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Young Worker Expelled from Military Training Camp for Opposing Scab Education

(Special to the Young Worker)

CAMP CUSTER, Michigan.—Joseph Plotkin has been expelled from the Citizen's Military Training Camp here, charged with being a member of the Young Workers League.

There was no basis for the expulsion except the suspicions of the officers that Plotkin was a radical. Their suspicions were aroused first when Plotkin took the side of evolution against that of religion in an argument with students in his company. These students told the officers of his wild ideas, and as a result he was carefully watched from then on.

They decided to take action against Plotkin when he objected to certain statements of the officers in the Citizenship Training Courses. In these statements the officers had called upon the recruits to fight against the trade unions "which must be smashed" and had made many other appeals to the students of a definite anti-working class and strikebreaking character.

Once they found that Plotkin was hurting the effectiveness of their lying propaganda, they decided to get rid of him as quick as they could, and in their haste did not even bother to take the necessary legal steps.

He was called before a Major Andrews and a colonel, with lieutenant Evans and Krutheuer acting as prosecutors. This "court" decided to expel Plotkin from Camp Custer because he was "against capitalism" and "for the convenience of the government."

Lieutenant Evans told the court that he believed in the constitution but that "free speech is going too far." The only evidence that the officers had to show was a personal letter to Plotkin which they had stolen after searching his baggage. Plotkin was discharged from the camp without even the customary statement being handed him, as is the customary procedure.

Joseph Plotkin was a member of Co. B, 2nd Infantry, and we are printing a story of his expulsion which has been sent in to us by another recruit in Company B.

ROTTEN FOOD AT FORT BEN

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. The authorities at Fort Benjamin Harrison Citizens' Military Training Camp have narrowly avoided the strike which threatened here last week as a result of the intolerably rotten food which is being forced down the throats of the unsuspecting young workers who came here thinking that they had before them a month of play, wonderful opportunities for recreation and pure, wholesome, nourishing food. How sadly disillusioned these young workers have by this time become is shown by the fact that they no longer rely upon the promises of the camp officers to give them better food but back up their demands by the threat of organized strike.

The apology of the camp administration is that the war department only allows each man in the Citizens' Military Training Camps fifty-nine cents per day for food, and that with so small a sum it was impossible to prevent the dining room orderly from spitting tobacco juice into the sink in which the dishes are washed. However, the petition which the militant elements in the camp have circulated and presented backed by the threats of strike, have taken some effect. There is a noticeable increase in the quantity of vegetables, something practically unknown before the circulation of the petition. To offset this advantage the mess officers have now denied the trainees butter except every morning at breakfast.

Not only are the sanitary conditions bad, but the food itself is of inferior quality. Potatoes, which form one of the chief articles of diet are generally in the first stage of decay when they are being prepared for the table. Grub worms are as common in the potatoes as warps are in pickles. The writer happened to be on kitchen duty one morning when the commander of the company entered the mess hall on an informal tour of inspection. "Captain," he said, "there are worms in these potatoes which I cannot prevent getting into the pan, sir. What shall I do?" "Oh, that's all right," the Captain replied. "We're running short of fat and the worms will make those"

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Recruit Tells How Plotkin Was Expelled

(Special to Young Worker)

CAMP CUSTER, Mich.—Wednesday, August 5th, a student of the Citizens' Military Training Camp of Company B, 2nd Infantry was cross-examined by a high officer as to his views on various political and economical questions.

The day before, two lieutenants searched the private property of the student during his absence and stole some personal letters which criticized the purpose of the camp.

All this happened a week after a discussion on citizenship took place, in which the instructor, a lieutenant, emphasized as American ideals the protection of private property, the freedom of speech at all times, and the right to read and believe anything a person thinks right.

The C. M. T. C. student who was known in his company for his radical views, especially his belief in evolution as opposed to religion was strong.

CAMP CUSTER, Mich.—A week ago a major of the army who is on the medical staff lectured on the high quality of the food at Camp Custer. However, the food at the camp which the first few days was fairly eatable has lately been of a lower quality. Butter at this camp is only an imitation composed of oleo-margarine. Potatoes are given at each meal as they are filling and cost cheap. The meal is usually tough which makes a person mighty suspicious that the army mules which are so plentiful at camp are used for something else besides hauling loads. The reason the food was fairly decent the first week was to make the students of the camp believe that the C. M. T. C. was a fine place to spend the vacation time in, but now the food is getting nearer to the regular army type, very cheap and unwholesome.

This is causing much dissatisfaction among the students and many will skip away from here next year.

Many of them are eating at a private restaurant near by as the food at the camp disagrees with them, and soon spend what little they have and have to write home for more money.

MINERS STAND BY JOE LODA

(Special to Young Worker)

SPRINGFIELD, Illinois.—The coal operators and crooked union officials will have to fight the miners of Springfield before they can frame up Joe Loda, militant young miner and active member of Local 2553 of the U. M. W. A. here.

This was the spirit of a mass meeting of miners here, which was addressed by Fremont Thompson, John Watt, leading progressives and active fighters against the enemies of the union. The meeting went on record as anxious to stand behind Joe Loda to a man, and expressed their sentiment by going on record unanimously for a resolution of the Young Workers League condemning this attempt to frame up a young miner for no other reason than because he was a militant and conscientious fighter for the interests of rank and file of the miners.

Local Officer Supported Loda. The officers of Local 2553 are standing behind Loda, and know from experience that he is being attacked by the operators and their crooked agents within the union only because he is fighting for the interests of the miners and against the interests of the company with whom the Farrington gang so closely collaborates. The Young Workers resolution, passed with enthusiasm by the mass meeting, reads as follows: To all Mine Workers in the State of Illinois:

WHEREAS, It has been clearly proven that Joe Loda was made the victim of a frame-up and that both Miners' Officials as well as Coal Operators were anxious to get rid of Joe Loda for the reasons that Joe Loda was an honest conscientious fighter for the rights of the rank and file and against the scheming Operators and crooked Miners' Officials, and

WHEREAS, The spirit that the rank and file of Local Union No 2553 is displaying in standing staunchly behind Joe Loda is one that is most commendable and has the support and admiration of the rank and file of our union

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WHY THE OPERATORS DON'T WANT A STRIKE



YOUNG COMMUNIST CONFERENCE CALLS YOUTH TO WAR ON WAR

From Our Own Correspondent, WILLIAM RUST.

