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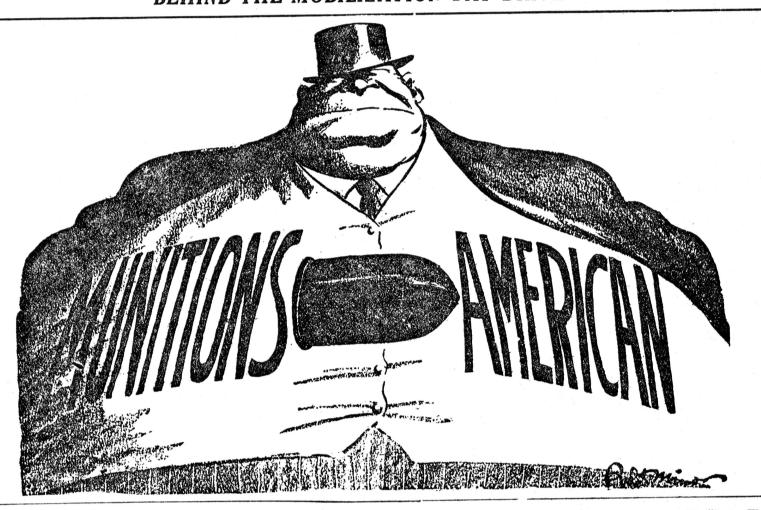
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BEHIND THE MOBILIZATION DAY DRIVE



# N. B. C. Drive Nation-Wide

# YOUNG WORKERS LEAGUE DRIVE ON valla wani/fao afoamilia WDE; YUUNG WUKNEKS KESPUNDING

By BARNEY MASS.

The young workers in the National Biscuit Company of Chicago greeted with enthusiasm the last "Young Worker" containing the exposure of their rotten conditions. When the league members appeared with the paper, over 650 were sold the first night. The night following some 350 and a few more for the remaining days of the week. Over 1,000 "Young Workers" were sold.

That the bosses of this notorious open shop were deeply concerned with the Young Workers League efforts to get the biscuit

By JOHN HARVEY

As a result of this policy the profits

of the N. B. C. bosses have increased

wages have actually decreased. The

Millions in Profits.

biscuit market.

In the 26 years since 1898 the

The control of the N. B. C. is in the

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makers awakened to their position, was shown by the police secured to intimidate the workars from purchasing the Young Worker. League speakers addressed the employes thru street meetings situated near the factory and explained the purpose of the campaign. Not only is the Chicago league in the campaign, but New York, Detroit, Pittsburgh, Cleveland and many other leagues are getting into the drive with this issue. Not only will the young biscuit mak- buying up other plants, and erecting opinion that by the next city conveners of the Chicago plant receive new factories, in order that they our message, but those working might exploit the largest number of workers possible. for the National Biscuit every-

Rotten Conditions Reviewed. Let us review the conditions under have seen nothing of these rapidly which the girls and boys are forced increasing profits. Instead, in comto toil in the hot, dirty biscuit plants. parison with the cost of living,, their The buildings in every city are practically built on the same basis. The only way the bosses every spent any newer plants have a more efficient of their extra profits on the workers speed-up system and are able to ex- was in improving the speed-up system.

Working in suffocating rooms, the young workers who work for the standing all day on their feet, toiling N. B. C. have to slave at a rate of being paid for overtime. (I am includ- the young workers in that first plant supposed to end all wars? ing the overtime they work each day in New Jersey in 1898 could not have the above estimation.) Keeping imagined. he girls and boys divided on issues of nationality, religion and what not is another means the bosses use in N. B. C. has managed to gain control wringing more profits from their of some forty-one plants, making it abor. Much discrimination between possible to earn \$11,000,000 profits in the help is practiced by the company 1923 alone. and the workers have up to now | These 41 plants extend from one ruffer for this trick of the boss. The end of the country to the other, and company has made enough profits to with the help of 200 selling agencies mable them in raising the pay of the and various patents and trades names imployees to the standard of what a this trust is able to monopolize the man being should receive.

Profits and the H. C. of L.

In 1922 the profits were \$11,024,980 hands of big financiers who control (Continued on next page.)

### HERE IS THE RESULT OF THE LAST GREAT WAR TO END ALL WAR

10,000,000 workers were killed in the Great War. 15,000,000 workers were wounded

in the Great War.
4,000,000 men were under arms 12,000,000 men are under arms to-

day. \$330,000,000 voted by the United

States for war purposes.

The British "Labor" government has provided 2,000,000 pounds for the air fleet.

290,000,000 pounds have been spent by Great Britain on armaments since 1918. France has an air-force of 350,-

conference throughout were peppy and the newly elected City Executive Committee promises to be a very successful one. The factory campaigns and shop nuclei was given more dis-The National Biscuit Company was cussion than any other point on the tion will be held. Everyone is of the tion great results will be shown.

# "THE WAR TO END WAR"

by millions, but as usual the workers Berlin Paper Exposes New War Pact

BEBRLIN.—The "Berliner Tageplatt," a conservative paper in this degrees and fall to 20 degrees above city, has published a secret agreement between France and Checko-Slovakia which provides for mutual ract more profits from the workers. The result of this expenditure is that assistance in the event of war, particularly in the event of a state of belligerency in which Poland shall be for 9 and 10 hours per day and not speed and under conditions such as involved. Where is the war that was

### PRIVATE GETS 10 YEARS FOR SOCKING HIS LODIE A WALLOP ON THE FACE

SAN ANTONIO, Texas.-Private William Cosmos, army pugilist of Ft. Sam Houston, was sentenced to 10 years' hard labor by a general court martial here for striking his first lieutenant in the face. Lieut. Clark H. Mitchell was the com-

# GUIIUN PLANIS

# Dangerous Ills

to work in the cotton fields, ac- of that monstrous feast that war cording to statements in a pam- brings them. phlet issued by the United States children's bureau.

work under the supervision of companies have interests that are in Holds City Convention their parents at tasks which terwined like the nerves in a living body. The soothing of one parents With some fifty odd delegates the need not involve danger or un- pleases the entire system. Profits of hicago league finished its convention due hardship and which may war make the nerves of capitalism Sunday, July 28. The sessions of the have a distinct educational glow. value, it is important that condoes not involve long hours, physical strain and serious interference with education," states the pamphlet.

Illness Always Threatens. ing in Texas involves considerable exposure to cold and inasmuch as it lasts from late poses, with the army and navy in August or early September into November or December, a period during which thermometers climb to 99

Tiny Ones Slave.
"Some of the cotton plants grow nearly all the way to the ground. stooping, but older children and the adults have to stoop or move along on their knees. The worker puts the cotton into a big sack which he drags along by a shoulder strap. Full bags

and emptied. Even 3 Year Olds! It is shown that babies 3 years old work in the cotton fields. The bureau representatives say

"Working 12 hours, a 6 year girl who had begun field work at the to get it. It is good business to spend age of 4 picked 80 pounds a day, and millions in buying up the government 4 year old twins in the same family when there are billions of profits in working beside their mother in the the offing. field put into her bag on an average 12 or 15 pounds a day." Cotton pickers are paid on an average of \$2 per 100 pounds.

# CAPITALISTS AND BANKERS BACK MOBILIZATION DAY AS WAR STEP

By HARRY GANNES

WAR is exactly right, says Judge Gary of the United States Steel Corporation. That is what he said about the last war. He sold plenty of war munitions. That is what he thinks about war preparations—it is exactly right. Steel production is down. Another war would knock it sky-high.

War is 100 per cent American, declared Frank Vanderlip, of the American International Corporation, and former president of the National City Bank. The big banks finance the big war supply corporations. War means intensive business; big armaments mean huge profits. Wall Street wants war. When the Wall Street bears and bulls smell war in the air they

go raving mad. Just before America entered the last war, some 300 brokers sang "The Star Spangled Banner!"

The moment war opens the big bankers begin to loan the government money; they begin to loan money to the steel corporations, the ship building concerns, and the entire host of munition factories. The Du Pont de Nemours Company, the largest ammunition manufacturers, do everything possible to bring on war.

Bribing the Press.

Newspapers are bribed to cry for war, speakers are bought to talk for war, preachers indirectly are subsidizzed to shrick for war—all in the interest and behalf of the munition Americans. The history of American war making is the history of the big munition factories in narmony with the American imperialsts "creating" business.

The stock exchange wants war. War raises industrial, railroad and other securities. Bethlehem steel rose o points when war was declared in 1917. Stocks are down now, way down. The big industrialists crave a war to see the tickers tell the tale of igh stocks, of big profits.

Mobilization Day First Step. Mobilization day, September 12, is oked to as the coming of Christ by war-mongers. September 12 means actual preparation for war. Guns will be hauled about, men will be dressed in uniforms, flags will be Children Subjected to heart to put to use. Vast expenditure of money for war supplies will be made The big corporations that supply the WASHINGTON. — Under the guns, the bullets, the projecties, the guns, the cannons will have more business. To them it will be a taste flags, the bullets, the projectiles, the

It is these bankers and industrials, the munition makers, that are behind Young Workers League "While it is generally true Behind the bankers stand the steel interests. The banks and the steel terwined like the nerves in a living

> Cry for Greater Army.
> Not content with getting \$150,000, sideration be given to the ex- 000 to build ships and \$330,000,000 for tent to which rural child labor army expenditures, most of which finds its way into the pockets of the bankers, and their subsidiary steel and munition corporations, the pro war agitators call for a larger army and a larger navy. September 12 wil be the jumping off place of a con It is shown that cotton pick- tinued campaign for more expendi

tures for war supplies. With the United States governmen spending eighty-three cents of every dampness, as well as to heat, dollar received in taxes for war pur creasing in size, it seems as if the bankers and munition manufacturer have the upper hand. Do they con trol the United States treasury out right? Do they say whether mone shall be spent for the goods the make and then pocket that money shoulder high, with cotton bolls Are they the ones who decree that mobilization days shall be held? All Little children can pick without available facts point to an emphatic YES as an answer to all these ques tions.

