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Fat Boys At A. F. of L. Convention Do Nothing For the Youth

By SAM DARCY.

DETROIT, Mich.—The forty-sixth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor has as usual sidestepped the issue of organizing and solving the problems facing the eleven million young workers of this country. This time however, it was not done as smoothly and without ripples as in previous years

During the cours of the past year such prominent labor bodies as the Pennsylvania State Federation of Labor, Wisconsin Federation of Lapor, International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Union, International Cloth Hat, Cap and Millinery Workers' Union and many other bodies passed resolutions on youth problems. Most of these were lost somewhere among the committees except the resolutions against C. M. T. C. which were introduced by Barry of Pennsylvania and a weak resolution by the delegates from the I. L. G.W. U. It is known that many of the resolutions, the one favoring the organizing of the unorganized young workers, for example, was in the convention hall, but had apparently been side-

In previous years some discussion was allowed on the question of child Eddy For Labor labor. This year there was not even mention of it. Yet child labor has increased three-fold since the last census. Green and the rest of the smug. self-satisfied, fat boys rendered their report in a small printed pamphlet in which they urge young workers to enter the C. M. T. C. and say that the military features of the C. M. T. C. are a very small part of the

Passalo Strike Discussed

The most important moments of the convention were spent on the Passaic strike, the I. L. G. W. U. strike and recognition of Soviet Russia. In all of these matters the bureaucrats showed their fear of the growing Communist influence in the trade unions by lengthy discourses of the red menace. There were apparently no Communist delegates to the convention, yet hardly was a question of any importance discussed without reference to the Communists. The bureaucrats saw the hands of the Communists everywhere and recoiled with loud cries of horror. For the first time progressive issues were thrown onto the convention floor with the threat of a mass revolt within the unions should the officials fail. They (the officials) retaliated with a demonstration of warning to the progressive forces.

One after the other the reactionaries spoke attacking the progressive proposition, particularly the one asking for Russian recognition. They bulldesed the convention thoroly. No one dared vote against Green and Co. But Green and his friends have not yet solved the problems of the convention and bulldozing won't do it. The eleven million young workers yet remain unorganized, the trade unions generally are still losing membership and the question of recognition of the first workers' republic, Soviet Russia, has not been solved to the satisfaction of the rank and file of the unions. The unanimity at the convention is only a smoke screen to hide the break among the membership against the

The eprformance in Detroit has misled workers to believe that the situation is hopeless. The very fury of their attack against the Communists shows their fear.

Nat'l. League School

A great deal of time and careful study has been spent upon preparing depend on false secondhand propa-LEAGUE TRAINING SCHOOL to be other great nations of the world and opened in Chicago October 31, 1926. send your labor mission to gather the Thru the combined efforts of all our facts at first hand in Russia. You are leading comrades and with the help conservative, but you are moving. I of the Agitprop Department of the hope you will move a little faster to Executive Committee of the Young the ultimate triumph of brotherhood Communist International, we have fin- and truth." ally succeeded in working out this course of study which, in the short span of four weeks will enable the comrades to study with a considerable flegree of thoroness the fundamental principles of Leninism and the basic quesitons of the American youth move-

The curriculum includes such points as Marxism and Leninism, dialectic materialism, fundamental questions of Marxian economics, the theory of the plass struggle and of revolution, the strategy and tactios of the revolution. the forms of organization and the hisjory of the American working class, the theory of imperialism and the spepific forms of American imperialism and many other points of Marxist-Lennist theory. All of these subjects are ponsidered primarily from the point pf view of the concrete American situ-

But one of the most significant things about the school curriculum is the great detail in which the fundamental league problems and the problems of the American youth movement are studied. Special consideration is given to every form of League activity and it is certain that the comrades who will pass thru this school will gain enormously in their understanding of the fundamental nature of our tasks and of the role of the

Mission to Russia

controversy on the Y. M. C. A. man's address on Russia delivered before the American Federation of Labor convention Oct. 7 continues to stir the delegates. Green, in a statement to the press, charges that Eddy broke

on what Green had in mind when he sententiously welcomed Eddy to the platform as "a cocncrete evidence that lieves in the right of free speech. Certain delegates also have a differ ent version of the conditions agreed to between Green and Eddy. According to these delegates, Eddy said to Green a few hours beforehand: "Let us be frank, Mr. Green, I intend to emphasize Russia." "Very well," Green was overheard to reply, "but do not mention recognition.' To this

sia. He was greeted by the delegates with wholehearted applause, both at the start and finish of his tall. No

"There are three major evils, as I see it, in Russia. These evils are, first, a severe a bridgement of liberty of speech and press; second, the dogmatic atheism of the Communist Party, whose million members rule that vast country, and, third, the Communist philosophy of force and advocacy of world revolution.

"But in fairness we must also mention the remarkably admirable things

"Russia has the most advanced labor legislation in the world. It puts helpless nations and darker races. Here stands a nation that is a weapon against injustice everywhere, even in Chicago, Oct. 31st though it has itself been most cruelly

unjust to its own former exploiters. curriculum of the NATIONAL ganda. Follow the example of all the

Young Miner Hurt

PLAINS. Pa.-When squeezed between mine cars while at work in a mine of Lehigh Valley Coal Company Victor Lottin, 17, of 15 Mark street, sustained severe bruises and injuries to the shoulders and chest. He was rushed to General Hospital.



DETROIT-(FP)-The Eddy-Green his promise not to talk about Russia.

Delegates, however, are speculating the American Federation of Labor be-

Eddy agreed and kept his agreement The accidental witness was a mem ber of the United Mine Woorkers. Sherwood Eddy, whose address caused the controversy, is secretary for Asia of the Y. M. C. A. He recently headed a disinterested mission of educators, social workers, preach ers and lawyers from America to Rus-

addresses to the convention was followed more closely. He said in part:

revolution, blockade and famine is barons of this country some vocaglaring evils, which I have mentioned, schools so as to train young workers it may be a good thing to have a na- for skilled work. This was in favor tion that stands as a challenge to all of the economic condition of the na the rest of the world wherever capi- tive young worker. But this conditalism is ruthless, wherever imperial- tion lasted only while immigrants ism exploits the weak, the poor and were yet flowing into this country by the hundreds of thousands and the big industries had a full supply of unskilled labor.

ed. These are:

Today, however, with the introduc-"Men,' he concluded, "why don't of labor which reduced the need for ing youth of this country, that of you go and see for yourselves? Don't skilled and increased the need for unstruggling against a reduction of voskilled on the one hand and the over cational courses in the schools so as

In this situation we find five basic supply of skilled workers on the to make it possible to enter industry problems facing the whole of the other hand the courses that have been as skilled workers. working youth that must be solved if set up in schools for vocational train. The training should be given how his condition of life is to be better ing do not any longer find themselves ever under strict union supervision THE RIGHT TO ENTER SKILLED local governments are cutting expension of the union hating bosses and peasants by the present Roughland and a fair remuneration be insured on the progressive government which Queen Tumulty is leading the progressive 1. Before the war because of the workers those now who hold the turn out. America, the richest nation, to shame, need for skilled workers in industry jobs an ever more exclusive group though Russia after years of war, thru the influence of the industrial and splits the interests of the working class as a whole. It cuts down the poorest. Finally, with all its own tional courses were set up in the the earning power of the young worker and tends to give them the most menial and least paying tasks.

WHEN WE'LL GET A REAL CHILD LABOR LAW

Statement of the National Executive Committee.

 $oldsymbol{ au}$ HE approach of the November elections gives the young worker of this country an opportun-

for the young people fifty and a hundred years ago when land was obtainable free in the west

42 million workers in this country 11 million are young workers under the age of 25 working

in the factories, farms, and mines under very bad conditions and even worse pay. The need for

skilled and professional workers has been largely satisfied and even over supplied so that now

America is no longer the "Land of Opportunity." The opportunities that were possible

Today an ever larger number of young people are thrown on the labor market and that

MANY PROBLEMS FACE THE YOUTH

ity to raise such issues as will better his conditions.

and the professions were not overcrowded no longer exist.

get skilled work or enter the professions.

The practice of introducing vocational courses has become quite general when the needs were such and today that industry must look to the native population for unskilled labor their reduction or at least the stopping of their further development is also becoming quite general. This is tion of machinery the greater division of basic interest to the entire work-

IN THE NOVEMBER ELECTIONS

supplying so great a need and the so that the schools be not utilized as ating them. This makes the skilled the students for the products they manian government which Queen Tumulty is leading the progressive

> Greater Educational Possibilities. In this question, namely the one o introducing more vocational courses into the schools cannot be separated from the larger question of donating greater appropriations by the legislative bodies for educational purposes Even with the few and limited vocational courses that are given today we find the schools over-crowded and unable to accommodate the large number of entries. Over a billion dollars has been appropriated by the federal government alone for military purposes. This is in addition to ap

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"Russia to Lead World in Radio"

When the American Student Delegation arrived in Moscow they were greeted by a large deputation. There Cultural Relations, one from the Central Bureau of Students, the Moscow University Student Bureau, an end-

College and had met with a hearty re- ject sparked from their lips, oozed sponse in student circles.

