

The Lexington's major armament will consist of eight 8 inch guns mounted in four turrets, and these will be supplemented by anti-aircraft and machine guns. Her radio equipment will be of the latest design with a single antenna leading to the deck from a housing mast able to lower within itself when the ship passes under a bridge.

The Lexington will weigh approximately 28,000 tons when she slips from the ways and will be the heaviest craft ever launched in this country. The Saratoga was about 2,000 tons lighter. Special arrangements have been made at the shipyard to check the Lexington's speed down the ways and to bring her to a full stop within 300 feet.

DRAFT ACT TO CRUSH STRIKES IN COMING WAR

Workers Are Subject to Martial Law

WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—A proposal to "militarize industry," which will give the president the power to induct men into the army, in time of war, and then grant them "industrial and agricultural" furloughs is being drawn up by a group of militarists to be presented to the next session of congress, in order to crush strikes during war time. The "industrial and agricultural" furloughs could be revoked at any time that the president may see fit. No conscription of wealth is planned.

This conscription act would apply to all workers between the ages of 18 and 45. The only exceptions to the draft act would be the clergy, necessary mariners, and a numbers of classes of federal, state and municipal employes.

Conscientious objectors to war would not be compelled to participate in combatant service. The president would have the power to decide in what non-combatant service to place them.

Allens who had declared intention of becoming citizens could escape the conscription by withdrawing their declaration. This would bar them from ever becoming citizens.

The conscripted men are to be used in the military service, army reserve, coast guard, lighthouse service, coast and geodetic survey, public health service, diplomatic and consular service.

ACCORDING to the official statistics of the war minister, Wolkow of Bulgaria, after the attempt in the cathedral up to the middle of June approximately 3,194 persons were arrested and proceedings started against 1,182 of these.

Philippine Mission Arrives. WASHINGTON, Sept. 23.—Sergio Osmena, president pro tempore of the Philippine senate, has arrived in Washington at the head of the independence mission which the Filipino people have instructed to renew the long fight for liberation from American sovereignty.

It is, the Juniors in L. A. are organized into groups, such as A, B, C, and D. Now, we are going to be classified into school nuclei, and in that way we can be in closer daily contact with the different schools. We are sure that such an arrangement will be decidedly better than the one we have been following all along.

All our meetings are open to visitors, and we urge everybody to come. Children between the ages of 8 and 15 are especially welcome. We meet every Tuesday and Wednesday at the Co-operative Bldg., corner Mott and Brooklyn.

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In the last issue of the Young Worker an S. O. S. appeared, telling of the dangers confronting our paper and calling for all League units to come to the aid of the Weekly.

Before the next issue of the Young Worker reaches you the national convention of the Young Workers League will be under way. Every branch will want to make a good showing so that the delegates from your district at the convention will be able to report that your League is in good standing as far as supporting the Young Worker is concerned.

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(Special to The Daily Worker)

CAMP YOWL, MIDDLEBORO, Mass.—The Roxbury branch of the Young Workers' League has opened a camp where Communists may have a gathering place and recreate their depleted energies. Tho the camp is not a financial success, it has been an educational and social success.

On Sept. 28, the camp will hold an anti-religious day, at which the comrades will show the relation of religion to the exploitation of the work-

ing class. Prominent comrades are to speak on the subject "Religion and Whom it Serves." The occasion of this demonstration is Yom Kippur Day.

A small admission will be charged and the proceeds will be used in the following manner: Ten per cent of the profits will be given to the Young Worker, ten per cent to the DAILY WORKER, and ten per cent to the Freiheit. All comrades are invited to attend this meeting and assist the camp in its efforts.

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BRITISH LABOR AGAINST IMPERIALISM.

Earl Browder in a recent issue of the Magazine Section of the Daily Worker points out the significance of the change in the imperialist policy of the British official labor movement.

But things have not fared well lately with the gouty British lion. The growing misery of the English masses could not be downed by the traitorous action of the spokesmen of the official labor movement.

We have the general impression that resolutions do not mean much. We count more on action. But when we remember that 3,082,000 votes were cast in favor of this sentiment as against 79,000 the discontent with the imperialist machinations of the British ruling class assumes different form and promises action.

Great Britain is a seething volcano. Unemployment is growing. The miners strike is merely gaining momentum during its nine month's wait. What catastrophe for the British ruling class will be born at the end of the nine month period we are not midwives enough to forecast.

And now Shapurji Saklatvala is refused admission to the United States to attend—not the convention of the Young Communist League—but a parliamentary congress; a mere gabfest. This does not mean a revolution but it is another surface indication of the delicate situation that British capitalism finds itself in.

struggle that will not be settled by Parliament—that is, by words. The rising fascist make no bones about their intention to maintain capitalism by the force of arms, extra-legal if necessary.

