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

By SAM DARCY.

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

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

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

Passalo Strike Discussed

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

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

The eprformance in Detroit has mistion is hopeless. The very fury of their attack against the Communists shows their fear.

Nat'l. League School in Chicago, Oct. 31st

A great deal of time and careful study has been spent upon preparing depend on false secondhand propathe curriculum of the NATIONAL LEAGUE TRAINING SCHOOL to be opened in Chicago October 31, 1926. Thru the combined efforts of all our leading comrades and with the help conservative, but you are moving. I of the Agitprop Department of the Executive Committee of the Young the ultimate triumph of brotherhood Communist International, we have fin- and truth." ally succeeded in working out this course of study which, in the short span of four weeks will enable the comrades to study with a considerable flegree of thoroness the fundamental principles of Leninism and the basic guesitons of the American youth move-

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

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

Mission to Russia

DETROIT-(FP)-The Eddy-Green controversy on the Y. M. C. A. man's address on Russia delivered before the American Federation of Labor convention Oct. 7 continues to stir the delegates. Green, in a statement to the press, charges that Eddy broke his promise not to talk about Russia. Delegates, however, are speculating

on what Green had in mind when he sententiously welcomed Eddy to the platform as "a coencrete evidence that the American Federation of Labor believes in the right of free speech.' Certain delegates also have a differ ent version of the conditions agreed to between Green and Eddy. According to these delegates, Eddy said to Green a few hours beforehand: "Let us be frank, Mr. Green, I intend to emphasize Russia." "Very well," Green was overheard to reply, "but do not mention recognition.' To this Eddy agreed and kept his agreement The accidental witness was a mem ber of the United Mine Woorkers.

caused the controversy, is secretary for Asia of the Y. M. C. A. He recently headed a disinterested mission of educators, social workers, preachers and lawyers from America to Russia. He was greeted by the delegates with wholehearted applause, both at the start and finish of his talk- No addresses to the convention was followed more closely. He said in part: first, a severe a bridgement of liberty of speech and press; second, the dogmatic atheism of the Communist Party, whose million members rule that vast country, and, third, the Communist philosophy of force and advocacy of world revolution.

Sherwood Eddy, whose address

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

"Russia has the most advanced labor legislation in the America, the richest nation, to shame, though Russia after years of war, it may be a good thing to have a natalism is ruthless, wherever imperialism exploits the weak, the poor and helpless nations and darker races. Here stands a nation that is a weapon against injustice everywhere, even though it has itself been most cruelly unjust to its own former exploiters.

"Men,' he concluded, "why don't you go and see for yourselves? Don't ganda. Follow the example of all the other great nations of the world and send your labor mission to gather the facts at first hand in Russia. You are hope you will move a little faster to

Young Miner Hurt

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



WHEN WE'LL GET A REAL CHILD LABOR LAW

MANY PROBLEMS FACE THE YOUTH IN THE NOVEMBER ELECTIONS

Statement of the National Executive Committee,

THE approach of the November elections gives the young worker of this country an opportunity to raise such issues as will better his conditions.

America is no longer the "Land of Opportunity." The opportunities that were possible for the young people fifty and a hundred years ago when land was obtainable free in the west and the professions were not overcrowded no longer exist.

Today an ever larger number of young people are thrown on the labor market and that at a very early age because of the poor economic condition of their parents. Out of a total of 42 million workers in this country 11 million are young workers under the age of 25 working "There are three major evils, as I in the factories, farms, and mines under very bad conditions and even worse pay. The need for see it, in Russia. These evils are, skilled and professional workers has been largely satisfied and even over supplied so that now young workers of native birth do not get the opportunities to leave these low paying jobs and get skilled work or enter the professions.

In this situation we find five basic problems facing the whole of the other hand the courses that have been as skilled workers. his condition of life is to be better-

need for skilled workers in industry thru the influence of the industrial and splits the interests of the work revolution, blockade and famine is barons of this country some voca- ing class as a whole. It cuts down the poorest. Finally, with all its own tional courses were set up in the led workers to beileve that the situafor skilled work. This was in favor tion that stands as a challenge to all of the economic condition of the nathe rest of the world wherever capi- tive young worker. But this condition lasted only while immigrants were yet flowing into this country by the hundreds of thousands and the big industries had a full supply of unskilled labor.

> Today, however, with the introducskilled and increased the need for unskilled on the one hand and the over cational courses in the schools so as

working youth that must be solved if set up in schools for vocational training do not any longer find themselves ever under strict union supervision supplying so great a need and the so that the schools be not utilized as THE RIGHT TO ENTER SKILLED local governments are cutting expens- agencies of the union hating bosses workers those now who hold the jobs an ever more exclusive group the earning power of the young workmenial and least paying tasks.

The practice of introducing vocational courses has become quite general when the needs were such and today that industry must look to the native population for unskilled labor their reduction or at least the stopping of their further development is also becoming quite general. This is tion of machinery the greater division of basic interest to the entire workof labor which reduced the need for ing youth of this country, that of purposes. This is in addition to an struggling against a reduction of vo-

The training should be given how

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

(Continued on page 2.)

"Russia to Lead World in Radio"

When the American Student Dele-Cultural Relations, one from the Cen- worked under." tral Bureau of Students, the Moscow less group of newspaper photog-

College and had met with a hearty re- ject sparked from their lips, oozed

sponse in student circles. A statement on the delegation ap--American Students pearing in the New Student reads in part as follows: "It is noteworthy that Mr. Duranty, the famous corregation arrived in Moscow they were spondent of the New York Times, told greeted by a large deputation. There the students that the Russian censor were delegates from the Society of ship was the least bothersome he ever

"The Russians are going to lead the University Student Bureau, an end- world in radio. To come into the station at Nishnij-Novgorod is to come raphers and reporters. The move to back into the Western world at the send this delegation to the Soviet greatest complexity of its mechanical Union had been started by Miss Eliza- development. Two scientists there beth Van Alstyne, jnior, of Barnard can hardly tell enuf about it; the sub-

from their finger tips, crackled about their ears. Russia stands high in theoretic chemistry, as her learned men have loved mathematics-."