BERLIN, Germany.—The All European Conference of Young Communist Leagues which concluded here today was mainly concerned with the struggle against the imminent danger of a new imperialist war. The events in China, the war in Morocco and the obvious war preparations which are going on against Soviet Russia all point to the fact that the capitalists and their generals are secretly organizing a new and more terrible war which may flame up at any moment.

Reports were rendered by the representatives on the steps taken to combat the war danger and the conference listened intently to the French young Communist who described the glorious anti-militarist work being conducted in the French army and the great mass movement in France against the Moroccan war, which is being supported by the traitorous Socialist Party. The desperate bourgeoisie dismayed by the

tremendous Communist influence in the army are now taking brutal measures against the Communists in the vain hope that the anti-militarist work will stop.

It was decided to intensify the practical anti-militarist work, especially during the forthcoming Anti-War Week: International Day of Youth will be chiefly concentrated on carrying on the struggle against the danger of a new war. Everybody present at the conference realized the grave danger of a new war and without doubt this conference will result in an enormous strengthening of the young workers' struggle against militarism.

The conference also decided to run a Trade Union Week during October in co-operation with the Red International of Labor Unions, in order to rally the young workers for the struggle for Trade Union Unity and to arouse the dull workers to take up the organization of all young workers into the trade unions.

To The Working Youth

Since the close of the great war in 1918 we have never been so near the terrible danger of a world massacre as we are today.

WAR IS RAGING IN MOROCCO. Thousands of victims are falling to the rapacity of the French and Spanish bankers. All instruments of destruction, of modern warfare, are applied by French imperialism on the field in order to destroy the freedom-loving, brave Rifis and to transform their fatherland into a colony.

To all appearances this war is only being wage between French imperialism and the Rifis; but behind the scenes it is quite clear that a number of other imperialist states are involved in this conflict, although only indirectly, and that the Morocco war

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FOSTER GROUP TO LEAD PARTY

As this issue of the Young Worker goes to press, the fourth national convention of the Workers Party is being declared constituted. The national convention follows a number of district conventions held thruout the country which elected delegates to the national conference. In eleven district conventions of the Workers (Communist) Party held thruout the country on Sunday, the policies and leadership of the Central Executive Committee of the party received endorsement by a very large majority.

The Chicago convention, with 102 delegates, voted for the resolution of the C. E. C. majority by 73 against 28 for the minority. A full delegation of seven supporting the C. E. C. was elected.

In New York the vote was 107 for the majority against 93 for the minority. The delegation of 11 will be divided 7 and 4. Buffalo supported the majority by a vote of 25 to 3, electing two majority delegates. Detroit was divided 33 majority, 23 minority, electing 2 majority and 1 minority delegates. Cleveland stood 36 against 17, electing 2 majority and 1 minority. The Minnesota district elected a full majority delegation of 5, and the California district followed suit with a delegation of 3. The contention of the Oregon and Washington district, by a vote of 34 to 2, elected 2 majority delegates. Connecticut elected 1 majority by a vote of 12, none against, two abstaining. Philadelphia is sending 1 majority and 1 minority to the convention. The third delegate is contested.

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ZEIGLER MINERS CONTINUE FIGHT

United Front of Kluxers and Farrington Gang Fails

STRIKE CONTINUES

(Special to Young Worker)

ZEIGLER, Ill.—The death of Mike Sarovich, active member of the Zeigler local of the United Mine Workers of America, will not stop the fight here between the militant miners and the corrupt Farrington officials who have united with the Ku Klux Klan to protect the interests of the mine owners.

Mike Sarovich was shot thru the abdomen by a Ku Kluxer named Ed Hargis at a local meeting here Tuesday night. Hargis and other members of the Ku Klux Klan had come to the meeting armed along with Lon Fox and Cobb, the Farrington machine officials of the sub-district. These members of the Farrington gang had come at the request of the company to try and force the men to go back to work, after they had gone on strike in protest against the removal of their local union officials headed by President Corbushley.

Excuse for Action.

The Zeigler miners have long opposed the enemies of the union, fighting both the company and its agents within the U. M. W. A. As a result Farrington and his gang have long attached the progressives at Zeigler and have done their best to remove the fighting officials of the Zeigler local. Last year Henry Corbushley, president of the local, was removed from office but was restored to office by a special election. However the Farrington machine has long been waiting for another chance to launch an attack on the progressives in the Zeigler local, and thought that a dispute which arose recently over the removal of a check weighman, and though the miners were prepared to return to work pending a final settlement with the company, Cobb and Fox used this as an excuse to come here and remove Corbushley.

Fox and Cobb Speak at Meeting. Cobb and Fox arrived at the meeting along with a lot of Ku Kluxers. After they gave speeches which were a poor attempt to excuse their actions and to pretend that the officials were supporting the men and not the company, Corbushley, the deposed president of the local took the floor. Corbushley not only told the miners what had been done, and how these officials had betrayed the union, but he showed a handful of letters and decisions which proved his assertions.

After Corbushley finished speaking, Stanley Pauray, assistant pit committee man gave about twenty minutes more exposure of these corrupt officials, and urged the men to stand by the officers of the local who had always fought against the enemies of the union and for the interests of the men in the pits. The miners agreed with him almost to a man that it was out of the question to elect new officers and that the men should remain out until the company recognized the regularly elected union officers. Then the meeting was adjourned.

