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MARINE SERGEANT LETTER METHODS USED AGAINST VOL- UTIONARY FORCES IN NICARAGUA

Repeats False Charge That Sandino is a Bandit
SERGEANT-SPY NOT SATISFIED
DESPITE "LIKKER" AND "BROWN GOILS"

The YOUNG WORKER has come into the possession of a letter written by Sergeant C. F. Bell, Serv. 5th Regiment, 2nd Brigade, U. S. Marines. This regiment is part of the Marine forces in Nicaragua which is carrying out the bidding of the Wall Street Government in Washington to exterminate the heroic Sandino forces who are fighting for the freedom of Nicaragua. With the aid of Sergeant Bell and his ilk the Wall Street Government in Washington has just put into power a puppet president in Nicaragua by running a fake election.

This degenerate Marine officer, who according to his own admission, is seldom sober, has the nerve to repeat the catch phrase of his general staff, that the heroic Sandino army fighting against heavy odds for the emancipation of Nicaraguan workers and peasants from Yankee imperialism is a "bandit movement". Sandino is as much a bandit as Shay was in the American revolution of 1776.

The Panama Canal is not sufficient for the war plans of American imperialism, another canal is needed across Nicaragua. That is one of the reasons why the Wall Street government recently announced that only 1228 marines will be brought home from Nicaragua, but that 3200 will be left for active service. The canal has to be built, the Wall Street Puppet government maintained in power and Sandino completely wiped out.

meanst the Northern Area. Right now because of my knowledge of the Lingo—I'm big joe Picado. I catch hell every time the old man or his staff want information on bandit movements. I dress up in native clothing and dirty my face up and how—Boy I'm a regular "gook". Its interesting work—too damned interesting at times. Some of the Black Buzzards are wise to me, so its getting a bit risky at times.

Well Bill, shippin' over is the last thing I ever expect to do. I just got kinda—well hell Bill I had a damn mean hangover when I wrote home that time. You know how a fellow feels when he's like that. I've got 183 days to today or 6 months and 1 day. Not so bad Eh Bill. Boy when I get 'er finished I'm thru—never again for this "tropical Jyrene".

....The only thing good about this country is their likker and its imported. Sure is one hell of a place. The hot climate raises hell with a guy and then these damn little brown and high brown goils lookin for White Babys Oh my—God deliver me from I say out. Boy—Bill they're hard to resist when your ter. is at 100 and they begin to coax for a White Baby.

Liction comes off Nov. 4. Bill—our learned highly Esteemed Intelligence Service has it that there will be no war. Damn it all here I've been waiting 18 mos for a real war (So's I could have a "good" excuse to want to get back to the U. S.)

Our aircraft certainly has given the playful Brown.. Brothers.. something to think about. Ground straffing and bombing. Say Bill these nigger shaven't a chance. Well Bill I'll have to close M'face cause its getting late.

CHUCK

P. S. How about an answer sooner than I did Bill? —C

W. I. R. Head Is Arrested

Fred Biedenkapp, national secretary of the Workers International Relief was arrested Jan 26th while addressing a working class gathering. Warrants for the arrest of Biedenkapp, Paul Crouch and Albert Weisbord, secretary of the National Textile Workers Union, have been issued. The arrests are part of the 662 New Bedford strike cases.

Big Navy Bill Brings Imperialist War Nearer

THIS WAR MEANS INCREASED PROFITS
FOR OUR EXPLOITERS

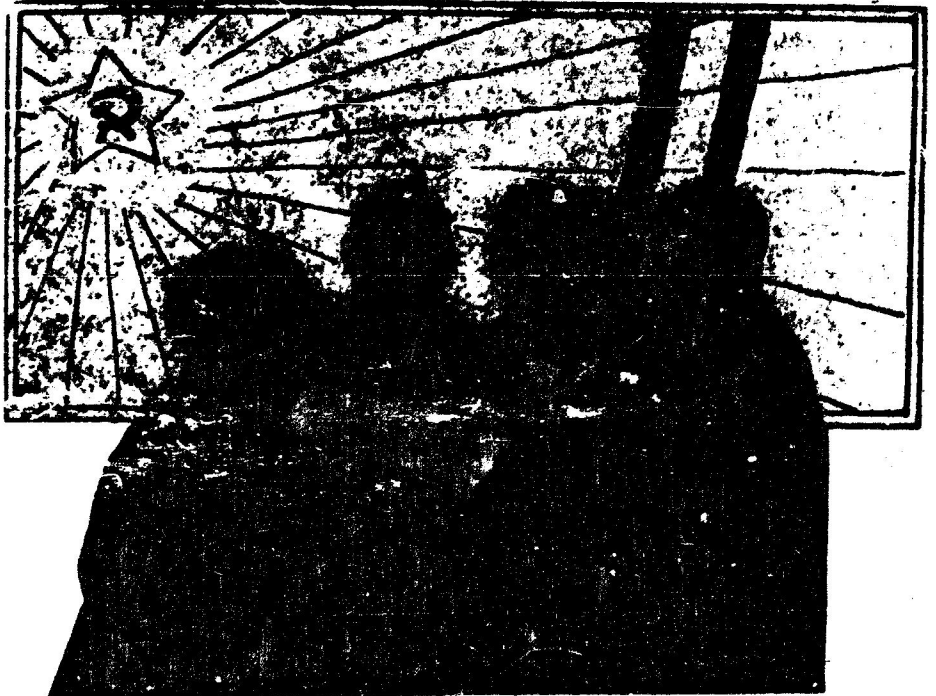
The Wall Street Government in Washington has ratified the Kellogg "Peace" Pact. The big capitalists are satisfied. Their intense war preparations are now covered by a thick pacifist smoke screen. The petty bourgeoisie is satisfied, since their gentlemanly request that the big bourgeoisie be "less imperialistic", has been answered by "peace" on paper. Now that this small matter is disposed of the Wall Street government gets down to the more serious business of preparing the war.