-American Students part as follows: "It is noteworthy men have loved mathematics-." that Mr. Duranty, the famous correspondent of the New York Times, told the students that the Russian censorwere delegates from the Society of ship was the least bothersome he ever worked under."

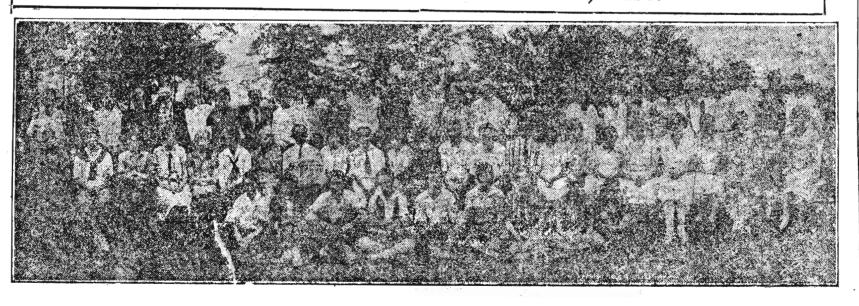
"The Russians are going to lead the world in radio. To come into the less group of newspaper photog- station at Nishnij-Novgorod is to come raphers and reporters. The move to back into the Western world at the send this delegation to the Soviet greatest complexity of its mechanical employed as a driver. Lottin was Union had been started by Miss Eliza- development. Two scientists there

from their finger tips, crackled about A statement on the delegation aptheir ears. Russia stands high in pearing in the New Student reads in theoretic chemistry, as her learned

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beth Van Alstyne, jnior, of Barnerd can hardly tell enuf about it; the sub-THE YOUNG WORKERS LEAGUE SCHOOL IN WINCHINDON, MASS.



YOUNG MINERS MUST GO TO UNION **MEETINGS AND TAKE ACTIVE PART**

By GEORGE PAPCUN.

Today the young miners in the United Mine Workers of America are at the crossroads. Either they are going to leave the miners' union in the control of the arch reactionary, John L. Lewis, and in this way take the easier road of doing nothing and seeing the union go down in destruction, or they are going to put the organization into the hands of the opposition who realize the position the U. M. W. A. is in.

The young miners have only in exceptional cases participated in the struggle which is now going on in the U. M. W. A. They have more or less been satisfied with going to the meetings once in a while and then going home without paying very much attention to what went on at the meeting But the time has come when the young miners can no longer see the union going down in destruction without raising their hand and stopping the retreat which the officials started when they signed the Jacksonville agreement. The young miners must support the militant policies as announced by the opposition move ment against John L. Lewis.

They must help put the U. M. W A on the offensive by first cleaning out the offices of the reactionaries, by supporting and by organizing to fight against the Lewis machine. They must demand that new blood an younger elements are included in the organization force of the U. M. W. A. The aim of each and every young miner must be organized and save the union. The fields which have been lost in the last four years such as West Virginia and part of Western and Central Pennsylvania must be regained for the union. The slogan must be on to West Virginia, Kentucky and the rest of the non-union nelds. Back into the folds of the U. M. W. A. must be the cry of every

Another Welcome For Queen Marie

While the officials of this country bow in welcome to Queen Marie of at a very early age because of the poor economic condition of their parents. Out of a total of Roumania next Monday, October 18, the workers of New York City will gather to voice their protest against the brutal treatment of their Roumanian fellow-workers now under arrestae political prisoners.

young workers of native birth do not get the opportunities to leave these low paying jobs and A Mass Meeting is being arranged by the International Labor Defense, New York Section, to be held inUnion Square at 5:30 p. m. on the 15th. ed by John Brophy, the progressive Various prominent speakers, from la- candidate and Frank Farrington (bebor unions and other organizations, low) \$25,000 tool of the Peabody Coal Jaria is proud to represent, and to fight. The Lewis and Farrington

hich the fascisti of America give

BIRDS OF A FEATHER FLOCK TOGETHER





John L. Lewis, reactionary, presi dent of the United Mine Workers, (above) whose position is threatenforces have united in District No. 12 against the progressives.

Y. M. C. A. SLAPS LABOR IN DETROIT TO RETAIN ITS CAPITALIST FAVORS

By FREEMAN HOPWOOD.

THE young workers in this land of the spree and the home of the slave cannot fail to notice the insult of the organized religious forces in Detroit. Labor received a blow in the face not a gentle tap, but a healthy slap. The labor delegates who had been invited to speak in local pulpits on a Sunday during the convention had accepted, but the Christians of the automobile city suddenly advised the laborites that they were not wanted and cancelled the engagements.

Russian Communist

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R .-- The opposiinfluence whatever among the members of the Russian Young Communist League. In accordance with the decision of the central committee, spe- is Christianity. cial membership meetings were organized to discuss the decisions of the Plenary session of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. Everywhere resplutions were unanimously adopted against the Party opposition. In these resolutions the membership demanded the most energetic struggle against all anti-Leninist deviations,

The correct policy of the Plenum in all questions was greeted with enthusiasm by the organizations of the Leninist Young Communist League of the Soviet Union, Everywhere Y. C. L, comrades who took part in the discussion at these meetings emphasized the point that only a united party can bring the working class to its final and complete victory,

What reason was given for this overnight change of attitude? Some Youth Denounce one evidently "put the screws" on the local churchmen, for it was publicly Opposition stated that the presence of the labor leaders in the churches would be ruinous to the fund of \$5,000,000 which tion (Zinoviev, Trotsky, etc.) has no is being raised by the Detroit W. M. C. A. The capitalist supporters of the 'Y" must not be offended! Exit courtesy and common decency. Such

> "Now." said a friend bt mine, "perhaps the young workers will have sense enuf to keep out of the Y. M. C. A." But should all of them keep out? Is it not better to leave a few remain there; to fill the various buildings of the Y. M. C. A. with workers' propaganda? The direct affront to labor in Detroit showed one thing very clearly-when the Y. M. C. A. gets radical in thoughts or action, it gets no chirstian dollars. Then make it radical. Let the young radical inside the organization attend the various functions with pockets stuffed with reading matter such as is not found on the reading room tables. Spread Atheism. A portion of the workers' propaganda should be devoted to anti-religion. I know of one Y, M, C, A, director, an Atheist, who says he gets in his best attacks on the established church and the religious idea when offering prayers!

> That is one way to wor kagainst tastitutions which are inculcating false economic and religious doctrines in youth; win over the working class youth in these organizations-make these very institutions hotbeds of radtoalism and they will get no support, It will help to abolish them.

ARTICLE III.

How many child laborers are there in the United States

First we must define what we mean

by child laborers. All children up to

the age of 16 years of age who work

to produce profits for a boss, or who

on farms are forced to work by their

parents such long hours that they are

kept out of school are considered

child laborers. There are many work-

ing class children who are forced to

sell papers, black boots, peddle vari-

ous smal artices on the streets after

schoo hours and on Saturdays and

Sundays. We shall not consider the

latter here under our enumeration of

child laborers. There are, however,

a large number of children, many of

ufactured articles. These shall be

There are in this country according

no national law preventing child la-

What did the 1920 census show?

The 1920 census reported 1,600,000

child workers in the United States.

Why the change? Had the number

The majority of child workers are

in the agricultural district, about 71

farm districts are busiest in the spring

and summer months. The 1910 count

was made in June, when the children

were sweating their lives away under

the bountiful God's blazing sun. It

was much easier to count those of

them who worked then. But the 1920

census which on the face would lead

one to believe there had been a de-

crease was taken in January when

gone down? Not at all.

bor. The state laws were a farce.

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EDITORIALS

THE CRIME OF SHERWOOD EDDY

SHERWOOD EDDY who is by no means a radical, nor even a real progressive, spoke at the A. F. of L. convention. Sherwood Eddy, however, is honest, a rare thing among capitalists. He is connected with the International office of the Young Men's Christian Association, one of the biggest scab-herding organizations in the country. This apparently made Green feel that he was "safe." He spoke and told things about Russia that Green didn't like.

Green launched into an attack upon Eddy that has startled even the bess papers. Why?