How the Shooting Started. The trouble started when an ex-checkweighman named Wilson kicked an old man named Farthing, knocking him down. This started a row and tumble during which District vice-

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Young Workers! Demonstrate on International Youth Day

The Eleventh International Youth Day demonstrations are again to be held in all parts of the world. Once more the class conscious young workers gather to struggle against capitalist exploitation and capitalist militarism, to join the ranks of the revolutionary youth, who together with the adult reals of the world will tear down capitalism and build up the Communist society.

This year the young workers of this country are faced with great problems. All over the country the bosses are concentrating their efforts to reduce the wages and lengthen the working hours of the workers. The young workers are the first victims of this drive. The fact that the young

workers are the least organized makes them the first prey of the attacks of the bosses. Besides this they are used as scabs to break down the standards of living of the adult workers.

Moreover, now more than any time before since the last world slaughter, a new world war threatens the working class. Everywhere signs point to a new war more horrible in its consequences to the workers than can be imagined. The brave struggle of the Moroccan tribes against the French robbers is leading to grave world complications. Hundreds of workers and peasants of France and hundreds of Rifians are being shot down in an attempt to drown the spirit of indepen-

dence and liberty of the tribesmen and to insure the rule of French bankers. In China, the capitalists of the world are preparing to drown in blood the uprising of the Chinese workers, peasants, and students who are heroically fighting against the foreign robbers. Already scores have been killed, and American troops are in the front ranks, by order of the militarist clique, of those who attempt to suppress the uprising.

The capitalists of this country will not hesitate to throw hundreds of thousands of young American workers into a world battlefield in a renewed and more bitter effort to establish the rule of American bosses all over the world.

The fact is that they are actually preparing for such an occasion. The Reserve Officers Training Corps, the Citizens Military Training Camps, 4th military training in the schools and colleges, the growth of the Boy Scouts, the increased money which is being spent on arms and ships—all of these are straws in the winds which show the menace to the young workers—the first to be sacrificed on the altar of capitalist profit.

The Communist movement is carrying on a vigorous battle against exploitation and war, against the capitalist system. Back in the bloodiest days of the last war, it was the revolutionary youth which took the lead in the struggle against any further slaughter

of the workers and farmers. That historical fight is commemorated every year by world wide demonstrations on International Youth Day.

Today new war endangers the youth! More bitter exploitation is their lot!

What is the reply of the young workers of America to this danger? Will they merely consent to be led to the slaughter or will they go with open eyes, realizing their duty to change the wars of the capitalists into wars of the workers against their oppressors? The Young Workers League calls upon all the young workers of this country to gather in monster demonstrations to express their determination to fight against new wars, to fight conscientiously only in the class war of the proletariat against the capitalist class. In every city in the country let the voices of the young workers ring out with spirit and forcefulness to show the strength of our arms and the willingness of our hearts!

International Youth Day will take place on Labor Day, September 7, 1925. It is the duty of every unit of the Young Workers League to organize the young workers on that day for struggle! Nowhere shall the opportunity be missed to demonstrate against imperialism!

Down with the preparations for new wars! Oppose all military training in the school

Withdraw American troops from Chinese soil!

Down with the attacks upon upon the Soviet Union!

Organize the united front of all workers against wage cuts!

Demand the six-hour day and five day week for all discrimination against them in the trade unions!

Build the Young Workers League, the fighting organization of the young workers of America!

Long live the successful struggle of the workers and farmers for a Workers and Farmers' Republic!

HOW YOUNG COMMUNISTS FIGHT WAR

Call to Fraternize—Many Arrests

On date 80 French Communists have been arrested. The total number of summons issued are 300 and sentences totalling 230 months jail, plus fines of 26,000 francs, have been awarded.

That is the measure of the success of our French comrades in their anti-militarist propaganda against the war in Morocco. Only last week two Communists were arrested, actually in Morocco itself, and deported for anti-militarist propaganda. Similarly, the Communist mayor of a little French town has been sentenced to six months for a speech in which he called upon the soldiers to refuse obedience and to fraternize with the Rif fighters.

In that word "fraternize" we have summed up the whole of the anti-militarist propaganda of our French comrades, as indeed it must be of all anti-militarist propaganda. "You fraternize in death—why not fraternize in life?" runs the caption under one of the striking cartoons.

Getting it Across.

But how to get this propaganda across? First of all, thru parliament. In this direction the French Communist deputies have given us a novel example of how Communists can and should make use of a bourgeois parliament as a platform for agitation. There is no that here, to quote MacDonald's notorious phrase, that "in parliament it is still a fight of gentlemen." There is no grovelling before the cowardly trapping of bourgeois parliamentary "democracy."

Instead, our comrades in the French chamber of deputies have boldly proclaimed their anti-war attitude, and called on the troops to mutiny rather than aid in the suppression of a little people "rightly struggling to be free." This courageous propaganda, right in the very heart of the "democratic" machine, has naturally enraged beyond bearing the capitalist parties. And the frequent "scenes" have all helped to secure wider publicity.

"Liebknecht Lives!" Our comrade Jacques Doriot has in particular distinguished himself, and he thoroughly merits the comparisons of himself with that other great anti-militarist, Karl Liebknecht.

The second way of getting anti-militarist propaganda across is naturally thru the party press. Our comrades in this respect make full use of their great daily, L'Humanite. Their cartoons, splash sorties, short, snappy paragraphs, streamers and headlines have been admirably done for this purpose. An important feature is the letters from soldiers.

The effectiveness of this form of propaganda is shown by the arrest of four communist ex-soldiers who published in L'Humanite the other day an appeal to their former comrades in arms to fraternize with the Rifis and so bring the war to an end.

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In addition special papers for soldiers, such as La Caserne (The Barracks) and Le Conscriit have from time to time been run. The paper of the French Y. C. L., L'Avant-Garde, makes a special point also of anti-militarist propaganda, and, in general, the French Young Communists have been most active in pushing this propaganda forward.