The British working masses show signs of dissatisfaction with the repeated betrayals of the official labor party leaders. A new leadership is growing up that is beginning to speak more like the man on the job. We can promise the British fascist that once the working class there realizes that the soviet government and the dictatorship of the proletariat is the way out of the maze that all the junker preparations will "gang astray."

JUST TAKE A LITTLE GAS.

Are you feeling sort of downcast? Do you need entertainment? Is life getting dreary and monotonous? Don't go to the movies. You don't even have to attend a Y. W. L. branch social. Simply take a whiff of poison gas. There's nothing to it at all, says Dr. W. Lee Lewis in the current issue of the Independent writing in defense of the use of lethal gas in warfare.

Dr. Lewis, gas is the most human of war instruments. Shrapnel blows away the skull and leaves your brains dangling out; not so with the nice, clean gas. It merely puts you to sleep, and it does not always kill. In fact only 24 per cent die, according to the gas inventor himself. You might get a rotten lung, that's true, but it might be worse. A saber rips open your guts and lets the blood drip onto the handle—a messy affair. Gas is cheap. Use gas. A saber kills one at a time. Gas kills thousands. In other words, rather than fight against the use of gas the soldiers ought to beg for it according to the chemical expert. Dr. Lewis says:

"War history brings out the further interesting facts that among the 224,089 total American casualties there were 70,562 gas wounds, 12 saber wounds, 235 bayonet wounds, and 242 injuries from pistol shots. The question honestly arises whether the saber should not cease to be the dress symbol of the army and navy! Haldane states that though mustard gas caused 150,000 casualties in the British army alone, less than 4,000, about 2.5 per cent, of these died, while only about 700, or one-half per cent, became permanently unfit. Mustard gas killed one man for every forty it put out of action; shells killed one out of every three wounded. In fact, the comparative ease of becoming a casualty by gas was exploited by the Germans who dropped dodgers from airplanes explaining to any allied soldier languishing for home and a furlough how he could acquire a wound consistent with personal safety by deliberately exposing himself to mustard gas vapor."

Really, now, gas isn't so bad. But what about after the war? What about spending years with rotten lungs? What about the thousands of young workers who leave the army after this humane treatment with gas splitting blood and messing up the shiny machines of the boss?

Dr. Lewis says he would rather be put to death with a deadly gas than with a bullet. Now, doctor, in the name of science and in the interest of the working-class, who after all must sample your gas, why not make a real test of the painfulness of lethal gas by using about a gallon on yourself?

Help Wanted to Aid Chicago Juniors in Future Activities

The Chicago Junior section is completely reorganizing on the basis of School Units. Two sections of the city have already completed the reorganization and are successfully working on the new basis. The Chicago Junior sections need as many comrades as possible, who are members of the Young Workers League, to become active in Junior work by becoming group leaders.

Facing Our Third Convention

By John Williamson

WE are now on the eve of the Third National Convention of the Young Workers League. During the next two weeks the membership of our League will decide upon their representatives to district and national conventions.

Twenty-eight months ago delegates from various parts of the country assembled at our second national convention and adopted a series of resolutions and decisions aimed at breaking the League away from its isolation and drawing it closer to the masses of young workers. This convention also considered the problem of developing the League organizationally and extending its activities.

Without hesitation we can say that during the past twenty-eight months we have seen the definite fulfillment of the majority of these tasks. It is true that in many of them only a beginning has been made, but this beginning is the guarantee that despite difficulties and obstacles of a mechanical or ideological nature, these important tasks will be accomplished. In all these tasks which have been set the Young Workers League, the N. E. C. has hewn closely to the lines laid down by the last convention and by subsequent congresses of the Young Communist International.

POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

ALTHOUGH one of the outstanding deficiencies of the last convention was a neglect of current political questions, this has not led to a neglect of this important question by the N. E. C. On the contrary the political development of the League has been especially characteristic of the past period.

In addition to general political activities consisting of campaigns initiated by the League and participation in the campaigns of the Party, the League at all times took an active part in the various Farmer-Labor Party campaigns. In these campaigns the N. E. C. took great pains to see that the specific youth issues were raised and in many cases these demands were incorporated in the political programs adopted.

Throughout the entire Labor Party activity of the Party, the N. E. C. took a position that the Labor Party must be based on the wide masses of industrial workers in the trade unions, in which the Communists, in the present stage of class development, would be the dynamic left-wing giving the impetus to the labor party while fighting and exposing its reformist leaders and developing its activities along lines of struggle with the capitalist class, and as a result with the capitalist state.