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

By GEORGE PAPCUN.

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

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

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

Another Welcome

While the officials of this country bow in welcome to Queen Marie of Roumania next Monday, October 18, ian fellow-workers now under arrestas political prisoners.

A Mass Meeting is being arranged by the International Labor Defense, New York Section, to be held inUnion Square at 5:30 p. m. on the 15th.

heir approval.

For Queen Marie

the workers of New York City will gather to voice their protest against the brutal treatment of their Rouman-

Various prominent speakers, from la candidate and Frank Farrington (bebor unions and other organizations, low) \$25,000 tool of the Peabody Coal will tell about the oppression of work- Company, the leader of reaction in es by reducing their size for eliminand a fair remuneration be insured ers and peasants by the present Rou
District No. 12 against which Joseph ating them. This makes the skilled the students for the products they manian government which Queen Tumulty is leading the progressive Marie is proud to represent, and to fight. The Lewis and Farrington

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

By FREEMAN HOPWOOD.

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

Russian Communist Youth Denounce Opposition

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

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



FLOCK TOGETHER

BIRDS OF A FEATHER





John L. Lowis, reactionary, presi dent of the United Mine Workers, (above) whose position is threatened by John Brophy, the progressive hich the fascisti of America give forces have united in District No. 12 against the progressives.

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

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

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

STORY OF

CHILD LABOR

ARTICLE III.

How many child laborers are there in the United States

First we must define what we mean

by child laborers. All children up to

the age of 16 years of age who work

to produce profits for a boss, or who

on farms are forced to work by their

parents such long hours that they are

kept out of school are considered

child laborers. There are many work-

ing class children who are forced to

ous smal artices on the streets after

schoo hours and on Saturdays and

Sundays. We shall not consider the

latter here under our enumeration of

child laborers. There are, however,

a large number of children, many of

parents at home producing small man-

ufactured articles. These shall be

There are in this country according

to the United States census of 1920.

of ten and fifteen. There has been

000. Conditions had grown worse. In

dividual reports from all over the

country showed an undoubted in-

crease. State labor departments re-

ported a growth in the number of

children being employed. There was

no national law preventing child la-

What did the 1920 census show?

The 1920 census reported 1.600.000

child workers in the United States

Why the change? Had the number

The majority of child workers are

in the agricultural district, about 71

per cent. As everyone knows, the

farm districts are busiest in the spring

and summer months. The 1910 count

was made in June, when the children

were sweating their lives away under

the bountiful God's blazing sun. It

was much easier to count those of

them who worked then. But the 1920

census which on the face would lead

one to believe there had been a de-

crease was taken in January when

gone down? Not at all.

bor. The state laws were a farce.

considered.

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EDITORIALS

THE CRIME OF SHERWOOD EDDY

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

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

Because Eddy dared suggest that the A. F. of L. send a delegation to Seviet Russie to find out conditions there.

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

MANY PROBLEMS FOR THE YOUTH IN THE NOVEMBER ELECTIONS

(Continued from Dage 1)

propriations made by state and city government. As a dramatic contrast to this we find the federal government spending almost no money for edudire lack of schools in the rural secare over crowded and cannot accomodate all who should attend. The lack of schools and over crowding makes

CHILD LABOR.

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

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

MILITARISM.

4. The fourth condition that vitally effects the conditions of the work- the absence of such a body however, ing class youth of this country is the we support the only party which at ever increasing menace of militarism. The appropriations for military pur- who we are confident will fight for aires. poses have steadily increased since the improvement of the conditions of bribed into giving away huge tracts the war. The standing army has in the working and farming youth, the of land and railway and coal and oil creased to about a 175,000 men. The Workers (Communist) Party of Amer-Citizens' Military Training Camps ica and call upon the working youth have since their inception in 1920 thruout the country to help themtrained about 140,000 men. The Re- selves by supporting this program serve Officers' rTaining Corps has and the movement behind it

trained since their inception in 1919 about 180,000 men. This with the state guards the federal reserve, the state military, etc., have a total of working people.

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

THE RIGHT TO VOTE.

If however, we are to accomplish these primary elementary tasks a chance to get started. And it's the to better the conditions of the young same in every other line, in groceries, workers, it becomes necessary that in restaurants, in the taxi, in the those of us who are engaged in pro- clothing or any other business. The ductive work and who are faced with big corporations that now exist and the problems be given the right to dominate every branch of business vote. If we are old enuf to work we make it impossible for a worker, even must be old enuf to vote.