However, parliamentary and press agitation alone is not enough: anti-militarist propaganda is, from its very nature, bound to take illegal forms. This involves sticking up posters in barracks and camps, distributing leaflets and pamphlets to soldiers, etc. Where colonial troops were engaged, our comrades prepared posters and literature in Arabic, etc. Anti-war "stickers"—like our Lenin stickers—have been found particularly useful.

It is for their tireless energy in pushing forward this particularly important, the hard and often dangerous side of the anti-war work that eighty of our French comrades have been arrested.

WHY THE BOSSES LIKE THE BIBLE



A Speech by Doriot

We give below portions of a speech by J. Doriot, leader of the French Young Communist League, in the French chamber of deputies on May 27, 1925. It is a fine example of how a Communist can stand up in a bourgeois parliament and use its platform for unhesitating propaganda in the middle of a war.

"You have spoken of Rif aggression. You should rather speak of a revolt of the tribes in the French zone, backed up by the Rifis, whom you have tried to starve. The war is much less due to the action of the famished Rifis than to the action of those who have starved them." (Protests and applause.)

An interruption: "Is such language allowed in the French parliament?"

An interruption: "You are defending the cause of Abel-el-Krim."

Doriot: "You are defending the cause of your friends of the Banque de Paris et des Pays Bas, who will profit by these events!"

An interruption: "This speech was written in Moscow!"

(The reader must imagine continued interruptions of this sort throughout the whole speech—retired generals frothing at the mouth with rage, shouts and insults continually hurled at the speaker. We shall omit most of these.)

Doriot: "It is the French government that must bear the responsibility for the absence of negotiations."

(Interruption: "You bear the responsibility of treason!") The workers and peasants will see that those who have refused to negotiate are responsible for the death of the French soldiers who fall in Morocco.

"Already tow war-aims are clearly expressed in all the papers. The first is to destroy the independent Rif state.

"The example of this Moslem people which has managed, by its heroic struggles, to 'revise' the treaties of the imperialists is too dangerous for the imperialists to tolerate.

Bankers' War Aims.

"The second cause of the war is this: The Rif country is rich! The mines are a tempting bait for our bankers.

"On one pretext or another, with or without Spanish help, Marshal Lyautey is going to go into the Rif should the luck of the fighting allow him.

"Then you will be obliged to explain this to the world, to the Great Powers who are waiting eagerly for the moment when the first French soldier puts his foot on the soil of the Spanish zone, to demand imperiously 'recompense' somewhere else, or to propose barter.

"A melodramatic protest, according to Mussolini's custom is, perhaps, already being prepared in Rome, ready for our entry into the Rif.

"That is one of the dangers. Britain, also, is not welcoming our military actions with much enthusiasm. When the English fleet of the southern shore of the Strait of Gibraltar might fall into our hands they will become anxious. What will we do?

the English with which to buy their silence?

"Do not forget also that by your action against the Rifis you are angering the whole of the Moslem world. Even as far as India a great movement to help the Rifis financially has been organized.

"In trying to increase your prestige by force in a little corner of Morocco you have shown your true faces as oppressors of 20 million Moslems!"

Interruption, by the president of the chamber: "France has never oppressed any people!" Interruptions continue for five minutes.

Doriot: "You have spoken of the soldiers from our colonies who died for France during the war, we also have the right to speak of them. These soldiers came from distant places to fight for a cause which was not their own!

Colonies Disatisfied.

"You promised, at that time, to give them the right to vote. Those promises to Algerians and Tunisians are not being kept. A movement of disillusionment and of antagonism to your country has sprung up in these countries. They are thinking of giving themselves a condition of greater freedom than you are willing to accord them.

"In all the colonies where we see a movement of this sort taking shape, for the liberty of colonial peoples to dispose of their own lives, or for democratic reforms, we support them with all our forces!"

(Interruption by Renandel, the Socialist leader: "What about Georgia?")

"My party is for the military evacuation of Morocco; my party is for the formula 'Morocco for the Moroccans.'"

"This little people, the Rifis, wish to organize its country. It has already started."

Interruption: "Yes, with cannon!"

Doriot: "Cannon that you've sold to them, perhaps! The Rifis are waiting for a moment of peace to recommence this work. They would receive with joy the offer of peace."

"You will have to recognize the independent Rif state.

20,000 Dead.

"In twenty years, Morocco has cost 20,000 lives. It has been stated officially. The present war is going to wipe out thousands of men. And this at a moment when Swiss and Poles and Italians have to be called in to cultivate the soil of France!"

(Long interruptions, many members demanding that the president of the chamber should stop Doriot speaking.)

Doriot: "While these soldiers are dying, and the expropriated natives are suffering, the banks are making scandalous profits, dividends that reach sometimes 30 per cent!"

Doriot: "Tomorrow, gentlemen, when the soldiers learn that the peasants and workers are in favor of an immediate peace, they will remember that the sailors in the Black Sea."

(Interruption: "It is a call to mutiny!") "Like the soldiers in the Black Sea, the sailors in the Black Sea will not be bound towards you."

FOSTER GROUP TO LEAD PARTY

(Continued from page 1) The minority elected 3 delegates from Pittsburgh, while the Boston delegation was divided 3 minority against 2 majority.

Basis Laid for Unity.

The basis for a completely unified party has now been held. The decisions of the Communist International on the political line of the American party, as well as the amplified resolutions of the Parity Commission on the tasks of the American Party on all fields, have been accepted unanimously by both groups. The only other question at issue, that of the leadership of the party, can now be considered as settled, in view of the unequivocal results of the various district conventions. The activities and policies of the majority group have been endorsed, while the criticisms of the minority have been rejected.

