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## Liebknecht Day!

ON Jaunary 15, 1919, two great leaders of the German workers were murdered by the brutal capitalist class.

These two great leaders were Karl Lieb-knecht and Rosa Luxemburg. They were leading communists in Germany. They were fighting for the interests of the workers. They were fighting against the traitors to the workers who called themselves socialists.

Karl Liebknecht was also the leader of the young revolutionaries, not only in Germany but all over the world. Everyone knows that it is the young workers who are the first to be put into uniforms and sent to fight the wars of the capitalists. Therefore, it is one of the biggest jobs of the young revolutionaries to fight against wars and militarism.

And Karl Liebknecht was one of the bravest fighters against capitalism and wars. In the last war when all the capitalists were shouting to the workers that it was a "war for democracy," the socialists, who had solemnly promised the workers that they would lead the fight against wars, went along with the capitalists. They sold out the workers to the bosses. And there were only a few true revolutionaries and working leaders that were against the war and for the workers. Among these revolutionaries were Nicolai Lenin, the leader of the workers of the world, Rosa Luxemburg, and Karl Liebknecht.

Liebknecht had been most active in organizing the young workers and this time he again rose in their interests. Because he opposed the war he was put in jail. And when the Kaiser was overthrown, he was most active in rousing the workers to set up their own republic, like the Russian workers and peasants.

The capitalists, together with their friends, the socialists, hated Liebknecht. They hated Rosa Luxemburg and the other communists who were true to the workers and who were leading them to victory.

And so one night these two brave fighters were taken from their rooms. Karl Liebknecht was taken to a forest and was shot down by cowardly tools of capitalism. Rosa Luxemburg was cruelly beaten until she fainted and then her body was thrown into a canal. And the socialists, who were very strong then, did not do a single thing to these murderers of working class leaders!

Today all over the world, the workers, especially the young ones, celebrate the victory of Karl Liebknecht. For, altho they were murdered, their ideals and principles are still alive in the hearts of the revolutionary workers. The young communists in this country (and everywhere else) are hold big demonstration meetings at which the history of Karl Liebknecht is told. There is also told the idea of Communism for which Liebknecht was always fighting like a lion.

The young workes have many problems today just as they had then. Today they are also approaching another war for the capitalists, and they are coming into the young communist league to fight against capitalism and war.

Our juniors and the other children of the workers must look for inspiration to their great leaders like Lenin and Marx and Liebknecht. It is their ideas for which the workers are fighting all over the world. It is the duty of the children of the workers to join with thsee revolutionary workers. We must prepare for the day when we shall carry on the banner that Liebknecht carried when he lived.

The red banner has ben turned over to the

KARL LIEBKNECHT



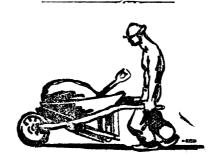
## HOW THE RICH AND POOR KEEP CHRISTMAS

#### By ARNOLD NENONEN, Age 10.

THE rich people get anything they want for Christmas, while the poor don't get hardly a thing. A poor child gets hardly a piece of bread, a child of the rich gets any kind of food he wants.

The rich people feast and have a merry time. The poor people are half sad and half happy. I do not believe in Santa Claus because if your father and mother don't have any money you cannot get anything. The rich teach their children to believe in Santa Claus because they have enough money to buy presents.

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communists of today. The juniors are the communists of tomorrow. Let them join in the struggles in the schools and in the factories.

Down with capitalism which kills the workers and their children?

Down with all capitalist wars!

Long live the ideas of Karl Liebknecht and rosa Luxemburg!

Long live our leader, the Communist International!

Unite with the Young Workers League on January 11th to celebrate International Lieb-knecht Day!

## Fight Child Labor

THE Communists of America have begun a fight against child labor, and it is the duty of the children of the workers in this country to join with them and give them all the help that they can.

We all know that there are millions of little children, no bigger than the readers of this paper, who are working day and night under the most terrible conditions. They are the little slaves of America's bosses, working in the mines, the big factories and mill and in the fields. Under the burning sun, these little children are forced to toil for many, many hours of the day. In the hot and stuffy mines and factories you can see these children working for a little bit of wages.