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

2. More school facilities.

Abolition of child labor and sup-

4. Reduce military armaments. 5. All young workers and farmers over 18 must have right to vote.

Previous experiences have snown that the old republican and democrat-started to pile up many years ago ples of a major character to illustrate controls these parties. We feel that the best method of obtaining satisfaction of these elementary needs is to form an independent party of work-

YOUTH, HERE AND THERE

By TOM BARKER

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

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

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

Another procession! That of Moscow's youth on September 5. No fat pasty retired contractor in sight on phant of a man, with a tall hat and this day. The gilded double-headed scarecrows squint down from the Spassky Gate and the Historical Mu-

seum at the brigades of youth. It was their day, and they ran it their own way. No stern-gowned YOUNG WORKER are invited to send ghouls to intimidate the joyous into an enforced solemnity and no mounted piece of blubber spoiling good horse-

The markers were young, the mi Age, whiskers, rheumatism, sugar diabetes and bath chairs were taboo. The only thing ancient around was the setting, St. Basil's weird contraption of a cathedral, the aforesaid scarecrows, the bricks of the Kremlin

wall and the cobblestones. And if you are young there is a place for you. Ten minutes before drums as if they were there to wake you might be a member of Russia's wandering herds of "bezprizorny," the ragged juvenile irreconcilables who are against the world, especially There were other incidentals, too, the grown-up world, but in this hour but the orphans and the horsemen you became one of the initiates, one them over his narrow shoulders and ers of the East. Soldiers, Tartars,

The Question Box

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

DROBABLY every Young Communist who has ever to win an outside young worker for Communism sell papers, black boots, peddle varihas met up with the argument;

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

It comes in handy to have a correct reply to this question and the writer them very young, who work with their herewith presents the one ha has

been in the habit of giving: Now you say that the capitalists have made their money by using their brains and that it is because they are so much smarter than workers that 12,500.000 children between the ages they have got all their millions. Let us see if this true. Now you will ad- an increase since the taking of the mit that there are two legal ways for census. The same government census a man to make money now-a-days. counted the number of child laborers One is by getting a job—that is work- in the country. This was a very ining for a boss for wages and the teresting and vital process to all who other is by going into business and were interested in child labor. The becoming a boss yourself. Well, you question asked everywhere was: Just know that by doing the first this it is how many child laborers are there? impossible for a man to become a mil- The 1910 census counted over 2,000, lionaire, no matter how long and how hard he works. No working man has ever ben known to become a millionwell over three million men trained aire by saving out of his wages. But cational purposes thereby creating a in the use of arms thereby creating let us suppose that he lives on bread a tremendous military machine to be and water for 10 to 15 years and his tions, and the city and state govern- used in the next war. The burden of children go around without shoes and ment spending so little money for this taxes for support of this militarism thereby he manages to save up sevpurpose that city and town schools is crushing the already suffering eral thousand dollars to go into business with. What are his chances of becoming a millionaire then?

And let us suppose that this worker is a very smart man. That he as smart as Morgan, Rockefeller, or Armour and that he knows as much about the banking, oil, or meat business as they are supposed to know. But can you imagine him with a measly few thousand dollars competing with the powerful trusts and corporations controlled by these millionaires. Why he hasn't a chance in the world, no matter how much brains he's got. The big companies would squeez ehim out before he would have if he manages to save up a few thous-To summarize the main issues need- an dollars to become a capitalist.

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

The fortunes they now possess And how were these fortunes made? A man named Meyers spent ten years investigating and finding out how the huge fortunes of the present day began to occumulate, and he wrote three big books on the results of his findings. He found out that all of the ers and farmers—a Labor Party. In present day fortunes started thru graft, thru cheating and thru swindling. Settlers, farmers and Indians present has candidates on the ballot were swindled by the coming million-Government officials were rights. You know how it is with a snowball. The more it rolls down hill, the more snow it gathers. And it is the same with money used in business. The more you have, the easier it is to make more. From year to year the fortunes of these men grew larger and larger and from year tion and legalized stealing on a larger scale. And today these men and their relatives and descendants-men like Morgan. Rockefeller. Astor and Mc-Cormick are the real rulers of theis

> Another question that is often asked by the young workers is: What will you do without the bosses to run the factories? Who will give you work then? The readers of the in their answers to this question and also criticism of and suggestions for opened on Oct. 4th in a North Scran- in the latest, safest and most scienthe answer above.

litia, even the "nachalnik" was young. they carried a red flag and shuffled way. Did I say his stocking feet? | casians, all sorts of skins, all sorts by the saluting stand they growled! No he wore what must have been his back to the cheer leader an inarticulate, throaty cry, that would give our Fifth avenue marshal the willies.

Here they have a Flaming Youth, none of your nicely washed mothers' darlings with your pants ironed out just so! The kid Pioneers rattle the Creation. One of them had started out with a pair of new shoes. His feet soon o'hjected to the unwonted trappings of civilization. Did he reesitomise most American processions, of the Army of the Young. And as traveled in his stocking feet all the Chinese from Paking and Canton, Cau the bulging legs.

papa's socks. He raised the dust as he pulled them along past the stand, and he hollered as loud as the rest.

Snookers, kids, urchins, lads, youths, hobbledehoys, maidens, young fellows suits of leather, and in narrow trunks. Brown limbs, strong limbs, lots of horse sense, human fire, the stuff that

makes the world move. A waving sea of red flags, banners knocking the social system, cheering tire from the field? Not he. He swung the British miners, hailing the work-

of dress, all sorts of them, but all of them young. Old Age looked on from the tribune.

Old Age had its say, its brief day in the sun, its prosy advice, it tried to impose its ample all-sufficiency on an in all kinds of dress and undress. In impatient champing warhorse of the young.

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

And the world is full of such yout America is full of it. One country's youth are rid of the fat marshal with

FROM CRADLE TO FACTORY

REFORMISTS FIGHTING CHILD LABOR.

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

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

crease or increase in the number of children forced to work.

In 1880, sixteen per cent of all children between the ages of ten and fif- crime in exploiting the young children teen were employed in some kind of of the working class by deliberately labor. Each year following that the falsifying the figures. percentage of children forced to slave increased, until in 1910, eighteen per cent of all the children between ten the country today. From the figures and sixteen were at work. This shown before there is little room for prought the total number of exploited denying that at least 20 per cent of children up over 2,000,000.

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

ed to 50 per cent. The average inthe farm children were forcd to re- crease during the war-time as report-

United States Department of Labor was 38 per cent. And then they try to put over a figure of 1,500.000!