The amalgamation of both groups, which are fundamentally Communist, for the struggle of the party against the right wing deviations of Loreism, Poyntism, the dangerous tendencies in the Finnish, German, Jewish and other federations, is now the need of the hour in the Party. The thesis for the Bolshevization of the Party outlines the work of the entire party in the accomplishing of this task, and is supplemented by exhaustive resolutions on the subject of the Labor Party work in the trade unions, the reorganization of the Party on the basis of shop nuclei and not upon the basis of territorial and language branches, work among women, anti-imperialist work, the Young Workers League, the Party press, and a number of others.

All of these resolutions were unanimously adopted showing a fundamental agreement on policy at the present time between both groups.

The Young Workers League has taken a very active part in the work and struggles of the Workers Party, more than ever before. The greatest part of the League gave active support to the Foster-Cannon-Bittleman group, and the convention of the Party shows that they reflected the sentiments of the movement in this country.

The factional struggle within the Party can now be considered as practically liquidated. The convention will take up concrete problems for the Bolshevization of the Party and the building of a mass Communist Party in this country. Not a single

workers who faced them. . . . The president of the chamber threatens to end Doriot's speech unless he withdraws or modifies this "invitation to desert."

Doriot: "Let me, so that there shall be no ambiguity. . . . (General de Saint Just: "The government ought to jail you!")"

Doriot: "Let me repeat: When the soldiers learn that the workers and peasants are for an immediate peace, and that such a peace is possible, that the rulers of France

no longer feel bound towards you. "They will remember that, in other circumstances, the sailors in the Black Sea refused to fire on the revolutionary workers of Russia, that the soldiers in the Ruhr fraternized with the German workers, that the Spanish soldiers, on the same front, have not been afraid to talk with the Rifis!"

"And I add: They will hold out the hand of brotherhood to those whom you call enemies. They will impose peace upon you!"

Doriot is answered, and the debate

Young Communists Arrested in Raids

WARSAW, Poland.—Forty members of the Young Communist League have been arrested in the raid here, charged with carrying on agitation in the army.

The raids, in which more than 1,000 Communists and sympathizers were arrested, occurred immediately after an attack on three Communists in the streets of Warsaw by agents of the Polish secret police. The three Communists, Gibner, Kniewski and Rutkowski, fell wounded and several of the police were also injured in the fighting. The Communists were immediately arrested and are being held for trial by court martial under paragraphs 51 and 453 of the old Czar Regime Criminal Code. The sentence is death and the trial has been set for August 19th.

The raids which followed were made in the working class sections of Warsaw, and have surpassed the other brutal raids which have made the Polish white terror so infamous.

Immediately after the raids the Polish Communist Party issued a manifesto that says in part: "The fight against the provocateurs and the bourgeois terror will not cease. In the place of the three heroes shot down today thousands of new ones will arise. On the other hand, the official organ of the Socialist Party, "Robotnik," condoned these acts of the Polish White Terrorists and called for more energetic action against the Communists."

WOULD SELL NATIVES

PARIS—According to the paper, "Ere Nouvelle," Jos. Caillaux would give the French West Indies to the United States and its possessions in the Pacific to Great Britain as part payment of the French war debts. The natives of the islands are not considered at all.

The imperialist government of France, like all other capitalist governments, is ever willing to use its subjects as a commodity to buy or sell, as the case may be, to increase its financial and military prestige. In the case of the natives of such islands as Guadeloupe and Martinique, it will be only a matter of an exchange of American for French marines.

supporter of the Lore group or tendency has been elected to the national convention and there is no doubt but that no Lorette will be elected on the next Central Executive Committee.

The Young Workers League will have three delegates to the Party convention. They are Comrades Williamson, Kaplan and Shachtman.

ZEIGLER MINERS CONTINUE FIGHT

(Continued from page 1) President Cobb was busy using a black jack which the local members are holding as evidence of the good intentions of the Farrington gang. Then the brave Klansmen who had come to protect these sub-district officials, beat it, but not before one of them fired a shot which went completely thru Mike Sarovich. The Kluxer who fired the shot is now in jail, as he was pointed out by the miners to the officers.

The alliance of the Farrington men with the Ku Klux Klan in an effort to protect the mine owners and better fight the men, will not scare the miners in Zeigler but will just induce them to put up a stronger fight, as did the death of Mike Sarovich. The young miners at Zeigler are taking a more active part in the union than ever before and are putting up a strong fight against the enemies of the union.

The men are picketing the mine, and the attempt of the company to bring in a few scabs was unsuccessful and the scabs were told by the pickets that "there would be no work today."

Operations will not begin at the mine until the old local officials are reinstated.

are being carried out systematically by the reactionary British government. Occasionally there is a certain postponement, but the danger, the fact remains, and is becoming ever more threatening. A new war is being prepared against the first Workers' Republic in the world.

Brothers, Comrades!

Are the lives of hundreds of thousands again to be sacrificed on the battlefields of imperialist war? Do you want to be used as cannon fodder against your beloved Workers' Republic—Soviet Russia? We say to you: NO! AND AGAIN NO! Fight against imperialist war! Peace with the Workers' Republic! Liberty to the peoples of Morocco and China! Issue a powerful manifesto against imperialist war and the shady machinations of imperialists during the anniversary week of the last world war!



Chicago Ends Drive; Big Success

OBTAINS 144 SUBSCRIPTIONS IN THREE WEEKS

The subscription drive in Chicago has turned out a big success. In three weeks of the campaign the comrades have succeeded in obtaining more than 144 subscriptions, bringing Chicago close to filling its quota in the red-star sub drive.

Prizes were given to comrades obtaining five or more subs, the following comrades obtaining prizes:

Second prize—Rose Mogul, obtained 16 subs; Second prize—Natalie Gomez, obtaining 17 subs; while the following comrades obtained the fourth prize which was a copy of: "The Romance of New Russia." Ethel Birn, John Harvey, Lenore Sarney, Vera Friedman, Anna Letchinger and Marie Polishuk.

The branches which did best in the drive were Branch No. 2 and No. 5. Branch No. 2 pledged to get 25 subs and secured 43; Branch No. 5 pledged 50 subs and obtained 51.

