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## 'BOY SCOUTS AN ARMY IN PREPARATION'—COOLIDGE

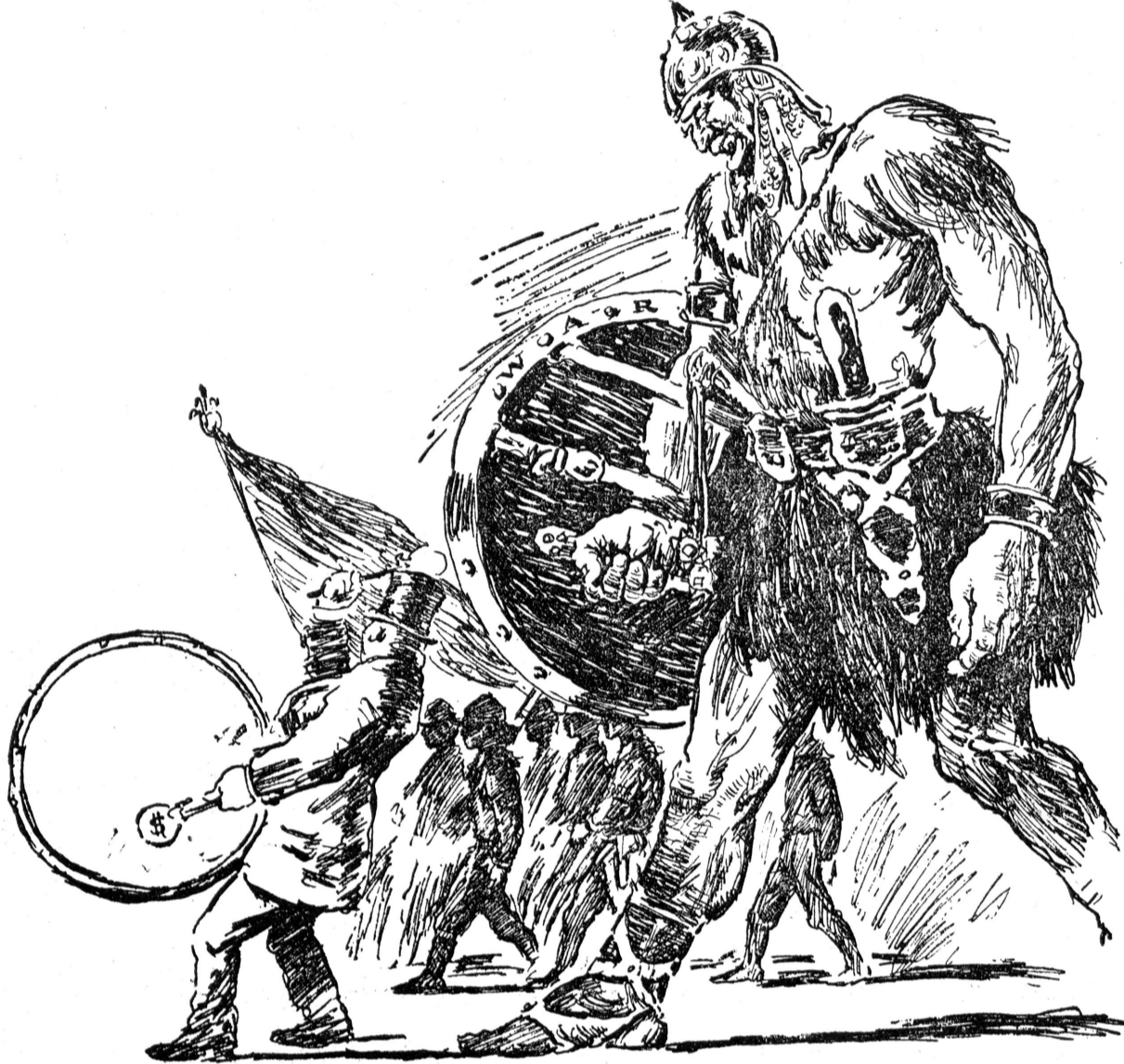
(Special to The Young Worker)

NEW YORK CITY.—In a letter read before the opening session of the fifteenth annual meeting of the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America, President Coolidge referred to that organization as "an army of the country's youth."

"With a membership of 750,000 the Scout organization is an army in preparation for the highest civic duties," wrote Calvin.

This is merely half of the truth. What the old duck means is that it is an army in preparation to be sacrificed for the profits of the men who are running Coolidge and congress in the next world war for which American imperialism is so feverishly working.