HARRY GANNES

There has been a tendency by the bosses to cover up figures. They are growin gso rich, so powerful, and ex Let us go back somewhat and see ploiting the workers to such an ex whether the years have shown a del tent that the facts alone if brought to light would act as propaganda. They cover up their vast incomes. And they cover up the enormity of their

> There are 13,000,000 children be tween the ages of ten and sixteen in all children between those ages are at work at the present moment. That makes the number of child workers between ten and sixteen 2.600.000 This is nota guess but is in close agreement with even bourgeois sources, foremost among whom is the National Child Labor Committee.

But we have not counted them all There are children ten and under who are forced to work. They total at least 400.000. So we find that the home of the

free and the land of the brave en courages the enslavement of three million children of the working class. (To be continued)

Early Experiences in Mass Activity

By SAM DARCY.

have tried to put into active operation our program of mass activities. Already we have gained lessons and experiences that ought to be summarized and authoritatively established. Our comrades, leading comrades and not only those in the ranks, have been

using phrases about "participating in the everyday struggle of the young Let us take some outstanding examthis. Two outstanding examples come to mind most clearly.

First we have the instance of a gen eral conditions affecting at present the young workers thruout the country, giving us a basic issue. This is the matter of the reduction of vocational courses. Long before this became a general practice it was introduced in several cities where we have fairly strong leagues. Yet not one of these cities either reported the matter to the national executive committee or took up the issue and used it in

their work. Is this a basic issue? While the immigrants were still flowing into this country by the hundreds of thousands the big industries had a full supply of unskilled labor. It then utilized the schools for the to year they practiced bribery, corrup- bor and the oversupply of skilled la-

PLUMBERS APPRENTICES

By Young Worker Correspondent.

IN SCRANTON SCHOOL

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

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

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

more exclusive group and splits the steps to rally their members. There TT is now several months since we workers' interests. It cuts down the are many various methods to follow earning power of the young workers The simplest is to visit their meetthat industry must look to the native instance. population for unskilled labor. Their young workers on it.

in vocational training. Over 13,000 mistake referred to above had been students demanded admission. And made and we found, with few excep- NICARAGUAnear-riots because of the large num- present. Prof. Douglass, a pacifist, policy is in reality the "big stick" ber of students that were turned away. In Chicago, to take another example, titude to war and militarism. Many by the intervention of the U. S. govvocational courses were cut out enmeeting in protect. This gives us the make no defense of the Communist U.S. S. Denver at Corinto, which impossibilities of united action with position, in spite of the fact that it mediately began searching the houses them on this question. The national had been impressed time after time and confiscating the arms of the libexecutive committee is taking up the that we can enter these united fronts, eral revolutionary forces. These libduring the coming elections.

The next instance of our weakness in mass work that comes to mind is one that we will meet in all united point of view because of the failure ABYSSINIA front work particularly. In holding to make it a united front from the development of skilled workers. To- demonstrations against militarism, day, however, with the introduction of etc. We will find that where, because machinery, the greater division of a- of the very power of some of our slogans, we succéed in forcing certain bor, the vocational schools do not any other organizations to enter united longer find themselves supplying so front demonstrations with us, that the of the united front. great a need and the local govern- leaders of the other organizations will ments are cutting expenses by reduce sabotage the rallying of their meming their size and number. This bership to the activities of the united deal with the difficulties of colonizathis is a treaty against the political country, of its systems and govern- makes the skilled workers an ever front body. We must, therefore, take tion.)

Reese, city plumbing inspector, will

tion for the first evening was large

and the school believes that the 85 or

more apprentices in the city will be

enrolled. The plumbers' union is sup-

be one of the instructors. Registra-

students to take the evening courses ist slogans. At the demonstration the ties on the other. the New York Times reported several tions, that only league members were made an attack on the Communuist at policy of Wall Street can be seen of the league comrades were of the ernment in Nicaragua. On Oct. 10 a tirely. The teachers held a mass opinion that the league speaker should force of sailors was landed from the issue and will try to popularize it particularly should this be emphasized eral fighters are trying to overthrow with petit-bourgeois pacifists, only Chamorro, a notorious tool of the when we can maintain our identity. The meeting was a failure from our bottom as well as from the top. Some (The next article under the head

Round the World Newsettes

CHINA-

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

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

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

ENGLAND-

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

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

GERMANY-

A real demonstration was staged in the Prussian diet on Oct. 12, with the and tends to give them the most ings and appeal to their members, sell Communist deputies joining their commenial and least paying tasks. The them tickets, etc. This visiting should rades in the galleries in the singing practice of introducing vocational be done in the name of the united of the "International." The occasion courses has become quite general front body and with its authorization. for the demonstration was the rushing when the need was present, and today Other methods can be devised in each thru of a bill which provides for the adjustments of the Hohenzollern In Chicago we had a peculiar devel- (Kaiser Bill) claims for indemnity reduction, or at least the stopping of opment in regards to anti-militarist against the Prussian state. The Comtheir further development, is also be work. The danger of making united munists fought against giving the exwhen an opportunity presents itself coming quite general. This gives us fronts with pacifists and liberals kaiser a penny, while the socialists for such participation these very com- a very important issue, and we must clearly showed itself. Some of the performed their usual weak-kneed rades do not take advantage of it. find ways and means of reaching the comrades who were doing this work stunt of abstaining from voting. began to insist that the league com- Pretty soon there was a free-for-all In New York, for example, the local pletely lose its identity and work only fight in the chamber with the Commugovernment provided room for 8,000 thru individuals, and that under pacifinists on one side and the other depu-

That the Monroe Doctrine foreign United States imperialism.