After the Kellogg Pact comes the 15 cruiser bill. Both are part of the war preparations of the U. S. against Great Britain. Such a war is necessary for capitalism. The issue is whether the U. S. shall continue its world hegemony by grabbing up more colonies, more sources of raw materials (oil, rubber, etc.), more

desiring a navy second to none in power and efficiency—a navy commensurate with our world commercial and political position." That is it, U. S. imperialism has to maintain its "world commercial and political position." Thus the war preparations are rapidly proceeding on both sides of the Atlantic.

Senator Borah, that arch hypocritic spokesman of the big bourgeoisie, does not feel that the Kellogg Peace Pact is enuf of a smoke screen to cover up the proposal of the 15 cruiser bill, so another "harmony" bluff must be perpetrated in the form of a proposal to call a conference for the recodification of international sea laws. But Representative Fred A. Britten spills the beans: "Steel ships with big guns", plus airplanes are far better than "friendly treaties" in enforcing the rules of the sea.

The next war is immanent. There is no time to waste. The 15 Cruiser Bill must be immediately passed and the ships built in the next three years. The National Republic jingoist magazine expresses the issue as follow: "So the conclusion after all this: either a navy big enough to protect our (read Wall Street's) legal



Leninist Education is Combined with Vocational Training in Soviet Work Schools (See Page 4)

places for the investment of the huge surplus of finance capital. The old distribution of the world after the last war is no longer suitable. America and England are the main contenders for a fresh redistribution of the world.

That is why the 15 cruiser bill is up before Congress. That is why Wall St. government shouts: "A Navy Second to None." On Jan. 27th the chairman of the House Committee on Naval Affairs Fred A. Britten, declared: "When I talked with President-elect Hoover the other day he certainly gave me the impression of

and just rights, or the acceptance of England's control of our commerce in time of difficulties."

The war being prepared is an imperialist war in the interests of our exploiters. This war means the annexation of new territories by our bosses, it means the subjugation of new millions of peoples under the heel of Wall Street, it means that fresh efforts will be made to throng the fatherland of the world's toilers, the Soviet Union, it means increased exploitation and misery for the masses of

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Managua, Nic
Oct. 7, 1928

Bill

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Reproduction of part of Marine Sergeant's letter.

The letter of the Sergeant proves that despite the "likker" and the "high brown goils" which are supposed to keep the marines contented while fighting for Wall Street that there is much grumbling against the unbearable conditions in the service. Even this hard-boiled tool of Wall Street is looking for a "good excuse to get back to the U. S." It is a type like this sergeant who would be used for the despicable work of spying on the revolutionary workers and farmers in Nicaragua.

Despite the statement of Sergeant Bell that "these niggers haven't a chance", U. S. imperialism will find its way obstructed more and more in its aggressive penetration of Latin America. Sandino is not alone. He has the backing of the revolutionary forces of all the Americas, including the U. S. Furthermore Sergeant Bell can look forward to more Marines leaving the service of Wall Street and going over to the side of the revolutionary forces.

The full text of the Sergeant's letter follows:

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Organizing Young Coal Miners

NEEDLE YOUTH PREPARE FOR BIG DRESS-MAKING STRIKE

To Reach Unorganized Youth

NEW YORK CITY—Now that the elections in the New York organization of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union are over, with the officers of the Joint Board and separate locals elected, the young needle trades workers are looking forward to the struggles ahead. A

BLAME WORKERS FOR COAL MINE EXPLOSIONS

Lewis-Boylan Machine Responsible

Frame-Up Investigations

WILKES BARRE, Pa.—Fred Moerrell—miner, lost his life and a few others were injured in an explosion at No. 20 colliery of Lehigh & Wilkes Barre Coal Co., on Jan. 14. The company is trying to take the responsibilities off their

BUILDING OF YOUTH SECTION IN EVERY LOCAL OF NEW MINERS UNION IS AIM

Instrument For Organizing Unorganized Young Miners For Youth Demands EDUCATION AND SPORTS ACTIVITY PLANNED

By C. L.

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—“The start has already been made in the youth work of the National Miners Union,” said Joe Tashinsky, organizer of the National Youth Section, as I asked him to give me some data for the YOUNG WORKER. “We haven’t much resources yet, but the National Executive Board, realizes the importance of reaching the young miners and is doing their best to get the locals started in this activity.”

I asked Joe, just how he is proceeding to get the locals active in reaching the young miners? “Well, the first thing the locals have to do,” said Joe, “is to organize their apparatus for this work. This means to establish a local union Youth Section. These youth sections are to be composed of all members of the local under 25 years of age. A meeting is called of all these young members of the local and they are organized into the Youth Section. The members of the Youth Section have all the rights and privileges of the other members of the N. M. U., but they also meet regularly in their Youth Section. The first meeting of the Youth Section elects an Executive Committee that plans the work for the Youth Section.”