Navy League and War. Who controls the Navy League, with neadquarters in Washington opposite are carried to the wagon, weighed the War Department and with its manipulative fingers right at the very executive buttons of that department Congressman Clyde Tavener showed that the leaders of the league were leading munition manufacturers old | They want war and they make plans

> The National Security League is an other military organization that seeks (Continued on page 2.)

# War Against War! Communist Call

N September 12, the first big step of the American imperialists towards the preparation of this country's youth for war will be taken.

On September 7, the revolutionary youth of America will demonstrate its reply to capitalist exploitation and capi-

September 12 is Mobilization Day of American Imperialism, the culmination of months of propaganda in the press school and church for preparedness.

September 7 is International Youth Day, the culmination of a year of communist activity of the Young Workers League of America.

The war-mongers of America, the munitions manufacturers, the steel trust, the industrialists and financiers, are plotting for the control of the world. The struggle for this control is a struggle which leads to war. Millions are destroyed in war time, but millions of profit are made by the victor. The capitalists of the United States intend to be victors in the next war and they demand the biggest army, the must powerful navy, the largest air fleet, the hugest reserve

The eyes of capital in America rove over the four corners of the earth. They already control the islands of the Caribbean. They want Mexico, and the entire South American continent. They are preparing to take over political and economic control of the Pacific ocean, of China, as they have already done in the Philippines. American loans are the order of the day in Hungary, France and Germany. The United States sends its leading officials and bankers to the London Conference of the Allies and there they hold the

Suppose rebellion against American financial and political rulership should arise inside a nation? Suppose attempts are made to oust America from control in favor of France or England or Japan? Will the United States sit by idly? Of course not! The next war will break out!

It is for this war that the imperialists of this country are rallying the workers of America to Mobilization Day. Not all the protests of the pacifists, not all the excuses of President Coolidge, not all the apologies of the War Department will hide the fact that this huge manouvver is intended to be the first step towards war-the measuring of power, strength, available forces.

Remember the last war! Remember the preparedness drive, remember that it was also said to be "a peace move"! Remember how the workers were dragged into the war by their hair, how they were sent to murder other young workers with whom they had no quarrel, who had no quarrel with them, but who all fought for the profits and investments of their nation's bosses.

What are the workers of this country going to do about Mobilization Day this year? In what manner are they going to raise their voice in protest, in what maimer will they show their determined opposition to the approaching holocaust which threatens their lives?

The international day of the communist youth offers an opportunity to the young and old workers to unite against war. International Youth Day will be celebrated this year on September 7. Under the international leadership of the Young Communist International and its American section, the Young Workers League, the young workers will rally to the standards of Communism to protest against capitalist exploitation and imperialist war.

Against the coming imperialist war we raise the battlecry of the Young Communist International in the days when the battlefields of Europe were reddened with the blood of the workers of the world:

WAR AGAINST WAR! Against imperialist war we call for the war of the classes, the war of the workers against their exploiters! Against the imperialist Mobilization Day we offer the

internationalist, communist International Youth Day! Rally to the red standards of communism! Boycott the drive of American imperialist towards war! WAR AGAINST WAR!

# PLATOON SCHOOL AS CASTE PLAN

## "Tools of Industrial Interests" Charge

By JOE CARROLL.

CHICAGO.—Switching school is what the platoon system of education looks like to the Chi- business. imous vote.

The Chicago school board intends to try out the new plan from room to room as they around the building gives the system its name of platoon.

Is Tool of Industrial Interests. Speeches and the report of the executive board of the labor central of the Y. W. L. immediately took cogbody charged that the school board is nizance of the situation and, with comthe tool of industrial interests in the rades Mass and Shachtman representattempt to enslave the young mind ing that body, succeeded in organizand the young body to the low-skill, ing the young workers on strike into

low-factory system. ing with the system no large city has prevailing in Hegewisch is demonadopted it generally and New York strated the ability of the Y. W. L. in threw it out in 1917, according to Sec- taking advantage of a favorable situretary Olander, Illinois State Federa- ation for its own interest. By showing tion of Labor, one of the principal as- these young workers that we are capa- and various kinds of pies, ice cream order to accumulate more pennies actually is and went on record in sailants of the plan.

System Is Inefficient.

Teachers under the platoon system can't come to know their young pupils lished. or to knit their subjects in with the Y. W. L. unto a mass movement. rest of what is being taught, it was bell to march into the next room instead of tending to business.

Propaganda by the school board and the interests and their newspapers for taking supervision in conducting the the platoon is heavily colored, it was strike. Contributing in the discusasserted, by showing up only the bad sions, helping in organizing the picket points of the present schoolroom with line and much other necessary activone teacher in charge of the children ity, it became the inspiration, flesh most of the day, while the alleged and muscle of this rebellion. The good points of the platoons were overplayed and the rest suppressed.

#### Young Biscuit Workers Haven't Improved Their Conditions Since 1898

(Continued from page 1) other huge open-shops, among them

the notorious American Can Co. Rockefeller himself has his hands in the profits, while the company is direatly controlled by such men as Francis L. Hine, E. S. Moore and Paul Moore. Francis L. Hine is president of the First National Bank of New York and a director in some sixteen corporations, including powerful mines, railways and even colleges. Hines also controls the American Can Company along with Moore.

Starvation Wages Bring Dough. The great increase in the profits during the first six months of 1924 show what a success the company can make out of child labor and starvamake out of child labor and starva-tion wages. In a year when very few Chicago 48 per cent. The situation

Part Time Shut Downs. companies are gaining, the N. B. C. earning to \$19.50 a share on the old employment. The bosses pocket the stock or \$39 a share annual rate. One reason for this increase is that the company has stopped spending money on improving the plants, the condition of which they are not interested in as long as they do not get bad enough to impair the speed of work which the bosses always maintain. The only expenditures the company is making now are on additions to plants

and in building new ones. Break Boss Control!

If the N. B. C. workers would realize their strength long enough to Vaguely hinted for the reasons of the break the open shop traditions of their give them back some of the wealth its product but its deviation from the as a means of lowering the salaries of which they produce, at the least, increasing their wages. But so far the rule has been the more wealth the N. B. C. workers produce for their themselves, so that after 26 years of labor there. Also the intentions for increasing profits for the National the future seems to be that fewer and girls and boys fail to see the injury Biscuit Company the workers find that fewer improvements in the conditions they have permitted the bosses to will be made. Hines, Reynolds, the take all and that they are no better Moores, who are directly and indi-

# HEATER BOYS ORGANIZED.

Chicago, Ill. The Young Workers League has put Hegewisch, Illinois, on the map in so far as the revolutionary youth movement in this country is concerned. The Western Steel Car and Foundry Company, located in this suburb of Chicago, known for its intolerable conditions and hostile attitude towards the labor movement, again forced the workers to rebel against another attempt to reduce their wages and increase their hours of toil.

This corporation demonstrates conchildren direct from the ele- clusively its opposition to any organithe cost of a considerable loss in its realize our slogan "To the masses." cago Federation of Labor. Pla- paralyzed all work, but we find these toons were condemned by unan- predatory interests with their insatiable demands willing to spend thousands in order to keep organization away from the car builders.

As usual the young workers, heater in a number of buildings in the boys, took the initiative in leading the fall. Children march by classes workers to revolt against a proposed reduction in salary. The riveters, buckers and reamers followed the lead change subjects and teachers, of the militant heater boys. "We or turn from recitation to study are out to put a stop to Mr. Buckley's or recreation. This trooping (manager of the company) wage slashing and speed up system this time," said one of the lads. This psychology expresses the sentiment of the strikers.

The district committee in Chicago a nucleus of the Young Workers Although 66 cities are experiment- League. In exploiting the condition ble of defending their most elemental and primitive needs their confidence in the organization becomes estab-Such work will lead the

youthful toilers. It displayed competency in furnishing direction and the vanguard of this mass of workers. The captain of the pickets is an officer of the Y. W. L. Branch. Nearly

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and the share holders earned 45 per

cent on the preferred stock. In view

salary of \$15.00 a week. We find that

now is aggravated more so due to un-

money and the ones who make the

biscuits walk the streets hungry, deso-

late and desperate. This is free Am-

crica, the land which kills the child.

Big Interests Behind N. B. C.

The most powerful interests of this

country control and own the National

Biscuit Company. Only a few weeks

back all of the capitalist papers were

boasting of the remarkable gains and

the prosperous year their huge or-

ganized machine had for the ending

vear of 1923. It is now busily engaged

prosperity of the N. B. C. is not due

rectly connected with the Rockefeller

portant role being played by these doubtedly successful and correct when mentary school into the factory zation on the part of its employees put into execution. Onward, com-

> Fraternally yours, BARNEY MASS.

IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA. Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Comrades:

Being conscripted into the army of ob-hunters, I made my way, in answer to an advertisement, to the New Method Steam Laundry. The foreman ooked me over and asked me cauaway from school. I replied that I was, at which he was quite relieved. distributing department.

coffee service in the dining room. The league members did more than grumble over such trifles as proper denied by it? charged. Children sit waiting for the agitate and propagate the ideas of the diet, I let calories fly to the windsclass struggle into the minds of the or hot steam—which is more appropriate.

to wait in the cafeteria line for fifteen minutes, which left me only fifteen worked notwithstanding the fact that I was on the go the whole eight hours, lifting armloads of finished reposed on a cracked iron bedstead. laundry off of movable racks, pushing the racks, loaded and empty from

NATIONAL BISCUIT DRIVE NATION-WIDE

being wide awake and of participa dry sandwiches. Second, if they had ding and sweeping. She explained the purpose of advertising for men tion in the class struggle through no scruples and were not rebellious she was supposed to do it every day. willing to work and gain experience deeds and not by words. It is giving of stomach, they might supplement a I wish I could not say with such certhe proper interpretation to the pro-small home lunch with part of the tainty that the room had not been and all other building trades. When gram of Y. W. L., which proves uncompany's junk. Third, they could touched for over three months subsist day after day on company put into execution. Onward, com- junk (with free coffee)! Lastly, they my arrival in the plant, my services rades, more work of this nature will could go elsewhere to buy their lunch, not being required. I was neremptorily to avoid real food, but to buy that dry union in Los Angeles was the 074. When men apply they are told which killed the appetite quickly: auto delivery drivers' union; that I to call at the address of this school. pie, ice-cream, soda pop, and candy Year in, year out, sustenance for mus cle laborers! Nature puts her stamp on them very quickly. I learned to read their diets on their faces.