The National Executive Committee always maintained that we should not split up the labor movement into various labor parties, but work for a mass Labor Party embracing the entire progressive bloc in the American labor movement. In opposition to the position of the N. E. C., the sole minority member claimed that it was foolish to conceive that the Communists could play the part of left wing and not control and lead the labor party. He also defended the standpoint that it was proper to split the progressive forces in an attempt to form a premature Labor Party, at the same time upholding the famous "August thesis" theory of competing labor parties. The decision of the Comintern decisively supported the contentions of the N. E. C. on these and other points.

As an extreme reaction to the policies of fake labor parties and the wrong policies proposed in the August thesis, the N. E. C. in common with the Party majority, supported the proposal to temporarily abandon the Farmer-Labor slogan.

With the correction of this by the Comintern the N. E. C. speedily corrected its mistake and has vigorously taken up the slogan, "For a Labor Party," proposed by the Comintern.

In the future campaigns of propagandizing for and organizing a labor party, the League must take the same active part. We must realize that through these campaigns we are moving a step forward in developing the idea of independent political action of the workers as a class separate and apart from the two old capitalist parties.

In these campaigns we must continue to always link up the conditions of young workers with the issues involved and point out the uses to which the youth are put by the capitalists and their political henchmen. Specific demands for the young workers must be continually raised and fought for.

FIGHT AGAINST LOREISM.

ONE of the fundamental problems before the Communist movement in America in the immediate future is the Bolshevization of our Party. One of the first prerequisites of this is a consistent campaign to eliminate Loreism and all similar social democratic tendencies from the Communist movement. The League N. E. C. took a definite stand against Loreism from the time of the first Party discussion and pledges its whole-hearted support to eliminate this entire tendency. Similar tendencies have also found expression in certain sections of the Finnish Federation (Askeli). Through its many connections with young workers of Finnish parentage the League can be of immense value to the Party in fighting this tendency and the incoming N. E. C. must immediately consider this problem.

STRENGTHEN THE LEAGUE.

WHILE progress has been made by the League organizationally, one of the immediate tasks before us is the mobilization of the entire membership in a national recruiting campaign, concentrating especially on the basic and heavy industries. Closely bound up with such periodical recruiting campaigns must go the complete reorganization of the League. The work of reorganization should now receive an added stimulus since the Party convention decided to launch a campaign for complete reorganization. The Young Workers League started to reorganize before the Party and we must not be behind the Party in competing our reorganization.

The incoming National Committee must pay the greatest possible attention to developing the apparatus of the League and maintaining a greater number of functionaries both nationally and in the districts. One of the greatest weaknesses of the League is the lack of capable comrades to mobilize the membership for action and to carry out successfully the instructions and outlines of the higher bodies.

ORGANIZE NATIVE BORN YOUTH.

A REAL effort must be made by the Y. W. L. to organize

the English speaking and native born youth. The tendency to accept the lines of least resistance and organize only the language speaking youth who have some revolutionary background in the "old country" must be overcome and our recruiting campaigns must be aimed to a greater extent at the native born youth whom we must assimilate into our ranks.

While the first beginnings have been made in economic activity, our work in this field must be greatly extended and intensified, with the view in mind of penetrating the basic industries to a greater degree and obtaining better organizational results through our activities. Our many experiences in factory campaigns and economic work generally will lay a real basis for the further amplification and extension of activity. Closely bound up with our general economic activities must be intensive activity in the trade unions. In order to get the full results out of this work and so to link up our activities nationally, we must organize a national network of Young Communist Fractions. We must insist that these fractions be organized in every union to which Y. W. L. members belong. Other important activities to be developed more fully which I have dealt with in a previous article are: Leninist education, rural work, anti-militarism, organization of young Negroes, maintenance and extension of our press as well as a general development of every phase of activity expected of a Young Communist League.

In the future the League must see that the Party assume its proper share of responsibility regarding such activities as Junior work, anti-militarist and sport work. It is also essential that the Party take decisive steps to insure the overcoming of the unnatural phenomenon of a large influx of immature League members into the Party. These members were rushed into Party membership before being prepared in the Y. W. L. In order to preserve these comrades for our movement as a whole, steps must be taken by the Party immediately.

WHAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED.

The present N. E. C. has followed out a consistent policy towards developing the League politically and organizationally. At all times we have maintained the importance of proletarian leadership as a fact and not merely as a cover. It has been our consistent aim to limit the factional struggle to its positive side as far as possible.

At all times we have aimed at unifying the League. It was the present policy of the N. E. C.

which initiated the idea of AN N. E. C. COMPOSED OF AN EQUAL NUMBER OF COMRADES FROM EACH GROUP AND A PARTY REPRESENTATIVE. This is not only a sincere step towards the unification of the League, but by demanding an N. E. C. composed of an equal number of each group plus the Party representative, thus ensuring the political line of the Party in the League, the national committee has again proven the correctness of its policy. However, this policy of the N. E. C. was only accepted by the minority comrades after severe pressure had been brought to bear upon them.