This country, which is on the east coast of Africa, is a member of the comrades, however, in typical quack- league of nations. Britain and Italy ery fashion, said that we should not got together, signed a treaty to divide have defended the Communist posi- up Abyssinia between themselves into tion because this caused the failure zones of influence, without even informing Abyssinia of the move. Now Abyssinia has filed a note with the of early experiences in mass work will league of nations pointing out that

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WHILE THE BOSS

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

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

the only slippery thing in the house however, you should sese the officials.



And to prove it here's a picture of A. F. of L. official.

It takes no effort to separate the chaff from the wheat in the speeches getting interested in organization or of the bureaucrats. It all goes in one pile—the chaff.

convention had somet hing lack-ing to make it exactly like a bankers' conference—that was a banquet and a lot of chorus girls. When he stopped at the hotel however, he realized that



Only the Banquet Was Missing.

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

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

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



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

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

The recent arrests in Passaic lead us to believe that if the parasites who do this dirty work for the bosses were set to cultivating some green plots they would have less time for inventing Red plots.

FARMERS' SECTION.

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

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

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

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

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

Workers' Sports

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

Announcement ans recently been made that the Western Electric Co. is planning to erect a new \$250,000 gymnasium at its Hawthorne plant, and contests.

Anyone at all familiar with the conditions prevailing at the Western Electric plant in Hawthorne, and knowing how low the wages are and how tight the company is when it comes to giv-The floor of the ballroom wasn't ing anybody a raise, will wonder how it comes that it is goingto spend a quarter of a million dollars for its

'employes' enjoyment." This uestion is easily answered: The Western Electric is not really spending the \$25,000. It is merely investing it. It is investing it in order to make its employes stronger, so as to make them work harder. It is investing this money so as to keep the workers occupied after working hours, and thus take their thoughts away from their bad conditions, and how to struggle to improve them. It is investing this money in order to get its 40,000 employes interested in sports-and thus to keep them from in a union. It is investing this money in order to make its workers believe that the company is a good sport, The Gadfly thought that the and is considerate of them.

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

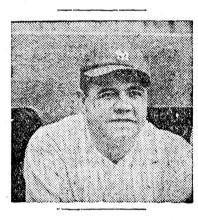
Capitalist Sparta, A. C.

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

on Tennis Matches

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

The matches were dignified by the presence in the audience, of many public officials and men high up in the business world. Evidently these gentlemen are always ready to lend a hand to a rising business man, and a hand to a ris promising business, which C. C. Pyle and profesional tennis, certainly are.



BALL PLAYER FROM MINING REGION



about Frankie Loftus, above, is that he got his start as pitcher among the got his start as pitcher among the found the Gospels varied and were selfound the Go we can find amateur teams in the mining regions

Business Tennis Stars



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

"Adrift

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

WHEN I was still a little chap I regulary went

'That's very good.

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

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

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

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

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

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

And then I read of Moses, and his flock in Egypt land,
Who grew in generations four into wondrous band;
They numbered ninety when they came, two millions going out.
Pa said to me, "That's somethin that you shouldn't think about."

To massacre a few more men, it seemed a waste thruout.

1 Pa to me, "That's something that I'd gladly go and listen if they'd speak Said Pa to me, "That's some you musn't think about."

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

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

I'm forced to the conclusion that in justice to my mind, the conclusion that in justice to my mind.

And then I read the Bible thru, and ex erywhere it said God was a loving father, yet I learned with awful dread, He'd burn his children up if they would even dare to doubt. Pa said, "That's something, if you're-good, you needn't think about."

Just now I'm in a college and inscience being trained, I find the things they teach us there are not to be disdained; They contradict the Bible, so I'm very much in doubt. Says Pa'to me, "That's something you mustn't think about."

In spite of father's counsel and my efawful way;
What is the use of study if, whenever
I've a doubt,
I've got to say:
musn't think about"? awful way;

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

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

I like to hear a good address upon those splendid themes,
Provided it's not based upon such false
fantastic dreams,
I like the stately zous; *bat *he organ Then Joshua, he stopped the Sun, one million miles across;
The energy to do it meant three thous-and billion horse;

The hought about. thought about.

> The urge to learn is in me but I really They're either ignoramuses or liars when they shout
>
> Man's fall and his atonement are enuf

tice to my mind,
I can't permit its insult with such drib-ble as the kind
I hear in all the churches, so from them I'll stay without,
'Til they of something honest talk that's

Weak Attempt for Still Weaker Youth International

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

At this conference it was, therefore, decided that the "International Buconference of the affiliated youth organizations for the purpose of creating an international youth organization that would correspond to the "International Bureau."

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

It is expected that the following orforts to obey, cannot help but worry, and I'm in an ganizations will take part in this control the L. A. Eastern and Central Nuclei, Revolutionary League of France.

This afterbirth to the "International of the Socialist Proletarian Youth' wants to make the world believe that the young workers formerly organized in the Communist youth organizations | miserable wages) and young students are now joining it en masse and that supported by their parents, they all Some worthy thoughts I must admit I the unity of the world proletariat will gave as much as they could. Just ought to think about. take place neither on the basis of the a small example: A needle trades girl Second nor of the Third International, making \$12 a week, gave \$2. A young but-think of it!-on its own basis.

> My props are gone from under, I am wandr'ing in a maze; I'm forced to break assunder from hypoccan't find there the teaching that I'd

like to think about. seems to me a pity that the churches will not learn

will not learn
To teach those grand old ethics, for which all our students yearn.
Not mixing them with miracles and nonsense long played out;
They'd help us solve the problems that life makes us think about. have a dim rreception a religion there

Whose precepts I can follow though my amateur teams in the mining regions of Scranton, Pa. Now he is similar to the other bought and paid for players of "pro" sports.