Because Eddy dafed suggest that the A. F. of L. send a delegation to Beviet Russia to find out conditions there.

Ignorance seems to be prized at the A. F. of L. convention.

MANY PROBLEMS FOR THE YOUTH IN THE NOVEMBER ELECTIONS

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propriations made by state and city about 180,000 men. This with the lionaire, no matter how long and how 000. Conditions had grown worse. In government. As a dramatic contrast state guards the federal reserve, the hard he works. No working man has dividual reports from all over the to this we find the federal government state military, etc., have a total of ever ben known to become a million- country showed an undoubted inapending almost no money for edu- well over three million men trained aire by saving out of his wages. But crease. State labor departments recational purposes thereby creating a in the use of arms thereby creating let us suppose that he lives on bread ported a growth in the number of dire lack of schools in the rural sections, and the city and state government spending so little money for this purpose that city and town schools are over crowded and cannot accomodate all who should attend. The lack of schools and over crowding makes

CHILD LABOR.

3. The third vital condition effecting the whole of the working youth of this country revolves around the question of child labor. Where in the 1920 census there was slightly over a million young children below the age of 15 who worked in the factories, mills and farms thruout the country, we find in 1926 that this millton has about trebled, thereby creating a dangerous situation, on the one hand, which threatens the Lealth and vitality to workers' children of this country and on the other hand a tremendous flood of labor which acts as a competitor to legitimate workers in industry and lowers down their

The liberals in the last election sampaign demanded the abolition of union supervision. child labor. This alone is not sufficient. It would only tend to increase the misery of the working class rather than improve it by withdrawing from poor families the earnings of the children. We must demand not over 18 must have right to vote. only the elimination of child labor from industry, but demand that the that the old republican and democratgovernment maintain the children ic parties will do nothing to help us and those who depend upon the la- gain these demands and have entirebor of children, so as to improve their ly obscured these issues in their platliving condition. We must in addi- forms. They can only be obtained tion demand that the government at the expense of the boss class which take away the right of the supreme controls these parties. We feel that court to veto this law.

MILITARISM.

serve Officers' rTaining Corps has and the movement behind it.

trained since their inception in 1919 is crushing the already suffering working people.

This means that ever larger numbers of young workers are being it impossible to introduce more vo- drawn into the military machine on cational courses. It therefore, be- an ever larger scale, and create a comes vitally important for the young great danger that the young workers workers and young students every of this country will be used for canwhere to organize and demand great non fodder to greater degrees than er appropriations for educational pur- ever before. It therefore becomes imperative that during this election the issue of reducing military expenditure and military forces, be raised so as to lessen the danger of making porations controlled by these millionthe young workers victims of the war machine.

THE RIGHT TO VOTE.

5. If however, we are to accomplish these primary elementary tasks a chance to get started. And it's the to better the conditions of the young same in every other line, in groceries. workers, it becomes necessary that in restaurants, in the taxi, in the those of us who are engaged in productive work and who are faced with the problems be given the right to vote. 'If we are old enuf to work we must be old enuf to vote.

ed to satisfy the needs of the youth the Young Workers (Communist) League raises the following slogaus: 1. More vocational training with

- 2. More school facilities.
- 3. Abolition of child labor and support of its dependents.
- 4. Reduce military armaments. 5. All young workers and farmers

experiences the best method of obtaining satisfaction of these elementary needs is to form an independent party of work-4. The fourth condition that vital- ers and farmers-a Labor Party. In ly effects the conditions of the work- the absence of such a body however, ing class youth of this country is the we support the only party which at ever increasing menace of militarism. present has candidates on the ballot The appropriations for military pur who we are confident will fight for poses have steadily increased since the improvement of the conditions of bribed into giving away huge tracts the war. The standing army has in the working and farming youth, the creased to about a 175,000 men. The Workers (Communist) Party of Amer-Citizens' Military Training Camps ica and call upon the working youth have since their inception in 1920 thruout the country to help themtrained about 140,000 men. The Re- selves by supporting this program

YOUTH, HERE AND THERE

By TOM BARKER

Some years a go I watched a St. Patrick's Day parade marching past the library steps in Fifth avenue, New York. Leading it was an elephant of a man, with a tall hat and bulging buttons, perched uncomfortably on the top of a large bay horse. His fat legs bulged out from the sleek sides of the horse, and rolls of perspiration rolled down his sloppy jowls his right shoulder. Here was the genus politician, the self-made lardy Irishman with three loyalties close to his heart, the United States, Ireland and himself.

Behind him blared the band of a well-known catholic orphan asylum. The small boys sagging along under the weight of their bombardons and drums, were lustily blowing an Irish march. The fat man spasmodically lifted his top hat to the a ssembled multitudes, as his lines hardly permitted him to bow. He was God Almighty, and he knew it. And there were God's orphans with clarionets to

including the rabie-infected Nobbles of the sacred shrine, bow wow!

cow's youth on September 5. No fat pasty retired contractor in sight on this day. The gilded double-headed scarecrows squint down from the Spassky Gate and the Historical Museum at the brigades of youth.

It was their day, and they ran it their own way. No stern-gowned YOUNG WORKER are invited to send on the broad green sash hanging from ghouls to intimidate the joyous into in their answers to this question and an enforced solemnity and no mounted also criticism of and suggestions for opened on Oct. 4th in a North Scran- in the latest, safest and most scienpiece of blubber spoiling good horse-

> The markers were young, the militia, even the "nachalnik" was young. Age, whiskers, rheumatism, sugar diabetes and bath chairs were taboo. The only thing ancient around was the setting, St. Basil's weird contrap- Fifth avenue marshal the willies. tion of a cathedral, the aforesaid

wall and the cobblestones. place for you. Ten minutes before drums as if they were there to wake Brown limbs, strong limbs, lots of you might be a member of Russia's Creation. One of them had started horse sense, human fire, the stuff that wandering herds of "bezprizorny," out with a pair of new shoes. His makes the world move. the ragged juvenile irreconcilables feet soon objected to the unwonted There were other incidentals, too, the grown-up world, but in this hour

Another procession! That of Mos-

flesh.

The Question Box STORY OF CHILD LABOR

Editor's Note: An Interested reader and supporter of the YOUNG WORKER has sent us the material printed below with the suggestion that we start a question box. The idea is great providing that the readers send in their material for this section. The questions ned not necessarily be of a theoretical nature. In general the function of the Question Box should be to serve as the means for the function of the Question Box should be to serve as the means for the interchange of experiences, information and knowledge that will be useful and educational for young workers. Come on, Comrade Reader, do your stuff. The Question Box will be one of his livest sections of the YOUNG WORKER as often as you send in material for it often as you send in material for it.

DROBABLY every Young Communist who has ever to win an outside young worker for Communism! has met up with the argument;

"Well, the capitalists made their money by using their brains, didn't

It comes in handy to have a correct eply to this question and the writer them very young, who work with their herewith presents the one ha has parents at home producing small manbeen in the habit of giving:

Now you say that the capitalists considered. have made their money by using their brains and that it is because they are to the United States census of 1920. so much smarter than workers that 12,500.000 children between the ages they have got all their millions. Let of ten and fifteen. There has been us see if this true. Now you will ad- an increase since the taking of the mit that there are two legal ways for census. The same government census a man to make money now-a-days, counted the number of child laborers One is by getting a job—that is work- in the country. This was a very ining for a boss for wages and the teresting and vital process to all who other is by going into business and were interested in child labor. The becoming a boss yourself. Well, you question asked everywhere was: Just know that by doing the first this it is how many child laborers are there? impossible for a man to become a mil- The 1910 census counted over 2,000, a tremendous military machine to be and water for 10 to 15 years and his used in the next war. The burden of children go around without shoes and taxes for support of this militarism thereby he manages to save up several thousand dollars to go into business with. What are his chances of becoming a millionaire then?

And let us suppose that this worker is a very smart man. That he as smart as Morgan, Rockefeller, or Armour and that he knows as much about the banking, oil, or meat busi- per cent. As everyone knows, the ness as they are supposed to know. But can you imagine him with a measly few thousand dollars competing with the powerful trusts and coraires. Why he hasn't a chance in the world, no matter how much brains he's got. The big companies would squeez ehim out before he would have clothing or any other business. The big corporations that now exist and dominate every branch of business make it impossible for a worker, even if he manages to save up a few thous-To summarize the main issues need- an dollars to become a capitalist. But how did the present day mil-

lionaires get their money then? You may ask. Didn't they start in sometimes? Let me answer that too. The majority of the real big mililonaires of today never did start to build their fortunes, their fathers did it for them. Young Rockefeller, young Morgan, younf Astore-about the three richest men in the country-were multimillionaires before they were born.

