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BRITISH LABOR AGAINST IMPERIALISM.

Earl Browder in a recent issue of the Magazine Section of the Daily Worker points out the significance of the change in the imperialist policy of the British official labor movement.

But things have not fared well lately with the gouty British lion. The growing misery of the English masses could not be downed by the traitorous action of the spokesmen of the official labor movement.

We have the general impression that resolutions do not mean much. We count more on action. But when we remember that 3,082,000 votes were cast in favor of this sentiment as against 79,000 the discontent with the imperialist machinations of the British ruling class assumes different form and promises action.

Great Britain is a seething volcano. Unemployment is growing. The miners strike is merely gaining momentum during its nine month's wait. What catastrophe for the British ruling class will be born at the end of the nine month period we are not midwives enough to foretell.

And now Shapurji Saklatvala is refused admission to the United States to attend—not the convention of the Young Communist League—but a parliamentary congress; a mere gabfest. This does not mean a revolution but it is another surface indication of the delicate situation that British capitalism finds itself in.

It is often said that England is one country in which a peaceful revolution is possible and expedient. This is merely the systematic bunk peddled by the British ruling class.

struggle that will not be settled by Parliament—that is, by words. The rising fascist make no bones about their intention to maintain capitalism by the force of arms, extra-legal if necessary.

The British working masses show signs of dissatisfaction with the repeated betrayals of the official labor party leaders. A new leadership is growing up that is beginning to speak more like the man on the job. We can promise the British fascist that once the working class there realizes that the soviet government and the dictatorship of the proletariat is the way out of the maze that all the junker preparations will "gang astray."

JUST TAKE A LITTLE GAS.

Are you feeling sort of downcast? Do you need entertainment? Is life getting dreary and monotonous? Don't go to the movies. You don't even have to attend a Y. W. L. branch social. Simply take a whiff of poison gas. There's nothing to it at all, says Dr. W. Lee Lewis in the current issue of the Independent writing in defense of the use of lethal gas in warfare.

Without hesitation we can say that during the past twenty-eight months we have seen the definite fulfillment of the majority of these tasks. It is true that in many of them only a beginning has been made, but this beginning is the guarantee that despite difficulties and obstacles of a mechanical or ideological nature, these important tasks will be accomplished.

Really, now, gas isn't so bad. But what about after the war? What about spending years with rotten lungs? What about the thousands of young workers who leave the army after this humane treatment with gas spitting blood and messing up the shiny machines of the boss?

Dr. Lewis says he would rather be put to death with a deadly gas than with a bullet. Now, doctor, in the name of science and in the interest of the working-class, who after all must sample your gas, why not make a real test of the painfulness of lethal gas by using about a gallon on yourself?

Help Wanted to Aid Chicago Juniors in Future Activities

The Chicago Junior section is completely reorganizing on the basis of School Nuclei. Two sections of the city have already completed the reorganization and are successfully working on the new basis.

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Facing Our Third Convention

By John Williamson

WE are now on the eve of the Third National Convention of the Young Workers League. During the next two weeks the membership of our League will decide upon their representatives to district and national conventions.

Twenty-eight months ago delegates from various parts of the country assembled at our second national convention and adopted a series of resolutions and decisions aimed at breaking the League away from its isolation and drawing it closer to the masses of young workers.

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POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

ALTHOUGH one of the outstanding deficiencies of the last convention was a neglect of current political questions, this has not led to a neglect of this important question by the N. E. C. On the contrary the political development of the League has been especially characteristic of the past period.

In addition to general political activities consisting of campaigns initiated by the League and participation in the campaigns of the Party, the League at all times took an active part in the various Farmer-Labor Party campaigns. In these campaigns the N. E. C. took great pains to see that the specific youth issues were raised and in many cases these demands were incorporated in the political programs adopted.

Throughout the entire Labor Party activity of the Party, the N. E. C. took a position that the Labor Party must be based on the wide masses of industrial workers in the trade unions, in which the Communists, in the present stage of class development, would be the dynamic left-wing giving the impetus to the labor party while fighting and exposing its reformist leaders and developing its activities along lines of struggle with the capitalist class, and as a result with the capitalist state.

The National Executive Committee always maintained that we should not split up the labor movement into various labor parties, but work for a mass Labor Party embracing the entire progressive bloc in the American labor movement. In opposition to the position of the N. E. C., the sole minority member claimed that it was foolish to conceive that the Communists could play the part of left wing and not control and lead the labor party. He also defended the standpoint that it was proper to split the progressive forces in an attempt to form a premature Labor Party, at the same time upholding the famous "August thesis" theory of competing labor parties.