I odd in accord; Til they of something honest talk that's mind can still be free; good to think about.

Til they of something honest talk that's mind can still be free; good to think about.

Til they of something honest talk that's mind can still be free; good to think about.

The bigoted intolerance has left me in you mustn't think about."

The bigoted intolerance has left me in the we'll find there something honest talk that's mind can still be free; good to think about.

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

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

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

The same week when the question of the assessment was discussed at ference: The Maximalist Youth of \$50 in cash and between \$15 and \$20 Italy, the socalled "Left Communist" in pledges, which will be collected this Tranmael League of Norway, the So- week, was raised. The money raised cialist Proletarian Youth of Germany, has be nsent already to the N. O. not a Lithuanian Youth organization, the merely as a donation, but as payment Youth League of the Jewish "Bun" of for an equal amount of half year subs Poland and the brand new Socialist to the YOUNG WORKER. These subs will be given away free to the young workers where we are carrying on our campaigns.

Altho most of our members are unskilled young workers (working at metal worker gave \$2. A painter \$8. A college student \$5. A high school girld \$1. A young department store girl \$2.50. Now what joust "couldn't" be done if our well-paid comrades, Furriers, Building Trades workers, Garmen Workers and other skilled trade members of New York, Chicago, Cleveland, Boston, Detroit would follow the example of our Los Angeles Leaguers!

We'd realize that happiness would follow such a plan,
Whose aim would be to mitigate the sufferings of man;
We'd find that doing good to all, but with quite the noblest think there is that

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who has done nobly during the

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- News From the Campaign Front

Los Angeles, Chicago in the Lead

Los Angeles has barely started committee and the editor of the Young former League members who districts before the end of the cammean to be left far behind either as proven by the thirty-five per cent of their quota being already filled-so far it looks as tho these two cities are going to give each other a, lively chase with Pittsburgh threatening to catch up. Here are some more news of how the work is being done in

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

SECTION SIX PLUNGES

IN WITH A VIM

held by Section Six plans were laid for participation in the Young Worker sub drive. A8t the conclusion of the discussion the members were ordered to roll up their sleeves, sharpen their pencils (and their wits), prepare their subscription blanks, and "get out among the young workers!" A series of practical motions were passed re-

garding the campaign: One. That every member obtaining over ten subs be given a copy of the new pamphlet, "Elements of Political Education."

Two. That the section set itself

meeting.

At the last membership meeting

Five. That a special campaign publicity correspondent be elected to let the country know that Section Six is in the sub campaign—and how! (This Joseph Hernes, Chicago Paul Klein Chicago

scriptionized. A motion was also to give a dollar for a sub. made that the campaign be wound up

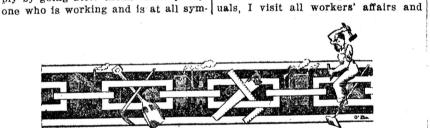
By Ethel Stevens,

city scale.

In starting out to get subs I first of

by a section entertainment and ban- all made a list of all section members quet, to which the national campaign who were not subscribers and of all working and already forty-three per Worker be invited. No one to be all either dropped out or had graduated easy it is, then the low quota of 3,000 cent of its quota is filled. What will lowed to sit in on the banquet who into the party, and of all sympathizers set by the national campaign committhese good workers do to the other has not obtained at least two subs. that I knew. I visited everyone on tee can easily be double-providing This latter idea was deemed so bril- this list and succeeded in getting subs the members really get down to work. paign! Chicago, however, does not liant, that it has been adopted on a from a goodly percentage. Where I did not get a Young Worker sub I got EASIER THAN ROLLING OFF LOG sub. Where I could not get any subs -AND HANDS IN 20 SUBS at all I tried to get a donation for a sub for a young miner. In going after The national campaign committee a sub I would advise the comrades not

has asked me to write something tell- to be fainthearted or easily discouring how I obtain subscriptions for the aged. Keep arguing with your pros-Young Worker. I can only say, com- pect until he has no comebacks and rades, that the way to get them is sim- has no recourse except to come ply by going after them. Hardly any- across. Besides going after individ-



Builders of the Young Worker

ETHEL STEVENS OF CHICAGO LEADING.

Subs received during the first four days of the campaign. Note:-Yearly sub to Young Worker counts as one-six months as halfother subs corresponding-Young Comrade yearly as half.

1/4 | Sarah Krenik, Chicago .. Rebane, Brighton, Mass. Anna Letchinger, Chicago Minnie Lurye, Chicago ... Eteenpain Co-op., Worcester, Mass... Frank White, Bloomfield, N. J. Frank White, Bloomfield, N. J.
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Lyttie Blumenthal, Newark, N. J.
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Geo. Wong, Chicago Geo. Wong, Chica Zollinger, Chicago Two. That the section set itself the task of getting 125 subs (the entire Chicago quota is 200).

Three. That the section challenges any other section in the country or any city that is not divided into sections, to a sub-getting race.

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

Harry Sacks, Syracuse, N. Y.

Hyman Paransky, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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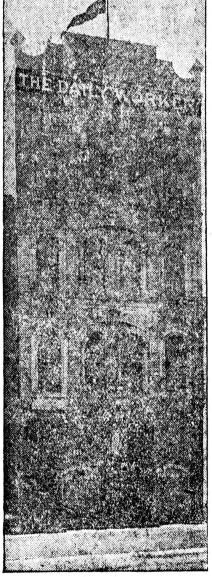
Celia Cazanov, Chicago

Cohen, Chicago Harry Sacks, Syracuse, N. Y Harvey Murphy, Springfield, III..... Lillian Gannes.