Came a day when my body went back on me. It was not from over-Rolling Mills. This plant employs work, but it was a condition which 400 workers and of this sum 100 are to enter the industry. tiously if I was old enough to stay so blurred my senses and sapped my young workers. The work is very strength, that I was unable to do anything. I managed to get the atten-American Association of Iron, Steel and gave me a job in the sorting and tion of one of the other girls, and she and Tin Workers. All the members directed me to the rest room. Before belong to the union. It was very near noon, so he asked I fling open the door o fthe "rest me to go up on the third floor to the room," let me say that even though I cafeteria, and explained that work worked hard, mine was not the sweat are not included in the union. They began at 8 a. m., stopped at 11:30 for of the manglers who are enveloped in work 12 hours, whereas the others lunch, began at 12 m., ended with the steam all day, nor the anxiety of the toil only eight. 4:30 p. m. whistle, and used up as shirt ironers, who wear bedroom slip-taken advantage of by the nucleus. much of Saturday as there was work pers to ease their arches. They are the ones who would be more than fraction in the union and has strong I thanked him, went up on the third likely to need rest. But most of them influence therein. At our meeting we floor, and took a good look at the get paid by that system invented by succeeded in getting a motion thru array of food offered for sale. It consisted of three kinds of sandwiches, and having dependents and large familiand the F. L. P. Our members exgreasy beans, water-fed tomato soup, lies at home, they slave like mad. In posed the C. P. A. for what it and pop. The company evidently and they work through sickness, noon favor of the Workers Party national ticipated displeasing reactions, for periods, anything. How is a woman ticket with Wm. Z. Foster for presithey placed gloom-dispelling free going to stop and rest, even when she dent and Benjamin Gitlow for viceis on the verge of breakdown, when president. However, not being in a position to she knows that those at home will be

I opened the door of the room designated to me. In it were the following: One straight-backed chair The next day I observed that I had heavily dust laden; a dresser, upon which stood a once white, now grimy wash bowl, containing a broken pin minutes in which to eat and rest. For milk bottle filled with a slimy, age-old I forgot to mention that there is not solution that I guessed was water: one blessed vestige of a chair where bed-I hesitate in describing that bed -covered with the filthiest, most chaotic, repulsive bed-clothing that ever

I devoted what little energy I had left to figuring out how I could lie their last few dollars to socalled trade of our good (for Doheny) government, all the responsibility rests on the room to room, and speedily putting dow non that mess, for I felt that lie schools. shoulders of these young revoluthe articles into allotted customers' down I must. Finally I pulled up a One state of the second the articles into allotted customers' down I must. Finally I pulled up a piles on the shelves. I am short, and blanket in preference to the all but facturers'

bers of the Young Workers League of fifteen spare moments, then I chewed dirt-carpeted fiftoor and I tried to re-America was made possible the im- over the food problem. I. observed that the employees had dry which I had all my life associated have an office at the General Motors young rebels. I think the Chicago several alternatives. First, they with cleanliness. The paroxysm in Bldg. Here they are known as the district organization has set a prece-might bring their own lunch, which, my limbs then being over, I got up "United Construction Co." This comdent for the membership nationally in order to be easily and conveniently and demanded action. Soon there was pany has never been known to conto follow. It proves the necessity of carried, must necessarily consist of a girl in the room changing the bed-struct anything, but it answers for

> Soon afterwards, eight days after which is absurd because they could dispatched with a check, and I denever accomplish it in half an hour. parted into the job-hunting army once What most of the employees did was more. I reflected that the only laun-

> > NUCLEUS WORKING IN CLEVEELAND.

Cleveland, Ohio. Dear Comrades:

hard. The mill is organized under the There is much discrimination be

tween the employees. The laborers This issue will be The nucleus acts as an organized

We think that within the near fuure we will have another nucleus organized. All the branches in the ing this they are offered a corporalcity are taking an exceptional interest in the nucleus activity. I hope the comrades will follow our

lead. Fraternally yours,

GEORGE PAPCUN.

TRADE SCHOOLS IN DETROIT. Dear Comrades:

Lured by promises of well-paid jobs

One school, known as the "Manu-Training 'Association,"

Besides this school, which is at 528 member that I was really in a laun- Woodward avenue, this same gans in plastering, brick laying, plumbing to induce them to enroll in their United States and Great Britain school at a cost of \$75 in cash or \$100 in part payments.

Another one of their methods is to advertise something as follows: 60 mer wanted at once, phone Empire

It is notorious that the men who go to these schools are taught so little that bosses never hire them for very long except as scabs. This shows the necessity of the labor unions tak-We have a nucleus in the Empire ing over completely the apprenticeship training of all those who wish

> Fraternally yours, PHILIP RAYMOND.

HOW R. O. T. C. IS RECRUITED. Los Angeles, Calif.

Dear Comrades: No stone is left unturned in order to get recruits for the high school Reserve Officers' Training Corps. In the high school a "crack" platoon is organized, and sent to the junior high schools before the end of the term in an attempt to make "rookies" out of the prospective students. Military games, etc., are played to make an impression.

When the term has started, placards are placed in the hall appealing It is well known that in spite for fresh cannon fodder. Recruiting of the Washington disarmamen stations are established and every treaty, the nations involved have con member of the R. O. T. C. is a recruiting agent, parading the halls, grasping the newcomer's arm and making wild been done for no other purpose than promises. As an inducement for do- the preparation for an oncoming war ship if they get seven new ones.

Then, as a last resort, a special auditorium call for boys is issued. advocated the elevation of American There, the principal showers meaningless praises upon the local army which makes the members chuckle. British fleet, will recall also his state He is followed by an appeal from the ment to the effect that in the even captain and the colonel. In a high of a war with Great Britain, Americs school which the writer attends, the would have to be on at least an equa colonel admitted that the R. O. T. C. after only a few weeks' training, many would be used to "stem the tide of jobless men are induced to part with discontent which foreigners, jealous have engineered

Fraternally yours, I. . SPENCER.

# LABOR CONDEMNS WITH THE YOUNG WORKERS ON THE JOB KEPTHENAYY PLANT OF THE PROBLEM strike is being formulated by this branch of the Y. W. L. It is furthering all the work of the strike activity. Gierce. For this reason, I looked for-Only through their becoming mem-ward to the 11:20 which a constant stretching and legs grew the pain in my arms and legs grew th

## Admiral Kids the U.S With Piffle

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif .- "I is just as important for the

to keep their fleets up to this ratio as it is to keep them down to it," was the brilliant remark made here by the British Vice Admiral Sir Frederick L. Field in addressing a luncheon of 800 navy veterans and fat business

The vice-admiral went on to make more nonsensical remarks. "One great thing has happened since the war. It was the Washington treaty started by the United States govern ment. Its provisions have cur down the great and costly competition of armaments and have created more money for peaceful pursuits. The people do no always realize what a wonderfu thing this has been and what i

means for peace.' Peace-It Ain't!

The piffle being spread by the naval gentleman will not be believed by any intelligent worker tinued to perfect and improve their naval and military forces. This ha

Those who remember the speech made in congress by Representative Fred Britten, of Illinois, in which h battleship guns so that they be a least on the level of those of the would have to be on at least an equa basis in order to win. In the debat on the proposition, the provisions of the Washington conference were rec ognized as things to be ignored, and that it amounted to "every man fo nimself.

How About Japan?

Other military and naval expert re calculating America's strengt when it comes to a war with Japan and many others are wondering ho England will line up when the inev table war with the Japs comes abou with the basis of it being the contro of the Pacific ocean and the coal an ron fields of China.

If England should happen to line ip against the United States in orde o protect the interests of its own in perialists and financiers, all this bund about the amity between the U. S and England would suddenly be for gotten and the Britishers would be come as bad as the "Huns" were sai to be during the last war.

They Spill the Dope. In the meantime, the peddlers o nonsense continue to speak thei pieces before Chambers of Commerce and business men's associations an the newspapers print the stories in the hopes that the young workers who will form the armies of capital ism in the next war as in past wars will fall for the slop and fall in line when the next draft comes along Good! Into the army, and work for

# MAKE PLANS FOR WAR DAY!

(Continued from page 1) League want 9,000,000 men and boys

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m counts.}$ Camps is but a drop in the bucket. You can't get the "public" to swallow militarization in big doses. The Citizens' Military Training Camps is but a foretaste of some form of universal

tion which the bankers and munition manufacturers are planning. The American bankers and their and the munition factories expanded munition manufacturing corporate accordingly. There is no war now families cannot forget the fortunes and the owners of the international they made during the world war. munition factories fret and fume. Scraps of flesh still cling to millions of human bones in Flanders Field, yet ing armaments is not restricted to the American, French and British America alone, though it is a fact that capitalists are preparing to slaughter the United States stands out as the millions more of workers so that their foremost war supply manufacturing pany with the gaunt, drying skeletons

Labor's Answer to War. What is labor's answer to Mobilizafacturers and bankers?

of the World War.

vert the exodus of the youth from ing class. For the capitalist class it holds promise of new conquests of In a booklet, "Your College of Agri- huge fortunes made overnight. For the Morgans, Du Ponts, Rockefellers, opportunities available to the student- world. For the Henry Dubs, the Am- relief as a man gets carrying a heavy and enslavement such as is now the to the other. Among the gems of reasoning in lot of the German and other Central European workers.

Workers Should Show Power.