### THE ARMY IN PREPARATION



## U. S. SOLDIERS UNION SEEN

### Treat Privates Badly

SCHOFIELD BARRACKS, HAWAII, Honolulu.—A tentative plan for an American union of soldiers, sailors, and marines has been put forth for the first time in the history of the military forces of the country.

The plan, which arose directly as a result of the discontent of the soldiers and sailors, crystallized at the time of the arrest and jailing of Paul Crouch and Walter Trumbull, Communist soldiers, is arousing a great deal of interest here and will undoubtedly be the beginning of a widespread movement of soldiers, sailors, and marines of working class origin and sympathy to ally themselves against the discrimination and overbearing practiced against them by the officers' cliques and against the entire imperialist machinery.

Enthusiastically received. The plan has been presented already to a large number of soldiers for their consideration, states the report, "and practically all express a desire for such an organization and hearty support for the plan."

"The enlisted men at present are at the mercy of the officers as they can be held in confinement at hard labor eight days before any charge is presented and another ten days before trial. In many cases soldiers are held several weeks with no charge against them, in violation of military law. And it is practically impossible for an enlisted man to bring charges against an officer. Much could be done to improve conditions if proper legal aid and publicity were given enlisted men who are victims of officers' spite."

The two sentenced soldiers are among the most active spirits in the organization of the American Union of Soldiers, Sailors and Marines, and it is expected that in spite of the opposition of the officers, a hearty response will be obtained from the rank and file on this island, and will eventually spread thruout the entire military and naval force.

## TWO SOLDIERS THANK Y. W. L. FOR AID

By PAUL CROUCH.

27th Infantry Guard House, Schoefield Barracks, Hawaii.—Comrade Trumbull and I wish to express our appreciation for the support of the Young Workers' League in our fight for the right of free speech and free thought in the American army.

Action in the federal courts here will be started this week to obtain our release on the grounds of illegal conviction. We were found 'guilty' of violation of the laws of Hawaii for acts committed on the military reservation (the organization of the Hawaiian Communist League, alleged to be a secret society.) But according to military law, one is subject only to federal law for his conduct while on reservation.

George W. Wright, secretary of the Central Labor Council of Honolulu, has given us considerable assistance in obtaining defense counsel. Fred Patterson, a prominent Honolulu lawyer, is expected to represent us as attorney at the federal court hearing.

In your fight against militarism, the treatment of the soldier—the tool of imperialism, should not be ignored. Capitalism depends upon the army for its very life but we must not forget that the enlisted men come from the working class; that most of them are forced into the service by unemployment and economic necessity; and that for the purpose of keeping them as thoughtless tools for the enslavement of their comrades (and themselves) they are subjected to heartless brutality if they dare think for themselves.

The soldier must realize that he is a member of the working class and that he has no interests in common with the master class—the capitalists. Enlisted men are recruited from the youth of the working class. There should be a great field in the service for the Young Workers' League.

Communist greetings and best wishes for the success of the Young Workers' League and the Workers' (Communist) Party under the leadership of the Communist International!

Kluxers got a few of their heads broken in a fray with anti-Klanmen. Merely a taste of their own medicine which will make a number of them think twice before they go out on some more of their happy little tar-and-feather parties.

## JULY 4th TO SERVE AS MOBILIZATION DAY FOR AMERICA'S MILITARISTS

Forget Revolt of 1776

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Mobilization day will be celebrated on July 4th of this year, according to the ukase handed down by Cal Coolidge. Exhaustive arrangements are being made to make this day an even more clearly militaristic event than was the last so-called defense day. The spirit of war will be inculcated into everyone who is within reach of the propaganda of the capitalist class, added to which will be the regular buncombe which is annually spread on July 4th.

The declaration of independence will not be mentioned once. It is too radical for even the rulers of this country. Last February an amendment which called for the teaching of the declaration of independence together with the federal constitution was voted down overwhelmingly in congress. After all, it does say something about the natural right of the people to overthrow any government which they believe does not serve them satisfactorily!

## 'NABISCO' PLANS SLICE IN WAGES

School Children will Take Jobs at Low Wages

### HOLDING GATE MEETINGS

The National Biscuit Company is preparing to cut the wages of all the young workers in their plants all over the country.