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In these campaigns we must continue to always link up the conditions of young workers with the issues involved and point out the uses to which the youth are put by the capitalists and their political henchmen. Specific demands for the young workers must be continually raised and fought for.

FIGHT AGAINST LOREISM.

ONE of the fundamental problems before the Communist movement in America in the immediate future is the Bolshevization of our Party. One of the first prerequisites of this is a consistent campaign to eliminate Loreism and all similar social democratic tendencies from the Communist movement.

STRENGTHEN THE LEAGUE.

WHILE progress has been made by the League organizationally, one of the immediate tasks before us is the mobilization of the entire membership in a national recruiting campaign, concentrating especially on the basic and heavy industries. Closely bound up with such periodical recruiting campaigns must go the complete reorganization of the League.

The incoming National Committee must pay the greatest possible attention to developing the apparatus of the League and maintaining a greater number of functionaries both nationally and in the districts. One of the greatest weaknesses of the League is the lack of capable comrades to mobilize the membership for action and to carry out successfully the instructions and outlines of the higher bodies.

ORGANIZE NATIVE BORN YOUTH.

A REAL effort must be made by the Y. W. L. to organize

the English speaking and native born youth. The tendency to accept the lines of least resistance and organize only the language speaking youth who have some revolutionary background in the "old country" must be overcome and our recruiting campaigns must be aimed to a greater extent at the native born youth whom we must assimilate into our ranks.

While the first beginnings have been made in economic activity, our work in this field must be greatly extended and intensified, with the view in mind of penetrating the basic industries to a greater degree and obtaining better organizational results through our activities. Our many experiences in factory campaigns and economic work generally will lay a real basis for the further amplification and extension of activity. Closely bound up with our general economic activities must be intensive activity in the trade unions. In order to get the full results out of this work and so to link up our activities nationally, we must organize a national network of Young Communist Fractions.

In the future the League must see that the Party assume its proper share of responsibility regarding such activities as Junior work, anti-militarist and sport work. It is also essential that the Party take decisive steps to insure the overcoming of the unnatural phenomenon of a large influx of immature League members into the Party. These members were rushed into Party membership before being prepared in the Y. W. L. In order to preserve these comrades for our movement as a whole, steps must be taken by the Party immediately.

WHAT HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED.

The present N. E. C. has followed out a consistent policy towards developing the League politically and organizationally. At all times we have maintained the importance of proletarian leadership as a fact and not merely as a cover. It has been our consistent aim to limit the factional struggle to its positive side as far as possible.

At all times we have aimed at unifying the League. It was the present policy of the N. E. C.

which initiated the idea of AN EQUAL NUMBER OF COMRADES FROM EACH GROUP AND A PARTY REPRESENTATIVE. This is not only a sincere step towards the unification of the League, but by demanding an N. E. C. composed of an equal number of each group plus the Party representative, thus ensuring the political line of the Party in the League, the national committee has again proven the correctness of its policy. However, this policy of the N. E. C. was only accepted by the minority comrades after severe pressure had been brought to bear upon them.

The N. E. C. stands today as it has always done, in line with the Communist International. We are working towards the fulfillment of the political line laid down by the C. I. and will work in close co-operation with the Party for the development of this line.

During the major part of the time since the last convention, the N. E. C. has had to contend with a bitter factional struggle conducted against it. This has assumed an inexcusable character, going so far as to be continued after the decisive declaration of the Y. C. I., supporting the N. E. C. and repudiating the accusations of the New York comrades. Despite this unwarranted and repudiated factional struggle conducted by the minority, the N. E. C. has persistently kept to the front the activity of the League.

The N. E. C. comes before the League membership on the basis of its policies and work. At all times it has considered the membership the best judge of its leadership. Our policy has been a realistic one and not one of underestimation and defeatism for factional reasons. The seeking of the advice and aid of the Y. C. I. has proven of immense value to us in all our activities. The membership in considering the future leadership of the League and before deciding to whom it will entrust its opinions at conventions, must remember the following important points which have marked the development of the Young Workers League under the present N. E. C.

1. POLITICALLY the League has developed to a greater extent than ever before, despite the fact that there was practically no political discussion at the last convention and has been quick to react to national and international political struggles. We have actively participated in the Farmer-Labor Party campaigns and the consequent political discussion in the Party. We have taken a decisive stand against Loreism.