The fortunes they now possess started to pile up many years ago when the country was being built up. And how were these fortunes made? A man named Meyers spent ten years investigating and finding out how the huge fortunes of the present day began to occumulate, and he wrote three big books on the results of his findings. He found out that all of the present day fortunes started thru graft, thru cheating and thru swindling. Settlers, farmers and Indians were swindled by the coming millionaires. Government officials were of land and railway and coal and oil rights. You know how it is with a snowball. The more it rolls down hill, the more snow it gathers. And it is the same with money used in had a full supply of unskilled labor, one that we will meet in all united business. The more you have, the easier it is to make more. From year development of skilled workers. To- demonstrations against militarism to year the fortunes of these men grew larger and larger and from year machinery, the greater division of a- of the very power of some of our slotion and legalized stealing on a larger relatives and descendants-men like Morgan, Rockefeller, Astor and Mc-Cormick are the real rulers of theis

Another question that is often asked by the young workers is: What will you do without the bosses to run the factories? Who will give you work then? The readers of the the answer above.

by the saluting stand they growled No, he wore what must have been his back to the cheer leader an inarticupapa's socks. He raised the dust as late, throaty cry, that would give our he pulled them along past the stand,

Here they have a Flaming Youth, scarecrows, the bricks of the Kremlin none of your nicely washed mothers'

and he hollered as loud as the rest.

hobbledehoys, maidens, young fellows darlings with your pants ironed out in all kinds of dress and undress. In impatient champing warhorse of the And if you are young there is a just so! The kid Pioneers rattle the suits of leather, and in narrow trunks.

A waving sea of red flags, banners who are against the world, especially trappings of civilization. Did he re- knocking the social system, cheering tire from the field? Not he. He swung the British miners, hailing the workbut the orphans and the horsemon you became one of the initiates, one them over his narrow shoulders and ers of the East. Soldiers, Tartars, youth are rid of the fat marshal with ensitomise most American processions, of the Army of the Young. And as traveled in his stocking feet all the Chinese from Peking and Canton, Cau- the bulging legs.

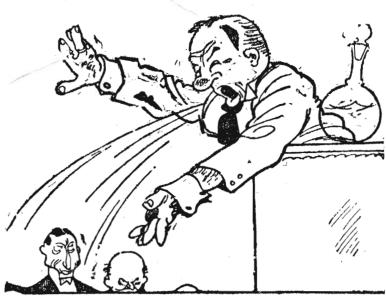
they carried a red flag and shuffled way. Did I say his stocking feet? | casians, all sorts of skins, all sorts of dress, all sorts of them, but all of them young.

Old Age looked on from the tribune. Old Age had its say, its brief day in Snookers, kids, urchins, lads, youths, the sun, its prosy advice, it tried to impose its ample all-sufficiency on an

young. An eager, surging youth, vivid, colorful, alert, impatient, speedy. Youth with a world to play with, to run, to master, as well as own.

And the world is full of such yout America is full of it. One country's

FROM CRADLE TO FACTORY HARRY GANNES



REFORMISTS FIGHTING CHILD LABOR.

main at home. The government cen-1 ed by the Children's Burean of the

sus itself makes this explanation. Did the number of child laborers increase? From a broad mass of facts It is an uncontradicted fact that there are more child workers in the United States today than there ever were.

Let us go back somewhat and see whether the years have shown a decrease or increase in the number of children forced to work.

In 1880, sixteen per cent of all children between the ages of ten and fifteen were employed in some kind of labor. Each year following that the children being employed. There was percentage of children forced to slave increased, until in 1910, eighteen per cent of all the children between ten and sixteen were at work. This brought the total number of exploited children up over 2,000,000.

The rapid rise of child labor did not stop there. It kept steadily on. The two laws that were passed had no effect whatever. The war came. All labor was scarce, and immediately the bosses began to swallow up more children in their factories. The number of children employed went higher than ever before in the history of the United tSates precisely at the moment when the American bankers were "fighting for democracy," and at the same time engulfing the world.

In some states the increase amounted to 50 per cent. The average inthe farm children were forcd to re- crease during the war-time as report-

United States Department of Labor to put over a figure of 1,500.000!

There has been a tendency by the bosses to cover up figures. They are growin gso rich, so powerful, and ex ploiting the workers to such an extent that the facts alone if brought to ENGLANDlight would act as propaganda. They cover up their vast incomes. And of the working class by deliberately falsifying the figures.

There are 13,000,000 children be tween the ages of ten and sixteen in the country today. From the figures shown before there is little room for denying that at least 20 per cent of all children between those ages are at work at the present moment. That makes the number of child workers between ten and sixteen 2,600,000 This is nota guess but is in close

National Child Labor Committee. But we have not counted them all. There are children ten and under who are forced to work. They total at

agreement with even bourgeois

sources, foremost among whom is the

So we find that the home of the free and 'the land of the brave encourages the enslavement of three million children of the working class.

(To be continued)

least 400,000.

Early Experiences in Mass Activity

By SAM DARCY.

have tried to put into active operation our program of mass activities. Already we have gained lessons and ized and authoritatively established.

not only those in the ranks, have been that industry must look to the rative using phrases about "participating in population for unskilled labor. Their the everyday struggle of the young reduction, or at least the stopping of workers." Yet we find that very often their further development, is also be-Let us take some outstanding examples of a major character to illustrate this. Two outstanding examples come to mind most clearly.

First we have the instance of a genthe young workers thruout the councame a general practice it was introtheir work. Is this a basic issue? While the immigrants were still during the coming elections.

flowing into this country by the hun-

PLUMBERS APPRENTICES

By Young Worker Correspondent.

IN SCRANTON SCHOOL

more exclusive group and splits the steps to rally their members. There TT is now several months since we workers' interests. It cuts down the are many various methods to follow earning power of the young workers and tends to give them the most menial and least paying tasks. The experiences that ought to be summar. practice of introducing vocational Our comrades, leading comrades and when the need was present, and today young workers on it.

In New York, for example, the local government provided room for 8,000 students to take the evening courses in vocational training. Over 13,000 eral conditions affecting at present students demanded admission. And the New York Times reported several try, giving us a basic issue. This is near-riots because of the large numthe matter of the reduction of voca- ber of students that were turned away. tional courses. Long before this be- In Chicago, to take another example, vocational courses were cut out enduced in several cities where we have tirely. The teachers held & mass fairly strong leagues. Yet not one meeting in protect. This gives us the of these cities either reported the mat possibilities of united action with ter to the national executive committhem on this question. The national tee or took up the issue and used it in executive committee is taking up the issue and will try to popularize it

The next instance of our weakness dreds of thousands the big industries in mass work that comes to mind is It then utilized the schools for the front work particularly. In holding day, however, with the introduction of etc. We will find that where, because to year they practiced bribery, corrup- bor and the oversupply of skilled la- gans, we succeed in forcing certain bor, the vocational schools do not any other organizations to enter united tion because this caused the failure zones of influence, without even inscale. And today these men and their longer find themselves supplying so front demonstrations with us, that the of the united front. great a need and the local govern- leaders of the other organizations will ments are cutting expenses by reduc- sabotage the rallying of their meming their size and number. This bership to the activities of the united deal with the difficulties of colonizacountry, of its systems and govern- makes the skilled workers an ever front body. We must, therefore, take tion.)

Reese, city plumbing inspector, will

be one of the instructors. Registra-

tion for the first evening was large

and the school believes that the 85 or

more apprentices in the city will be

enrolled. The plumbers' union is sup-

SCANTON, Pa. - The Scranton porting the schools, the purpose of

school for plumbers' apprentices which is "to educate the apprentices

ton public school building. William tific manner of plumbing."

The simplest is to visit their meetthem tickets, etc. This visiting should instance.

began to insist that the league comist slogans. At the demonstration the ties on the other. mistake referred to above had been made and we found, with few excep- NICARAGUAtions, that only league members were present. Prof. Douglass, a pacifist, policy is in reality the "big stick" made an attack on the Communuist at- policy of Wall Street can be seen titude to war and militarism. Many by the intervention of the U. S. govof the league comrades were of the ernment in Nicaragua. On Oct. 10 a opinion that the league speaker should force of sailors was landed from the make no defense of the Communist U.S.S. Denver at Corinto, which imposition, in spite of the fact that it mediately began searching the houses had been impressed time after time and confiscating the arms of the libthat we can enter these united fronts, eral revolutionary forces. These libparticularly should this be emphasized eral fighters are trying to overthrow with petit-bourgeois pacifists, only Chamorro, a notorious tool of the when we can maintain our identity. United States imperialism. The meeting was a failure from our point of view because of the failure ABYSSINIAto make it a united front from the bottom as well as from the top. Some coast of Africa, is a member of the comrades, however, in typical quackery fashion, said that we should not got together, signed a treaty to divide have defended the Communist posi- up Abyssinia between themselves into (The next article under the head

Round the World Newsettes

CHINA-

The Cantonese troops (which are fighting against the mercenaries of the foreign imperialists in China) are winning victory after victory in the north. Hankow, important northern industrial center, has already been captured by the Cantonese. This victory gave new life to the labor movement of this city and 32 working class organizations have started work again. The English imperialists are frantic and they are open in their interventionist policy.