Why do these little children work? Do they work because they like it? No. They are forced to go to work because the bosses do not pay their parents enough money to keep up a family. Therefore, as soon as the child can stand on its feet, it is forced to go and earn a living.

And the the bosses use these little children to take the jobs of the older workers. And when the children do this, they work for lower wages. This makes the worker poorer and the boss richer. And that is all that the boss cares about: his profits. He doesn't care about the health or future of the children of the workers. All he wants is more and more money.

The workers all over the country are against the labor of children. They demanded from the government that a law be passed against it. But the government is in the hands of the bosses and so nothing has been done.

Congress did pass an amendment to the constitution. But the amendment is a fake. It doesn't want to abolish child labor. It says only that congress can abolish it when it wants to. This amendment must be passed by 3f Lates in the country. But it never will be unless the workers unite stongly and fight for it.

But this is not enough. The government and the capitalists who have made all the money out of the work of children must provide money for the upkeep of the children. Wages must be made higher so that children will not have to go to work. And in the meantime the children must be organized. If they vait for the government to do anything for them, they will never get anything.

The ones who will be the most active in organizing the children will be the juniors of the Young Workers League. It should be the duty of every junior group in the country to get active in uniting the children of the workers against child labor.

Every junior group should begin its activity immediately. Try to get in touch with working class children in the factories and mines and fields. Organize them into groups of the Communist children. Hold mass meetings for the children. Bring them into our ranks. Make fighters out of them.

Every junior Communist should also begin to agitate in the schools against child labor. Get your school mates into the figure the evil of capacitism.

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## The Last Election

## By ELSIE PROCHAZKA, Age. 14.

ON the morning of November 4, 1924, our fathers and mothers went to the polls to vote for the man whom they thought would make the best leader of this free country for the next four years. The big capitalist papers were full of Coolidge and Davis, pointing out what these two would do if they would be elected. The smaller socialist papers were for LaFollette. But very few papers were for Foster. Now, why is this, the the man who would make the best president is so rarely spoken of? Because the people have not yet realized how they are being robbed and oppressed by the capitalists. Furthermore, Coolidge and Davis are being backed by the biggest capitalists in the country, who own most of the factories and who say to the workers, "If you do not vote for Coolidge or Davis, we shall find out, and you shall lose your job here, and will not be able to secure one elsewhere, for we will take care of that."

The worker, for fear of losing his job and being driven into misery and starvation, votes for one of these men, who, instead of doing the utmost in his power to better the worker's life, is doing his utmost to make the worker's life as miserable as he can.

LaFollette is little better than either Coolidge or Davis. Foster is the man who should occupy the office of chief executive of this country. Many people are against him, because he was one of the arrested at the Michigan convention, but such people do not realize that that convention was started for their own good. The capitalists were afraid of these Communists, therefore they sent the state to arrest them. They are afraid that the Communists might arouse the people to see how they are oppressed and robbed by the capitalists. But a time will come when the people of America will realize their slavery, and they will stand up and fight for their rights, if need be. Then first, there will be a government by and for the people. All the world will one day join hands with Russia as one brotherhood.

Returning to the campaign, Coolidge was elected president and Dawes, vice-president. It is a great shame for the American workers to vote for such capitalists who do not care one bit for them. For another four years, if not longer, the workers will be used as slaves and machinery.

My civics teacher told the class that Emma Goldman is now traveling in Europe, making speeches about how bad Russia is. Russia has not had enough time to pick up yet since the revolution. America was not a wonderful country after seven years after its revolution. It took until after the Civil War before it picked up. That was almost a century. Russia has only had seven years, and it is quite alright already. It only needs more time.

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## The Young Communists

By HAROLD KIRSHNER, Age 12.

WE are the Young Communists; The world we will own. And when the capitalists hear our name They quake in every bone.

And we will march to victory
With our banner over our head—
The banner that belongs to the worker,
The banner of purest red.