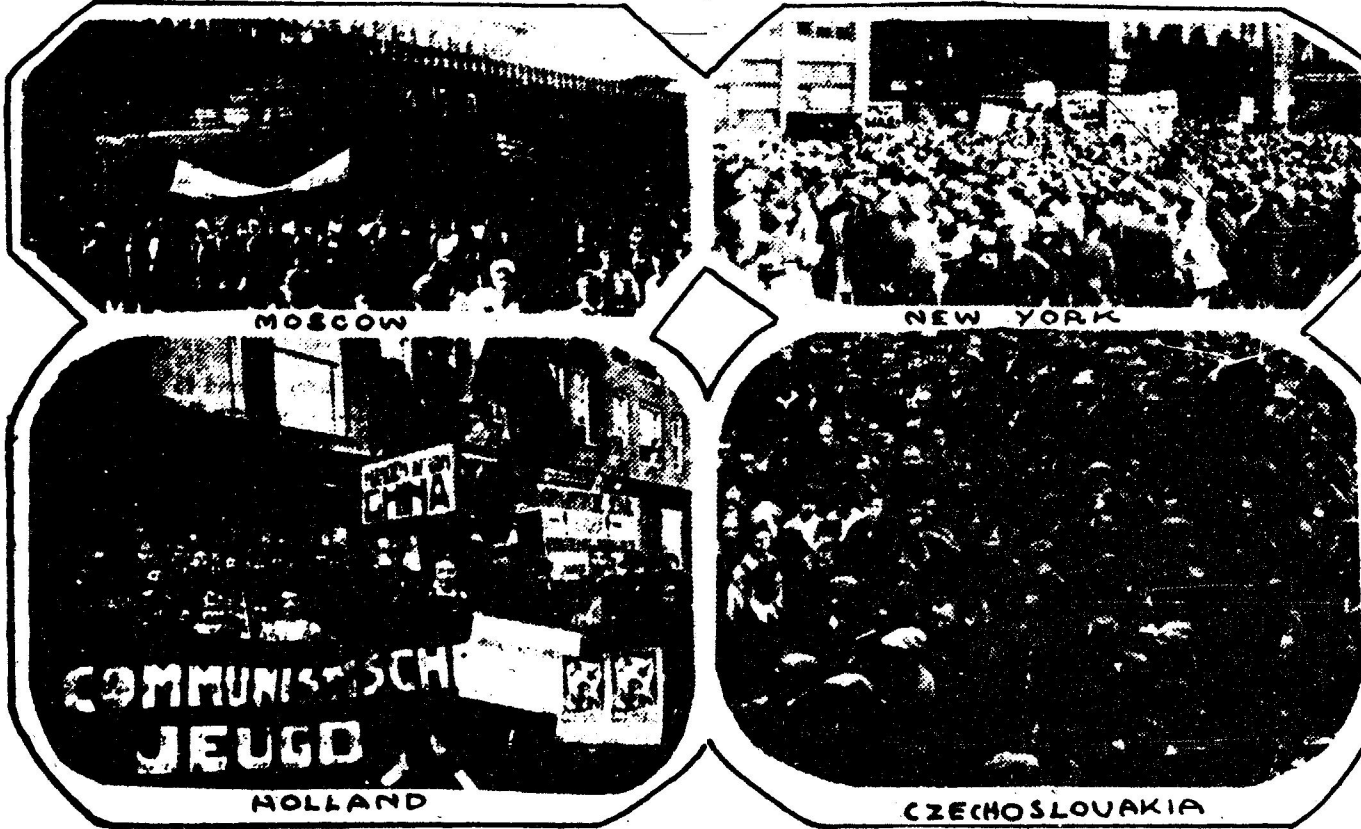
Just exactly what work can this Youth Section carry on I asked? “First of all, it rallies the young miners behind the general policies of the union, it carries on agitation for the N. M. U. and gets miners to join the union. It is an instrument for the organization of the unorganized young miners. Secondly, it establishes educational, social and sports activity to keep the young miners interested in the union and to reach new young miners. Thirdly, the Youth Section carries on a struggle in defense of the economic interests of the young miners and gets the union to take up this struggle. That means it fights to include clauses favoring the young miners in wage agreements. It fights against any discriminations against the young miner inside the union or on the job. In general, I can say, the Youth Section is the champion of the rights of the young miners.”

“It is true”, Joe went on, “that if this Youth Section was in the hands of reactionary officials in some A. F. of L. Union, they would use it to keep the young workers separated from the adult workers, to keep them out of the class struggle. But in our new fighting Miners Union it has just the opposite result. The young miners stick together with the adult miner and the adult miner sticks by the young miner. We have only made the start now, but we can definitely say that the majority of the young miners will be in our ranks in the not distant future.”

I went away with the thought in my mind that there is a future for the new fighting union in the coal fields. What a big difference between the attitude of the N. W. U. officials, and that of John L. Lewis and his gang of operator’s tools, to the young miners.



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LENINIST YOUTH IN ANTI WAR DEMONSTRATIONS

general strike in the dress manufacturing industry immanent. It is the only way to restore union conditions in former union shops and gain them for the many never-organized shops in this industry.

In this connection the young needle trades workers play an important role. Large numbers of young workers are being employed in the unorganized shops and the new union will have to perfect its apparatus for reaching these young workers.

In the coming strike, as in the past struggles, the militant young needle trades workers will line up solidly with the adult workers to give battle to the bosses and “socialist” agents of the company union.

Two Y. W. L. Members Pinched For Giving Out Liebknecht Leaflets

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—Comrade E. Rabin and M. Baylin members of the Young Workers (Communist) League were arrested yesterday because they distributed leaflets announcing the memorial meeting to be held in honor of Karl Liebknecht and Rosa Luxemburg who were murdered while actively engaged in organizing the revolutionary movement.

The leaflet was being distributed to the students of the University of California at Los Angeles. Other leaflets were being distributed at many of the factories.

Many were present at the Liebknecht-Luxemburg memorial meeting, which showed that our distribution was successful in spite of the police.

15 CRUISER BILL (Continued from Page 1)

the young workers in the U. S., it means that the young workers will be the first to be killed and crippled for the profits of the imperialists.

It is clear that our interests demand a struggle against the imperialist war danger. The war danger cannot be fought with pacifist nonsense which only disarm the workers in the struggle against the war. Our struggle against the war

shoulders and to blame the entire accident on the “carelessness” of the workers.