Mobilization Day can be stopped. to make war that receives its suste- Its portent can be made inocuous; its nance from those who profit by war. poison can be made harmless; its in-Why does the National Security tent can be thwarted—by a united working-class refusing to take part taught the art of fighting and murder? in its own enslavement. An indifferwhy do they want this vast horde in ent American working class on Sepuniform with guns on their shoulders? tember 12 will embolden the chief Simply because it means that Gary backers of Mobilization Day. Morgan, will be kept busy making 18,000,000 Kuhn, Loeb, Vanderlip and the other rifles. Du Pont, billions of rounds of bankers will watch every tremor of ammunition, and all the rest of the the American workers on September war supply producers will be adding 12. Failure in protest will mean to stronomical figures to their bank ac- the bankers that they can carry their nefarious plans to the limit. To them Citizens' Military Training a limpid, spineless working class will

mean that another war is not only possible at a moment's notice, but will meet but little resistance from those who have to fight it. The Greed For War. The world war gave stimulus to the military training or maybe conscrip-

munition factories the world over. The war demanded giant supplies. The fight against war and increas-

fresh, supple bodies might keep com- country in the world. The fight of the working class against the designing munition manufacturers and bankers is and must be world wide. That America is the largest manufacturer tion Day, the day of preparation for of war supplies indicates that the please send in their names and admore profits for the munition manufight will be the harder in this coundresses to the national office of the try. But the workers cannot flinch. Mobilization Day foreshadows mis- In their hands rests the answer to the ery and slaughter for the entire work- question: Shall it be again? The answer should have two alternatives. War! Or a workers revolution!

> Labor reforms proposed by the capitalist parties afford about as much grip when he shifts it from one hand Illinois.

WILL all readers of the YOUNG WORKER, who have friends o acquaintances in the regular army navy, marine, aircraft forces, nationa guard, state militia, or federal and state armed forces of any other kind Young Workers League? We mus want to get as large a list of name of these young and old workers who are in the service of this country Send in your list by putting down the names and service addresses of those you know and any others you can get from other friends. Send them to 1113 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago

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ures in the National Biscuit. Where Is Advancement Bunk?

of this, how can the employees re-In slack season's many departments main satisfied with a meagre average are suspended from operation until such time that business will justify its in the following cities the total retail reopening. This is done in every plant throughout the whole United cost of food increases; mention is being made of only the cities where plants of Nabisco exist, Rochester 3 States. No concern is given the girls and boys who will have no money to per cent, Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas live on, while their department is closed. Many of the workers em-City 2 per cent, etc. As compared with the average cost in the year ployed for several years have no in-1913 the retail cost of food on December 15, 1922, 55 per cent higher in more than satisfied to enjoy the wages New York, 55 per cent in Washington, they first received when beginning to

and Morgan interests are the big fig-

Part Time Shut Downs. The departments cease work at different times. To see sister waiting for sister, mother for daughter in front of the gates is a common sight at the slave shops of the National Biscuit. When beginning work in the morning, one is sure of the exact time that will be worked for that day. Sometimes it is an extra hour, other times it is more, and so on. The most aggravating thing is that no pay i

iven for overtime At the present time the bosses are preparing to fill their gaps that will eviat when much of their help will At the present time the bosses are exist when much of their help will in the task of aiding more plants. return to school. Every summer many school girls obtain work with the N. B. C. and the company pays company, the bosses would have to so much to the increased demand for the school girls less. They use this old policy of re-investing in the pro- the girls who have to work for a livduction. In other words, it means ing. As it is only temporary employthat very few improvements have ment for the students, they take the been made in the plants to make work in such an attitude and in many bosses, the less pay they receive lighter the burden of the people who cases they work only for a few weeks to be replaced by more. The school they are doing to the others and eventually themselves, in following WANTED become the fall fashion

of the National Biscuit Company. Rebelling Against Conditions.

As the young girls and boys went on strike in the paper box factories of New York city for a \$22.00 week, the young carbuilders in Hegewisch rebelled against a proposed reduction ful business career open today to the in pay; and to be witnessed throughout the whole country the revolting sentiment of the young industrial in a college school of agriculture." workers, it should be in the same spirit that the young biscuit makers on dialectics. Dr. Thomas proves that should tackle their job. We must fight for a human existence. We must unite under one banner against the landscape architecture the young farm cruel, murderous capitalist class that aspirant can becoming a J. P. Morgan is trying to crush us. We must teach the bosses of the National Biscuit Company that we are just as much human beings as they and we can do the colleges are trying to divert the this only through fighting for the fol- students into speculative blind alleys, lowing demands under the leadership and are attempting to keep the farm of the Young Workers' League of ing youth on the farms. America, the only organization devoted in the fight for the emancipation of the Young Workers. If you can agree on the following demands, then don't be noisy and just agree. No! Join with us, it is your fight! All together for these demands:

1. Abolition of overtime. A minimum wage in proportion to the living conditions and ranging

8. A six-hour day and a five-day served at cost price.

### WAR TRAINING CAMP TEACHES YOUTH THE WAR AGAINST 'REDS'

(Special to "The Young Worker.") ROLLING PRAIRIE, Ind .- The big militarists of the United States, dominated and backed by the big capitalists, are hot on the job of teaching the young "militarists" of the country what their future jobs as counter-revolutionary agents are to be in the army. The men, most of them mere boys, in Camp Roosevelt, citizens' military training camp here, were given the problem of evacuating a company of "reds" which were supposed to be camped in Laporte.

The "blues" won this time, but maybe another time the "red army" will win, and it's just possible that some of the youngsters may be proud of being "reds" and learn how to use their military power for other purposes than for obeying capitalists' orders to crush workers' revolts.

PHILADELPHIA—Dr. John Thomas, president of the Pennsylvania State College is trying to dithe farms to the industrial centers. culture," just issued by the learned such a procedure. The signs GIRLS professor he points out the wonderful Fords, it means a surer grip upon the farmer by applying his brains to the erican workers, it means degredation over-mortgaged dirt.

the doctor's piffle pamphlet is: Listen to the Piffle!

"The best doorway to a success young man whose early life has been spent on a farm is thru a good course No, Marx did not say the last word

by studying astronomy, husbandry, botany, forestry, horticulture and Evidently there is a great falling off in the number of agricultural students. With an overflow of professional men

4. Equal pay for equal work done by young and old workers, no discrimi-

5. A four-weeks' vacation annually with pay. 6. Abolition of piece work and the speed-up system. 7. Meals in the cafeteria to

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# SHOWS ILLINOIS NATIONAL GUARD **AS BOSSES' TOO!**

## Foreman Gives Away the Whole Game

CHICAGO.-Now we know what the Illinois national guard European war had plenty of chances is for... It is kept going primar- world safe for democracy" was in ily to shoot hell into the union reality a capitalistic slaughter to encoal miners of the state.

the commanding general of the home. 33rd division is authority for the statement He admits it and drives it home to one of the big downstate coal companies. He clinches it further by an appeal to the Chicago national guard commission of which F. O. Wetmore, head of the First National (Standard Oil) bank is president.

Gives Himself Away. Maj. Gen. Milton J. Foreman, the man who had charge of the state military investigation of the Herrin mine war in 1922, gives away the neither hunger nor fatigue. They state militia gag in a hot letter to a coal company official, one of whose employes had resigned from the been on the way twenty-four hours guard just before the 1924 training and they have still eaten nothing.

The Franklin County Coal Company has mines just north of Williamson county where the luckless attempt to run non-union mines during the 1922 coal strike was made. Edwin B. Keeler, vice-president of the animals breathe, then the journey concompany, who had endorsed the tinues. Such a stretch is called a resignation of his employes from the national guard, received the following plainspoken tip from Gen. Fore-

Tipping Off the Boss. "I may be permitted in passing to express my very great surprise that, in the light of past events, a coal company whose mines are located as yours are does not appreciate the wisdom and see its way clear in its own interests, if for no other reasons, to arrange for and sist upon the performance by its employes of their military duty."

The militia general tells one of his real employers, a coal magnate, that the national guard exists to shoot from the course they sank in the snow down union miners and help the up to their bellies. The other sleighs bosses by bayoneting union labor in stopped. One of the drivers aptime of trouble.

# The Workers and the Last War Number of CHILD Laborers of the war was first words the Sun Shiphylld diars were also made to feel the open LABORERS JUMPS token of this they were given a badge upon the ending of the war was first yards, Hog Island, the Sun Shipbuild diers were also made to feel the open for every three months service in the and most sharply noticeable in the ing Company at Chester, the Harri-shop drive. Their old jobs were often

By KARL REEVE

WHEN the great demonstration explored which announced that the had sold ships to the government great while it lasted. The war profit- was over, put the clamps on labor. world war was over, the gnarled old which had not yet been built, on a eers sold their rotten supplies to the All overtime work was cut out. Wages Scotch and shipfltter who was working with me in the Hog Island shipyards at that time, spat a wad of tobacco down over the poop deck into the Delaware River and said, "The war 'is over; now labor can go to

The ship-yard worker during the to learn that the war "to make the able war profiteers to protect their capital invested in foreign lands, and millions of dollars. When the war labor was in demand, grew a little No Communist agitator but to turn the blood of the American workers into millions of dollars at

Workers Were Swindled.

for two or three minutes to let the

The ship-yard yorkers were supposed to be the reserve line trenches

shipwards. cost-plus basis. This meant that a government for hundreds of millions percentage of the money spent was of dollars, and the government later were laid off and rehired, sometimes given the ship-yard owners over their burned these supplies or resold them expenditures, and the game, conse- to the capitalists for a few dollars.

Business As Usual. Pa., for instance, the Harriman in- Labor, although not wise enough to force. terests sold twelve ships of 12,000 tons make hay while the sun shone, and to the government for hundreds of strengthen the trade unions when ended, not one ship had been com- self-confident during the war. The pleted and placed at the disposal of process of beating thir self-confidence the United States Government, yet out of the workers started instantly millions of dollars were given the the war ended. Harriman company for spending the workers' Liberty Bond money.

The Open Shop Drive. The changed attitude of the em- phia, including the New York Ship-

Deflation Process Begins.

Yet every ship-yard shipyards and other war industries. man company at Bristol, the Traylor were reduced. Thousands of men the same day, at greatly reduced wages. Time clocks were installed

the capitalists demanded a greatly in- world was safe for democracy, and In the Harriman shipyard at Bristol, flated price for their commodities. the open shop drive was on with full The Disillusioned Veterans.