The section is 100 per cent sub- pathetic to the movement will refuse 1 set subs there. At the first I visited a Finnish workers' affair. I obtained ix subs

In conclusion, comrades, I wish to say that if my personal experience in

a Daily Worker or Young Comrade THE HOME OF THE YOUNG WORKER. TOO



MORE THAN 30 SUBS Kasper Says-

A DAY AT START

JOHN KASPER of Pittsburgh, Pa.. The first four days of the campaign netted 1721/2 subs—an average of 43 subs a day which is a sure indication that we will not only reach our quota a trip to Moscow by an inch or so, of 3,000 subs by anuary 15th but will writes us that we may as well pack surely nearly double it. So far only up the typewriter now and address it a few of the districts and cities are in the race—from many points we to him as he means to get it. Here's have not heard yet but we are sure a chance for real hustling on the part of other comrades as we warn you that the comrades there are not sleepthat Comrade Kasper means what he ing either and that after seeing what Chicago and Los Angeles did so far all the Leagues will rush in. Come

thousand-and more! The standing of the districts and cities that had quotas assigned are

on! Over the top! Get those three

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

DISTRICT 3-Baltimore 1, Philadel phia 3. District quota 300; percent age filled 1.3. DISTRICT 5-Pittsburgh 15. Dis-

trict quota 90; percentage filled 16.6.

DISTRICT 6-Yorkville, Ohio, 1, Youngstown, Ohio, 1. District quota 130; percentage filled 1.7. DISTRICT 8-Peoria, Ill., 1; Chicago, Ill., 70 (35% of quota filled); Milwaukee, Wis., 2; St. Louis, Mo., 3; Sprinfigeld, Ill., 2; Waukegan, Ill., 51/2.

DISTRICT 9-Markinen, Minn., 1; Superior, Wis., 41/2. District quota 790; percentage filled 0.8.

District quota 340; percentage filled

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

84: percentage filled 28.4. District 13 wins the first round with Chicago close behind. From the activities of the individual comrades in Chicago we can be assured that Los Angeles will have to work hard to

keep ahead of them. LOS ANGELES NEWS WILL BE FOUND AS A SPECIAL FEATURE IN

Get Those Three Thousand!



30 Subs a Day Until January 15th!

The Yourn In Mines, shops, 2 industries

WOMEN OF TWO CLASSES

RECALL MINE WORKERS MARTYRS IN FIGHT AGAINST LEWIS-FARRINGTON

By A. MINERICH.

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

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

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

The miners of Illinois, especially the young miners, know that if Joseph Gitterle, Ernest Smith, Edward Long and Ernest Kammer could only know that men like John L. Lewis, Frank Farrington, Sneed, Fox, Cobb. etc., are wrecking the miners' union, they would turn over in their graves with wrath. They would certainly feel sore that the organization that they died for is being broken up by a few

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

Silent Cal Orates to "Boy Orators"

WASHINGTON, D. C .- The "silent" president, Cal Coolidge, has agreed to make an address of welcome to the final meeting of the 1926 international oratorical contest. The participants are being heralded as the "boy orators" of their respective countries. In the final contest England, France, Canada, the United States and Mexico will compete for the international championship. Altho the whole affair is cloaked with the term "international" the land of workers and farmers rule, the Soviet Union, as well as We will stick it out until they have many other countries are not repre- established a UNION in Passaic.

Young Passaic Striker

and fellow-workers, the bosses and their tools, the police, have started a reign of terror again in Passaic. They have arrested twenty-three of our fellow-workers on the charges of throwing bombs. There was bombs thrown way back in April, and nobody was caught and nobody got hurt, but now when the bosses see that the strikers are always getting stronger instead of weaker they frame up our active picket line captains. Why, when the bosses did not yet import gangsters and bums into the mills to scab there also was no bomb the wing going on, but as soon as the gangsters arrived in Passaic there was also bomb-throwing going on.

workers they got the worst punishment that there is to be given in America, and that is the third degree Through the third degree methods they strapped our fellow-workers against the prison cells and beat them up with lead pipes in order to get some kind of confession out of them. The fellow-workers were forced to sign statements in order to get away

IRREGULAR EMPLOYMENT AND LOW EARNINGS CHARACTERIZE WOMEN'S

By LELAND OLDS, Federated Press.

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

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

Limited Bargain Power,

The limited bargaining power of unorganized women workers is seen by the department as an explanation of the low wages paid female workers, It says: "During the year 1924-25 the men in the factories of the state averaged just under \$31.50. The women averaged just under \$17.50 a week. That means that women earned wages a little more than half as high as the wages paid men. There is little evidence for deciding what are the reasons for the lower earnings of women. A few facts, however, stand out. Women receive the highest earnings in industries where they are organized, like clothing and publishing. They receive the lowest wages in industries located in small towns or in one-industry centers where the cost of living is lower and the possible alternative jobs fewer."

Confined to One Group.

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

A narrative of a red-blooded, he-man, no per cent American, who turns out to be a Labor spy. Just the book to give to your shop-mate after you have read it.

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

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

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

...925,877 334,476

Metal Industry Leads. More than one-third of the men were employed in the metal industries. The manufacture of electrical machinery and apparatus alone absorbed over 10 per cent. In contrast metal factories ampley only 6 per cent of the womer

Describes Bomb Fakes

By Young Passalo Striker.

PASSAIC, N. J.-Well, comrades

When the police arrested our fellowfrom the punishment.