The American newspaper appearing in Hankow describes the entry of the Canton troops: "The troops are marching thru the streets and thousands of workers, employes, coolies and business men are marching with them. For the first time we heard shouts or greeting and applause when troops marched in.'

After Hankow comes Wuchang, another city captured by the Cantonese after a five-day siege. The imperialist press is carrying on frantic propaganda to the effect that the lives of foreigners in this city are endangered. was 38 per cent. And then they try | These are lies from the whole cloth, as General Chiang Kai-shih, commander of the Cantonese, is enforcing the policy of protecting the lives of foreigners in the war zone.

After serving a sentence of two months' imprisonment under the they cover up the enormity of their Emergency Powers Act (which is used crime in exploiting the young children against the workers), Comrade D. F. Springhall, acting secretary of the Young Communist League, was sentenced to a further term of three months in the second division under the same act. Springhall committed the crime of carrying on working class activities during the general strike.

> With thegovernment's openadoption of the coal owners' complete program the young workers of Britain are again faced with the glaring fact that the tory government is the executive committee of the capitalist c lass. The General Council was ready to sell out the general strike when it declared that "this is purely an industrial strug-The Communist Party was right when it urged that the government be forced to resign and a real labor government, pledged to fight for the workers, set up in its place. The immediate issue now is the embargo and levy, that means no kauling of scab coal and an assessment on all workers employed to help the striking miners and the struggle for the dissolution of the forged parliament.

GERMANY-

A real demonstration was staged in the Prussian diet on Oct. 12, with the ings and appeal to their members, sell | Communist deputies joining their comrades in the galleries in the singing be done in the name of the united of the "International." The occasion courses has become quite general front body and with its authorization. for the demonstration was the rushing Other methods can be devised in each thru of a bill which provides for the adjustments of the Hohenzollern In Chicago we had a peculiar devel- (Kaiser Bill) claims for indemnity opment in regards to anti-militarist against the Prussian state. The Comwork. The danger of making united | munists fought against giving the exwhen an opportunity presents itself coming quite general. This gives us fronts with pacifists and liberals kaiser a penny, while the socialists for such participation these very com- a very important issue, and we must clearly showed itself. Some of the performed their usual weak-kneed rades do not take advantage of it. find ways and means of reaching the comrades who were doing this work stunt of abstaining from voting. pletely lose its identity and work only fight in the chamber with the Commuthru individuals, and that under pacif- nists on one side and the other depu-

That the Monroe Doctrine foreign

This country, which is on the east league of nations. Britain and Italy forming Abyssinia of the move. Now Abyssinia has filed a note with the of early experiences in mass work will league of nations pointing out that this is a treaty against the political independence of the country.

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WHILE THE BOSS AIN'T LOOKIN'

THE Gadfly has been rubbing elbows with the aristocracy of Labor at the Detroit convention of the A.F. of L. He heard Mr. Eddy make a speech on Soviet Russia. Brother Green (the Gadfly used to be a member of the carpenters' and longshoremen's unions) said that if the U. S. S. R. would be recognized made that the Western Electric Co. it would be disastrous. We expect that after the recognition Chicago. With it comes the informa-Green expected to remain as tion that over 8,000 employes participresident of the A. F. of L. Well pated in sports sponsored by the comwe must admit, there are few pany last year, and that over 100,000 things that could be more dis- spectators watched the various games astrous.

There were big crowds in Detroit during the convention. . . They were all watching the world series baseball returns.

The floor of the ballroom wasn't the only slippery thing in the house however, you should sese the officials.



A. F. of L. official.

pile—the chaff.

The Gadfly thought that the and is considerate of them. convention had somet hing lackbankers' conference—that was a banquet and a lot of chorus girls. When he stopped at the hotel however, he realized that



Only the Banquet Was Missing.

Eddy of the Y. M. C. A. made speech. He talked about Soviet Russia, and suggested that the A. F. of L send a delegation there to find out what the conditions are themselves, instead of belly-aching about it out of the depths of their ignorance. Green flew into a rage-imagine the nerve of Eddy actually suggesting that the A. F. of L. find things out for themselves instead of swallowing the boss dope. But it all moves us to the following ditty:

BOLD young man named Eddy, A When called out to speak said. "Ready,"

But after he spoke Green wanted him to choke But now he's razzin' him steady.



The convention is not over at this writing. We will have full detailed reports in the next issue of this monument to knowledge.

On the way to Detroit we stopped nounced there that Liberty as sym- Boosters! holized in a bell will be used to decorate postage stamps with. Al of SECTION SIX PLUNGES which is in conformity with the rule of the U.S. government that no one gets his picture on postage stamps until he is dead.

us to believe that if the parasites who discussion the members were ordered do this dirty work for the bosses were to roll up their sleeves, sharpen their set to cultivating some green plots pencils (and their wits), prepare their they would have less time for inventing Red plots.

FARMERS' SECTION.

The beginning of the column was devoted to the Labor movement in order to balance things we will devote the end of it to the farmer and his happy lot. Here goes:

Once a union man out of work hired out to a farmer. At four o'clock in the morning the newly employed hired man was called to breakfast. A few minutes later the old farmer was astonished to see the man walking off down the road.

"Say, come back and eat breakfast fore you go to work!" he yelled after

"I ain't goin' to work," the man called back, "I'm going to find a place where I can stay all night."

We must now close, as Shakespeare says, in patient expectation that all Rome will shake until the next issue

Workers' Sports

Oh, How Western Elec- Money 'Pyled' Thick tric Loves Sports!

Announcement and recently been is planning to erect a new \$250,000 gymnasium at its Hawthorne plant, and contests.

Anyone at all familiar with the conditions prevailing at the Western Electric plant in Hawthorne, and knowing how low the wages are and how tight the company is when it comes to giving anybody a raise, will wonder how it comes that it is goingto spend a quarter of a million dollars for its

'employes' enjoyment." This uestion is easily answered: The Western Electric is not really spending the \$25,000. It is merely investing it. It is investing it in order to make its employes stronger so as to make them work harder. It is investing this money so as to keep the workers occupied after working hours, and thus take their thoughts away from their bad conditions, and how to struggle to improve them. It is investing this money in order to get its 40,000 employes interested in It takes no effort to separate the sports—and thus to keep them from chaff from the wheat in the speeches getting interested in organization or of the bureaucrats. It all goes in one in a union. It is investing this money in order to make its workers believe that the company is a "good sport,"

That is why it is investing this ing to make it exactly like a money. Because it will give the Western Electric a big return in the form of increased profits from its workers.

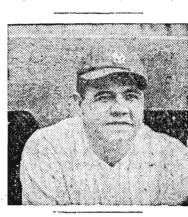
Capitalist Sparta, A. C.

An outstanding soccer team from Czecho-Slovakia, the A. C. Sparta, which is touring the United States, played a team of all stars in Chicago recently, winning, 1 to 0. Thirty thousand people attended the game, which was made the occasion for a tremendous nationalist agitation amongst the Czecho-Slovakian workers. In a special pamphlet given out with each ticket the Czecho-Slovakian bourgeois sports movement is praised to the skies, while no mention is made of the powerful workers' sports movement which has developed in that

on Tennis Matches

The first profesisonaltennis matches put on by C. C. Pyle's troupe of performers, were staged recently at the Madison Square Garden, New York. An estimated crowd of 5,000 attended, and with the admission charges ranging between \$1 and \$10 it would seem that Pyle took enuf in to pay off his employes, and, as it should be in good business ventures, have a neat profit left over.

The matches were dignified by the presence in the audience, of many public officials and men high up in the business world. Evidently these gentlemen are always ready to lend a hand to a rising business man, and a soon I said I would read all the Bible for myself; said Pa. promising business, which C. C. Pyle and profesional tennis, certainly are.



BALL PLAYER FROM MINING REGION



about Frankle Loftus, above, is that he got his start as pitcher among the amateur teams in the mining regions of Scranton, Pa. Now he is similar to I put it up to father, how to make the the other bought and paid for players of "pro" sports.

puzzle out.
Pa said to me, "That's something that you mustn't think about."