Buffalo Close to Filling Quota

The Buffalo League which sent in fifteen subs during the week is close to filling its quota of 35 subs. It now has 30 to its credit.

YOUNG COMMUNIST CONFERENCE CALLS YOUTH TO WAR ON WAR

(Continued from page 1) to a conflict between the various powers with unforeseen results since they are themselves disunited and jealous as to who should receive the largest share of the booty.

The struggle in Morocco, just at the events in China, mark the beginning of a new wave of imperialist conflicts, of a new cruel world war.

The Socialist young workers, who but a year ago in countless manifestations (no more war) gave proof of their (pacifist) attitude, are marching in all countries at the orders of the Second International, are marching hand in hand with the people who have just brought about the acceptance in the French chamber of war credits for the Moroccan war. Only the Young Communist International and the Comintern are fulfilling at this moment their international proletarian duty, faithful to the attitude of the Bolsheviks during the world war, and their various sections in all imperialist countries in case of a new war are trying with all the means at their disposal, as Lenin and his followers then did, to bring about the overthrow of their own bourgeoisie.

BEHIND ALL THIS LURKS THE NEW ATTACK ON SOVIET RUSSIA. Already for several months preparations are being carried out systematically by the reactionary British government. Occasionally there is a certain postponement, but the danger, the fact remains, and is becoming ever more threatening. A new war is being prepared against the first Workers' Republic in the world.

Brothers, Comrades!

Are the lives of hundreds of thousands again to be sacrificed on the battlefields of imperialist war? Do you want to be used as cannon fodder against your beloved Workers' Republic—Soviet Russia? We say to you: NO! AND AGAIN NO! Fight against imperialist war! Peace with the Workers' Republic! Liberty to the peoples of Morocco and China! Issue a powerful manifesto against imperialist war and the shady machinations of imperialists during the anniversary week of the last world war!

Put an end to all this! Form a united front against imperialist war whether you are workers, apprentices, soldiers or peasants!

Down with the imperialist robbers! Support Soviet Russia!

The All-European Conference of the League of the Y. C. I. The Executive Committee of the Y. C. I. Berlin, July 21, 1925.

CROUCH AND TRUMBULL ON WAY

CHICAGO.—Paul Crouch and Walter Trumbull, army privates convicted by court-martial in Hawaii for being Communists are on the high-sea aboard the transport "Cambria" bound for San Francisco. The boys are to be confined in the military prison at Alcatraz in San Francisco Bay.

International Labor Defense has cabled to George W. Wright, President of the Honolulu Labor Council, who has had charge of the fight in the courts there, to send all documents concerning the trial to Austin Lewis of San Francisco. Lewis has wired that he will take care of Crouch and Trumbull when they arrive and lead a fight in the California courts for their release.

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INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY

New wars loom! Worse conditions for the working class, and especially for the young workers, is what faces the proletariat.

This year, the revolutionary young workers are once more gathering, in greater numbers than ever before, to demonstrate their opposition to imperialist war and to the vicious campaign of wage cutting and hours lengthening that the bosses are carrying on.

The danger of imperialist war is ever present in capitalist society. But especially at this moment the indications are growing more numerous that war is in the offing.

The Young Workers League calls upon the young workers of America to raise their voices in protest against the dangers of new wars, to express their determination to carry on a war for the working class for freedom against the war of the bourgeoisie for the slavery and murder of the workers.

HAIL THE WORKERS PARTY CONVENTION!

The enemies of the Workers (Communist) Party have taken a malicious joy in commenting upon the internal factional struggle within the Party as a sign of the disintegration of the revolutionary movement in this country.

We have not been afraid to discuss the issues before the Party so that the entire working class might see and hear. We have been discussing the correct means of building a mass Communist Party which will be able to lead the workers in greater and sharper struggles against the capitalist class, and finally on to victory for the cause of the workers.

The fourth national convention of the Workers Party is of special importance. Following after the sessions of the Communist International which laid down the broad outlines for the Bolshevization of the Parties of the International, the American Party faces tasks which are in many respects more difficult than those of almost any other party.

has many obstacles in the way to its growth. Considering also the fact that the United States is the most powerful imperialist nation in the world, that its labor movement and labor leaders are the most corrupt in the world, that its forces of suppression of illimitable and unscrupulous, we realize the difficulties with which we are confronted.

But the Communist movement is fortunate enough to have two advantages over all the political parties existing: firstly, it is working in accordance with historical development; it has on its side the inexorable movement of powerful fundamental forces which are the dynamo of social life; secondly, it has an international leadership, the Communist International, from the collective experiences of which it draws and benefits in the unrelenting struggle for the proletarian revolution.

The main tasks of our Party is at present the liquidation of the factional struggle, which means the amalgamation of both main Communist groups on the basis of correct Bolshevik policy. This can only be an intensive campaign to reorganize and further organize the Party upon the basis of shop nuclei, eliminating the federation form of organization, the deeper and more serious sinking of the roots of the Party into the trade unions of the country, the more energetic participation of the Party in the everyday struggles of the workers on the basis of the united front policy, the winning of great numbers of native workers for our ranks, the raising of the theoretical level of the Party by systematic Leninist training, the struggle against right wing deviations in the Party, and the widespread campaign for the building of a mass Labor Party in this country, based upon the big trade unions, and forming the first mass expression on the political field of the workers, their first organized expression of political consciousness.

The new danger within our Party must be met in two ways. This new danger is appearing in one form or another in different sections of the movement. The menacing head of opportunism in the Party has especially of late begun to crystallize more sharply than ever. In the needle trades fractions of the Party in New York and Chicago, in sections of the Finnish, Jewish, German, Lettish, South-Slavic and almost every other federation, in educational institutions of the Party, these tendencies become more clearly manifest.

