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International Communist Youth to Meet.

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Following the Fifth Congress of the Communist International, the Young Communist International will hold its international gathering in Moscow in the latter part of June.

Among the many important problems that will face the representatives of the international working class youth at the Fourth Congress of the Y. C. I. will be the complete transformation and organization on the shop nuclei basis. Recent events have, also, put the war danger at the top of the list as a problem to be met and discussed and acted upon.

In the United States especially has the war danger become a paramount issue. In the letter written to the Workers Party convention of last year, the C. I. stressed the war danger and urged preparations to meet it.

Close co-operation will be required between the American Communist Youth and the organizations of the Young Communist International in those countries which might be plunged into war, and hence this will be an important question before the congress.

With the experience of the German and Scandinavian leagues in shop nuclei activity will come about a clarification of this issue on a world scale. In the United States the preliminary requirements for shop nuclei work have more than been covered. Practical application of the shop nuclei has been stressed, particularly by the National Executive Committee, but that speed that was expected has not been realized. The main difficulty is the actual local work that is needed in the establishment of the nuclei which the local comrades lack. That an organizer will be necessary to tour the country for the sole purpose of aiding in the establishment of nuclei everywhere is the opinion of all the comrades who have surveyed the problem of directly transforming the entire Young Workers League on the shop nuclei plan.

Tho a youth organization, the Young Communist International is

more than interested in the world political situation. In every country in which Young Communist Leagues are organized they take an active part in determining the political policies of the various Communist parties; of course, subordinating themselves to the political directives of the party once a decision is reached. In the United States, the Young Workers League has not lagged behind in taking a stand on the political issues facing the party. The Y. W. L. as an organization has acted in harmony with the C. E. C. of the party in advancing the Farmer-Labor party campaign.

There will be, no doubt, a special commission at the Fourth Congress of the Y. C. I. that will deal with the problems of the American section. The rapid growth and development of the Young Communist movement in this country, as well as the increase in the work carried out, have brought to the fore many new and difficult problems. There has been a tremendous change within the league since its organization two years ago.

There will be two delegates at the Fourth Congress representing the Y. W. L., with full rights as a regular section. Tho only a fraternal organization in name, the Y. W. L. is considered one of the best disciplined sections of the Y. C. I., and has diligently endeavored to carry out the world program as it applied to the United States.

An interesting point to be taken up at the congress is the adoption of a program. This program has been in the making for two years now and has had the attention of all affiliated sections. At the last bureau session the questions of religion, the agrarian youth, and several others, were added for discussion and for inclusion in the program.

The Fourth Congress of the Y. C. I. will be an outstanding gathering, not so much for its fundamental decision, but for the steps it will take for the practical application of its program and policies.