The ex-soldiers who straggled back into the industries after getting off that the only ones who benefited by the transports, were a sad and disthe war were the big business men state of Virginia. This is an increase entered the shipyards. They were given no advantages over the others, however. Most of them had only In the shipyards around Philadel their uniforms. They had to sell their transportation home to buy something of the American army in France. In ployers toward labor immediately building Corporation, the Cramps ship to eat. Immediately the returned sol forget their lesson.

filled by cheaper labor. If they got them back they had to work at open shop pay. Soldiers over-ran the cities, begging, stealing, doing the most menial work in order to exist.

How About the Next War? Most of the shipyards workers and ex-soldiers were young men. They as possible. This money was supplied by the workers in the Liberty Bonds of the scarcity, demanded a slightly job was stopped. Trades union members a day. Work was end war. They found that women and greatly speeded up. Loafing on the job was stopped. Trades union members a day. Work was end war. They found that women and greatly speeded up. Loafing on the child labor had been brought into industry and together with the open dustry and together with the open shop drive, reduced the standard of living of the masses in this country. They found that "dollar a year" men who had handled the war contracts Department of Labor and published in Washington suddenly blossomed in the June "Labor Review" show that They found by the end of 1923 a total of 8,390 out into millionaires.

> the war had brought more intense of practically five thousand over the wage slavery instead of workers con-number of children employed in this trol of industry.
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> Let us hope that if another capi-

talistic war is broached they do not tiplied more than three times.

#### Increase in Manufactures.

state in 1922; the number having mul-

RICHMOND, Virginia.—Virginia to-

day offers a good example of how

child labor is growing worse in

many states thruout the country (es-

pecially the south) at the same time

that the "intellectuals" and "liberals" in certain sections of the nation are

raising such an ineffectual cry against

it. Statistics gathered by the U.S.

children were being employed in the

The number of certificates granted for children in mercantile and manufacturing establishments alone has grown from 1,646 in 1922 to 4,446 in 1923, some 2,800 more children going traight from grammar school into ndustry without the chance of any further education. These figures ony refer to children from 12 to 15, anybody older being considered an

adult in this state. In 1923 the number of children emoloyed in factories in Virginia in violation of the child labor law was especially large, 717 cases being discovered by factory inspectors—almost three times as many violations as in 1922-while many children under fourteen must have continued working vithout being detected.

#### Street Trades Also Jump.

Especially noticeable is the inrease in the number of children granted badges for the street trades, the total number employed in the streets mounting to 3,924 by the end of 1923. Of this number nearly a thousand were twelve years of age, an equal number were thirteen, while the remaining two thousand were fourteen and fifteen.

While a few manufacturers of the orth who find the employment of children unprofitable for certain neavy industries are trying to prove heir generosity and political benevolence by supporting a national child abor law-other manufacturers in this state and thruout the country who find that in their industries the exploitation of children is very profitable, are doing their best to see that the number of child workers shall increase rather than decrease.

Big Profits From Children. mills are among the leading industries of Virginia—the tobacco industry ranking first in the state. The fact that all three of these industries can employ children at great profit ac counts for the greater increase c child labor in this state than in cen

In the same issue of the "Labor R view" alongside the figures showi! the increasing child labor, other s employing children register in

# My Flight From Siberia BEHIND THE DAWES-MORGAN PLAN

By Leon Trotsky

"I'm driving a merchant from Ob-WHAT wonderful creatures these reindeer are! They know dorsk."

He seemed somewhat excited after sent him to meet us! I haven't seen were fed for the last time twenty-four him for five years and yet he recoghours before we started and we have nized me. They are Sirvans, from Liapinsk, 100 versts from here-on According to Nikovor they are now "properly in form." They keep up and liquor. Tomorrow night they will be in town. the same pace untiringly, covering "It's all the same to me," I aneight or ten versts an hour. Every "No one can catch us now. swered. ten or fifteen versts the driver pauses

But will you get into trouble when you return?' "Why should I get into trouble? I'll say I'm a sleigh driver. My busiout this district are not measured in versts but in "reindeer runs." Five along and asks me. It isn't written on along and asks me. It isn't written on

"reindeer run" and distances throughtheir foreheads whether they're merruns are about sixty or seventy versts. When we reach the yourtas of chants or politicals. You are a police Schominsk, where we part from the officer, so give them stern looks. I'm a driver and I drive. That's right, old man and his team we shall have isn't it?" covered at least ten runs. Quite a "Quite right." good distance. My spirits rise again.

The night was dark and gloomy Somewhere about nine o'clock in The moon would not rise until well the evening, long after it was quite towards morning. The reindeer went dark, we met several sleighs-the on with certitude, despite the darkfirst we had seen in the whole time. ness. We met no one. It must have Nikovor tried to go by without pausbeen about one o'clock in the morn ing but it could not be done. The ing when we suddenly emerged from track was so narrow that when our the darkness into a circle of bright reindeer deviated ever so slightly light. Squatted beside a fire near the were two figures, one tall, the other diminutive. Water boiled in a kettle and an Ostiak lad was cutting proached us, addressed Nikivor by his bits of tea from a compressed brick

throwing them into the boiling water. When we entered the circle of light made by the fire our sleigh and reindeer vanished as though a curtain had fallen between them and us. We hear a strange and incomprehensible language spoken between these Ostiaks. Nikivor took a cup from the boy and dipped it in the boiling water, cooled the contents with a bit of snow, and drink it down in deep, long draughts. Then he refilled the cup with snow and put it back into the pot. It looked as if he were preparing some mysterious potion, here in this wild solitude, above the fire that gleamed in the midst of the pitch darkness.
Our reindeer are beginning to feel the strain. Each time we pause they lie down beside each other and eat

About two o'clock we reached the yourtas of Schominsk. We decided to give the reindeer a rest here, and to feed them.

The yourtas are not nomadic tents. but permanent dwellings built of planks. Nevertheless, there is a vast difference between these and the yourtas at which we halted on the Tebolsk trail. There they were really peasant huts, two rooms, with a Russian fireplace, with a samovar, chairs-all somewhat more crude and dirtier than the average Siberian peasant hut. Here there was only one room, with a primitive hearth instead of a fireplace, without furniture, with a low doorway, a block of ice instead of a window. Nevertheless I felt quite cheerful as I removed my reindeer and sheepskin coats and my reindeer shoes. An old Ostiak woman hung these up by the fire to dry. I had eaten scarcely anything in the past

"No, not far," answered Nikivor, eating veal with half frozen bread, waiting for the tea to boil. I drank a small glass of brandy. A warmth of body and a cheerfulness of spirits this encounter. "The devil must have seemed to pervade my being. I could scarcely believe that this was not the end of my journey.

A young Ostiak with red ribbons wound in his long hair rose from one their way to Beresow for supplies of the plank beds and went out to feed our reindeer.

"What will be feed them?" I asked

Nikivor. He'll turn them loose at a place where there is moss and they'll dig away the snow and find it for themselves. They'll eat away until they're satisfied. A reindeer doesn't need much, you know."

"Don't they eat bread?" "They don't eat anything but moss unless they've been raised on bread,

but that doesn't happen often." The old man wakened a young woman who rose and went into the yard, covering her face with a bit of cloth so that I should not see it. It was obvious that she was going to help her husband, who was feeding our reindeer. The Ostiaks are a terribly lazy race and all their hard work is done by the women. They not only do all the work about the yourtas but it is not at all unusual to see them with guns, hunting squirrels and sables. A forester from Tobolsk told me, once upon a time, some interesting tales of the Ostiaks and their habits and customs. It seems he was exploring the barren districts in the Tobolsk province and half hired Ostiaks as guides. Every Ostiak he had hired came to his work accompanied by a woman, wife, mother or sister. The woman carried all the burdens, axe, teapot, provisions. The man carried only the knife stick in his belt. When a halt was made the woman advanced to brush trash away from the resting place, took the belt from the hand of the man-who unbuckled it to feel at ease-made a fire and prepared the food. The man sat down and smoked his pipe while he

waited. The tea was ready and I lifted the cup to my thirsty lips. But it smelled unbearably of fish. I put two teaspoonfuls of essence of wintergreenberries into the cup and thus managed to overcome the odor of the

"Don't you notice it?" I asked Nikivor, who had taken no such precau-

(To be continued.)

Two Dollars a Week is Maximum

until the age of 16, it can seldom exceed \$2 a week.

Compensation to Thousands of

HARRISBURGTH, PA.—Fatal accidents in Pennsylvania coal mines

during the period between 1916 and 1922 made fatherless 4,065 children, ac-

cording to a recent report of the Pennsylvania Compensation Rating and In

spection Bureau. The average age of these children was six years and

thirty-four weeks. The compensation paid the mothers of the children ceases

after 300 weeks, and although the compensation of each child will continue

"HE Dawes plan for the rebuildpetitor the race for domination of ing of Germany is the biggest step yet made by victorious American imperialism towards the control of Europe. It is laying the foundations for new and more bloody wars in which the lives of young workers of the entire

world The Dawes plan provides for \$200,000,000 to Germany, provided that her railroads and industries are put up as security. With the money obtained from the loan. Germany is supposed to begin the rebuilding of her industries. Should Germany succeed in rebuilding her industries, it can be only at the expense of the lives of her working class. Lower and lower will the wages of the German workers go; longer and longer will be the num ber of hours that they will toil in order to provide a good return on the investments of their masters and the foreign imperialist bank-

ers who have put up good cash. With a lower cost of production, Germany's capitalists will be able produce commodities at a cheaper price and thus oblige the capitalists of other countries to reduce the wages and increasing the number of hours of American, British, French and other workers. The workers of the world will soon feel

the bitter lash of the Dawes plan. With Germany once more a powerful factor on the world economic the market will be given a new and sharper impetus. The armies of world capitalism will be increased and perfected: ditto, the navies: ditto, the air forces and submarine Should Germany fail in her en-

deavors to stand up again, her railroads and industries will go by default into the hands of a financial receivership on a vastly huger scale than the incident during which France occupied the Ruhr Valley in order to get control of the coal and iron ore mines of that black belt. At that time, a state of war was the real relationship between France and Germany. Should the bankers of America, who will dig up for the German loan, attempt to send American soldiers to Germany in order to collect, the same situation will be found.