The N. E. C. stands today as it has always done, in line with the Communist International. We are working towards the fulfillment of the political line laid down by the C. I. and will work in close co-operation with the Party for the development of this line.

During the major part of the time since the last convention, the N. E. C. has had to contend with a bitter factional struggle conducted against it. This has assumed an inexcusable character, going so far as to be continued after the decisive declaration of the Y. C. I., supporting the N. E. C. and repudiating the accusations of the New York comrades. Despite this unwarranted and repudiated factional struggle conducted by the minority, the N. E. C. has persistently kept to the front the activity of the League.

The N. E. C. comes before the League membership on the basis of its policies and work. At all times it has considered the membership the best judge of its leadership. Our policy has been a realistic one and not one of underestimation and defeatism for factional reasons. The seeking of the advice and aid of the Y. C. I. has proven of immense value to us in all our activities. The membership in considering the future leadership of the League and before deciding to whom it will entrust its opinions at conventions, must remember the following important points which have marked the development of the Young Workers League under the present N. E. C.

- 1. POLITICALLY the League has developed to a greater extent than ever before, despite the fact that there was practically no political discussion at the last convention and has been quick to react to national and international political struggles. We have actively participated in the Farmer-Labor Party campaigns and the consequent political discussion in the Party. We have taken a decisive stand against Loreism.
2. ORGANIZATIONALLY we have developed to an actu-

al membership of at least 3,500 (although one of the defects is negligence in regular dues payments with the result that records show only 1,800 dues paying members). A beginning has been made in reorganization and the membership has been ideologically prepared for complete reorganization. Already many nuclei have been organized and two cities have completed their reorganization on the basis of the working area branch. This period has also been marked by the building of a Communist children's movement, the start of real economic-trade union work, anti-militarist activity, etc., etc.

3. OUR PRESS has been developed from a monthly magazine to a semi-monthly paper and finally we have been successful in establishing a weekly newspaper. In addition a Communist Children's magazine has been launched and has been developed into newspaper form. Various pamphlets and leaflets have been published.

4. THE Y. C. I. has approved the leadership of the N. E. C. after considering the activities of the American League carefully at its last sessions. Such a stand was taken by the Y. C. I. in the face of the many accusations and charges made against the N. E. C. by the minority comrades. The Y. C. I. stated: "The Central Committee of the Y. W. L. of A. has shown lately, by the way it is conducting the League's work, that it is capable of being the leader of the American Youth League in full agreement with the E. C. of the Y. C. I. We are convinced that it will be able to in the future to lead the Y. W. L. in accordance with the lines laid down in this resolution and in the resolution of the Enlarged Executive of the Y. C. I. on the American question."

5. THE N. E. C. HAS REALIZED its aim of keeping in strict line with the policies of the Communist International at all times.

6. RIANIZED the leading committees of the League. This N. E. C. has actually realized this aim, and has brought comrades active in the shops and unions into responsible League work after giving them a minimum of political education.

7. FOR THE UNIFICATION OF THE LEAGUE, the N. E. C. has maintained a consistent policy and has always been ready to take steps towards real unity. We have aimed at all times to bring the entire forces of the membership into activities and in this way guarantee the continued political and organizational advancement of the Young Workers League of America.

The Third Communist Youth Convention

By NAT KAPLAN.

ON Oct. 2nd, the delegates of the Young Workers' League (The American Section of the Young Communist International) will gather in Chicago to their Third National Convention. There will be 42 delegates present representing about 1800 members.

The last convention of the league took place in May, 1923. This convention laid the basis for the shifting of the center of the activities of the league from its internal problems to its broader task of winning over the masses of young workers in this country to the banner of Communism. It accomplished this by adopting a realistic program of activity for all fields which effect the struggle of the young workers against capitalism in its relation to the general class struggle.

The present convention of the league will have the task of reviewing the activities of the league since the Second Convention and on the basis of its own experiences and the experiences gained from the international movement, to lay down its tasks for the future.

A POLITICAL LEAGUE.

A chief task of the league is the extension of its political activity. In the last period the league was actively drawn into the inner political life of the party by participating in the

discussion on the Labor Party and Lore questions. The drawing of the league into this discussion was a necessary and a healthy step. The league as a whole learned many valuable lessons on how it can best accomplish its task of spreading class political consciousness among the broad masses of the working class youth.