The usual excuse in these cases, given by the Company, is carrying down the mine cigarettes and matches and this excuse was a predominant factor during the inspection. The fellow workers, who were closely associated with the victim of this explosion claim, that since they know him, they never saw him smoking or carrying cigarettes and matches down the mine. But the investigation still maintain that those things were found on the killed man.

The miners who are sacrificing their lives for the profits of the coal barons and who live from day to day were not convinced by this fishy investigation and besides being dissatisfied are very determined to put a stop to this kind of frame-up. The contract system, which is highly developed in the Anthracite, the reactionary union of United Mine Workers with its dictator and agent of the coal operator, Mr. Lewis, who ruled with the iron hand, the corrupt union officials who will more readily blacklist the miners, then to improve and fight for their conditions, are responsible for all these disastrous accidents. These accidents are so numerous that Mr. Boylan, president of district No. 1 and successor of Cap-

danger must be carried on with the understanding that only by struggling for the complete destruction of our own-bourgeoisie, our own capitalist system, can we really abolish war and secure peace. With this as our guiding line we must increase our work in the factories, within the armed forces, in the ship yards, in the auxiliary military forces against the war preparations.

Washington, Jan. 29.—President Coolidge is not only in favor of starting work on the 15 cruisers as soon as the bill passes, but is in favor of will further increases. Thus the opposition to the clause that the cruisers shall be completed in 3 years is only a sham to appease certain quarters.

pellini is so used to them, that he merely takes them as “god’s punishment”. In order to illustrate these unbearable and hazardous conditions in the hard coal fields, it is necessary to bring forth the following list of a few accidents which occurred on the same day with that explosion:

1. Rudolph Kline suffered right leg injuries, when hit by a falling prop in Baltimore No. 5 mine of Hudson Coal Company.
2. Stanly Davinski caught underneath a fall rock, suffered several fractured ribs in Delaware mine of Hudson Coal Co.
3. John Evans, suffered a hand injury, when hit by a piece of falling coal in No. 3 mine of Kingston Coal Co.
4. Lous Sulgalon, suffered palms and lower spine injuries, when pinned between a prop and a mine car in Prospect mine of Lehigh Valley Coal Co.
5. Leo Grohutski, hit by a piece of falling coal in Franklin mine of Lehigh and Wilkes Marre Coal Co., suffered face and head lacerations.

Support The N. W. U.

All the above mentioned accidents are due to the fact that Union of United Mine Workers of America, ceased to be an organization for the workers and became a union for all the labor fakera, contractors and agents of coal operators. A holy trinity, which is solemnly united under the banner of American Federation of Labor.

There is only one miners union, which was formed by the workers and which is progressing on the road toward a full emancipation of all the workers and this is National Miners Union.

And even in the Anthracite, which is the only hope and stronghold of Mr. Lewis, miners are awakening by the good work of this union and last parade in Pittston in which thousands of miners were participating, has shown to the bosses that all their efforts to kill the N. M. U. will be unsuccessful. Miners will always fight against the real labor union and will always fight against the vicious capitalist system under the banner of National Miners Union.

LABOR SPORTS



Labor Sports Athlete

ARRANGING FOR AN INDOOR ATHLETIC TOURNEY

The Michigan District of the Labor Sports Union, in conjunction with the National Office will conduct an Indoor Athletic Meet for the Middle States.

The following list of events will be the schedule for the meet, for which prizes will be given in three classes and special attention of the clubs is called to club competition.

- Wrestling in all classes.
- Boxing
- Apparatus Tri-Event.
- Soccer Dribble
- 440 Yard Relay (Men and Women)
- Free Style gymnastics (Men and Women Clubs)
- Basket Ball (Men and Girls)
- High Jumping (Standing, Men).
- Running High Jump (Women)
- Standing Board Jump (Men and Women).

The meet will be run off in the Finnish Labor Temple, 5969 14th St., Detroit, Mich., on Saturday and Sunday February 9th and 10th.

M.W.S.L. Cup Competition

The Metropolitan Workers Soccer League (L.S.U.) is conducting an elimination cup competition among its teams. The first round of the competition in the "C" division started the first Sunday in January. The "B" division starts the first Sunday in February and the "A" division the first Sunday in March.

Brooklyn Workers Soccer

The schedule of the Brooklyn Workers Soccer League "A" division includes: Feb 3rd, Freiheit vs. Red Star, Highland Park vs Scandinavians, Athletic vs. Spartacus.

START MADE IN BUILDING L. S. U. IN CALIFORNIA

In Los Angeles a Sport Club has been organized and sports are being carried on in the true workers spirit. We have tried to affiliate with other Sports organizations to form a Labor Sports League in the city. But the capitalist have all the sport clubs joined into some league where they are under the control of some larger capitalist organization. They have the clubs divided into racial organizations, Italian, Jewish, Mexican and other na-

TEXTILE ORGANIZER FINDS 12 HOUR DAY IN MILLS OF SOUTH

Negroes are Jim-Crowed; Child Labor Flourishes

By MARIO THUMADC

I went in some mills in Charlotte, North Carolina to get a job and do some Organizational Work for the National Textile Workers Union and I found out that the conditions are pretty bad and they need a workers organization to help to improve them.

The workers work during the day time 11 to 12 hours a day and get 11 to 15 dollars a week. The night workers work 12 to 14 hours a night and get 15 to 20 dollars a week.

The Negro workers cannot get a job in a mill and they hire boys of 14 years of age to work in mills. The sanitary conditions in the mills are also very bad.

The shantys that the workers live in are in very bad shape and aren't good enough for any animal to live in. These shantys are owned by the mill owners and the workers pay 60 to 80 cents for rent a week. The bosses have the workers that way so in case of a strike they can throw them out of their houses.