In this work the members of the Young Workers League have their part to play. Of late the youth have taken an increasing part in the life of the Party. This must continue, with the provision that the Youth will once more take its historical position with the line of the Communist International. The building of a strong Party core in the ranks of the Y. W. L. is an assurance of the unity of the Communist movement of America.

The national convention of the Party will take cognizance of these problems. The resolutions of the Party Commission, unanimously adopted by both majority and minority groups will be the line of the Party. A Communist leadership is already assured the Party. The task of the Party is now unity: unity against the capitalist class and their lackeys in the labor movement, unity in the struggle against Loreism and the dangers of the right wing in our Party.

Long live the revolution!

White Terror Will Force Another Trial on Sanislav Lanzutsky

WARSAW—Word that Stanislaw Lanzutsky was to be tried the second time after he won his first court battle at Przemysl several months ago, passed like wild-fire thru the working-class quarter here and caused several large demonstrations of protest to be held. One was dispersed by the police. But another, despite police interference was successfully held in the yard of the recently closed headquarters of the building workers' union. Three Communist members of the Sejm addressed the meeting.

The police brought up a large reserve force and because of the battle that took place, continuation of the meeting was impossible. The workers then showed their determination by hanging red flags from houses and telegraph wires.

The Young Communist School at Waino

By NEWMAN DUNKER.

The educational courses, conducted by the head of the Lake District of the Y. W. L., ended on July 26, 1925. Fifty-seven comrades between the ages of 18-24 coming from 33 towns in Minn., Mich., Wis., and South Dakota, spent five weeks in studying Communist theory and tactics. The head of the Lake District is starting to work as those 57 young Communists, armed with the weapon of Communist knowledge, are spreading their Communist understanding in the form of educational classes and above all, in action. At the same time six able comrades are touring the district organizing new branches of the Y. W. L. and strengthening the old branches.

These two facts show that the educational courses have been successful and that the money spent for this school has been very efficiently invested in organizing the league in the northwest. But a great deal of credit in making the school a success is due to the Finnish Federation of the W. P. who actually financed the courses. Comrades Hays, Gannes and Hathaway, the teachers at the courses have done their best in teaching the students. The members of the local branch W. P. have sacrificed their comfort and accommodated the 57 comrades into their houses for the entire five weeks. Even the cooks showed their art in making good meals so that the students may be fit to take in the knowledge. But the biggest credit in making the courses successful is due the students themselves. Coming from four different states and from different nationalities, they showed their Communist spirit and acted like a Communist group ought to act. The students actually governed themselves, did all the outside work necessary, and even disciplined themselves. There were no slackers either at the classes, work hours, or at the dinner table. This is a living evidence how workers can perform their necessary duties without a boss over them.

Altho the comrades, attending this school, have had a little vacation, yet they really worked and accomplished the purpose for which they were sent there. During the five weeks they were given lectures on sociology, economics, public speaking, current events, Communist theory, American history, trade unionism, working class

JAIL HARVEST WORKERS

FARGO, N. D.—Twenty-two members of the I. W. W. were arrested here while on their way to the harvest fields in this state. They were taken from a freight train upon which hundreds of prospective harvesters were riding. Most of those arrested were organizers and delegates of the I. W. W. and were taken in custody by a force of fifty officers and yard dicks.

political history, branch organization, and conducted an open forum, beside the regular period for exercises. The classes started at 9:00 o'clock in the morning and lasted until 4:30 in the afternoon. Periods were for forty minutes with ten minutes for intermission. So it shows that the comrades were really busy. But they showed their Communist spirit when they were not satisfied with the above curriculum and they started to work after the classes to the astonishment of the teachers.

The students organized themselves into a branch of the Y. W. L. with all the regular officers and committees. The educational committee es-

tablished a wall paper on the regular Bolshevik style. The "Yowlec," as the paper was called, was issued twice a week by the students. It represented the school and its students and their relation to the Communist movement. Within the pages of the Yowlec are contained the history of the courses and many revolutionary articles and even revolutionary poems. On July 4, the students went to Superior, Wis., and held two street meetings. It was really a sight to see the comrades get upon the "soap box" with shaky knees but they bore it thru as young Communists should. Being afraid that they would

not get the most out of the courses, they organized "study circles" and discussed their lessons amongst their own groups before going to bed. Beside all this, the students found time to participate in the programs given by the W. P. locals in the surrounding towns. At Ohulu, Wis., they gave the entire program and later organized a branch of the Y. W. L. there. And the commencement exercises held on July 26, was really something worth while to listen to. How different it was from the bourgeois ceremonies.

So in looking over the Y. W. L. educational courses at Waino, Wis., we can really say that it was success-

ful. There were many things lacking, but the experience we have gained will help us in the establishment of such schools in the future. The results of this school are self-evident. It united the head of the Lake District of the Y. W. L. and put new enthusiastic comrades to work in performing our duties as a young vanguard of the working class. The head of the Lake District is having its convention at which its problems will be discussed and the proper policies adopted. After that let's watch the Y. W. L. grow and do its work in the head of the Lake District of the Y. W. L.

CLEAR THE WAY!

Dedicated to the Young Communist International.

By CHARLES ASHLEIGH

Clear the way, you vermin! We're coming! We're coming! Back with you against the sides of houses! Back with you into the dull alleys! Splash your feet quickly through the mud, As you run, Black-coated vermin! Run with your little shiny feet quickly, When you hear us.

We're coming! Ho, there! What is that, cutting the sky in two? What new lightning is it? What is that red ray, Eating up the clouds?

What is this laughter, Coming over the edge of the hills, Like a tropic storm? What thunderous song is that, Shouted From the scarred throats Of a score of craters? Listen:

"We go to pay a visit On the fat ones who smile. And, when we meet them, They may still be fat—perhaps, But they will no longer smile!"

A strong song, Young men—I fear You have put aside polite lutes, And are fingering cannon!

We come, Tossing on uneven roads, With our cannon.