The young workers who are being drawn more and more into political life since the close of the world war will form the best detachments of the proletarian ranks. These young workers are in the main unskilled labor. They do not enjoy the special privileges enjoyed by the aristocracy of labor. A section of them has been absorbed into industry from off the farms especially during the period of agrarian crisis from 1920 to the middle of 1924. The youth section of the working class does not give rise to language differences. Thus they form a vital force in the levelling process which is germinating in the depths of the working class. Unconsciously they are helping the economic factors which gives birth to a homogeneous working class; economic factors which lays the foundation for class political action. Those young workers who are under 21 years of age are disfranchised in the parliamentary campaigns of the capitalists and as a consequence have little political consciousness, let alone re-

volutionary class consciousness. This force must be drawn into the political life of the working class.

THE YOUNG WORKERS AND THE LABOR PARTY.

The Labor Party campaign of the party is one of the most effective means of setting the masses into action politically against the capitalist state—of having them take their first steps away from the fold of the capitalist parties. At the same time it is one of the most effective means of giving the young workers political class consciousness. In the Labor Party the young workers can struggle for the inclusion of demands dealing with their special situation in the struggle. Thru this struggle they will gain political recognition.

In this regard the convention of the league will have to take notice of the fundamental errors made by the leadership of the league. The National Executive Committee of the league opposed the Labor Party in principle. A leading member of the N. E. C., Comrade Schachtman declared: "We cannot be a part towards creating a new illusion for the working class—the illusion of the Labor Party." The N. E. C. declared itself opposed in principle to the setting up of any middle-of-the-way organization, believing that such bodies spelled the liquidation of

the Workers (Communist) Party. It could not understand the fundamental basis of the Labor Party movement and when in the November, 1924, elections the LaFollette movement absorbed large sections of the Labor Party movement, it declared that a campaign for a Labor Party would neither be profitable nor successful. It believed that two opposing classes could exist within the LaFollette movement without giving rise to deep going crisis.

THE QUESTION OF LOREISM

The National Convention will also have to take cognizance of the attitude taken by the league leadership on the Lore question. For a long time the N. E. C. contended that the Lore question was a mere political football used by one of the party groupings and not a real issue. In its statement on the party differences it recognized the Lore group as a definitely opportunist group but declared that a greater danger existed in the party in the form of the Labor Party opportunism of the Ruthenberg group. Thus the N. E. C. endeavored to direct attention away from the struggle against the right wing into a struggle against the Ruthenberg group which supported the position of the Comintern.

The Communist International has made definite decisions on these questions. It took a

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DELEGATION OF YOUNG WORKERS PAYS VISIT TO SOVIET RUSSIA

Young Austrian Workers Enthusiastic on Arrival

(Special to Young Worker)

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R.—A delegation of young workers from Austria, consisting of two social democrats, four non-partisan, and one member of the Young Communist League, arrived here yesterday at 7:45 A. M. These young workers were met all along the way by huge demonstrations which were arranged in all cities and towns where a Young Communist League exists. When they reached Moscow they were met by a big crowd of workers and peasants who had come to the station to meet them. A big open air meeting was held at the station and greetings were extended to the young Austrian visitors by representatives of the Russian Communist Party and Young Communist League. A plan will be worked out for the delegates to visit the factories and the government offices in Moscow.

Geblishke, one of the social democrats in the delegation was expelled from the Social Democratic Party of Austria for going to Russia with the delegation.

The visit of the Young Austrian Workers.

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R.—The Austrian delegation of young workers which arrived here recently visited the textile mills today. They were anxious to know about everything and asked all kinds of questions as to the conditions, wages and hours for the young workers in the textile industry. They also asked about unemployment and about the safety devices in the mills. These and many other things were explained to them before they left for a meeting of the Moscow Soviet where Comrade Lubimov greeted the delegates in the name of the Moscow Soviet telling

of the work of the Soviet and pointing out how many workers and peasants participated in its work in that district.

After Comrade Lubimov finished his report the delegates asked questions. Comrade Geblishke, a young worker who was expelled from the Social Democratic Party for going to Moscow with the delegation, asked Comrade Lubimov the following questions.

In Austria the capitalist press has been writing that the Communist Party of Russia has about 800,000 members and that they oppress the Russian workers and peasants. How can they do this if they don't make up a majority of the country.

In what way are the workers and peasants outside of the party drawn into the work.

Comrade Lubimov gave very satisfactory answers to all of these questions and the young Austrian workers were left with no doubt in their minds, also answering the question of Comrade Lande, a young girl worker, as to the special taxes placed on the neamen.

Visiting the Rest Homes for Young Workers.

After the meeting of the Moscow Soviet the delegates left to visit the rest homes provided by the government for the young Russian workers. They were greeted at these rest homes by young workers there on their vacations, and a dinner was given in their honor. They visited all the offices at these homes and were surprised at what they saw after all the lies that had been spread about Russia by the capitalist press.

In the evening the delegates returned to Moscow in time to attend all the meetings that had been arranged by the Moscow districts. Although they were tired they participated in these meetings and showed how great was their enthusiasm for the Soviet Republic.



