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'VACATION' WILL BE REAL STRIKE, MINERS PREDICT

Communists Raise Real Issues While Lewis Bluffs

MUST STANDARDIZE WAGES

By AUGUST VALENTINE
Young Worker Correspondent

On September first the entire press of the country carried box car headlines announcing to the world the fact that some 150,000 anthracite miners laid down their tools and began taking what is termed by the brass check press a "vacation." The press is busy spreading propaganda in advertising and editorial form. The operators are using the backs of statements or earnings, or what is commonly known as the "due-bills" to carry their propaganda to the miners. This pay is the last pay that the miners will draw for a while. The propaganda on the back of the due bills ended with "sooner or later the dispute must be arbitrated."

The Communists are in this fight to better the working conditions and the standard of living for the miners. The Communist and the Communists alone, point the way of the workers to the solution of their problems.

It is clearly seen that John L. Lewis called the strike to save his face. The issues that he raises are so weak that any weak-kneed liberal woman would ask for the same thing.

The Lewis demands on the operators will no doubt be granted, when the stock of coal is exhausted. The demand are such that the operators can grant them, without losing anything. Lewis has made three "big" demands on the operators. They are the dollar a day increase for the day men, the ten per cent increase for miners and the check-off. But Lewis' big fight is on the check-off. The increase in wages in pushed to the back ground. It is true that the check-off makes it more efficient to collect the dues, but where do the bad working conditions come in Mr. Lewis. Will the check-off remove the intolerable working conditions under which we slave?

Yes, Mr. Lewis we might get the check-off, the dollar a day and the ten per cent increase, but that will not solve our problems. The operators can give a five dollar raise, as long as he can take them out of the working conditions. The operators can give a raise every time the demand is made, and yet the problem would be unsolved. AS LONG AS THERE IS NO STANDARDIZATION OF WAGES, AS LONG AS THE OPERATORS WILL HAVE THEIR SAY WHAT CONSTITUTES A DAY'S WORK,— THAT LONG YOU WILL FIND A FIGHT FOR THE INCREASE IN WAGES IS NOTHING BUT A SHAM (Continued on page 2)

Teachers Pay Visit to Soviet Schools

MOSCOW.—The delegation of foreign teachers have visited Lunacharsky who informed the delegates in detail upon the educational methods in the Soviet Union. The Russian teachers, who at first sabotaged the Soviet power, now work extremely loyally with the latter. Lunacharsky attached a particular significance to the new youth which is carrying out a great work of education and enlightenment amongst the broad masses of the people. Many teachers are now Communists and the children of the peasants and the bourgeois are now taken into the schools without any conditions. Dufour and Durant in the name of the French delegation, Waters in the name of the Belgian delegation, pointed to the colossal successes obtained thanks to the new methods in the schools of the Soviet Union and declared that in this respect THE SCHOOLS IN ALL OTHER COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD WERE BEHIND THE SCHOOLS OF THE SOVIET REPUBLICS.

U. S. Imperialists Rush Marines to Nicaragua

(Special to Young Worker.)

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The American gunboats, Tulsa and Denver, are on their way to Nicaragua after a request from President Solerzarno of Nicaragua, agent of U. S. imperialism in that country.

There are 300 marines on the two boats, who were only recently withdrawn from the country just a short time after being stationed there for years. Uprisings are feared despite the fact that the American minister at Managua, the capital of Nicaragua, has reported everything quiet.

French and Spanish Launch Desperate Offensive on Rif

WASHINGTON, D. C.—This week has been marked by the most intensive drive yet launched against the Rif by the combined forces of France and Spain. The French and Spanish imperialists have massed all available troops in a last desperate effort to smash the advances of the Rifians in their struggle for independence.

The latest reports tell of hand to hand fighting between French and Spanish forces around Tetaun, in the northern part of Spanish Morocco, where despite the fact that they are greatly outnumbered, the Rifians are fighting desperately to hold this strategic position.

In the French Zone.

While the Spanish forces have managed to advance about two miles with heavy losses, the French troops have not been even as successful as that. Although they outnumber the Rifians by 10 to 1, they are not able to advance further, due to the effectiveness of the counter-attacks by the Rifians. Instead they are forced to occupy themselves with consolidating their present position, even being forced to consider the possibility of building roads and strengthening their position sufficiently to remain there all winter. This halt in the huge French offensive is due to the fact that after two days at advance they were halted by the necessity of repairing roads, while if they should advance further they would not only have to repair roads but would have to build them, since there are only burro trails in the mountains ahead.

All Sections Used in Attack

The huge forces used in the latest drive shows clearly how frightened the imperialists are over the threat of losing their hold of their Moroccan colonies. When the combined attack started more than 300,000 men, aided by 120 warships, 325 airplanes and supplied with the most perfect armor from individual rifles to tanks, were used. Colonial tactics have been abandoned, and no limits will be omitted in this last effort to smash the Rifians, much less armed and greatly outnumbered.