Their bigoted intolerance has left me in a haze,

Business Tennis Stars



these your rennis players are the first to be won over to the idea of making a tennis a better capitalist business institution than it was under the guise of amateurism. These so-called "original pros" are left to right, Vincent Richards, Marry K. Browne, Suzanne Leglen, French star and M. Feret,

"Adrift

Dedicated to the "Damned Souis of the University of Rochester.

WHEN I was still a little chap I regu-

"That's very good.

And I was glad when Pa said that, because I knew that he
Had been a deacon all his life, and I
would feel quite free
To ask him to explain to me if things
therein I found
I did not understand: said Pa, "Such
things I will expound."

So very soon I had to go and ask for Pa's advice.

I found in Genesis it told of man's creation twice;

First Adam comes to life with Eve then comes to life without.

Said Pa to me, "That's something that you musn't think about."

I read about their family then, of Abel and of Cain;
The only family in the world, and Abel son was slain.
But pretty soon Cain took a wife, I could not make it out;
Said Pa to me, "That's something that you shouldn't think about."

And then I read of Moses, and his flock in Egypt land, Who grew in generations four into won-drous band; They numbered ninety when they came, two millions going out.

Pa said to me, "That's somethin that you shouldn't think about."

Then Joshua, he stopped the Sun, one million miles across;

The energy to do it meant three thous- and billion horse;

The hought about. To massacre a few more men, it seemed waste thruout. Pa to me. "That's something that a waste thruout. Said Pa to me, "That's som you musn't think about."

Pa said, "The Bible is inspired and every word is true;"
And so I asked if witches, demons, devils and their crew
Were no existent in the world, man's efforts still to flout.
Pa said to me, "That's something you mustn't think about."

Soon reading the New Testament,—the coming of the Lord —
I found the Gospels varied and were sel-

And then I read the Bible thru, and everywhere it said God was a loving father, yet I learned with awful dread,

being trained,
I find the things they teach us there are
not to be disdained;
They contradict the Bible, so I'm very much in doubt.

Says Pa' to me, "That's something you mustn't think about."

What is the use of study if, whenever I've a doubt. "That's something I I've got to say: "That musn't think about"

I must accept the teaching reason tells me must be true, No matter if it contradicts the Bible old and new; must reject those fables which all science puts to rout; find this subject something that I have to think about.

Quite sure I am that father's wrong, the Bible's not inspired,
And if I must accept it all and faith in
all's required,
I should reject its teachings too, and yet
I find thruout

like to hear a good address upon those splendid themes,
Provided it's not based upon such false,
fantastic dreams,
I like the stately sous!: 'hat 'he organ thought about

I'd gladly go and listen if they'd speak reason's voice: The urge to learn is in me but I really They're either ignoramuses or liars when they shout

Man's fall and his atonement are enuf to think about.

I'm forced to the conclusion that in justice to the conclusion that in justice to my mind,
I can't permit its insult with such dribble as the kind
I hear in all the churches, so from them
I'll stay without,
'Til they of something honest talk that's good to think about

get subs there. At the first I visited a

Finnish workers' affair. I obtained

In conclusion, comrades, I wish to

say that if my personal experience in

easy it is, then the low quota of 3,000

set by the national campaign commit

Weak Attempt for Still Weaker Youth International

At the July, 1926, conference of the so-called Paris Bureau of the Socialist Revolutionary International, which comprises the Norwegian Labor Party, the Maximalist Party of Italy, the Russian and Ukrainian Socialist Revolutionary "Parties." the remnants of the German Independent Socialist Party. the former Comrade Balabanova and several other small groups, the question of the youth organizations of these parties was also discussed. One of the representatives pointed out that in view of the fact that the different youth sections in the various countries represent a variety of tendencies, it were desirable to unite them into an international organization.

At this conference it was, therefore, decided that the "International Buwith awful dread,
He'd burn his children up if they would
even dare to doubt.
Pa said, "That's something, if you're
good, you needn't think about."

decided that the international reau" convene a similar international conference of the affiliated youth organizations for the purpose of creating an international youth organiza-Just now I'm in a college and inscience tion that would correspond to the "International Bureau."

Up to the meeting of this confercarry on the international work of the selves as much as they can." youth organizations.

Tranmael League of Norway, the So-Revolutionary League of France.

This afterbirth to the "International of the Socialist Proletarian Youth" wants to make the world believe that the young workers formerly organized Some worthy thoughts I must admit I the unity of the world proletariat will gave as much as they could. Just ought to think about. Second nor of the Third International, making \$12 a week, gave \$2. A young but-think of it!-on its own basis.

> wandr'ing in a maze; I'm forced to break assunder from hypoccan't find there the teaching that I'd

like to think about.

It seems to me a pity that the churches will not learn

To teach those grand old ethics, for which all our students yearn.

Not mixing them with miracles and nonseem long played out;

They'd help us solve the problems that life makes us think about.

have a dim rreception a religion there

can he
Whose precepts I can follow though my
mind can still be free;
If they'd teach better conduct toward
one's fellowman thruout
This earth, we'd find there something
'twould be well to think about.

By DAVE RAPO. (Los Angeles, Young Worker Correspondent)

Our district in California is a small one and far from being the best in the country, yet our district has taken seriously the question of the YOUNG WORKER.

At it's last meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 14th after reading a letter from the national office about the condition of the YOUNG WORKER the secretariat passed a motion. "Because the YOUNG WORKER runs at a defict of over \$200 per month making publication almost impossible the D. E. C. places an assessment on all members making \$25 per week or over, the amount of one day's wages. Those ence the bureau for the parties will making less are urged to assess them-

The same week when the question In spite of father's counsel and my efforts to obey,
I cannot help but worry, and I'm in an ganizations will take part in this contact the L. A. Eastern and Central Nuclei, erence: The Maximalist Youth of \$50 in cash and between \$15 and \$20 taly, the socalled "Left Communist" in pledges, which will be collected this week, was raised. The money raised cialist Proletarian Youth of Germany, has be usent already to the N. O. not Lithuanian Youth organization, the merely as a donation, but as payment Youth League of the Jewish "Bun" of for an equal amount of half year subs Poland and the brand new Socialist to the YOUNG WORKER. These subs will be given away free to the young workers where we are carrying on our campaigns.

Altho most of our members are unskilled young workers (working at in the Communist youth organizations | miserable wages) and young students are now joining it en masse and that supported by their parents, they all take place neither on the basis of the a small example: A needle trades girl metal worker gave \$2. A painter \$8. A college student \$5. A high school girld \$1. A young department store My props are gone from under, I am girl \$2.50. Now what joust "couldn't" be done if our well-paid comrades, Furriers, Building Trades workers, Garmen Workers and other skilled trade members of New York, Chicago, Cleveland, Boston, Detroit would follow the example of our Los Angeles Leaguers!

> We'd realize that happiness would follow such a plan,
> Whose alm would be to mitigate the sufferings of man;
> We'd find that doing good to all, but with

- News From the Campaign Front

six subs

Los Angeles, Chicago in the Lead

Los Angeles has baren working and already forty-three per cent of its quota is filled. What will these good workers do to the other districts before the end of the campaign! Chicago, however, does not mean to be left far behind either as proven by the thirty-five per cent of their quota being already filled-so far it looks as tho these two cities are going to give each other a, lively chase with Pittsburgh threatening to catch up. Here are some more news of how the work is being done in

At a recent membership meeting the Chicago comrades organized a Young Worker Boosters' Club and at that meeting over 25 subs were taken in. The club intends to run an affair, a Red Sunday, a house-to-house canvass and many other activities. Every member of the club is pledged to do certain work for the Young Worker at the Sesqui-centennial. It was an Watch for future news of the Chicago

IN WITH A VIM

Chicago:

At the last membership meeting held by Section Six plans were laid for participation in the Young Worker The recent arrests in Passaic lead sub drive. Ast the conclusion of the subscription blanks, and "get out among the young workers!" A series of practical motions were passed re-

Frank White, Bloomfield, N. J.
Stella Lasaske, Elizabeth, N. J.
Lottie Blumenthal, Newark, N. J.
Hyman Klipp, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Edith Greenspan, New York City
Ernest Rymer, New York City
Kostinsky, Baltimore, Md.
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D. Sandler, Philadelphia, Pa.
M. Sokolov, Philadelphia
W. Woloshin, Philadelphia
Harry Sacks, Syracuse, N. Y.
Hyman Paransky, Pittsburgh, Pa...
Hyman Paransky, Pittsburgh, Pa... garding the campaign: One. That every member obtaining over ten subs be given a copy of the new pamphlet, "Elements of Political

Education." Two. That the section set itself the task of getting 125 subs (the entire Chicago quota is 200).