Young Workers' Correspondence

Describes Trenton Upholstering Plant.

TRENTON, N. J.—There is established in this city an upholstering manufactory that due to its working conditions warrants a little publicity which may prove of some benefit to those employed there.

The owner of the business like most of his kind (petty manufacturers), in his search for a building to be leased or bought cheaply has been very successful, at least to all outward appearances. The building that he has established his business in is so old that if it was able to talk, one would hear tales of Washington's stay in Trenton. And like most buildings of this character the sanitary conditions are not very conducive to the maintenance of one's health. In the toilets there is always a fetid atmosphere, and the windows throughout the entire building are very small and never washed.

What with these conditions there are produced parlor suites ranging in price from \$50.00 to \$500.00 netting the owner a handsome profit as we may not from the following. There are employed about 30 workers (all male), 15 of them being apprentices ranging in age from 16 to 22 years. The boys are told upon their being employed that they are now to learn a trade and the wages will necessarily be small, \$10.00 to \$12.50 per week. They are told that as they advance in skill and proficiency they will receive a higher wage. But they only suffer an illusion as the owner soon makes it so miserable for them that they leave and others in turn are ensnared. In this way he keeps his cost of production down as the work performed by these boys requires very little effort to master it. There is also such an efficient division of labor that the boys perform only one act in the manufacture of the mattresses and parlor suites, such as the placing of springs, making arms for the chairs, stitching, etc. By the time the products reach the upholsterers there is little left to be done, and this they do very fast thereby acting as peacemakers for those below them.

Young Miner Tells of Pinchot-Lewis Pact.

The Lewis-Inglis-Pinchot "conference" concluded last Tuesday did so many wonderful things for the anthracite mine workers that it is almost too wonderful to speak of.

To be serious, this great "conference" that was supposed to do so many things for the miners was nothing more than a political move on the part of Pinchot, in order to "get in" with the people of the Northeastern part of the state to pave his way into the Senate next year, and if he gets there, to use that as an "iron horse" to the 1928 Presidential contest. These so-called "humanitarians" always step in to save the "public" (whatever that animal may be) but when the operators raises the price on the coal tonnage these "arbitrators" of "humanity" fail to see the "public".

Poor Pinchot! His thinking machine is working overtime of late. The mighty problems confronting him for solution is how he is going to put the skids under Senator Pepper, right hand man of the State Republican machine, willing tool of the Grundy interests.

Pinchot issued no statement after the conference containing anything other than the conference was very "interesting". Pinchot was the first to act. Many thought Pepper would jump first but old man Giff beat him to it. First come first served seems to be Lewis' motto, for he very willingly accepted the offer to attend the meeting. Pepper, too, had a motive for his contemplated interference, which was to beat Pinchot out of the laurels and skin him decisively in the strike affected area. Pinchot was of the same opinion, to bolster his group in this section preparatory to opposing Pepper next year at the primaries for the senatorial nomination.

And the union officialdom; do they believe in arbitration, even if they do shout so loud in condemnation of it. Cappellini let the cat out of the bag recently in a speech at Old Forge when he said—"it was only a question of time until Colledge would intervene" and put it in such manner that it would be entirely acceptable to him. And Lewis, he too loves the angel of arbitration, as demonstrated in his speech at the Tri-District convention in Scranton late in June of this year, speaking on how the "captains of industry," some "god-fearing men" (Schwab, Rockefeller, Watson, etc) were treating his great Jacksonville agreement as a "scrap of paper." Lewis threatened a general strike a shut-down he called it, if it would continue adding, "while the government and the coal operators and representatives of the mine workers discuss the question" etc.

This is evident, that Lewis and his officials are not opposed to arbitration and government interference but openly welcome it—welcome it by an

Sargent Plant Won't Employ Foreign-Born

New Haven, Conn.

Dear Comrades:—The Sargent plant here refuses to employ workers of foreign birth.

This taboo does not apply to the factory, however, but to the office. The general manager of the firm discovered that a girl who was hired for the office staff three days ago, was of Russian birth. Also he was compelled to admit that he was satisfied with her work, he summarily dismissed her.

This ban against foreigners in Sargent's office dates back to almost a century ago.

In the factory, however, there is no nativity test. The only qualification is that one work long, hard, and fast for little pay—all the while in danger of injury.

The Young Workers' League of New Haven has conducted a drive at this plant some time ago to win the young workers for its policy of militancy and a fight for better conditions. The members of the league declare that Sargent & Co. have not yet heard the last of them. Nor will they ever, if one judges by the greed of Sargent's and the fighting spirit of the league.

Tokio Also Accepts.