This wage cut is a result of the annual vacations which the school children will receive very soon. Although the cut is not a direct one still it has its effects upon the young workers who are employed at Nabisco and other biscuit factories. It is planned to hire the young school children at a lower rate of pay and put them in the places of the regular employees.

Working conditions are most horrible this part of the year. With the thermometer way above 90 degrees the workers must sweat all day inhaling the dusty flour.

Also rest periods are allowed, these give no relief whatsoever to the tiring, aching and strained bodies of the young workers. The danger of the workers collapsing from the heat is imminent, due to the poor and improper ventilation.

On account of these conditions the workers are beginning to find methods to protest and obtain better conditions, having already arranged for an open air meeting which will be held this coming Saturday, June 6th, after the factory lets out, right at the rear gates. Speakers from the Young Workers League will also address the meeting. This is the first of a number that will be held.

**American Empire Methods.** MANILA, P. I.—Governor General Wood has instructed the constabulary of Lanao province to capture if possible "by peaceful means" Sultan Raya, who escaped last Wednesday. If Raya refuses to surrender, the governor general has ordered the constabulary to use force and, if necessary (!) destroy another fortress where Raya is seeking refuge. Wood is a good valet of the sugar barons.

**Demand No War Training.** Abolition of compulsory military training at the College of the City of New York was recommended in the annual report of the student curriculum committee. The committee stated that the student body is antagonistic to military training and considered it worthless.

## CHICAGO AND PHILLY FOR Y. C. I. DECISION; DOWN FACTIONALISM

PHILADELPHIA.—At a well attended general membership meeting of the Young Workers League of this city, the comrades listened attentively to a report on the recent sessions of the Young Communist International, and the program of the N. E. C. of the League here for summer work, given by John Williamson. After a thorough discussion, a resolution was adopted wholeheartedly endorsing the resolution of the Y. C. I., and supporting the N. E. C. as against the minority grouping, calling upon the latter to put a stop to further factionalism. The resolution, as introduced by Comrade Hills, was adopted by a vote of 39, as against a resolution by Comrade Flanagan, which received 28 votes.

## FRENCH REDS IN ANTI-WAR FIGHT

Doriot, Y. C. L. Leader, Denounced Morocco Imperialism

### COMMUNISTS DEMAND PEACE

(Special to the Young Worker.)

PARIS, France.—Immediate evacuation of Morocco, and the end of the war which French imperialism is making against the Rifians under the leadership of Abd-el-Krim, was the demand made in the French chamber of deputies by the Communist members headed by Jacques Doriot, secretary of the Young Communist League of France.

Doriot, one of the Communist leaders in the chamber, exposed the purpose of the war as an imperialistic move of the Spanish-French North African company which forced the



JACQUES DORIOT.

war in order to control the Moroccan mines and exploit the natives of that country.

**Red Soldier's Letter.** He then read a letter from a French soldier in Morocco, which showed that many French soldiers there are bitterly opposed to the attacks on the natives. The soldier told how the army officers prohibited the singing of the international in the camps and otherwise restricted and censored the soldiers. Abd-el-Krim, he showed, was anxious to negotiate peace terms, and had on several occasions made offers to Marshall Lyautay, which were refused.

The debate, which arose on the recommendation of the government that a credit of 30 million francs be voted to pursue the war, brought out the fact that there are at least 65,000 French troops in Morocco, costing 340,000,000 francs (\$17,000,000).

An important fact was also pointed out when it was proved that one of the main points in their agreement reached between de Rivera and Malvy in behalf of the Spanish and French governments is the construction of a direct railway between Hendaye, on the French frontier, to Madrid and Algeiras on the Straits of Gibraltar. This line is being financed by a group of American bankers!

**Socialist Treason as Usual.** The "socialists," during the debate, again proved that what the Communists had previously called them in argument, was far too mild. Their treason to the interests of the working class and soldiers in fighting against imperialist war was as brazen as ever. They confined their weak-splined criticism to the conduct of the war and refused to oppose the invasion itself.

"The Socialists do not demand the evacuation of Morocco," stated their leader, Renaudel. He merely suggested that the war should be conducted along "defensive lines" and that the number of casualties should be published.

The session was adjourned by the enraged fake liberal, Herriot, when the Communists and the International followed Doriot's speech. The Communists, especially the youth, are carrying on a virile campaign against the imperialist adventure, not only among the workers in France, but also among the soldiers and Rifians in Morocco.

