

LABOR YOUTH LEAGUE'S PARLEY VOTES DISSOLUTION

Reaffirming their belief in socialism, the 50 delegates to the national convention of the Labor Youth League, held in New York City, voted to dissolve the LYL.

Organized in Chicago in 1949, the LYL conducted activities in behalf of peaceful coexistence, an end to the peacetime draft, for desegregation and ending all aspects of jimcrow, an end to witchhunts and McCarthyism, and for free thought and inquiry—within their overall outlook for socialism in the United States.

The delegates, representing some 10 states, reported that discussions in their local organizations had led them to conclude that dissolution was necessary, listing, among other reasons, that the interests in socialism among young people were so diverse as to prevent their coordination into one

organization.

Many stressed that the continued persecution of the LYL under the McCarran Act of 1950 had put undue hardships on young people who would desire to associate with LYL.

The delegates also felt that since many of the issues that LYL had championed have been taken up by large numbers of youth throughout the country, dissolution of LYL would not mark obliteration of the participation of young people in these struggles.

The convention affirmed its belief that within the framework of great changes taking place in the United States and the world, young people who were members of LYL will continue to live up to the principles advocated by the organization.