And this banner symbolizes
The blood of our workers bold;
The blood they shed for freedom,
The blood that will never grow cold.

And this blood will not only flow
In the bodies of those who died,
Not only in those whose work is done,
Not only in those who tried.

For we of this generation
Will strive with all our might
To do what is best for the workers,
Always to do what is right!

## ON BEING A GOOD CITIZEN

By JOSEPH LUTZKY, Age 10.

TODAY in history the teacher read us a book on how to be a good citizen.

She said that we should all work for our living. And she said that the bosses spend millions of dollars for sanitary shops for the people, but I think she lied.

She meant that the bosses try to make slaves out of the workers.

She also said that if a tramp came to the door to ask for something to eat, we should refuse to give him anything, be cause he doesnot work for it. But that was another lie, for some poor men that come to the door for something to eat would gladly work if there were any work to do.

The bosses spend thousands of dollars on their vacations, but yet they refuse to pay their employees a living wage. That is another reason why there are so many beggars today. So join the junior groups of the Young Workers League and help to fight the bosses.

## Our Election By SYLVIA LINDGREN, Age 13.

THIS letter will tell you about elections. In our part of Montana the Workers Party received 116 votes, which is pretty good. But I thought there was going to be more than that. There are lots of foolish people that believe in this kind of a government like the United States has. If all the farmers who have gone or have had to go from their homes in the farming district knew better and not believe in this government we would have more votes. I hope some day they'll know it. This way, some of the Republicans and and Democrats bluff the people, and they start thinking: Oh, well, maybe he will be good, so I will vote for him. And so they are fooled.

It is not by voting but by fighting that the workers will get what they want and should get.

## The Red Flag

By FRIEDA ELLMAN, Age 13.

THE red flag shall gayly wave;
And we this country shall save.
We will get the capitalists who are ruiners,
And we will always remain as juniors.

Come, comrades: We must have our way.
We're sure to win some sunny day.
We will always together stand
For workers' freedom in this land.

Then the workers will be Sorry that they didn't see That white and blue is but a tag And RED shall be this country's flag.

## NEWS AND NOTES

ALL the capitalists of America are yelling their heads off for more battleships. The secretary of the navy, Wilbur, is telling Congress that the United States needs more soldiers and sailors and a bigger army and navy. The capitalists know that pretty soon they will have another war for profits. They want young workers to fight their batles. Well, we don't mind a war, if it is a war of the workers against the bosses. That is what we are organized for. But we will fight against a war of the bosses.

THE pope in Rome has opened up the "holy door" for Christmas. All the priests and preachers are for Christmas, telling the workers that they should be nice to their bosses so that their bosses can be nice to them. This is a joke on the workers. The workers may be nice to their bosses but the bosses don't care about the workers. The rich people have nice Christmases for their kids. The poor man has nothing. The pope and all his kind want the workers to think of Christmas and all other religious holidays, as well as of religion in general. You see, while the workers is looking up at heaven, the boss robs him down here on earth. The preachers want to tell the workers to

"Work and pray
"Live on hay:
"You'll get pie

"In the sky — —

"When you die!!"

But the workers want to get their pie while they are here on earth!

WHEN you pick up a capitalist paper all that you see is murders by rich men and divorces by rich men's wives. That is all that the capitalists have to do. They kill and divorce, They never do any work because they have slaves to do that for them. These slaves are the workers. They work for the profits of the bosses. We want to own everything that we produce. What the workers make should belong to them. And anyone that doesn't work should not eat. Under capitalism those who work have nothing. That is why we are for Communism.

THE bosses in America are fighting hard against anyone who tries to do anything for child labor. The bosses want child labor because it is cheaper than hiring older workers. If the bosses had to keep the older workers then their profits would be smaller. And if there is anything that a boss hates it is to have lower profits. Therefore he will even take the smallest child who should be receiving education and play and put it at a work bench or out in the fields. The capitalists are for child labor and the communists are fighting it. Let the working class children join in that fight.

The Young Comrade needs your support! Give it.

Fight with your class: the workers.

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## Little Stories of American History

By MARSH.