## TEN CHINESE YOUTH KILLED

Supported Strikers in Fight Against Jap Exploitation

### FIFTY STUDENTS ARRESTED

SHANGHAI—Ten Chinese students dead and many wounded was the result of a battle which took place here between the students and police in the so-called international settlement here.

The demonstrations took place against the settlement after a demonstration by a crowd of 3,000 students who were angered by the action of the international mixed court, the judicial representatives of foreign imperialism in China, which held six students on the charge of inciting a recent strike in the Japanese cotton mills. The students tried to march down Nanking road, the chief street of the foreign settlement, carrying revolutionary banners.

When the police stopped the procession by arresting the leaders, the students attacked the police station, demanding their release. The police, composed of Indian Sikhs, then shot into the crowd, killing the ten.

**Fifty Arrested.** Fifty of the students were arrested with many handbills which denounced the foreign imperialists, pointing out that the bourgeoisie of all nations were common enemies of the workers, and had lined up with the Japanese capitalists in seeking to prevent the Chinese slaves from bettering their conditions in the cotton mills.

The recent activities of the Chinese students are due to their awakening as a result of the inspiration of the Russian Soviet Republic, and the work of the Chinese young Communists who are very energetic in their propaganda among the national revolutionary organizations, and all progressive students' groups.

The proportioning of remuneration to work done, when it depends on natural differences of strength or capacity. . . is in itself an injustice; it is giving to those who have, assigning most of those who are already most favored by nature.—J. S. Mill.

## N. Y. Plumbers' Aids Support 'Young Worker' Drive

NEW YORK.—The Brownsville English Branch of the Y. W. L. (No. 2), realizing the necessity of building up the circulation of the Young Worker, decided to get in touch with all young working class organizations in the Brownsville Section. Accordingly a Young Worker Committee was elected and work was energetically begun.

Representatives of the committee were sent down to the Plumbers Helpers, Club, an organization composed mostly of class-conscious young workers and it was here that the first deep wedge was driven for the Young Worker drive.

We were received in the most comradely fashion and our appeal brought forth a fine response. After an interesting discussion it was voted to take a trial bundle order of fifty copies each week for a month.

Thus the Plumbers' Helpers are going to get the Young Worker regularly for a month. We are sure that what they learn of this organ of the revolutionary youth will not only convince them to become regular subscribers, but will also prove to them that the Young Workers League is an organization that fights for the interests of all the young workers and that their duty is to support the Young Workers League and to join it. We expect that the acquaintance these young workers make with our organization will prove of great benefit.

The first blow has been struck. But this only shows the way. Our task is to get into touch with all organizations of working class youth we can and in this way to build up not only the circulation of the Young Worker, but also the Young Workers League itself.

Strange it is that men should admit the validity of the arguments for free discussion, but object to their being "pushed to an extreme"; not seeing that, unless the reasons are good for an extreme case, they are not good for any case.—J. S. Mill.

## VETS TO SUPPORT HAWAII SOLDIERS

Labor Defense Council to Join National Campaign

### FORMING VETERANS BODIES

At the last meeting of the Labor Defense Council of Chicago it was decided that a vigorous campaign shall be conducted for the release of Paul Crouch and Walter Trumbull, Hawaiian soldiers who were recently sentenced for membership in the Hawaiian Communist League.

**To Rally Ex-Soldiers.** In anticipation of an energetic nationwide campaign on behalf of the imprisoned soldiers, the committee decided to enlist the aid of every ex-serviceman in the movement or friendly to it. Names and addresses, name of number of unit served in and rank held, of every friendly soldier, sailor or marine of any of the entente armies in the World War, must be collected by every branch secretary, or by the special committees elected for this purpose.

A mass meeting is planned, in collaboration with an "Ex-Servicemen's Committee for the Release of Crouch and Trumbull," as well as outdoor agitation, petitions, resolutions by organizations, and so forth.

In sections of Ohio, war veterans' committees of this sort have already been formed and are working very effectively among ex-servicemen for the release of the two young Communists. This example should be followed all over the country by every working class element which participated in the last war.

The attempts on the part of the militarist bureaucracy to halt the agitation for the release of the two men by cutting down the savage sentences originally imposed upon them to a shorter term will not stop the efforts of the class conscious workers in this country from continuing the work of demanding the unconditional release of Crouch and Trumbull.

Every worker should see to it that his labor union, fraternal and other organizations pass strong resolutions demanding their release and see to it that proper action on such resolutions is taken immediately. The need is urgent!