TOKIO, Aug. 26.—The cabinet today accepted China's invitation to attend the customs conference at Peking, beginning Oct. 26, and expressed willingness to enlarge the discussions of the conference to include eventual customs autonomy for China.

OLD FORGE, PA., KINGDOM OF BURGESS FRANK CONSTANZA, TO WITNESS COMMUNIST COURAGE

By AUGUST VALENTINE

OLD FORGE, Pa., Sept. 23. — Old Forge lies between Scranton and Wilkes-Barre. Old Forge is a typical mining town, predominantly of an Italian population who are more radically inclined than their fellow workers in other towns. The Italian population elects a complete Italian administration every election, elects men who are ostensibly favorable to labor.

King Constanza.

Old Forge has a burgess. His name is Frank Constanza. Frank is a pretty good fellow, when he is sleeping.— Frank owns half the speakeasies in Old Forge and gets a royalty and commission from the other half for permitting them to operate. Frank has other side lines, a few gambling joints and a pull with the officials of the local collieries, the operators' officials.

New Haven League Has Good Youth Day

A successful meeting in celebration of International Youth Day was held by the New Haven Young Workers' League on Saturday, Sept. 12, at the Labor Lyceum.

The Junior section took a prominent part in the meeting. The Juniors contributed to the program with revolutionary songs and recitations. They were also well represented by one of their members, Comrade Hubblebank, who addressed the meeting on behalf of the Juniors.

Comrade Wm. Simons greeted the Young Communists in the name of the Workers (Communist) Party, and pledged the aid and co-operation of the older comrades in the struggles of the youth.

Comrade Carl Weissberg spoke for the Y. W. L. He described the struggles and achievements of the Y. C. I. and its sections, and explained the future tasks of the American revolutionary youth. He called for a militant campaign against capitalist militarism, and the "socialist" youth's betrayals of the working class interests.

An appeal for funds for "The Young Worker" netted over \$15.00, which was at once rushed to Chicago to help save the only working class youth organ in America.

The New Haven young workers are determined not only to save the "Young Worker," but to work to keep it safe. Such was their pledge on International Youth Day.

Progressive Miners, Another Organization.

Frank is worried; worried over an organization known as the Workers (Communist) Party. He has another worry. It is about another organization known as the Progressive Miners' Committee. These two organizations have picked Old Forge, domain of Frank and his booze joints, to hold several strike meetings.

We must remember this is election time and Frank is worried. Frank must keep the support of the officials of the Jermyu colliery otherwise his chances of election are slim. Frank does not want to offend the operators lackey officials. And yet he wants the support of the miners of Old Forge. Frank, therefore, has forbid the Workers Party and the progressive miners that they cannot hold their proposed meeting in the town park next Wednesday. Frank listened to his master's voice and acted accordingly.

Tells the Cock-Eyed World.

To others than Communists the order to cancel the meeting might be carried out. With Communists it is just a little different. The radical miners have told Frank to go to hell; that they are going to hold their meeting. And a meeting will be held, we wish to inform the cock-eyed world. True, we might be guests of Frank for several days as a consequence, but a meeting will be held.

The meeting will begin promptly at three o'clock from the platform in Town Park. Town Park is in the very heart of the town, you can't miss it. There will be good speakers who will very ably cover the strike situation from every angle.

Benjamin Gitlow who is holding successful meetings thruout the anthracite will be the principal speaker. Pat Toohy, secretary of Local Union No. 1483, Plains, will also speak. An Italian and Lithuanian speaker will be on hand also. Any striking miner who has any money to put up should be present for it would be a crime to keep our speakers in Frank's jug for we understand his meals are rotten. Be on hand.

Chicago League to Hold First Dance of Season

The first dance of the season will be played by the Young Workers' League — Local Chicago, the proceeds of which are to go both for the work of the League organization in city of Chicago and for their weekly national organ, THE YOUNG WORKER, as a part of the campaign to maintain and build the YOUNG WORKER.

The dance will be held on Saturday, October the 10th, 1925 at the Roosevelt Road.

The music for the dance will be played by the I. Letchinger's Milt West Syncopators, beginning at 8 P. M., and continuing until one o'clock at night. There will be dances of all varieties.

The admission to the hall is only 25c and everyone who wants a good time and wants to help the Young Workers League in their work is urged to be present and bring their friends.

British Government Arrests Communists

LONDON.—The British government has ordered the arrest of Communist leaders in the movement to assist the workers in resisting the wage-cutting campaign of the employers.

The use of troops by the employers clearly called for the carrying on of propaganda in the army and navy for the purpose of winning over to the workers as many of the soldiers as possible. A good start had been made at Aldershot camp and elsewhere. The action of the government was taken to forestall plans of the Communist Party of Great Britain for a special "Red Week" of agitation and propaganda among soldiers stationed at camps thruout Great Britain. But the "Red Week" plans will be carried out in the teeth of the capitalist government.