On the Monday that the general offensive began the guns roared all day while French and Spanish aviators spent long hours bombing Rifian towns. Further the French and Spanish fleets kept up a steady bombardment from the sea. The American aviators who volunteered their services to the invading forces despite the fact that the U. S. has not taken a side in the war, are boasting of killing large numbers of Rifians in their predator bombing expeditions over Moroccan towns.

PARIS, France—While Spanish and French imperialists are trying to crush the Rifians in their fight to retain their colonial possessions in Morocco, Italy is watching for an opportunity to increase its territorial, economic and political possessions in North Africa, according to recent reports from Rome.

The foreign office is resurrecting old treaties between France and Italy, dating back to 1902, in which compensations are promised if the equilibrium of France in Morocco or Italy in Tripoli, is changed.

"The formation of a Franco-Spanish syndicate for exploitation of mines in the Rif and the change in the status of Tangier under the international regime in favor of France constitutes such a change in equilibrium," it is contended. "It suffices us to think of the French frontiers with the Senussi to comprehend the necessity to protect our interests."

"Two weeks ago the government appointed a high commissioner, assisted by five commissioners, in Tripoli for five years.

LONDON, England—While the imperialists are arguing over whether or not England should be allowed to grab Mosul and its oil, or whether the other European imperialist nations should be given a chance also; the Turks are reported to have massed 70,000 troops near the disputed frontier of Iraq, awaiting the results of the league of nations decisions. Whatever the results of the decision may be, there is little hope of it's being favorable to Turkey, which is the only country having any real claim to this territory.

Originally the territory of Iraq was mandated to England by the league of nations following the close of the world war. Later when it was discovered that there was oil in Mosul, England claimed that this territory which belonged to Turkey should be included in the Iraq territory.

Austen Chamberlain, infamous servant of imperialism is the British representative at Geneva, and the Turks have reason to believe that he will never agree to handing over Mosul to them or to any section which will reduce the British foothold in the middle East.

IN THE ANTHRACITE



Help Save The Young Worker!

To Every Members of the Young Workers League and Every Reader of the Young Worker:

Dear Comrades:
The YOUNG WORKER is in danger!

Twice during the past six weeks our Young Worker has had to miss an issue due to lack of funds and we are now forced to make this open appeal to prevent our WEEKLY YOUNG WORKER from permanent suspension.

Unless immediate and substantial financial support is received our paper which we have worked for and built during these long months is going to be snatched out of our hands just before our national convention. Such a calamity would severely shake the entire foundation of our entire Communist Youth movement. It is therefore the duty of every member, every reader and every unit of the Young Workers League as well as our many sympathizers to immediately rush to our aid.

This crisis is accentuated by the critical situation of our Communist Daily, "The Daily Worker." The Daily Worker has been carrying our credit for some time, but it is now in danger itself and has served final notice that unless our debts are paid the Young Worker will have to revert back to a semi-monthly or even a monthly.

Money is needed—every dollar possible—rush it in!

The National Executive Committee urges every member to rally around the Young Worker so that we can continue its publication. Without our press the Y. W. L. is helpless and cannot reach the young workers with our Communist message.

In addition to this immediate aid, every branch must immediately take seriously the bills they owe the national office. The branches of the Young Workers League owe the national office over three thousand dollars. One city alone owes one thousand dollars to this amount. Negligence to heed the appeals of the Young Worker at this time by these branches is criminal neglect. Utilize the following means to SAVE THE YOUNG WORKER:

1. Rush in money AT ONCE by wire or letter.
2. Immediately pay up all or a substantial part of your old debts.
3. Start an intensive subscription campaign.

The YOUNG WORKER is in danger—will you save it?

National Executive Committee
John Williamson, Nat. Sec'y.
Young Workers League of America.

To Keep the Weekly YOUNG WORKER

I am enclosing \$..... to save the Weekly Young Worker in the present crisis:

Name

Street

City State

(See page 2 for branches which have already come to aid of the Young Worker!)

Y. W. L. Convention Called for Oct. 2nd

By JOHN WILLIAMSON, National Secretary.

More than two years have passed since our second national convention. These past twenty-eight months have seen the development of our Young Workers League from a semi-social, study class group to the present organization with units in all parts of the country and an active participant in the struggles of the young workers of this country. Our influence has increased—our work has broadened upon a mass basis.

Politically the League has developed tremendously, reacting to all the international and national political struggles. Organizationally the league has made advances and the first steps have been taken toward the organization of a real mass Communist youth press, the building of a Communist Childrens movement are only a few of the outstanding accomplishments during this past period.