War is the result of capitalism! War is the logical outcome of the greedy rush for more and more profits by the international masters of money and power! Against the Dawes plan we call

for the overthrow of the capitalist system of society and the building up of the workers' republic of soviets all over the world. Down with the imperialist Dawes

On with the fight against war of the bosses and for the war of the bosses and for the war of the working class against its exploiters!

# "OH, FOR THE JOYS OF CHILD LABOR" IS MOAN OF CLARICE TO EXPLOITERS

CHICAGO.—Tears for the old days when children went to work at nine and ten years of age are shed by Clarice Hickman, who used to do the hiring and firing for The Fair, a Chicago department store.

"A few years ago," Clarice tells the 47,000 sympathetic members of the Illinois Chamber of Commerce, "there were no labor laws to curtail the tain other states. ambitions of youth in its infancy and the product of those days was a group of commerce builders.

"The large department and retail stores were developed and the cash and errand boys and girls who were on the pay roll at the age of nine or tistics show that, as usual, the en ten have progressed to presidents, general managers and super-executives ployment of children is in no wa and planted a field of golden opportunities for the youth of the generations necessitated by a shortage of labor succeeding them to harvest; the youth that has a tendency now to dissipate on the other hand all the industrial

ts hours in the movies and the dance halls." Clarice leaves the impression that every nine-year-old cash girl in the ing unemployment while in the

golden days of yore is now a super-executive. If any girls failed to rise it of Virginia as a whole, the number probably because of death from overwork or because they were run of workers employed shows a market of the super-executive. down by the midnight express on their way to the job.

decline. ATTENTION!

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Capitalism is a blanket mortgage on

the living and unborn. It is a mort-gage that can be released in but one

way, and that is through Communism.

Kiddies of Mine Accident Dead

In reviewing the past activity of

It must be said that the Chicago Some few branches have written the above enumerated movements. organization has more to its credit national office requesting an organizer to help them in carrying on their

Nucleus From "Nabisco."

And Another in Hegewisch! In the strike at Hegewisch the league succeeded in getting 21 heater not mere discussion of theory. Considering the National Biscuit boys, the backbone of the strike, orwork in the campaign against the Na- Company drive of more importance, ganized into a branch of the Y. W. L. other league in the country. With the national committee and the national committee and the newly reorganized district committee to fulfill these demands. These devices the national committee and the national committee to fulfill these demands. These devices the national committee to fulfill these demands. These devices the national committee to fulfill these demands. These devices the national committee to fulfill these demands. These devices the national committee to fulfill these demands. These devices the national committee to fulfill these demands. These devices the national committee to fulfill these demands. These devices the national committee to fulfill these demands are now engaged on a national influence and make it serve and play the proper role in the strike, it was demonstrate that they are yet to be located in this city which is responsi- mands makes incumbent on the na- an existing potential nucleus, also the immediately got into activity. The ble for engaging the local organizational committee to elaborate on its sale of eleven hundred YOUNG league immediately organized an ention in this work, the advantage of Chicago is obvious.

Sale of eleven hundred YOUNG league immediately organized an entertainment, the proceeds of which shop economic demands, popularizing will go to the strikers. This action the league through these demands and on their part automatically received In view of the growing unemploy- the general propaganda values. Many the admiration of all the strikers and the Chicago-St. Louis district, we find ment and the concomitant open shop things were neglected, such as the increased its prestige. It must be that already it has to its credit the campaigns being instigated by the technical work of preparing a mass understood that it is a nucleus and participation in three factory cam-different boss' organizations, we find meeting, etc., but the fundamental not a branch, giving consideration to able at the present moment. paigns, and two strikes. That the as a result of this many strikes oc- features were handled in a very effi- the time when they will go back to branches should immediately begin committee under the supervision of the nucleus also the N. E. C. correctly interpreted its industrial sections of this country. The strikes are against reductions in the YOUNG WORKER, the union interested in the situation obtained. It is indeed old stuff to wages, an increase of the hours of before it made its appearance. The and made this issue popular through bership the experience gained in the campaigns. What part will the Young sonai conversations with the workers ample for the membership! It must Bunte Chocolate Company drive, Na- Workers League play in view of the as they came pouring out of the be considered as an accomplishment tional Biscuit Company. Western coming situation since this stage is gates. The street meeting held was well worthy of favorable comment. on work. Let us settle down and con-Electric and the strikes in Pullman nearing us now. Immediately the very successful. About two hundred A few of the girl comrades of the and Hegewisch. It is the intention answer is: participation in the work names were obtained and these will Chicago league attended a mass meetof the writer to show the fundamental and demonstrating to the young work- be used to the greatest advantage pos- ing of the strikers and helped to sell ize a mass organization, "Each branch

This article will serve another pur-only thing left is the proper tactics this nature means and shows the op-oper addition to this, many Chicago mem pose which is to explain briefly to the to be adopted in carrying on this portunity of realizing a mass organibers attended the league meetings of the nucleus there, giving moral encouragement to its work. This is activity based on the class-struggle,

> Should Chicago be permitted to get considered as an entity in the strugthe young American workers.
> Our slogan: "Each branch adopt a

Where Are You?

factory." This slogan if carried to its conclusion will contribute more to making our organization take on a mass aspect than anything conceivcalling for volunteers for this kind of work. Let us make each member an organizer, qualified to step into any situation and furnish the proper di-

Let us back up this slogan by getting behind it in sending in reports Let us popularize this slogan to real-

### Capitalists are quick to learn from each other. Today it is Germany. Tomorrow it may be America. HELP

The German workers are fighting for the preservation of

their rights and the eight hour day.

If they lose, we lose. If they win, we win.

Their fight is our fight.

One Million German Workers

CHAINED TO THE ROCKS

600,000 Miners Locked Out

7,000 In German Prisons

400,000 Workers on Strike

WIVES AND

**CHILDREN** 

**STARVING** 

5c A BLOW 5c

OUR AIM:

HAMMER AWAY THE CHAINS

To give aid to all needy workers and class war victims without conditions, without political discrimination, whenever and wherever the existence of a working class is menaced by an economic or natural catastrophe, or by political oppression.

INTERNATIONAL WORKERS' AID, 19 So. Lincoln St., Chicago, III.

Please send me ............ 5c-stamp books (\$2.50 each) and I will get as many people as possible to take 5c hammer blows at the chains now enslaving German labor.

Enclosed find \$..... as my con'ribution.

Committee for International Workers' Aid

#### By BARNEY MASS THE membership nationally is be-

ing mobilized for action! insofar as activity based on the factory campaigns is concerned, than any Campaigns Are Reviewed.

rehash in detail for the Chicago mem-toil, which is part of the open shop league membership carried on per-persistent agitation.

other branches the manner with work. With this in mind we will zation. which to proceed with this work. interpret our experience gained in the

issues involved and the benefits seeers our ability to defend their most sible by the local organization. This literature and gave full co-operation adopt a factory. SEND IN YOUR EXTRA BUNDLE ORDERS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY ISSUE OF "THE YOUNG WORKER"

#### THE YOUNG WORKER

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#### If War Should Come

in the industries of this country, were to be drafted off to shoot down other young workers with whom they have no real quarrel? Suppose the entire world were once more to be thrown into the frightful march of the slaughter of the universe.

Are these things impossible? Not at all. We have pointed out time and again in The Young Worker how indicated the preparations being made for it, the increases in the armies and navies of the world, the intensification of the training of the young workers in various camps maintained by big business or the gov-

The basis of modern war is the capitalist system of society; and wars will never come to an end unless this system of society is overthrown and destroyed. The robbery by the capitalists of the surplus produced by the workers in the industries continually seeks a market where it can be bought. The profits of the bosses of this country is always on the hunt for new fields of investment. Inevitably, the imperialists of the separate nations come into conflict with each other over the control of new territory. Diplomatic letters are exchanged. The papers get excited. The preachers rave about the inferiority of the enemy. The professors write books about it. The movies prove it by showing a typical enemy as a villain who blows up bridges and tries to violate the desperate American virgin. In an amazingly short time, the two countries are at war and beautiful slogans are coined to hide the sordid reality of the struggle for profits by both powers concerned. The slaughter has begun to be ended only when rivers of blood have been shed.

It is against this coming slaughter that the Communist and Young Communist Internationals have arranged for the demonstrations of the revolutionary, class conscious workers of the world as a sign for their forcible protest against imperialism and its father, capitalism. It is against the danger of war that the Workers Party and the Young Workers League of America have called upon the workers of this country to demonstrate.

Our struggle against imperialism and capitalism is not a pacififist one. For every sky pilot that now throws his eyes to the sky and pleads for peace and harmony among nations, there will be a hundred of the same stripe that will bellow for murder when war is declared. For every one of them that finds a passage condemning strife in the Bible, there are scores who will justify war by quotations from the same book just

as they did when Negro slavery divided this nation.
We are for war! We are for war to the end, but not spirit and action. the kind of wars that the bosses are interested in. Not the war for the profits of our masters. We are for the war of the workers against their exploiters until the latter together with their system are wiped off the face of this long suffering earth. We are for a more and more militant war of the classes, with us using every and their servants.

in that direction is to agitate and propagate among trocuted just as sure as fate. their armed forces which are to a great extent made up cluded young workers. We must get in touch with

young workers in the armies, navies and marine rps of American capitalism. From within we must cand for the rank and file of the recruit against the overbearing officers, for better conditions of food and rest and work, for increase in pay and for political rights which are now denied to them. Our aim must be to achieve the accomplishments of the French and German Young Communist League which have their members in the army formed into military nuclei which are at the same time the nuclei of the workers' army of the future.

If war should come between this country and any other we shall not take the attitude of the old Y. P. S. L., that is, of refusing to register. On the contrary, we shall enter the army with the avowed purpose of turning the profit-greedy bosses who have turned them into murder machines.

That is the only real way to end war. The workers war against the capitalists' wars, is our slogan.

In this anti-militarist week being conducted by the Communist movement of the world, let all the workers, young and old, rally to the red standards for the final struggle against capitalism

Down with capitalism and imperialist wars!