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any olty that is not divided into sections, to a sub-getting race.

Four. That the record of subsobtained by the various members be read at every nucleus and section

The section of the section of subsobtained by the various members be read at every nucleus and section of the meeting. Five. That a special campaign pub-licity correspondent be elected to let the country know that Section Six is in the sub campaign—and how! (This

scriptionized. A motion was also to give a dollar for a sub. made that the campaign be wound up started | committee and the editor of the Young | former League members

> city scale. EASIER THAN ROLLING OFF LOG sub. Where I could not get any subs

> By Ethel Stevens, has asked me to write something tell- to be fainthearted or easily discouring how I obtain subscriptions for the aged. Keep arguing with your pros-Young Worker. I can only say, com- pect until he has no comebacks and

Rebane, Brighton, Mass.

Edith Frideman,

Lillian Gannes, Chicago

Eteenpain Co-op., Worcester, Mass... Frank White, Bloomfield, N. J.

The section is 100 per cent sub- | pathetic to the movement will refuse :

In starting out to get subs I first of by a section entertainment and ban- all made a list of all section members quet, to which the national campaign who were not subscribers and of all Worker be invited. No one to be al- either dropped out or had graduated lowed to sit in on the banquet who into the party, and of all sympathizers has not obtained at least two subs. that I knew. I visited everyone on tee can easily be double-providing This latter idea was deemed so bril- this list and succeeded in getting subs the members really get down to work. liant, that it has been adopted on a from a goodly percentage. Where I did not get a Young Worker sub I got

a Daily Worker or Young Comrade -AND HANDS IN 20 SUBS at all I tried to get a donation for a sub for a young miner. In going after The national campaign committee a sub I would advise the comrades not

rades, that the way to get them is sim- has no recourse except to come ply by going after them. Hardly any- across. Besides going after individone who is working and is at all sym- uals, I visit all workers' affairs and

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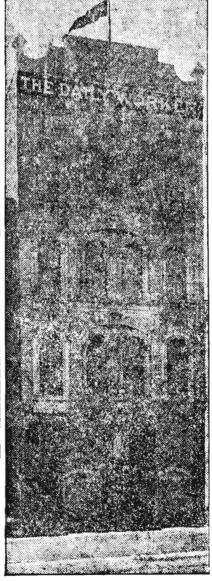
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on! Over the top! Get those three thousand-and more! The standing of the districts and cities that had quotas assigned are

all the Leagues will rush in. Come

Chicago and Los Angeles did so far says.

DISTRICT 1—Brighton 1/2, Boston 1, Worcester 1. District quota 236; percentage filled 1.

DISTRICT 3-Baltimore 1, Philadelphia 3. District quota 300; percentage filled 1.3. DISTRICT 5-Pittsburgh 15. Dis-

trict quota 90; percentage filled 16.6. DISTRICT 6-Yorkville, Ohio, 1, Youngstown, Ohio, 1. District quota 130; percentage filled 1.7. DISTRICT 8-Peoria, Ill., 1; Chica-

go, Ill., 70 (35% of quota filled); Milwaukee, Wis., 2; St. Louis, Mo., 3; Sprinfigeld, Ill., 2; Waukegan, Ill., 51/2. District quota 340; percentage filled DISTRICT 9-Markinen, Minn., 1;

Superior, Wis., 41/2. District quota 790; percentage filled 0.8.

DISTRICT 13-Los Angeles, Cal., 52 (43% of quota filled). District quota

184: percentage filled 28.4. District 13 wins the first round with Chicago close behind. From the activities of the individual comrades in

Chicago we can be assured that Los Angeles will have to work hard to keep ahead of them.

Kasper Says----

"Watch My Smoke" TOHN KASPER of Pittsburgh, Pa., who has done nobly during the Daily Worker campaign and missed a trip to Moscow by an inch or so. writes us that we may as well pack up the typewriter now and address it in the race—from many points we to him as he means to get it. Here's have not heard yet but we are sure a chance for real hustling on the part of other comrades as we warn you ing either and that after seeing what that Comrade Kasper means what he

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WOMEN OF TWO CLASSES

ove rift with 51-year-old capitalist husband. Love rifts is a paying business and "Peaches" already has a stage

the Passaic textile mills because of the small nav their man received. They are part of the heroic army of strikers

Below: Working class women. These mothers and grandmothers were forced out of their homes and into

RECALL MINE WORKERS MARTYRS IN FIGHT AGAINST LEWIS-FARRINGTON

By A. MINERICH.

VALIER, III.—Oct. 12 is a day well remembered by miners of Illinols. It is the day when men paid in blood to build the United Mine Workers of America.

It was on Oct. 12 that Gitterle, Ernest Smith, Edward Long and Earnest Kammer, four miners of the fighting type were killed by mine guards at Verden.

These men had accepted the challenge of the bosses and fought bravely for the cause of the workers. But what would they say today? We have a group of "corruptionists" who sit idly by and watch the U. M. W. of A., once the greatest trade union in the muntry, gradually disappear. They even expel fighters of the type of the Virden martyrs out of the union and help the bosses carry on their fight against the miners.

The miners of Illinois, especially the young miners, know that if Joseph and Ernest Kammer could only know caught and nobody got hurt, but now Gitterle, Ernest Smith, Edward Long that men like John L. Lewis, Frank Farrington, Sneed, Fox, Cobb, etc., are wrecking the miners' union, they

Young miners, we must lead in the fight to clean the union of officials like Lewis, Fishwick, Sneed, Fox, Cobb and in the election in December elect the slate headed by John Brophy, for International officers and the slate headed by Joe Tumulty for District No. 12 officers and put the ers who gave up their lives for the up with lead pipes in order to get organization wanted it in.

Silent Cal Orates to "Boy Orators"

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The "silent" president, Cal Coolidge, has agreed to make an address of welcome to the final meeting of the 1926 international oraiorical contest. The participants are being heralded as the "boy orators" of their respective countries. In Canada, the United States and Mex- lawyers were fighting the case, it was ico will compete for the international championship. Altho the whole affair to show that it's all a frame-up. The is cloaked with the term "international" the land of workers and farm- the strike in Passaic will be won. ers rule, the Soviet Union, as well as | We will stick it out until they have many other countries are not repre- established a UNION in Passaic.

By Young Passalo Striker. would turn over in their graves with picket line captains. Why, when the wrath. They would certainly feel bosses did not yet import gangsters sore that the organization that they and bums into the mills to scap there died for is being broken up by a few also was no bomb the wing going on, in Passaic there was also bomb-throw

> ing going on. When the police arrested our fellow workers they got the worst punish ment that there is to be given in America, and that is the third degree. Through the third degree methods they strapped our fellow-workers against the prison cells and beat them some kind of confession out of them. The fellow-workers were forced to sign statements in order to get away from the punishment.

IRREGULAR EMPLOYMENT AND LOW EARNINGS CHARACTERIZE WOMEN'S

By LELAND OLDS, Federated Press.

Irregular employment and low earnings characterize women's jobs in New York state, according to a special bulletin of the state department of labor on employment and earnings in the years 1923-25. The report shows that this is true not only in good times but also that women are more subject to the effects of seasonal employment than men.

This is due in part, says the bulletin, to the fact that so large a part | industrial workers. Most of the of the total employment of women in women metal trades workers are also factories is in the highly seasonal in- employed in the machinery and elecdustries. Clothing, textiles and food trical apparatus division. According are all seasonal and all employers of to the bulletin they are concentrated women's labor, metals, chemicals and in the manufacture of fine electrical wood are man-employing industries parts and radio apparatus. and are not subject to seasonal in fluences

Limited Bargain Power,

The limited bargaining power of unorganized women workers is seen by the department as an explanation of the low wages paid female workers, It says: "During the year 1924-25

the men in the factories of the state averaged just under \$31.50. The women averaged just under \$17.50 a week. That means that women earned wages a little more than half as high as the wages paid men. There is lit tle evidence for deciding what are the reasons for the lower earnings of women. A few facts, however, stand out. Women receive the highest earnings in industries where they are organized, like clothing and publishing. They receive the lowest wages in industries located in small towns or in one-industry centers where the cost of living is lower and the possible alternative jobs fewer."

Confined to One Group.

The department notes that outside of the clothing industry there are no it.

A narrative of a red-blooded, he-man, 100 per cent American, who turns out to be a Labor spy. Just the book to give to your shop-mate after you have read it.