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al membership of at least 3,500 (although one of the defects is negligence in regular dues payments with the result that records show only 1,800 dues paying members). A beginning has been made in reorganization and the membership has been ideologically prepared for complete reorganization. Already many nuclei have been organized and two cities have completed their reorganization on the basis of the working area branch. This period has also been marked by the building of a Communist children's movement, the start of real economic-trade union work, anti-militarist activity, etc., etc.

3. OUR PRESS has been developed from a monthly magazine to a semi-monthly paper and finally we have been successful in establishing a weekly newspaper. In addition a Communist Children's magazine has been launched and has been developed into newspaper form. Various pamphlets and leaflets have been published.

4. THE Y. C. I. has approved the leadership of the N. E. C. after considering the activities of the American League carefully at its last sessions. Such a stand was taken by the Y. C. I. in the face of the many accusations and charges made against the N. E. C. by the minority comrades. The Y. C. I. stated: "The Central Committee of the Y. W. L. of A. has shown lately, by the way it is conducting the League's work, that it is capable of being the leader of the American Youth League in full agreement with the E. C. of the Y. C. I. We are convinced that it will be able also in the future to lead the Y. W. L. in accordance with the lines laid down in this resolution and in the resolution of the Enlarged Executive of the Y. C. I. on the American question."

5. THE N. E. C. HAS REALIZED its aim of keeping in strict line with the policies of the Communist International at all times.

6. THE N. E. C. PROLETARIANIZED the leading committees of the League. This N. E. C. has actually realized this aim, and has brought comrades active in the shops and unions into responsible League work after giving them a minimum of political education.

7. FOR THE UNIFICATION OF THE LEAGUE, the N. E. C. has maintained a consistent policy and has always been ready to take steps towards real unity. We have aimed at all times to bring the entire forces of the membership into activities and in this way guarantee the continued political and organizational advancement of the Young Workers League of America.

The Third Communist Youth Convention

By NAT KAPLAN.

ON Oct. 2nd, the delegates of the Young Workers' League (The American Section of the Young Communist International) will gather in Chicago to their Third National Convention. There will be 42 delegates representing about 1800 members.

The last convention of the league took place in May, 1923. This convention laid the basis for the shifting of the center of the activities of the league from its internal problems to its broader task of winning over the masses of young workers in this country to the banner of Communism. It accomplished this by adopting a realistic program of activity for all fields which effect the struggle of the young workers against capitalism in its relation to the general class struggle.

The present convention of the league will have the task of reviewing the activities of the league since the Second Convention and on the basis of its own experiences and the experiences gained from the international movement, to lay down its tasks for the future.

A POLITICAL LEAGUE.

A chief task of the league is the extension of its political activity. In the last period the league was actively drawn into the inner political life of the party by participating in the

discussion on the Labor Party and Lore questions. The drawing of the league into this discussion was a necessary and a healthy step. The league as a whole learned many valuable lessons on how it can best accomplish its task of spreading class political consciousness among the broad masses of the working class youth.

The young workers who are being drawn more and more into political life since the close of the world war will form the best detachments of the proletarian ranks. These young workers are in the main unskilled labor. They do not enjoy the special privileges enjoyed by the aristocracy of labor. A section of them has been absorbed into industry during the period of agrarian crisis from 1920 to the middle of 1924. The youth section of the working class does not give rise to language differences. Thus they form a vital force in the leveling process which is germinating in the depths of the working class. Unconsciously they are helping the economic factors which give birth to a homogeneous working class; economic factors which lays the foundation for class political action. Those young workers who are under 21 years of age are disfranchised in the parliamentary campaigns of the capitalists and as a consequence have little political consciousness, let alone re-

volutionary class consciousness. This force must be drawn into the political life of the working class.

THE YOUNG WORKERS AND THE LABOR PARTY.

The Labor Party campaign of the party is one of the most effective means of setting the masses into action politically against the capitalist state—of having them take their first steps away from the fold of the capitalist parties. At the same time it is one of the most effective means of giving the young workers political class consciousness. In the Labor Party the young workers can struggle for the inclusion of demands dealing with their special situation in the struggle. Thru this struggle they will gain political recognition.