On with the war of labor against capitalism!

Long live International Communism and the Soviet Republic of the World!

# The Congress of the Y. C. I.

that of the Communist International, has come to an have the additional pleasure of knowing that their lives end. The huge gathering of the leaders of the revolu- are a slow process of torture while they pile up profits tionary young workers of every part of the world has for Sears, Roebuck & Co. and the Leopold plant in the rest is the rake-off which the boss finished the tasks before it and left the rest to the Morris, Ill.

hundreds of thousands who have rallied to its

An international young communist congress sets itself a number of tasks. As the leading body of the youth movement, it discusses the problems of the international and of the various national leagues, in the light of the new developments in the capitalist world, in By ALEXANDER BITTELMAN most important sections of Europe. America as the Dawes plan. And in big capital in favor of the Dawes Soviet Russia, in the ranks of international communism with a keen view of the experiences gained in the work and activities of the time since the last congress.

Dy ALEAANDER BILLEMAN

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ment in every capitalist country today is the winning over well agree because there is too over of the mass of the young workers to its ranks. In much at stake. Even a makeshift arcome the chief stake in the imperial-come the chief s order to do this, the young communist leagues are rangement is something that the Lon-list game of the great powers. slowly assuming the leadership of the young workers all over the world. How is this done? The leadership of any mass of people can only be secured by standing for and fighting for their elementary needs. The masses of the young workers will eventually follow and join with the organized section of the youthful prole- to them the main reason for the dead- then tried to annex to France all of shall control the coal and iron indus- way of solving the problems of the tariat which fights for its interests. The elementary needs of the young workers all over the world today, with the exception of Soviet Russia, are the fight against Suppose the young workers of America, now toiling against the danger of war which swallows the lives of the youth wholesale. On this basis the Youg Comonce more, dressed in uniforms and a rifle and shipped munist International and its national sections have taken their fundamental stand.

The Young Communist Leagues of Europe, especially, have been intensely active in fighting against the danger of new imperialist slaughters. When war threatened as a result of the French occupation of the Ruhr Valley, the German and French youth organizations began a the basis is being laid for the coming war. We have widespread propaganda among the troops of both nations against the greed of the steel gang in France, who were back of the entire move. In other instance, the same action was taken and not without terrible sacrifices being made by our fellow workers for the cause of the proletarian revolution.

> The leagues have also become more and more active as long as the French government in furthering the economic demands of the Young Com- through its control of the Reparations munist International, thru the building up of a network Commission remains the sole judge of shop nuclei. The German, Swedish, Czecho-Slo- in the matter of sanctions. All this vakian and French leagues have been most successful is perfectly true, because these are in this attempt. The Russian league has been on a nucleus basis ever since its inception.

The executive committee of the youth international what we should concern ourselves has many times in the last year attempted to bring mostly with is not so much the outabout a united front of the communist and socialist ward signs as the inward causes youth against the increasing boldness of the capitalist class in oppressing the youth. However, the socialist youth, under the close watch of their papas in the yellow ranks of the resurrected Second International, declined to strengthen the forces of the working class youth in movement among the youth is losing strength even more the force of mutual antagonisms and No was delivered through the socalled chances being that these groups will rapidly than among the adults, with a noticeable gain gain for the communist organizations all over the world. In this country the socialist youth organization exists on paper, receiving occasional hypodermic injections from the yellow socialist bureaucrats of the needle trades internationals.

The congress this year has, as always, taken up the various leagues and discussed their work and tasks thoroly. None has escaped criticism—but a criticism which is made for the sole purpose of correcting the line of work where it has strayed from the communist point of view. The Young Workers League, fraternally affil iated to the Young Communist International, has its delegates to this fifth congress of the red youth of the world. When they return their reports will be avidly listened to and read in our press

We are proud to emblazen on our banners: The Young Workers League of America American section of the Young Communist International. We are that in

### On Successful Murder

THERE is only one way in which you can become a weapon which is now turned against us by the rulers | successful murderer—that is, to get away with it -and that is by being rich. If you want to murder We canot hope to sway the imperialists by pacific anyone and you happen to be only a poor dub, with appeals. The only inroads that we can make on them no money, no influence, then you will hang or be elec-

For example:

The yellow, sensational press all over the country is uproar arising out of the conflict now filled with the morbid details of the murder of brought his father to the window. young Robert Franks by Nathan Leopold, Jr., and Richard Loeb, all three of them the sons of millionaire parents. When they were arrested they were not given the "goldfish" by the police. They were not beaten up, or mistreated in any other way. They got columns and columns of write ups, their features smear the pages of the papers and the stenographic evidence of the case is daily reprinted.

Everyone is pretty well aware that neither of the young men will hang. There is too much money behind them. Remember Harry K. Thaw who killed the architect. White-and got away with it. Remember the millionaire son-in-law of Edward K. Statesbury, of the House the imperialist war into the war of the workers against of Morgan, who killed Dorothy King, and got away with it. The baking king, Ward, who killed Clarence Peters the poor sailor, is free today.

The two Chicago gentlemen who killed Robert Franks are the sons of millionaires. They wanted an additional kick out of life. They had nothing else to do. Far was it from them to go to work, of course, since that is done only by the slaves of their parents. For Albert Loeb is the vice-president of Sears, Roebuck & Co., notorious for its slave-driving among its young employes, who are On to the labor control of the militia and army and only a few years younger than the murderers; and Leopold, Sr., is the head of a paper box company in Morris, Ill., which employes scores of children who sweat their young lives away in order that Nate Leopold may find spare time to study perversion and kill lads for excite-

The young slaves can have the satisfaction of know ing that it is their toil which is providing these degenerates with the means of perverted enjoyments. And AS this is being written the congress of the Young while they watch the process of the trial which will not result in the hanging of the two defendants they can

# The London Conference Leads

don Conference will hardly be able

to produce. It Isn't the German Loan. lock is to be found in the unwillingness of inability of the French Government to accede to the socalled security demands of the English and American bankers, which is true, in But measure. But the explanation

touches the surface of the matter. It is true that the French governnent, in line with the interests of the relinquish the right of the Commission on Reparations to be the sole judge and executor in the matter of imposing sanctions upon Germany in case of the latter's default. It is also true that the English and American bankers are opposed to the position of France in this matter, their main argument being that the prospectus investors will not readily come forward with their money for the proposed 200 million dollar loan for Germany fift that is at present taking place at the London Conference. However, which brings us to the old issue of-

Who Shall Dominate Europe? For this there are three great pretenders: France, England and America. The capitalists of these three

By MAX SHACHTMAN.

is the first to be drafted into the fields.

how wars come about. When we have

The story is often told of the two

vas getting the worst of it, and the

"Stop that fighting, Jake!" he cried.

"No," replied his son. "He called

"It makes no difference what he

"He said that you were a dirty

"I'll take care of that. You come

"But father," finally said the

oungster, "there is a nickel under

There is always that nickel lying

somewhere near the field of battle.

There is always, also, some fine slo-

fact that the war is being fought over

fields, coal and iron ore mines, rail-

way concessions or fields of invest-

war to end all wars" and "the war to

observant workers of the world have

been disillusioned about the fine

duces a certain commodity. He gets

part of the value of it as wages and

realities.

ments. In the last war we had "the

make the world safe for democracy."

called you," countered his father, "you

a Jew and a Gentile. The Jewish and they now hold sway.

out of the life of society.

fine a Christ-killer."

stop that fighting."

kike," pleaded the boy.

right up here this minute."

my foot and I can't go away!"

work and activities of the time since the last congress. The great problem before the young communist move and then break up.

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riches of the Ruhr basin. One was tiate. The result was the London yet to resort to the means of arms. Reading capitalist news and inter- at the close of the great slaughter Conference. pretations of the London Conference when the infamous treaty of Veronly confuses one's mind. According sailles was written. Clemenceau had the industrial Rhiteland. In this he tries of the Ruhr basin? To this London Conference except by war, failed, because the capitalists of Eng-land and America wouldn't stand France—the heavy industrialists of view, or else, by a proletarian revoluland and America wouldn't stand

ready to give up so readily one of its that in such a joint control America most cherished dreams. Consequently would come first, England second, another attempt was made, the fa- France third, and Germany fourth mous march into the Ruhr initiated Or, if France remains obstinate, Ger-French heavy industrialists, wouldn't by Poincare. The original purpose of many might come third and France the invasion was probably the com- last. plete annexation of the province to France, or, failing in this, to secure for French capital such a measure of a continuation of the great slaughter control over the industries of the by means of diplomacy and economic Ruhr as to make the latter practically pressure and which is preparing the French possessions. The combined ground for a new and still bloodier opposition of the capitalists of Ger- struggle, the forces of the combatants many, England and America prevented are co-related about as follows: France for the second time from re-France. In other words, French Im- plan. the outward manifestations of the con-perialism was getting ready to compromise with its German brethren on the same. the division of spoils in the Ruhr basin. The industrialists of Germany class (big, middle and small) and the were quite willing. Barring a few labor aristocracy are opposed to differences that were yet to be settled, Franco-German control and in favor big capital of France and Germany of the Dawes plan. was about to join hands in the battle for the conquest of Europe.

can imperialism jointly with the Eng- and small capital as well as the labor countries are being driven by the lish stepped into the affair and said: No. It shall not be. This categorical their minds on the proposition, the

How Wars Come About

away to the battlefront, there to pump saries, consuls and agent who report capitalists come into daily conflict

lead into the bodies of other workers regularly on the industrial and finan- with the investments of British capi-

him. And in order to find some way in which to prevent the horrors of transfers his capital, usually by obtaining the parts of the world.

sary to look into the question and see the native government of the understopping the onward rush of the ap-

able to find a way in which to root it overthrow it. This was done in the that working class which will realize

boys who were fighting in the streets: continent in the territories over which overthrew both Czarism and the so-

their surplus, but the very same thing

holds true of the capitalists of the

between two or more powerful groups

lying excuses and false reasons.

Right there is the basis for all wars.

be found in the Atlantic and Pacific

gans which are issued to hide the fields of China. It is for the last juicy they took up their rifles and went gun-

so mercenary a cause as money, oil It is for this that all the yelping is learned a similar instructive lesson.