PAPER, 25 Cents women in the highest paid industries for men and continues: "This might he explained on the ground that women cannot do the work requiring the greatest strength and skill, or that their limited bargaining power tends to pull down the earnings of men in the occupations where women are con-

centrated." The proportion of men and women workers in the various industries of the state appears in the following:

| Number Employed in N. Y. Factories. | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|--|--|
| Men | Women | | |
| Stone, clay and glass 33,985 | 1,595 | | |
| Metals & machinery338,355 | 19,925 | | |
| Wood manufacturers 72,147 | 6,182 | | |
| Furs, leather, rubber 59,630 | 25,436 | | |
| Chemicals, oils, paints 32,091 | 9,190 | | |
| Pulp and paper 17,968 | 897 | | |
| Printing & paper goods 70,322 | 28,713 | | |
| Textiles 51,286 | 56,353 | | |
| Clothing & millinery136,937 | 150,440 | | |
| Food & tobacco 98,174 | 35,725 | | |
| Water, light & power 14,982 | 20 | | |
| | | | |

...925,877 334,476 Metal Industry Leads.

More than one-third of the men were employed in the metal industries. The manufacture of electrical machinery and apparatus alone absorbed over 10 hav eant. 'n contrast metal factories amples only 6 per cent of the womer

Describes Bomb Fakes

PASSAIC, N. J.-Well, comrades and fellow-workers, the bosses and their tools, the police, have started a reign of terror again in Passaic. They have arrested twenty-three of our fel low-workers on the charges of throw ing bombs. There was bombs thrown way back in April, and nobody was when the bosses see that the strikers are always getting stronger instead of weaker they frame up our active but as soon as the gangsters arrived

When, after a week, the relatives and the wives of the strikers were permitted to see the prisoners, their faces and bodies were black and blue One prisoner's arm was in a sling broken, and the others had most of their teeth knocked out. Their eyes were shut up from the beating they received from the paid tools of the bosses, the police. At first the bail the final contest England, France, was set at \$350,000. Then, after the reduced to \$80,000. Here again it goes bosses may do what they please, but

tile industries are considered the con-

centration amounts to 62 per cent of

all women factory workers in the

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LOT IN INDUSTRY, REPORT SHOWS BABIES' GRAVES DOT TRAIL OF OPEN SHOP COAL MAGNATES' DRIVE, DECLARES FEDERATED PRESS EXPÉRT

By LELAND OLDS, Federated Press.

Why should the babies of Illinois coal diggers have less chance to live nant of the slave market that made han other babies born thruout the state? That question is raised by Illinois this port infamous in the eighteenth vital statistics for 1925 published by the state department of public health. century. It is operated by Elder-The figures show that taking the state as a whole 72.5 of every 1,000 Dempster & Co., Ltd., and accommo-

ment of mines shows over 1.000 min-Almost half the women in the state ers employed, we find that an everfactories are employed by one or anage of 82.2 out of every 1,000 babies other of the clothing trades. If the die before the end of their first year. combined figures for clothing and tex-

The infant death rate in these predominantly mining communities is 13, per cent higher than the state rate and 16 per cent above the rate thruout the state if we exclude Chicago. If we extend our comparison to include as miner counties all in which at least 500 miners are employed, the infant death rate is still over 80 per

Important Factors.

The two counties having the highest infant death rates in the state are both important factors in the coal industry. Franklin county, in which 10,093 miners produced over 1,000,000 ons of coal in July, 1926, leads the uneral procession with 116.7 out of every 1,000 babies dead before the end of their first year. This is 61 per cent above the infant death rate for the state. Jackson county follows with an infant death rate of

112.2 per 1,000. Figures Are Convincing. Figures showing for the 18 leading coal producing counties the number ing July and the infant death rate per 1,000 born are

Illinois Coal Counties

| No. | Miners | Days | Death |
|-----------|---------|--------|-------|
| En | nployed | Worked | Rate |
| Bureau | 840 | 13.1 | 63.9 |
| Christian | 2,371 | 14.1 | 79.5 |
| linton | 511 | 8.9 | 69.4 |
| | | | |

in each of which the state depart- Fulton 804 10.0 75.9 9.9 112.2La Salle 15.776.8 Macoupin 4.917 15.2 Madison **12.8** Montgomery 1,780 11.7 Peoria 16.5 Randolph 1.022 10.1 7.09 11.5 Saline ... 20.6 94.7Sangamon 4,372 17.676.0 Vermillion 2,348 14.7 86.9 Williamson 4.529 1 B.O 90.5

Low Wages Cause Deaths. Low wages earned by fathers are apt to be the explanation of a high infant death rate.

Low wages mean inability to provide the environment and nourish chance to survive the most critical ships, or be liable to deportation. vear of their existence.

rates of pay. Illinois miners with this order. jobs average little more than half Is the "African Hostel" an example of workers employed in the mines, the in the table are taken, shows 47,761 British empire offer to the colored

> days during the month. The high infant death rate in the mine fields of Illinois illuminates the lengths to which open-shop interests will go in starving union miners into submission. The widespread part time is paralleled by equally widespread unemployment. Between the two the babies don't get a fair chance.

British Ships Have Color Line Binding Blacks to One Boss

LONDON .-- The "African Hostel" in St. James Place and Upper Stanhope ables born in 1925 died before the end of the first year. For the state outthe Elder-Dempster Lines when paid off until their services are again required.

Across Stanhope street, set back in well-kept grounds, looms St. James church, a reminder of missionaries words in Africa, that christianity stands for love, justice and equality of all of god's children.

The "African Hostel" is exclusively for colored African seamen from Elder-Dempster ships and, according to a ruling of this firm, they must stop here or be denied further employment. Should any of these men obtain the pportunity of employment on an outside ship they are, as a rule, barred rom signing on by the board of trade -apparently because they are "Elder-Dempster's men." Hence these men nust faithfully serve the interests of he Elder-Dempster Lines at about ment which give babies a decent half of the regular port wages of other

"The special restriction (colored Low wages are today the lot of the alien seamen) order, 1925" saves the Illinois miners, because the business face of the slogan: "Britons never which should be theirs is going to shall be slaves," for these men, non-union fields, where mine labor is whether born within the empire or ground down to the lowest possible not, are registered in compliance with

time. The report for July (1926), of British justice and fair play? If from which the employment figures so, what hopes for freedom can the average number of days worked dur miners working an average of 14.5 people who come under its jurisdic-



THRU WITH VICTORY IN STRIKE By A Young Worker Correspondent. NE WYORK CITY.—A movement to organize the unorgan-

YOUNG POCKETBOOK MAKERS BREAK

ized workers in the pocketbook industry is well under way. The pocketbook frame workers are completely unorganized and 90 per cent of them are young workers.

Talk about conditions. In some shops the workers are compelled to work 50 hours weekly, but in the ma ed the employer's office and presentjority of shops they work 53 and 55 ed their demand the "fat boy" refushours weekly and get no extra pay for ed to recognize them and told them overtime. You have to be a good that they are fired. In order to presleuth to find the sanitary conditions vent them from talking to the workin these joints. The workshops are ers in the shop he blocked the door dirty and full of dust. Toilets are unthat leads to the factory. But the clean and there are no sinks and committee shoved him aside and forctowels. Lockers are scarce.

On top of that almost every week there is at least one worker who suffers physical injury from machines which have no safety appliances. As far as our reward for this labor is concerned it can be summed up in stead of a 50-hour week and time that little song, "We work all day, for damn little pay."

The Tide Turns.

Looking at these conditions it was a half for overtime. only natural to see the workers be- This strike serves as an inspiraginning to wake up. Shop committees tion to other workers in the industry. began to spring up in the various These workers now see that in unity factories. In the Triangle Metal and organization there is strength, Frame Company the committees af- At the same time while carrying workers employed there out on strike. trade. Whatever the action of the It would have done your heart good union will be the workers will conto see the solidarity and discipline tinue the task of organizing the unshown by these strikers.

When the committee of five entered their way into the factory. A whistle from the chairman was the signal. All the workers rose and left their machines.

What We Demanded. All they asked was a 46-hour week in-The workers demanded very little. and a half for overtime. After staying on strike for two days the boss granted a 47-hour week and time and

ter two weeks of diligent and careful ization in the shops a committee went work succeeded in organizing the on the work of agitation and organworkers in the shop. When the boss Workers' Union to seek affiliation and refused to meet the demands of the to the International Pocketbook workers, the committee led the 50 ask aid to organize the workers in the 'organized.

Youth Bury Company Unions



What the Young Strikers of Passaic think of "Company Unionism." The black coffin with "company union" painted in yellow was thrown into the

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