In this regard the convention of the league will have to take notice of the fundamental errors made by the leadership of the league. The National Executive Committee of the league opposed the Labor Party in principle. A leading member of the N. E. C., Comrade Schachtman declared: "We cannot be a part towards creating a new illusion for the working class—the illusion of the Labor Party." The N. E. C. declared itself opposed in principle to the setting up of any middle-of-the-way organization, believing that such bodies spelled the liquidation of

the Workers' (Communist) Party. It could not understand the fundamental basis of the Labor Party movement and when in the November, 1924, elections the LaFollette movement absorbed large sections of the Labor Party movement, it declared that a campaign for a Labor Party would neither be profitable nor successful. It believed that two opposing classes could exist within the LaFollette movement without giving rise to deep going crisis.

THE QUESTION OF LOREISM

The National Convention will also have to take cognizance of the attitude taken by the league leadership on the Lore question. For a long time the N. E. C. contended that the Lore question was a mere political football used by one of the party groupings and not a real issue. In its statement on the party differences it recognized the Lore group as a definitely opportunist group but declared that a greater danger existed in the party in the form of the Labor Party opportunism of the Ruthenberg group. Thus the N. E. C. endeavored to direct attention away from the struggle against the right wing into a struggle against the Ruthenberg group which supported the position of the Comintern.

The Communist International has made definite decisions on these questions. It took (Continued on page 4)



DELEGATION OF YOUNG WORKERS PAYS VISIT TO SOVIET RUSSIA

Young Austrian Workers Enthusiastic on Arrival

(Special to Young Worker)
MOSCOW, U. S. S. R.—A delegation of young workers from Austria, consisting of two social democrats, four non-partisan, and one member of the Young Communist League, arrived here yesterday at 7:45 A. M. These young workers were met all along the way by huge demonstrations which were arranged in all cities and towns where a Young Communist League exists. When they reached Moscow they were met by a big crowd of workers and peasants who had come to the station to meet them. A big open air meeting was held at the station and greetings were extended to the young Austrian visitors by representatives of the Russian Communist Party and Young Communist League. A plan will be worked out for the delegates to visit the factories and the government offices in Moscow.

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The visit of the Young Austrian Workers.

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R.—The Austrian delegation of young workers which arrived here recently visited the textile mills today. They were anxious to know about everything and asked all kinds of questions as to the conditions, wages and hours for the young workers in the textile industry. They also asked about unemployment and about the safety devices in the mills. These and many other things were explained to them before they left for a meeting of the Moscow Soviet where Comrade Lubimov greeted the delegates in the name of the Moscow Soviet telling

of the work of the Soviet and pointing out how many workers and peasants participated in its work in that district.

After Comrade Lubimov finished his report the delegates asked questions. Comrade Geblishke, a young worker who was expelled from the Social Democratic Party for going to Moscow with the delegation, asked Comrade Lubimov the following questions.

In Austria the capitalist press has been writing that the Communist Party of Russia has about 800,000 members and that they oppress the Russian workers and peasants. How can they do this if they don't make up a majority of the country?

In what way are the workers and peasants outside of the party drawn into the work?

Comrade Lubimov gave very satisfactory answers to all of these questions and the young Austrian workers were left with no doubt in their minds, also answering the question of Comrade Lande, a young girl worker, as to the special taxes placed on the neamen.

Visiting the Rest Homes for Young Workers.

After the meeting of the Moscow Soviet the delegates left to visit the rest homes provided by the government for the young Russian workers. They were greeted at these rest homes by young workers there on their vacations, and a dinner was given in their honor. They visited all the offices at these homes and were surprised at what they saw after all the lies that had been spread about Russia by the capitalist press.

In the evening the delegates returned to Moscow in time to attend all the meetings that had been arranged by the Moscow districts. Although they were tired they participated in these meetings and showed how great was their enthusiasm for the Soviet Republic.

Third Communist Youth Convention

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definite stand against Loreism and in favor of the Labor Party campaign. At the recent party convention the Comintern sent a last decision in regards to the "ferences in the party. It declared that "It has finally become clear that the Ruthenberg group is more loyal to the decisions of the Communist International and stands closer to its views." This decision resulted in having the Ruthenberg group assume leadership of the party. The leaders of both groupings in the league have made the first step towards laying the basis for a united stand behind the Comintern decision and the new C. E. C. of the party. In conference the representatives of the N. E. C. decided to give a majority of the next national executive committee to the adherents of the Ruthenberg group. The national convention of the league will unite solidly behind these decisions thus laying the basis for the liquidation of factionalism.

THE IMMEDIATE PROBLEMS OF THE LEAGUE.