A closer understanding of the necessity of developing the Y. W. L. has been displayed by the party. Our national convention is confronted with many serious and important tasks. The development of our league brings with it many new problems and experiences to be discussed and solved. The international situation with its lull in the revolutionary struggles in certain countries and an intensified tide of struggles in China, Morocco, etc.; the rapidity with which American imperialism develops country after country; the strengthening and economic development of Soviet Russia and the undercurrent of new attacks against Soviet Russia being organized by the white guard of all countries and many other such problems must all be faced in a true Leninist manner and our program adopted accordingly.

The decisions of the recent convention of the party and its determined attitude to bolshevize the party and as part of such a process the bitter fight to be carried on against the right opportunist sections of the party as expressed by Lore and Kell will be discussed and approved by the youth convention.

"The building of our league into a mass organization having as its immediate goal the recruiting of 10,000 members, coupled with the complete reorganization of the league upon the nucleus basis will be one of the important problems of the convention. The waging of a struggle against American imperialism and the rallying of all the exploited masses in a joint struggle will be discussed and decisive measures taken. Methods of how to participate to a still greater and more influential degree in the struggles of the young workers will receive the attention of the congress and experiences of comrades from all parts of the country will aid in developing better methods and policies for the future.

These and other problems will be discussed in full and the true Leninist interpretation put upon them.

Since the last convention there have been held two sessions of the Young Communist International where the American League has been considered and studied. The Y. C. I. has at all times aided the American League in developing its political line and its activities and one of the most important points of the agenda will be the reports of the recent sessions of the Comintern and the Young Communist International.

The 3rd national convention of the Y. W. L. to be held in Chicago on Oct. 2nd will mark another big step forward in the development of the revolutionary working class youth.

Let every communist, young and old, understand and aid in the development of our Communist Youth movement.

How Delegates Will Be Allotted for Convention

TO All Members of the Young Workers League:

Dear Comrades:—In accordance with the convention regulations the following is a list of the delegates to the third national convention of the Y. W. L. to be held in Chicago, Oct. 2, 1925.

These are distributed according to districts on the basis of the average dues bought over the required months.

Fraternally yours,
John Williamson,
National Secretary.

District	No. Members	1 to 50
1	88.6	2
2	420.6	12
3	139.8	3
4	27.6	1
5	56.6	1
6	153.3	3
7	103.3	2
8	350.6	7
9	179.1	4
12	8.3	1
13	60.0	1
Unorg. Party	33.3	2
		3
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TO All C. C. C's and Branches of the Y. W. L. of A.:

Dear Comrades:—In accordance with the decisions of the secretariat of the party, a committee from both groups in the league have formulated and agreed upon the following basis of convention assessment which should be collected immediately and forwarded to the national office prior to the national convention.

All district assessments not specified according to branches in this list will be distributed by the D. E. C.'s to each branch:

District	Amount
1. (Boston)	\$125.00
2. (New York)	\$50.00
3. (Philadelphia)	\$175.00
Philadelphia, \$125.00; Baltimore, \$35.00; Bethlehem, \$15.00.	
4. (Buffalo)	\$95.00
Buffalo, \$45.00; Erie, \$20.00; Albany, \$10.00; Syracuse, \$10.00; and Binghamton, \$10.	
5. (Pittsburgh)	\$100.00
6. (Cleveland)	\$175.00
7. (Detroit)	\$125.00
Detroit, \$100.00; Grand Rapids, \$25.00.	
8. (Chicago)	\$350.00
9. (Superior)	\$250.00
10. (Portland)	\$50.00
Portland, \$30.00; Northport, \$10.00; Winlock, \$10.00.	
13. (Los Angeles)	\$150.00
Los Angeles, \$100.00; Oakland, \$20.00; San Francisco, \$30.00.	
Unorganized	\$50.00
Hanna, Wyo., \$25.00; Centerville, \$10.00; Denver, \$15.	
Party	\$50.00

Every district must immediately make preparations to raise the allotted assessment. Individual assessments, entertainments, picnic or any other desirable means may be used.

RULES FOR THE Y. W. L. CONVENTION

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE YOUNG WORKERS LEAGUE:

Comrades: We have just had a national convention of the Workers Party. This national convention has laid the basis for the beginning of the unification of our party, for its re-organization and Bolshevization.

It is now the turn of the Young Workers League to do likewise. A conference of the representatives of the majority and minority groups in the Young Workers League presided over by Comrade Green has adopted the following resolutions:

1. The convention of the Young Workers League will open on October 2, in Chicago.
2. The convention of the Young Workers League shall be organized on the following basis:
(a) The secretariat of the Workers Party shall conduct an investigation and on the basis of the findings of this investigation the arrangements for the league convention shall be made.
(b) A committee of two members of each group shall submit to the politbureau of the C. E. C. a statement giving the average figures of membership for each existing district of the league and for the remaining territory delineated according to the party districts.
(c) The dues payments made during the months of Oct., Nov., Dec., 1924, and Jan., Feb. and March, 1925 shall be used as the basis for calculating the actual membership of the league.

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