In Persia, the killing of an American

down an American warship. It should

not be forgot that there are highly

valuable oil deposits in Persia for

and the Royal Dutch Shell of Great

Such a trick has been pulled time

and time again. What is to prevent

them from the country.

But with the passage of time, all the relationships and the threat to send

phrases which covered up the sordid which the Standard Oil of America

A worker enters a factory and pro- Britain have both been angling for

some time.

ever-recurring slaughters, it is necestaining a concession or permit from

the basis of war, we may be better amounts to its sovereignty, we simply

before they can do the same thing to cial conditions of the countries in tal in such countries as Brazil, Ar

workers cannot buy back what they claring war against Japan in a short

have produced, the time soon comes time on the hollow pretext that some

which they are stationed. Our inves- gentina, Chile, other South American

veloped country. If the native regime proaching world war. That force is a

Carribean Islands, Haiti, San Domin- that the only way of stopping war is

go, Nicaraugua, and Mexico, by the by the complete overthrow of the

troops of the United States Govern- capitalist system which produces it

ment. This has been done also by regularly. The Russian workers and

every great power on the European peasants knew this, felt it, and they

We take the United States as our bringing the world war to a close. It example and base. "We"—that is, was they who brought because the control of the contr

our capitalists-look for new markets the world slaughter, and later broke

because they must have an outlet for the backbone of German imperialism.

various other big nations of the all wars, the war against capitalism.

world. They also seek new fields to Pacifism makes a pretence at being

conquer. And inevitably, a conflict opposed to imperialist wars, but is in

Stripped of all veils and masks, of all exploiters which is not peace but slav-

beautiful slogans and phrases, of all ery. As against the wars of the im-

The United States today is an im- nists advocate the workers' war

oceans. Our control is grazing the learning that it is sometimes wise to

shores of Africa: Liberia, the negro take a leaf out of the book of capi-

"republic." And now our hegemony is talist tactics. Only good christians

beginning to include Hungary, Ger- and fools turn the other cheek when

many and even Europe. In the Far he is slapped. The fighting miners of

East, we are casting greedy eyes in West Virginia learned the lesson of

the direction of the coal and iron ore the struggle against oppression when

morsel that the United States is head- ning for the thugs of the coal opera-

ing straight for a war with Japan. tors. The miners of Herrin. Ill.

going on in the press about the Japa- The same lesson will have to be

nese and the necessity of excluding learned by every single worker in the

representative is immediately the ex-oppose the war of the proletarian rev-

perialist nation. Our colonies are to against the bosses.

will not so readily give up what later revolutionary working class.

French imperialism took the hint German control. If it comes to a intelligently. It acquiesced in the show-down, which means war, the France has made two attempts to Dawes plan (theoretically, at least), former are sure to win. But the insecure for herself the coal and iron and expressed a willingness to nego-ternational bourgeoisie does not dare

But French Imperialism was not England. All of us, meaning by this

The Co-Relation of Forces.

In this imperialistic battle, which is

In France: Heavy industrialists bull rushes. alizing its ambitions. Then French are in favor of exclusive Franco-Imperialism began evolving a scheme German control, the petty-bourgeosie based on the idea that the Ruhr in- and the labor aristocracy are dis dustries be controlled jointly by the trustful of it. The latter are more heavy industrialists of Germany and inclined toward accepting the Dawes

In Germany the situation is about

In England the entire capitalist

In America, big capital is naturally in favor of the Dawes plan and op-Then something happened. Ameri- posed to the French scheme. Middle aristocracy have not yet made up

There is only one force capable of

The revolutionary working class is

The Communists of the world are

organized to fight the real war to end

reality the first to go along when war

is declared. It stands for class peace,

peace between the workers and their

perialist profiteers in which the work-

Slowly, painfully, the workers are

United States as well as elsewhere.

blood, sacrifice of the fighting soldier-

workers into a war against their op-

make way for a sane social order.

young workers. It is our duty to

point out to these young workers their

To the war of the capitalists we

The memories of the last slaughter What Are They Negotiating About? are still fresh in the minds of the France and Germany. America and tion from the point of view of the

## *IMPROPAGANDA*

Senator Moses, of New Hampshire, is going into Wisconsin to give battle to LaFollette. He will organize and make speeches and the papers will give space to Moses and his

> WHAT HOSPITAL IS HE IN, BRICK?

I'm against war. I abhor fighting, on principle and in practice—but that guy that slandered the Young Workers League won't do it again! BRICK LAYER.

> HAVE A CIGAR, LADY! I am strong against war But believe in conscription Of all the Young Workers To hand in a subscription. RED'S WIFE.

SMALL QUESTIONS IN SMALL TYPE Is it due to the large percentage of there that Washington is called the seat of the Government?

CURRENT FICTION

Week's Best Smeller, Entitled: "My, What An Odor!") The Republican party reaffirms its

when there is too much on the mar- citizen was ill-treated or that the flag stand for agreement among the na-THE question of war is one of the ket. Then the capitalist looks else- was insulted. What is to prevent the tions to prevent war and preserve THE question of war is one of the where on this earth to find a place worker, especially to the young worker. It is the young worker who tioning capital in some productive looking affair, but in reality because favor the adherence of the United the rivalry between these two powers | States to the tribunal recommended For this purpose every country has mounts with the passing of each day, by President Coolidge."-Republican army or navy, the first one to be sent its squadrons of ambassadors, emis- because the investments of American Platform.

Get in the Union in Your Trade!

The politician who before election is so anxious to "serve the people" usually does afterwards, on a plate to Capital.

CONTINUOUSLY AND ALL over

I don"t like to repeat itreally. But no less an upright and honorable gentleman than Clarence True Wilson, corresponding secretary of the board of temperance and public morals of the Methodist Episcopal Church, says this about LaFollette:

"The only party and the only wet candidate running is Robert M. LaFollette. He has been continuously wet."

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talist society. We, the young Communists, set ourselves the goal of gaining these young workers for the cause of the revolutionary working class, as they were won in Russia, as they are being won in France and other countries.

cuse for the breaking off of diplomatic olution. If war should come, our only On the tenth anniversary of the bealternative will be to turn the energy, ginning of the world's greatest and nost horrible murder feast, we proclaim the Communist watchword and pressors, the scheming plutocrats who call upon the workers to join us and refuse to yield their position and fight against the oncoming slaughters At the present time, the armies of of their class for the profits of their capitalism are made up of misguided boss:

War Against War! The proletarian revolution against takes in the form of profit. Since the the United States from, let us say, de- real place in the make-up of capi- imperialist wars!

# The Working Class Youth and Imperialist War must arm for the struggle. The ex- upon a small section of young | misery that they endured.

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declaration of war. That period, however, has not weakened the conbut, on the contrary, made them stand The peace of Versailles, which has imperialist power against the other in

ad this dangerous situation and burden of military service was thrown years is clear proof of the terrible kernel around which there later as movement, were compelled to concentant task must be based upon a wide

periences of the last war were alto-Secretary, Young Communist League gether too bitter to permit them to

forget.
It is the young generation that has participated in the war to the greatest EN years have passed since the extent and has thereby suffered the greatest loss. Official German statisthe system of compulsory military to work for the longest number of nost violent opposition, and they are service brought the entire youth to hours. The proletarian youth must under- age was called to arms, the entire ing youth exploited during the war

workers.

Aside from the terrible losses that the proletarian youth has suffered on the firing line itself, one must also their party leaders. They unreservreckon the sufferings of the working edly joined the ranks of the imperialyouth of still lower ages that had not tics state that young men between the as yet been mobilized. In the name officers. In studying the consequences tradictions inherent in imperialism, years of 19 and 25 suffered 44 per of national defense the protection of cent of the entire losses of human life the youth was thrown overboard. out more acutely than ever before. in that slaughter; while in France the Real young people, in fact children, classes of 1913, 1914, 1915 have been had to enter industry to replace those redivided the world, has thrown one completely annihilated. In England called into slaughter service, and had

ow again about to fight insanely extinction. And in Belgium owing to the fact that no one above 30 years of (tuberculosis, etc.), among the work-

The Betrayal.

During the war the socialist youth organizations followed the same traitorous conduct as was exemplified by ists and became their best recruiting of the war on the youth one clearly sees that the treachery of the socialist youth organizations is probably greater and more criminal than that

of the socialist parties. Already in the year 1915 there was Youth International a group of comrades, who rebelled against the treachery of the leaders and formed the staffs, because of this ever-growing troops for its purposes. This impor

youth, and finally formed the revolutionary youth international.

Their first task consisted in attackin the Ruhr region at the beginning a Utopia, but a living reality. of its occupation, for revolutionary agitation and propaganda among the region should serve as the classical soldiery. Fraternization was our example of how Communist work slogan. nists were crowned with success. In a lively agitation among the soldiery developed within the body of the numerous sections of the occupied re- and will organize themselves within gions the soldiers fraternized with the the regiments themselves, will capi-

police measures. Arrests occurred on a mass scale. Scores of workers and soldiers were convicted and sentenced sembled the broad masses of the to heavy punishments, some to ten, others to five years in prison.

These countermoves of the capitalists and militarists are plain proof ing the socialist parties and to fight that the Communist propaganda was against militarism. They were quite a real danger to the French army. successful. The Young Communist The disorganization of the French International organized systematically army of occupation is today no longer

The propaganda work in the Ruhi The strenuous efforts of the against war should be carried on. On French and German young Commu- the day when all parties will carry on German proletariat. The commanding talism have lost its power to use the

trate their troops and to enforce strict agitational foundation among the masses of the youth, to prepare them for their work within the army. At the present moment, ten years

> ary anti-militarist work must guide our entire activity. (Translated by Eugene Bechtold.) There is dignity in honest labor,

> following the declaration of war

among the imperialist powers, the

powerful idea of Lenin on revolution-

but there is none in wage slavery.

Dignity and slavery do not go well together. The truth never hurts anything but

A contented wage slave and an oyster are first cousins.

Every day something is being done that couldn't be done