With the major points of differences settled before the convention, the convention will be able to get down to rock bottom work. Both groupings in the league realize that the league is in a weak condition. The building of the league from the bottom up, without boom reports and exaggerations, will be the immediate task before the convention. The league convention will have to realize that the reports sent to the Y. C. I. by the N. E. C., that the league has 3,500 and even 4,000 members, are not based upon facts. An over-estimation of the strength of the league will only hinder our work. The league convention will have to definitely leave behind it the period of journalistic activity not only here and there, but on all fields, and enter into the stage of actual struggle. It was with this in view that the agenda of the convention was formulated. The convention will discuss how to apply the process of Bolshevization to the league. With this will come the important question of the reorganization of the league on the basis of shop nuclei. Altho the league started this work before the party, the exceptionally good start made by the Org-bureau of the party, makes it necessary that the league speed this work up and give it the same national direction like the party.

This will also bring to fore the question of Leninist education. An agitprop department must be set up by the new N. E. C. There will be a report on the achievements and future tasks of the Junior section, Economic Trade Union Work, Defense work and the work among Negroes. A Negro comrade must be elected to the new N. E. C. Besides these problems the convention must lay the basis for our Anti-Militarist and Anti-Imperialist work, our work among the exploited young farmers and agricultural wage workers, for an effective struggle against our opponent organizations (Y. M. H. A., Y. M. C. A., Boy Scouts, Y. P. S. L., etc). The convention will also discuss the activities of the league in its endeavors to set up a mass

working class sports movement. As an educational treat for the delegates and the entire league the convention will discuss the draft program of the Y. C. I.

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Young Workers' Correspondence

Describes Trenton Upholstering Plant.

TRENTON, N. J.—There is established in this city an upholstering manufactory that due to its working conditions warrants a little publicity which may prove of some benefit to those employed there.

The owner of the business like most of his kind (petty manufacturers), in his search for a building to be leased or bought cheaply has been very successful, at least to all outward appearances. The building that he has established his business in is so old that if it was able to talk, one would hear tales of Washington's stay in Trenton. And like most buildings of this character the sanitary conditions are not very conducive to the maintenance of one's health. In the toilets there is always a fetid atmosphere, and the windows throughout the entire building are very small and never washed.

What with these conditions there are produced parlor suites ranging in price from \$50.00 to \$500.00 netting the owner a handsome profit as we may not from the following. There are employed about 30 workers (all male), 15 of them being apprentices ranging in age from 16 to 22 years. The boys are told upon their being employed that they are now to learn a trade and the wages will necessarily be small, \$10.00 to \$12.50 per week. They are told that as they advance in skill and proficiency they will receive a higher wage. But they only suffer an illusion as the owner soon makes it so miserable for them that they leave and others in turn are ensnared. In this way he keeps his cost of production down as the work performed by these boys requires very little effort to master it. There is also such an efficient division of labor that the boys perform only one act in the manufacture of the mattresses and parlor suites, such as the placing of springs, making arms for the chairs, stitching, etc. By the time the products reach the upholsterers there is little left to be done, and this they do very fast thereby acting as peacemakers for those below them. And

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Sargent Plant Won't Employ Foreign-Born

New Haven, Conn.
 Dear Comrades:—The Sargent plant here refuses to employ workers of foreign birth.

This taboo does not apply to the factory, however, but to the office. The general manager of the firm discovered that a girl who was hired for the office staff three days ago, was of Russian birth. Altho he was compelled to admit that he was satisfied with her work, he summarily dismissed her.

This ban against foreigners in Sargent's office dates back to almost a century ago.

In the factory, however, there is no nativity test. The only qualification is that one work long, hard, and fast for little pay—all the while in danger of injury.

The Young Workers' League of New Haven has conducted a drive at this plant some time ago to win the young workers for its policy of militancy and a fight for better conditions. The members of the league declare that Sargent & Co. have not yet heard the last of them. Nor will they ever, if one judges by the greed of Sargent's and the fighting spirit of the league.

Tokio Also Accepts.
TOKIO, Aug. 26.—The cabinet today accepted China's invitation to attend the customs conference at Peking, beginning Oct. 26, and expressed willingness to enlarge the discussions of the conference to include eventual customs autonomy for China.

the owner comes along with his peacemaking for five minutes and then while perspiring profusely points to the results of his maddening efforts and asks why the workers can't continue at such a pace for the entire day of 10 hours. Yes, the 10 hour day, 50 hour week is in vogue in this "modern" shop. And the owner is so liberal with the workers' time that he makes them work 10 1/2 hours on Tuesday, so they will only have to work 4 1/2 hours on Saturday and quit at noon.