In the South the Negro workers and the white workers can not associate together. They have separate street cars and separate courts and every thing else you think about.

Young Worker Song Writing Contest

THE YOUNG WORKER will offer a \$10.00 library of books to whoever writes the best song between now and May 1st, 1929. Everyone can try it. We want to get every militant young worker not only to sing rebel songs, but to write them too. Don't say you can't do it before you have even tried. Here are the rules:

- (1) The music does not have to be original. It can be a rebel parody of some so-called popular song. The judges will stand for anything except the music of a "Mammy Song".
- (2) The judges will be selected by the National Committee of the Young Workers (Communist) League.
- (3) All contributions printable will be printed in the YOUNG WORKER.
- (4) All contributions must be in the YOUNG WORKER office by May 1st 1929.

C'mon there, reader, write as you fight! See if you can write one as good as this popular rebel song:

The RED FLAG

The workers' flag is deepest red:
It's chrouned off our martyred dead.
And ere their limb grew stiff and cold,
Their hearts' blood dyed its every fold

Chorus:

Then raise the scarlet standard high,
Within its shade we'll live and die.
Though cowards flinch or traitors sneer,
We'll keep the Red Flag flying here.

nationalities divided into separate organizations. Despite these difficulties we will fight hard to organize a Labor Sports Union here.

At present we are organizing Basketball teams and tennis teams which will compete with as many factory teams as we can.

In San Francisco altho no start has been made our tasks will be on the same basis as in Los Angeles.

After we have made contact with factory clubs and teams we can show them why they should join the Labor Sports Union.

It is of the utmost importance to combat the capitalist sport movement and to show to all the workers why capitalists are so anxious to give the workers sports.

U. S. SOLDIERS IN 1920 WERE FOR THE BOLSHEVIKI IN VLADIVOSTOK, SIBERIA

(Story is told by an ex-service man who was in the American Expeditionary Forces in Siberia)

Dear Comrades:

As an ex-service man now residing in Milwaukee, Wis., who has had more than three years with one of the American regiments and who saw service in the Philippines and Siberia, I can state accurately just what I saw in the army.

Officers of the "Red Light"

When we were stationed in Siberia engaged in fighting the Bolsheviks, our officers showed the greatest streaks of yellow in skirmishes with poorly armed Russian workers, and would take to their heels at the first shot. Many of our own enlisted men are probably still doing time in the U. S. prisons for taking their officers examples in seeking amusements. There was quite a bit of venereal disease brought into Siberia by the Japanese Forces and it did not take long to spread through out the whole Red Light district of Vladivostok. This red light district was protected by Admiral Kolchaks Government, which was a government financed and backed by Wall St. exclusively. If necessary I can name over 30% of the U. S. army officers that were infected with venereal diseases, many of whom had families in America.

Bolsheviks Capture Vladivostok

Some time in the early part of 1920 after the fall of Admiral Kolchak's government, word came that the Bolsheviks were advancing toward Vladivostok, which was the allied headquarters. It was rumored that they would occupy the city by Saturday. Then you ought to see the fear among all the Allied Officers. They walked through the streets like buck privates with their insignia in their pockets. The Allied Officers ordered a strong line of resistance around Vladivostok and expected to give the Bolsheviks a hot reception on their arrival. But the Russians were always clever enough to outwit them, and beat them at their own game. Saturday came and to every one's surprise there was a big Red Parade down Dvetsianska Ulica, the main street of Vladivostok. And the Allied troops were still on the outskirts of the city waiting to give the Russians the "hot" reception.

How did the Bolsheviks get into the city was the question? You see they were there right along. Some were inside the army of Kolchak and others were in the city as workers. Only they were waiting for orders from their newly

BOOK REVIEWS

BOSTON by Upton Sinclair Albart and Charles Boni, New York. 2 vol. \$5.00 755 pp.

"BOSTON" and "The Jungle" are Sinclair's most important fiction though both are less useful than his factual "Brass Check", "Goslings" and "Goose Step". Volume Two is far the better—it covers a detailed and fascinating form of new evidence of Sacco and Vanzetti; the details of new evidence and appeals, that hectic 1927 summer.

The author gives far too much space to the lives of the rich and his social outlook is as cockeyed as usual. He agrees with certain other "Marxists" that the American proletariat, whose fierce and bloody history covers ten thousand savage strikes is hopelessly bribed and bourgeoisified. I am fed up. For a century the American worker has killed and been killed on the picket line as routine. This is a stiff test of morale and guts. Such a class can ignore the praise or censure of a shallow but well meaning pamphleteer.

Sacco and Vanzetti faced their foe and met their doom with a steady courage that can not be out done. They were worthy sons of our class and deserve to be listed in red letters among the hundred thousand dead we have lost in the past ten years. (Finland, Hungary, Ger-

organized Workers Government when to declare their presence.

There were huge piles of coal in the coal yards of Vladivostok that were guarded by the American forces. The Russian people were not allowed to use this coal to keep themselves warm. But when the workers government took charge there was a radical change from hunger, cold and misery, to joy amongst the workers. Food and fuel were distributed among the workers and hospitals were opened to them. Palaces and apartment hotels were thrown open to families that did not have a home. While all this was going on all the American enlisted men were restricted by the officers to their quarters. Strong chain guards were placed about them to deprive them from getting into close relations with the Bolsheviks. But that did not stop us. Most of us found ways to slip away and learn the real facts. Many of our own boys even participated in the big Red demonstration and were punished for it by our officers.

Punishing Soldiers

When our outfit was ordered out of Siberia we were packed into the old U. S. S. Cattleboats like sardines and shipped to the Philippines.