Famous Russian Poet Mayakovsky

will speak on Russian Literature and Poetry

Friday, Oct. 2

at TEMPLE HALL, Cor. Van Buren and Marshfield.

Admission 50c

Beginning at 8 p. m.

Mayakovsky will speak in Russian.

Third Communist Youth Convention

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definite stand against Loreism and in favor of the Labor Party campaign. At the recent party convention the Comintern sent its last decision in regards to the differences in the party. It declared that "it has finally become clear that the Ruthenberg group is more loyal to the decisions of the Communist International and stands closer to its views." This decision resulted in having the Ruthenberg group assume leadership of the party. The leaders of both groupings in the league have made the first step towards laying the basis for a united stand behind the Comintern decision and the new C. E. C. of the party. In conference the representatives of the N. E. C. decided to give a majority of the next national executive committee to the adherents of the Ruthenberg group. The national convention of the league will unite solidly behind these decisions thus laying the basis for the liquidation of factionalism.

THE IMMEDIATE PROBLEMS OF THE LEAGUE.

With the major points of differences settled before the convention, the convention will be able to get down to rock bottom work. Both groupings in the league realize that the league is in a weak condition. The building of the league from the bottom up, without boom reports and exaggerations, will be the immediate task before the convention. The league convention will have to realize that the reports sent to the Y. C. I. by the N. E. C., that the league has 3,500 and even 4,000 members, are not based upon facts. An over-estimation of the strength of the league will only hinder our work. The league convention will have to definitely leave behind it the period of journalistic activity not only here and there, but on all fields and enter into the stage of actual struggle. It was with this in view that the agenda of the convention was formulated. The convention will discuss how to apply the process of Bolshevization to the league. With this will come the important question of the reorganization of the league on the basis of shop nuclei. Also the league started this work before the party, the exceptionally good start made by the Org-bureau of the party, makes it necessary that the league speed this work up and give it the same national direction like the party.

This will also bring to the fore the question of Leninist education. An agitprop department must be set up by the new N. E. C. There will be a report on the achievements and future tasks of the Junior section, Economic Trade Union Work, Defense work and the work among Negroes. A Negro comrade must be elected to the new N. E. C. Besides these problems the convention must lay the basis for our Anti-Militarist and Anti-Imperialist work, our work among the exploited young farmers and agricultural wage workers, for an effective struggle against our opponent organizations (Y. M. H. A., Y. M. C. A., Boy Scouts, Y. P. S. L., etc). The convention will also discuss the activities of the league in its endeavors to set up a mass

working class sports movement. As an educational treat for the delegates and the entire league the convention will discuss the draft program of the Y. C. I.

The crying need in the ranks of the Young Workers' League at the present time is the unification of the ranks behind the decisions of the Comintern and the Y. C. I. The National Executive Committee which will be ushered in at this convention will be the best guarantee that the ranks of the League will be unified in the struggle to make the Young Workers' League the mass organization of the young workers of this country.

For the Convention

Three pamphlets that every Y. W. L. member will want to read before the National Convention of the League.

IN this issue of the Young Worker the call for the National Convention of the Young Workers League appears.

IN order to thoroughly understand the problems confronting this convention it is necessary for every League member to read and study the latest literature of the Young Communist International.



THERE are three Y. C. I. pamphlets just received which it is essential for every Y. W. L. member to obtain before the convention, as these pamphlets not only contain the latest decisions and resolutions of the Young Communist International, but we have also inserted the LATEST DECISIONS OF THE Y. C. I. ON THE AMERICAN LEAGUE.

THE THREE PAMPHLETS FOR 50 CENTS

In order to make it possible for every member to obtain these three pamphlets we are selling the three for 50c on all orders accompanied by cash that we receive before October. Branches should order bundles and will be given 20 per cent off the price of 50c for the three pamphlets. Fill out blank below:

National Office Y. W. L.
Enclosed find \$ for sets of the 3 Y. C. I. pamphlets. Our branch recognizes the importance to our members of studying these pamphlets for the convention.

NO. 1.—"RESOLUTIONS." Adopted at the Fourth Congress of the Young Communist International, with which we are including free the latest DECISION OF THE Y. C. I. ON THE AMERICAN LEAGUE.

NO. 2.—"THE RESULTS OF TWO CONGRESSES," summing up the results of the Fifth Congress of the Communist International and the Fourth Congress of the Y. C. I.

NO. 3.—"THE DRAFT PROGRAMME OF THE YOUNG COMMUNIST INTERNATIONAL." A pamphlet that every member of the Young Workers League will want to read in order to have a clear understanding of the functions of the Young Communist Leagues and of the Young Communist International.