We come Out of the black houses Where you have forced your slaves To bed in dung.

Look! We are young! And your world is dying. We come to blaze the cobwebs From your walls. We come to wave a Red Flag Before your pale pompous faces, Black-coated vermin!

Listen! Youth is the time of love, They say, And of jewelled adventure. Your sweet tame poets have sung of it; And we have read, sullenly, Such youth was not for us; For you have drained our blood Before we were born.

But, there is one joy for our youth, And one deep fever— The fever of battle!

Oh, stand back, You vermin! Here comes YOUTH! RED YOUTH! Triumphant! Trumpeting, From the mouths of rifles, The death of your creaking idols, The end of your long decay!

Stand back, Black-coated vermin! (Your fashion is now dead.) WE COME

TO CLOTHE THE WORLD IN RED! Moscow, May the First, 1923.

Garvey Pleads for Mercy

By EFFIE MAE PHILLIPS.

The Hon. Marcus Garvey, provisional president of Africa, commander in chief of the African Communities Legion, president of the Black Cross Trading & Navigation Co., supreme grand commander of the Order of the Nile, grand commander of the Black Cross Society, president general of the Universal Negro Development Association, self-appointed representative of the Negro Peoples of the World and flunkey extraordinary, has written a 51-page closely typewritten letter to Silent Cal Coolidge asking for executive clemency. Garvey says he is willing to abandon his triumphant entry into Africa at the head of his African Communities Legion, but after straightening up his business will take the first boat out, not even waiting for the good ship Booker Washington.

Garvey has been throwing bouquets at the K. K. K., the Anglo-Saxon-Nordic League and other 100 per cent organizations hoping to get them to intercede for him. Garvey claims too, he conversed with the leaders of the Klan in his official position as representative of the Negro peoples of the world to find out their aims and purposes. He states he found the Klan to consist of upright Christian gentlemen. He further states that the judge and jury that tried him were prejudiced against him, being composed mainly of Catholics and Jews. Garvey says that the Jewish judge was a member of DuBois' National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, that had been persecuting him with the assistance of the Afro-American, a Baltimore, Md., newspaper and the Chicago Defender.

When thieves fall out etc., seems to be the order of the day. The Negro workers who have been supporting the whole bunch are waking up to the fact that for years they have been the dupes of a bunch of fakers who cared not for the interest of the workers, but only wanted to use them as stepping stones, a means of climbing into power and a useless life of ease.

One thing that can be said of Garvey is that he was successful in getting quite a following of the Negro proletariat masses. But the awakening of the Negro masses has begun. They are beginning to see, that the

inter-dependence of the world powers in their attempt to control the economic and political life of subject races and colonial peoples, means a united front must be shown by all oppressed peoples to check the ambitious of a united imperialist class to further enslave their subjects. We are to believe (and we think Garvey will agree with us) that Abd-Krim will fight just as hard to keep out an invading black imperialist army as he will a white one. Abd-El-Krim seems to be giving as much attention to the French Senegalese invaders as he did to the Spanish. Garvey's provisional government made up of counts, dukes, lords, etc., doesn't appear to the native people as their idea of self government. They have had quite enough of white parasites and are in no mood to experiment with black ones.

How Garvey was able to make a

hod-carrier believe he (the hod-carrier) could be made a grand duke or something over the native people by Garvey and without the natives' consent is a secret that we would like to know. Be that as it may: Garvey's followers were sincere in their cause and hoped to better the conditions of a dual oppressed people. Garvey knew this and led them on in the wrong direction and they, trusting him, followed blindly. Now he is willing to forsake them, run away. It is reasonable to think that this mass of Negro workers will see that the guiding light of the Red Star shining from the far off Union of Socialist-Soviet Republics, and will fall in line with the other workers of the world in their march to economic, and industrial emancipation.

Mr. Garvey, any plea for mercy must be directed to an outraged Negro working class.

MOVIE FANS TO SEE THEMSELVES IN CHICAGO MOVIE

Do you want to be a movie star? No chance for you at Hollywood, but you can get into the movies in Chicago if you will attend the picnic of the Federation of the Russian Children's School of Chicago and vicinity on Sunday, Aug. 23, at National Grove, Riverside, Ill. Moving pictures of the separate schools and the crowd in general will be taken and later shown in Chicago and other cities of the United States, and will also be sent to Soviet Russia. Organizations who will attend in a body are urged to prepare signs with their names.

Tickets in advance are only 35 cents and are for sale by all members of the schools, at the Russian Co-op restaurants and at the Workers' House, 1902 W. Division St.

Tell your friends about it and come yourself and get into the movies!

Come Ahead Into the Young Workers League

Springfield Miners Stand by Joe Loda

(Continued from page 1)

everywhere, where upon the other hand nothing but condemnation for the salaried officialdom of the Miners' Union is being voiced by the rank and file who are thoroughly disgusted with the actions of its officers who they are keeping in luxuries and in return are being made the victims of the coal operators aided by the officers whose salaries and expenses the rank and file pay. The rank and file are awaiting the right moment to strike at these arch-traitors and to give rebirth to the organization that is being strangled by the officialdom at the top, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That this mass meeting goes on record as most heartily commending the officers and members of Local Union No. 2553, for their loyalty and militancy in this fight of the rank and file. We commend them for refusing to give in to the combined efforts of officials and operators and feel that their fight will give courage to the oppressed rank and file in the American labor movement and will aid in solidifying our ranks for the struggle to regain our union that

Polish Agents Get Young Peasants for Fighting Rifles

LEMBERG.—Polish agents, representing the French government are taking advantage of the starved condition of 350,000 peasants in Volinia and Galicia to persuade a large force of the younger people to "go to France." The Communist Party has exposed this as a ruse on the part of the French government to forcefully acquire a fighting force in Poland to be shipped to Morocco under the guise of importing Poles to "work in France."

A RUSSIAN VIEW OF AMERICAN EDUCATION.



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