The reason we were marooned on the island, was in order to discipline us, and to drive the Bolshevik out of our minds that we inherited in Siberia. The Philippines and Hawaii islands are difficult places to go "over the hill." Due to the cruelty of the officers there were at least 25-34 prisoners sent to U. S. prisons each month. This was the taste of "civilization and democracy" we received.

The treatment the officers handed out to the enlisted men explains the many suicides among the soldiers. I intend to write additional articles to the Daily Worker and Young Worker telling in detail how the Government robs the poor soldiers out of their mealy wages, by unjust fines, and about the fake \$10,000 insurance policy which is forced on them. I have written a letter to the Secretary of War demanding \$435.00 that I have been cheated out of, but have received no answer yet.

In conclusion, I would like to call upon every ex-servicemen to write their experiences in this paper, and I promise to write more articles also.

Yours for the Working class

J. L.

many, Italy, Kerensky's Russia and twenty thousand jails). Sinclair as was to be expected, of an intellectual sets forth pacifism, pacifism. He cowers always, before the threatening bourgeoisie. Last year in an open letter to the Soviet Union (published amazingly in the Daily Worker) he warned the Soviet Union to bow the head and bend the knee, that it is helpless before embattled capitalism. On the contrary, we, the workers, are so strong in the Soviet Union and outside that we defy the bourgeoisie—"Touch us if you dare".

"Boston" is enthralling reading though as I mention above this pacifist pessimism is damned irritating.

JOHN LILBURNE

BILL HAYWOOD'S MEMOIRS
"BIG BILL" HAYWOOD was for a generation an outstanding leader in the American labor movement. His fame as a revolutionary leader began during the great labor struggles of the Far West at the beginning of the century. Coeur d'Alene, Cripple Creek, Leadville, and Ludlow, Lawrence and Paterson, the Moyer-Haywood-Pettibone case, and the Chicago I. W. W. trial, in which Haywood played a prominent part, are landmarks of class warfare in America. In "Bill Haywood's Book" the reader will find a complete story of all the struggles and Haywood's part in them, up to his departure for Soviet Russia. An account of his life and work during his sojourn in the Soviet Russia, is also included in the book — Two editions \$3.90 and \$2.90.

Formation of Communist International

By V. I. LENIN

(From a letter by Lenin to the workers of Europe and America—written January 12, 1919).

NOW, on the 12th of January, 1919, we find a great number of Communist proletarian parties, not only within the confines of the former Empire of the Czar, as in Lettonia, Finland, Poland, but also in Western Europe—in Austria, Hungary, Holland, and finally in Germany. When the German Spartacus League—led by its world-renowned and celebrated leaders, by such real supporters of the cause of the laboring class as Liebknecht, Rosa Luxemburg, Clara Zetkin, and Franz Mehring—finally broke off its co-operation with the Socialist traitors of the Scheidemann and Suedekum stamp, these social chauvinists (Socialists in words, but chauvinists in action), who forever contaminated themselves by their alliance with the imperialistic brigand bourgeoisie of Germany and with Wilhelm II; when the Spartacus League took the name of the Communist Party of Germany, then the foundation was laid for the real proletarian, the real international, the real revolutionary Third International. The Communist International became a reality. Its formation has not yet been formally established, yet in fact, the Third International is already acting.

Now, no conscious workingman, and no sincere Socialist, can fail to see what shameful treason against Socialism was perpetrated by those who, in line with the Mensheviks and "social revolutionists" of Russia, with the Scheidemanns and Suedekums of Germany, with the Renaudels of France, and the Vanderveldes in Belgium, with the Hendersons and Webbs in England and with Gompers and Co. in America, supported "their" bourgeoisie in the war of 1914-18.

This war has completely revealed itself as an imperialistic and reactionary war of brigandage on the part of Germany, as well as on the part of the English, French, Italian and American capitalists. They now begin to quarrel between themselves about the division of the captured spoils, about the division of Turkey, Russia, of the African Polynesian colonies, of the Balkans, etc. The hypocrisy of phrases about democracy and the "League of Na-



tions" is being rapidly exposed when we see that the left bank of the Rhine is being taken by the French bourgeoisie, when we see that Turkey and parts of Russia, (Siberia, Arcangel, Baku, Krasnovodsk, Achabad, etc.) are being captured by French, British and American capitalists, when we see that the division of the spoils of brigandage makes for increased hostility between Italy and France, between France and England, between England and America, between America and Japan.

Side by side with these cowardly penny-wise mongers who are stuffed with the prejudices of bourgeois democracy, side by side with these "Socialists" who yester-

day defended "their" imperialistic governments, and who today confine themselves to platonic "protests" against military intervention in Russia—side by side with them we see in the Allied countries an increase in the number of those who have chosen the Communist road or the road of MacLean, Debs, Loriot, Lazzari, Serrati—the number of those who understand that only the overthrow of the bourgeoisie and the annihilation of the bourgeois parliament, only Soviet rule and proletarian dictatorship can put an end to imperialism and safeguard the victory of Socialism, safeguard a permanent peace.

Then, on the 20th of August, 1918, the social revolution was still confined within

the borders of Russia and the power of the Soviets, i. e., the whole state power, in the hands of the council of the representatives of the workers, soldiers and peasants, seemed to be (and in fact was), a purely Russian institution. Now, on the 12th of January, 1919 we may notice the powerful Soviet movement, not only in parts of the former Czar's Empire, as Lettonia, Poland and Ukraine, but also in Western European countries, in neutrals: Switzerland, Holland, Norway; (of those that have suffered from war), Austria, Germany. The German revolution, which is particularly important and characteristic, as it takes place in one of the most developed capitalistic countries, at once took the Soviet form. The whole trend of the evolution of the German revolution, and, especially, the struggle of the Spartacides, the sincere and only representatives of the proletariat against the alliance of the Scheidemannist and Suedekumist elements, with the bourgeoisie; all this clearly shows the historic aspect of the conditions in Germany.