The Struggles of the Workers After the Civil War.

THE workers of the North joined hands in the fight against slavery in the South. They thought that the capitalists were fighting the Civil War in order to free the Negro slaves. They did not realize that it was being fought in order to give the bosses of the North the power over the entire country so that they could develop it for their profits.

But after the Civil War the workers began to realize that they were no better off than before. New machinery was being invented. And as soon as a machine was invented, hundreds of workers were put out of jobs. The machines took the place of the workers. And they suffered because they did not own these machines. If they had owned them they would have better conditions and less hours for the machines would do much of the work.

Conditions became so bad that in the year of 1873 a big crisis came about. Thousands of workers wandered thru the street looking for jobs and not finding them. Wages were made lower by the bosses, and the trade unions were so weak that they began to fall apart and disappear.

One day, the workers could stand it no longer. The president of a big corporation, the Pennsylvania Railroad, cut the wages of his workers by ten per cent. This was a cruel blow to the workers who were already getting very low wages, hardly enough to keep alive. And when the other workers heard that the railroads all over the country were going to cut their wages also, they began to ACT!

In the city of Martinsburg, West Virginia, the men working on a train left their jobs and said that it would be better to starve without working, than to starve at the low wages they were getting while on the trains. Other workers joined them. Soon, there were thousands out on strike. The whole railroad system was stopped by the power of the workers. Not an engine or car moved.

Fight with your class: the workers.

### "THE FUTURE BELONGS TO US"

### By FRANK VALENTINE.

"EDUCATION WEEK" is over and millions of children that attend the public schools were told many lies about Constitution Day, Patriotism, etc., and about the United States government—the "best" government in the world.

Teachers read and talked about the constitution which was adopted of, for and by the capitalists, that it was a constitution of liberty, justice, security, and opportunity.

On Tuesday was Patriotism Day. The teachers read and talked about what Washington, Franklin, and others said about patriotism. They always go back to the days of the wilderness to Washington and others, but we are looking into the future.

Physical Day was the day when we were told physical training is being taught in everyschool in the "Gym". In the "gym" you are taught the (1, 2, 3, 4, left, right.) battle march. So when we young comrades are old enough we will be on the battle field fighting against the fellow-worker of another country, fighting for the capitalism in the next "Dollar Democracy" War.

We must get all the working-class children from the capitalist side and fight against capitalist wars.

The future belongs to us, so let us make a start now to conquer for what we haven't got and turn this capitalist government into a Soviet Republic, a Workers government.

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Not only railroad workers, but the starving toilers in other industries went out on strike. They could not stand their conditions any longer. They were starving.

It was then that the workers felt what it meant to have a government. They began to see that the government was nothing but a tool in the hands of the capitalists, of their bosses. When the workers were having their wages cut, the government didn't say anything. When the workers were starving, the government didn't do a thing. But the minute that the workers went out on strike and the boss didn't make his profits any more, then the government stepped in.

## The Child Slave

By MAUDE OSBORN HOWATT.

DWELL in sunny Dixie land, Down by Georgia' red-clay strand.

I toil long hours in a mill So the pangs of hunger I may still.

My shoes are torn, my clothes are rags, But I help swell THEIR money bags.

I toil, I toil, I weep, I pine, That others may wear garments fine.

I'd rather hear the songs of birds, Than listen to the foreman's words.

I'd like to chase gay butterflies, Or loll in grass and watch the skies,

I'd like to roam in woodlands wild, Altho I'm but a poor man's child.

I'd like to frolic in the brooks, As children do in picture books.

But I must toil amidst the lint, As Cotton Lords have hearts like flint.

### Chicago Reds, Attention!

THE Chicago West Side junior group of the Young Workers League is giving its first anniversary celebration on January 18, 1925. The affair will be held at the Freiheit Hall, which is situated at 3827 West Roosevelt Road. It begins at 4 p. m. and every one is guaranteed an excellent time. The admission is fifteen cents for adults and only five cents for little children. Bring your friend and get her or him into the Communist junior groups. Come in masses!