When, after a week, the relatives and the wives of the strikers were permitted to see the prisoners, their faces and bodies were black and blue. One prisoner's arm was in a sling, broken, and the others had most of their teeth knocked out. Their eyes were shut up from the beating they received from the paid tools of the bosses, the police. At first the bail was set at \$350,000. Then, after the lawyers were fighting the case, it was reduced to \$80,000. Here again it goes to show that it's all a frame-up. The bosses may do what they please, but the strike in Passaic will be won.

employed in the machinery and elec-

combined figures for clothing and tex-

tile industries are considered the con-

centration amounts to 62 per cent of

all women factory workers in the

state. Women's clothing alone means

employment to about 42,000 women,

while in men's clothing factories about

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

By LELAND OLDS, Federated Press.

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

in each of which the state depart- Fulton 804 ment of mines shows over 1,000 min-Almost half the women in the state ers employed, we find that an ever- La Salle factories are employed by one or anage of 82.2 out of every 1,000 babies other of the clothing trades. If the die before the end of their first year.

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

Important Factors.

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

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

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No.	Miners	Days	Death	
En	nployed	Worked	Rate	
Bureau	840	13.1	63.9	
hristian	2,371	14.1	79.5	
inton	511	8.9	69.4	

10.0 11.7 Montgomery 1,780 Peoria 16.5 Perry 10.9 Randolph 1,022 10.1 7.09 St. Clair 1,979 11.5 Saline .. 20.6 Sangamon 4.372 17.6 Vermillion 2,348 Williamson 4.529

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

Low wages mean inability to provide the environment and nourish ment which give babies a decent chance to survive the most critical ships, or be liable to deportation. year of their existence.

rates of pay. Illinois miners with this order. jobs average little more than half time. The report for July (1926), of British justice and fair play? If from which the employment figures so, what hopes for freedom can the of workers employed in the mines, the in the table are taken, shows 47,761 British empire offer to the colored

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

British Ships Have Color Line Binding Blacks to One Boss

LONDON.—The "African Hostel" in St. James Place and Upper Stanhope street, Liverpool, is apparently a remnant of the slave market that made dates the colored African seamen of the Elder-Dempster Lines when paid off until their services are again required.

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

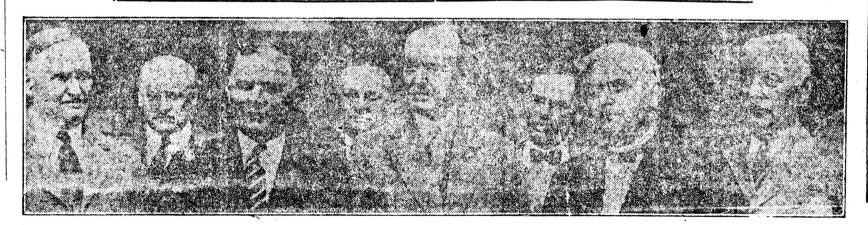
The "African Hostel" is exclusively for colored African seamen from Elder-Dempster ships and, according to a ruling of this firm, they must stop ere or be denied further employment. Should any of these men obtain the pportunity of employment on an outside ship they are, as a rule, barred from signing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

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

Is the "African Hostel" an example average number of days worked dur miners working an average of 14.5 people who come under its jurisdic-



MORE PROOF THAT BIRDS OF A FEATHER—!



YOUNG POCKETBOOK MAKERS BREAK THRU WITH VICTORY IN STRIKE

By A Young Worker Correspondent.

NE WYORK CITY.—A movement to organize the unorgan-

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

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

On top of that almost every week there is at least one worker who suffers physical injury from machines which have no safety appliances. As far as our reward for this labor is rift with 51-year-old capitalist husband. Love rifts is a paying business and "Peaches" already has a stage concerned it can be summed up in that little song, "We work all day, for damn little pay." Below: Working class women. These mothers and grandmothers were forced out of their homes and into the Passaic textile mills because of the small nav their man received. They are part of the heroic army of strikers,

The Tide Turns.

Looking at these conditions it was a half for overtime. only natural to see the workers be- This strike serves as an inspiraginning to wake up. Shop committees tion to other workers in the industry. began to spring up in the various These workers now see that in unity factories. In the Triangle Metal and organization there is strength, Frame Company the committees af. At the same time while carrying ter two weeks of diligent and careful ization in the shops a committee went work succeeded in organizing the on the work of agitation and organworkers in the shop. When the boss Workers' Union to seek affiliation and refused to meet the demands of the to the International Pocketbook workers, the committee led the 50 ask aid to organize the workers in the workers employed there out on strike. trade. Whatever the action of the It would have done your heart good union will be the workers will conto see the solidarity and discipline tinue the task of organizing the unshown by these strikers.

When the committee of five entered their way into the factory. A

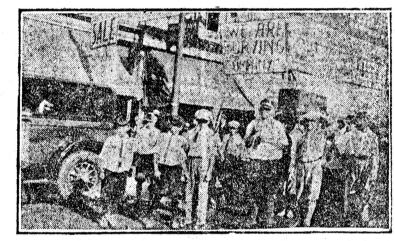
whistle from the chairman was the signal. All the workers rose and left their machines.

What We Demanded.

All they asked was a 46-hour week instead of a 50-hour week and time The workers demanded very little. and a half for overtime. After staying on strike for two days the boss granted a 47-hour week and time and

organized.

Youth Bury Company Unions



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

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The National Agitprop Department of the Young Workers (Communist) League is completing some instructions to the students of the National Training School on their preparations for the school. While it is impossible to reproduce these instructions here, it may be noted for the benefit of the entire membership of the league and for the readers of the DAILY WORKER YOUTH COLUMN that one of the books recommended for a preliminary reading and which will also be used as a textbook in the school is the newly translated "Elements of Political Education" by Berdnikov and Svetlov. This book, conveniently cast in question and answer form, is one of the most useful elementary and secondary texts on Marxism-Leninism that we have in English.

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