"It is a question of either Soviet power or bourgeois parliament, under whatever name (as a national or constitutional convention) it may appear.

This is the world-historic formulation of the question. Now it can be said, and it must be said, without exaggeration: The "Soviet power" is the second world-historic step, or stage, in the development of proletarian dictatorship. The first step was the Paris Commune. Marx's genial analysis of the meaning and importance of this Commune in his book entitled "The Civil War in France" shows that the Commune gave birth to a new type of state, the proletarian state. Every existing state, even the most democratic republic, is nothing but an apparatus of one class for the purpose of suppressing the other classes. The proletarian state is the apparatus whereby the proletariat suppresses the bourgeoisie. Such suppression is unavoidable because of the savage, desperate and unscrupulous opposition which is evidenced by the landowners and capitalists, the whole bourgeoisie and all its supporters, all exploiters, when their downfall begins, when the exploiting of the exploiters begins.

'THE INTERNATIONAL OF YOUTH'

By V. I. LENIN
(December, 1916)

SINCE September 1, 1915, "A militant propagandist organ of the International League of Socialist Youth organization", having the above title, has been published in Switzerland in the German language. Altogether six numbers have been published, which generally, should be noted and strongly recommended to the attention of all the members of our Party having possibilities of contact with social-democratic parties abroad and with youth organizations.

The majority of official social-democratic parties in Europe now occupy the most degrading and treacherous position of social chauvinism and opportunism. Such parties are the German Party, the French Party the Fabian Society, the British Labor Party, the Swedish Party, the Dutch Party (Troelstra), the Danish Party, the Austrian Party, etc. The Swiss Party, in spite of the fact that the extreme opportunists have formed a separate non-Party "Gruthli League" (to the great benefit of the labor movement) there have remained numerous opportunist leaders of the social chauvinist and Kautsky persuasion, who have enormous influence in the affairs of the Party.

In view of the state of affairs in Europe, to the League of Socialist Youth organizations falls the enormous, noble, but at the same time difficult task, of fighting for revolutionary internationalism, for true socialism against the reigning opportunism which has gone over to the side of the imperialist bourgeoisie. "The International Youth" contains a number of good articles defending revolutionary internationalism and all the numbers are imbued with an excellent spirit of burning hatred towards the betrayers of so-

cialism, the "defenders of the fatherland" in the present war and by a most sincere striving to purge the international labor movement of the chauvinism and opportunism which is consuming it.

Of course, the organ of the youth still lacks theoretical clearness and firmness, and perhaps it will never have that, precisely because it is an organ of seething, bubbling, inquiring youth. But one must regard the lack of theoretical hotch-potch in the heads of and the absence of revolutionary consistency in the hearts of our "O.K.ists," "Socialist revolutionists," Tolstoyan anarchists, European Kautskians ("the Center"), etc. (Grown up persons pretending to lead and to teach, whereas a matter of fact they are sowing mental confusion among the proletariat is one thing; these people must be fought ruthlessly. Youth organizations who openly declare that they are still learning and that their fundamental task is to train workers for the socialist Party, is quite another thing. Such people must be given every assistance; the greatest possible tolerance must be shown for their errors which must be rectified gradually by CONVINCING and not by fighting them. Frequently representatives of the generation of the middle-aged and old do not know properly how to approach the youth, who of necessity are compelled to progress towards socialism by other paths, in other forms and under other circumstances than did their fathers. For that reason, we must unconditionally support THE ORGANIZATIONAL INDEPENDENCE of the youth leagues, not merely because the opportunists are afraid of this independence, but because it is necessary in itself; for without complete independence the youth will be UNABLE either to train themselves for the

purpose of carrying socialism further.

We must stand for the complete independence of the youth leagues, but we must also stand for the complete freedom to criticize their mistakes in a comradely manner. We must not flatter the youth.

The following are the three principal mistakes we have observed in the excellent organ referred to:

1. On the question of disarmament a wrong position has been taken up which we criticize in a separate article. There are grounds for believing that this error was caused exclusively by the laudable desire to emphasize the necessity for striving for the "complete abolition of militarism" (which is quite correct) forgetting, however, the role of civil war in socialist revolution.

2. A serious error is committed in the article by Com. NOTA-BENE (No. 6) dealing with the distinction between socialists and anarchists and their attitude towards the state (and also on a number of other questions dealing with the MOTIVES of our opposition to the slogans of "national defense"). The author of this article desires to give "a clear presentation of state in general" (parallel with a presentation of imperialistic predatory states). He quotes several statements from Marx and Engels, and among others comes to the following two conclusions:

(a) "... It is quite erroneous to seek the difference between socialists and anarchists in that the former are the supporters and the latter the opponents of the state. The difference between them really lies in, that revolutionary social democracy desires to organize the new form of social production as a centralized form, i. e., technically the most progressive, whereas the decentralized system of pro-

duction advocated by the anarchists would mean merely a step backward to the old technique, to the old form of production."

This is not true. The author raises the question of the difference in the attitude of the socialists and the anarchists respectively towards the STATE, and gives a reply to an entirely DIFFERENT question, namely, the difference in the attitude of the socialists and anarchists respectively to the economic basis of future society. The latter, of course, is a very important and necessary question, but that does not mean that we can allow ourselves to forget the PRINCIPAL difference in the attitude of the socialists towards the state as compared with that of the anarchists. The socialists are in favor of utilizing the modern state and its institutions in the fight for the emancipation of the working class and also recognizes the necessity for utilizing the state as a peculiar transitional form from capitalism to socialism. Such a transitional form, WHICH IS ALSO A STATE, is the dictatorship of the proletariat.