The soldiers of the United States government were sent to shoot down the workers who had left their jobs because they wanted better conditions. Many American cities were filled with shooting between the brave workers and the soldiers who were forced to shoot at their brothers.

The fighting workers did not always lose, either. In some cities they won the battles against the soldiers who were doing the dirty work, without knowing it, of the capitalists, even in the battles with guns and rifles.

But the workers had not learned the great lesson the slaving masses. They were not organized. They had not worked out a plan of action. They had no leadership and no aim.

The capitalists were organized. They had leaders. They had their armies. And they had their aim of suppressing the workers.

And so, in spite of the brave struggles of the workers they soon found themselves defeated. Thousands of armed soldiers were sent against them. Many of the workers were killed and wounded. The strike of the workers was ended with a victory for the capitalists who had won with the help of the government.

From these struggles the workers learn their lessons. They learn that it is necessary to be well organized. They learn that the government is the tool of the bosses, and that it is necessary to overthrow this government and put one up that will do for the workers what the old one did for the bosses.

They learn that it is necessary to organize for the day when the workers will not have to go out on strike and be shot down by other human beings, in order to get better living conditions. It is by these things and the struggles that are going on every day in this world that the workers are training themselves to fight for the republic of the workers, for Communism!

NEXT ISSUE: THE HAYMARKET RIOTS

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## THE KEEP IT UP FUND

THE junior groups all over the country are beginning to respond to our appeal to Keep Up The Young Comrade Fund. We need ever more money and we are asking all our little comrades and their friends, and all other friends of The Young Comrade to help up by sending in their donations, large and small, to the "Keep It Up Fund," Young Comrade, 1113 West Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill.

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Is your name in this list? Is the name of your group included in the above list? The best ones so far are the Los Angeles juniors and the Foster group in New York. Chicago has been doing its bit and we expect more from it. And we want all the other junior groups to send in their share on the collection lists to help keep our Young Comrade going.

Join the junior groups of the Y. W. L.

## Johnny Red's Ride on the Train

By BILLY SAYLES.

WOH, Pop, I feel so funny! One minute I wish I was back with the gang and the next I wish I was already in our new home!"
"Same here!" Rosie added, turning away from the window of the train that was taking them from their old home to their new one.

For some time they talked about the old trowd they had just left and wondered about the juniors they were meet at the end of their journey. Suddenly Johnny looked out through the window.

"Why, Rosie! We are in the country!"

"Gee, ain't it beautiful! Just like a picture!"
The snow lay thick on the fields and roofs of the houses. Never before had Johnnie and Rosie, who had been born and brought up in the slums of Chicago, seen such clean snow or clear blue heavens.

"I wish the train wouldn't go so fast," Rosie complained once as they watched the beautiful sights that stretched out as far as eye could see.

At one of the country stations a litle boy and a woman came on the train. The litle boy was very raggedly dressed and blue with the cold. As Johnny looked at him the magic of the snow piture outside faded away.

"Do you live out in the country?" He asked the boy who sat down next to him.

"Yes. I am going to Waukegan with my mother. My pa died last week and it took all the insurance money to pay off the mortgage on the farm so we are going to the city to find jobs."

"Are you going to work too? You aren't pld enough to work yet?" Johnny asked.

"I ain't twelve yet but I worked all summer

with the rest of the kids in the onion fields around here and we picked onions at 2c a bushel. Some of the kids picked cherries. When I get to Waukegan I am going to get a paper route."

Johnny wanted to talk some more and tell him about the junior groups but the boy and

#### **ROSA LUXEMBURG**



his mother had reached their station and were getting off so Johnny just handed him a copy of The Young Comrade he had handy and told him to be sure and read it.

As the boy was getting off a woman with a litle girl got on the train. The little girl was dressed in white fur from head to foot and the woman had on a sealskin coat. The woman was arguing with the conductor about getting a seat in the parlor car and he was telling her that it was all filled up. "But I do not want to sit out here with all kinds of people!" looking at Johnny and Rosie as she spoke. The little girl also looked at Rosie and turned up her nose.