As for the older employees, they receive the fabulous sum of \$30.00 to \$35.00 per week of 50 hours.

It would be advisable for the young workers after reading this article as no doubt most of them will, to band together immediately and organize themselves into a local league of the Young Workers League. With the political and economical education they would receive by subscribing for and reading the weekly paper "THE YOUNG WORKER" and other publications issued by the Young Workers' League, and participating in all of the local industrial and political activities they would soon realize their strength and social position in society, and become class conscious fighters in the struggle for the freeing of all workers from such damnable conditions.

Young Miner Tells of Pinchot-Lewis Pact.

The Lewis-Ingalls-Pinchot "conference" concluded last Tuesday did so many wonderful things for the anthracite mine workers that it is almost too wonderful to speak of.

To be serious, this great "conference" that was supposed to do so many things for the miners was nothing more than a political move on the part of Pinchot, in order to "get in" with the people of the Northeastern part of the state to pave his way into the Senate next year, and if he gets there, to use that as an "iron horse" to the 1928 Presidential contest. These so-called "humanitarians" always step in to save the "public" (whatever that animal may be) but when the operators raise the price on the coal tonnage these "arbitrators" of "humanity" fail to see the "public".

Poor Pinchot! His thinking machine is working overtime of late. The mighty problems confronting him for solution is how he is going to put the skids under Senator Pepper, right hand man of the State Republican machine, willing tool of the Grundy interests.

Pinchot issued no statement after the conference containing anything only that the conference was very "interesting". Pinchot was the first to act. Many thought Pepper would jump first but old man Giff beat him to it. First come first served seems to be Lewis' motto, for he very willingly accepted the offer to attend the meeting. Pepper, too, had a motive for his contemplated interference, which was to beat Pinchot out of the laurels and skin him decisively in the strike affected area. Pinchot was of the same opinion, to bolster his group in this section preparatory to opposing Pepper next year at the primaries for the senatorial nomination.

And the union officialdom; do they believe in arbitration, even if they do shout so loud in condemnation of it. Cappellini let the cat out of the bag recently in a speech at Old Forge when he said—"it was only a question of time until Collidge would intervene" and put it in such manner that it would be entirely acceptable to him. And Lewis, he too loves the angel of arbitration, as demonstrated in his speech at the Tri-District convention in Scranton late in June of this year, speaking on how the "captains of industry," some "god-fearing men," (Schwab, Rockefeller, Watson, etc) were treating his great Jacksonville agreement as a "scrap of paper." Lewis threatened a general strike a shut-down he called it, if it would continue adding, "while the government and the coal operators and representatives of the mine workers discuss the question" etc.

This is evident, that Lewis and his officials are not opposed to arbitration and government interference but openly welcome it—welcome it by an

element who does not know the conditions or problems of the miners, and they to set the wages and standard of living of the miners.

Old Forge has a burgess. His name is Frank Constanza. Frank is a pretty good fellow, when he is sleeping. Frank owns half the speakeasies in Old Forge and gets a royalty and commission from the other half for permitting them to operate. Frank has other side lines, a few gambling joints and a pull with the officials of the local collieries, the operators' officials.

Old Forge is a working class town with a working class population. Workers' meetings are always well-attended and not molested. But this is election time in Old Forge. Old Forge goes to the polls to vote soon. Frank is a candidate to succeed himself, against another candidate who is a member of the local union of the miners.

Progressive Miners, Another Organization.

Frank is worried; worried over an organization known as the Workers (Communist) Party. He has another worry. It is about another organization known as the Progressive Miners' Committee. These two organizations have picked Old Forge, domain of Frank and his booze joints, to hold several strike meetings.

We must remember this is election time and Frank is worried. Frank must keep the support of the officials of the Jermyn colliery otherwise his chances of election are slim. Frank does not want to offend the operators lackey officials. And yet he wants the support of the miners of Old Forge. Frank, therefore, has forbid the Workers Party and the progressive miners that they cannot hold their proposed meeting in the town park next Wednesday. Frank listened to his master's voice and acted accordingly.

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OLD FORGE, PA., KINGDOM OF BURGESS FRANK CONSTANZA, TO WITNESS COMMUNIST COURAGE

By AUGUST VALENTINE
OLD FORGE, Pa., Sept. 23.—Old Forge lies between Scranton and Wilkes-Barre. Old Forge is a typical mining town, predominantly of an Italian population who are more radically inclined than their fellow workers in other towns. The Italian population elects a complete Italian administration every election, elects men who are ostensibly favorable to labor.

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