"I got a fur coat and you ain't, so there!" Rosie got mad. She jumped up and shook her little fist in the girls face.

"Sure I ain't got a fur coat. If my papa stole money from workers like your papa does, I would have a fur coat too—so there!

The little girl's mother quickly pulled her little angel child away.

"The very idea!" She cried. "Such common people to dare to even speak to my child!" And she went to the other end of the car and sat down on the very edge of the seat as if she was afraid she would get her coat mussed if she sat on the same seat that the workers have to sit on.

"I am going to write to the gang at home and tell them about this trip. "Johnny said taking out his pencil and pad.

"I too," said Rosie following his example. "The nerve of that kid telling me I had no fur coat! When the workers get wise there won't be any parlor cars for the rich and fur coats for them either unless they work for them and need them."

## The Revolt

By MARTHA STONE.

N the forests of Scotland lived Bruno. He was the ruler of a tribe of bears. Bruno sat up in a large oak tree eating honey while below worked his slaves chopping woods and preparing a delicious meal. All these preparations were not for themselves but for their rulers.

"Work faster, I'm hungry," growled Bruno. The slaves began to work faster and faster. Each time they would stop for breath, a guard whom Bruno hired, would threaten them with a large stick.

Thus the days flowed on monotonously. One evening all the slaves met in secret and distussed the system under which they lived.

"What's the use, we can't free ourselves," one plave said.

"We must. Let us revolt!" shouted one prave bear.

"Police! Police!" shouted another.

In an instant the bears disappeared and the bolice were left alone in the dense forest.

The revolutionists did not give up their secret meetings. Each night they met but every time the police broke up the meeting.

One day a slave appeared before Bruno and said:

"Your slaves have sent me here to ask you to give us more food. We work hard day after day and we get nothing. We need more food and if you won't give it to us we won't work for you any more."

Bruno grew angry and sent for his attendants to throw out the slave. When the other slaves heard the result they became more firm and refused to work for their ruler.

But Bruno too, had his plans and several policemen were sent to kill the slaves. This

was a great crisis in their lives. The slaves could not leave their homes for fear the police would kill them.

One year passed and at last the ruler was overthrown and peace reigned supreme in the forest of Scotland.

The working bears are living today under a government.

The workers are living under a government similar to that of the bears. Every worker should follow the example of the bears and overthrow their rulers, the capitalists. It is because they work for these capitalists who get all the profits that the workers suffer. By working for themselves and owning what they make the workers will do away with slavery like the bears did.

## Rockefeller's Bank Roll

### By WILLIAM STEINHURST.

OLD ROCKEFELLER had a bank roll, A big bank roll had he. But when the Communists won the war, No bank roll did he see.

He tried to get to Canada,
Upon that very day.
But the Reds stopped him at Detroit
And took his roll away.

Old Rockefeller had a bank roll,
A big bank roll had he.
But when the Communists won the war,
No bank roll did he see.

Organize a group in your town or city.

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## ARE THE POTATOES MAKING A FOOL OF THE FARMER?

### By IRMA KUIISMANEN, Age 11.

DURING the war you remember that the potatoes were very high priced. At the time the farmers didn't have very much potatoes to sell. On account of the high price the farmers began to raise lots of potatoes. But when the fall came the price had gone down again.

It didn't pay to dig up the potatoes from the ground. It seemed that when the price of potatoes is high the farmer hasn't got potatoes and even has to buy his own potatoes. But when the farmer has got a lot of potatoes and he would like to sell them to those who would like to eat potatoes, The price is fifteen cents per hundred pounds.

Is the potato making fun of the farmer or is it the capitalist system that is making fun of the worker and farmer?

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## The Poor and Rich Boy

### By IDA LINKKONEN, Age 10.

ONE day I saw a rich boy throwing stones at a poor boy. They started a fight and were late to school.

The teacher was very angry and asked: "Why are you boys late?"

The rich boy answered, "Well, he started it."

The teacher did not let the poor boy say anything, but sent him to the office of the principal, because the teacher was on the side of the rich.

Fight with your class: the workers.

## JANUARY, 1925

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