The anarchists desire to "abolish" the state, to "blow it up" ("sprengen") as Com. Nota-Bene expresses it in one place erroneously ascribing this view to the socialists. Unfortunately, the author of the article did not quote in full Engels' reference to this matter. Socialists hold that after the expropriation of the bourgeoisie, the state "will gradually die out."

(b) "For social democracy, which is, or at all events should be, the teacher of the masses, it is now more than ever necessary to emphasize their hostility to the state on principle. . . . The present war has shown how deeply the roots of the state have penetrated into the souls of the

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Mella Murder Shows War Preparations By U. S. Imperialism

N.E.C. of League Calls For Sharper Struggle Against Imperialist Assassins

The National Executive Committee of the Young Workers (Communist) League has issued the following statement on the murder of Mella:

"Our comrade, the young Communist



JULIO A. MELLA

leader and founder of the Communist Youth Movement of Cuba, Julio Antonio Mella, has been murdered. The assassins of the bloody dictatorship of Machado in Cuba, tool of Yankee imperialism, committed this dastardly crime. Yankee imperialism in its more aggressive penetration of Latin America is faced with a mighty obstacle in the form of the growing revolutionary movement led by the Communists. The American bourgeoisie and its bloody tools in Cuba are still suffering from the illusion that the onswEEPing tide of revolution can be stopped by the murder of some of the revolutionary leaders. Thus in the interests of Wall Street hegemony in Latin America, our valiant comrade Mella, is shot in the back and killed. But the Wall St. Cuban assassins are doomed to disappointment and defeat. Thousands of Communist step into the place left vacant by Comrade Mella and continue the struggle.

"The murder of Comrade Mella clearly shows that the bourgeoisie is reckoning with tremendous importance of the young workers in this period of intense war preparations. American imperialism on the one hand strives to win over ideologically the young workers for its war schemes. The full force of the bourgeois youth organizations, church, schools, movies and press are turned into war propaganda agencies of the big bourgeoisie. Pacifist "soft soap" and outright jingoist "clap trap" are combined into one system of war propaganda. The "Kellogg Peace" pact and the "Navy Second To None" are supported in the same breath. The socialists and the trade union bureaucrats do their share in befuddling the masses—in turning them over bound and gagged to the war schemes of Wall Street.

"On the other hand the bourgeoisie uses direct force and violence in an effort to make the young workers docile in the event of war and during the present period of intense war preparations. Their leaders, the Young Communists, are murdered and jailed. Their wages are cut. Their trade union organization is prevented and efforts are made to smash their new unions in textile, coal mining and the needle trades, because these unions proceed to organize the young workers as class fighters against the bourgeoisie. All efforts to secure effective social legislation for the young workers are prevented. The American bourgeoisie shouts to the young workers: "We have chosen your role! You will be the cannon-fodder in our next war!"

"The American young workers answer by increased militancy and readiness to struggle against their exploiters. They

★ LENINISM ★

By JOSEPH STALIN

Is it possible for the officials of the Union of Young Communists, under present conditions, to combine their practical activities with a thoro study of Marxism and Leninism? What ought the Young Communist organizations and the individual Young Communists to do in this direction?

FIRST of all let me say a word or two about Marxism and Leninism. The question is formulated in such a way as to suggest the possibility that Marxism and Leninism are two distinct things, that one might be a Leninist without being a Marxist. But there is absolutely no ground for such a view. Leninism is not Leninist doctrine minus Marxism. Leninism is Marxism of the epoch of imperialism and the proletarian revolution. In other words, Leninism includes all that Marx taught, with the addition of Lenin's contribution to the Marxist treasury—a treasury which necessarily includes all that Marx taught (the doctrine of the dictatorship of the proletariat, the peasant problem, the nationalist problem, the Party, the problem of the social roots of reformism, the problem of the most important deviations from Communism, etc.) It would be better, therefore, to formulate the question differently, speaking of Marxism or Leninism (the two are fundamentally one and same) and not to speak of Marxism "and" Leninism.

In the second place, there can be no doubt that without a combination of the practical work of the officials of the Young Communist League with a satisfactory theoretical grounding of the same officials (the study of Leninism) there can be no real Communist activity within the Union of Young Communists. Leninism is the generalization of the experience of the revolutionary movement of the workers of all lands. This experience is the guiding star which lights the path of all practical revolutionists in their

daily activities and gives them their direction. Practical revolutionary workers cannot be sure that they are working along the right lines unless they take the before mentioned experience into account. They will be groping in the dark unless they study Leninism, unless they make Leninism their own, unless they are prepared to combine their practical work with the necessary theoretical grounding. That is why the study of Leninism is an indispensable prerequisite for the transformation of the existing body of officials of the Union of Young Communists into a genuinely effective Leninist body of officials, who will be competent to train up the millions upon millions of young Communists in the spirit of the dictatorship of the proletariat.

But is such a union of theory and practice possible in existing circumstances, and in view of the fact that the officials of the Union of Young Communists are so mightily overworked? Yes, it is possible. No one will deny that there are great difficulties in the way. Yet it is possible because it is necessary, because unless the requisite is fulfilled it will be impossible of the officials of the Union of Young Communists to become a genuinely Leninist body. We must not be weaklings who run away from difficulties and look for something easier to do. Difficulties exist in order that we may fight against them. The bolsheviks would certainly have gone under in their fight against capitalism if they had not learnt how to overcome difficulties. The Union of Young Communists has undertaken a great task. That is why its members must concentrate their energies in order to overcome the difficulties in their path.

Patient and methodical study of Leninism—that is what the officials of the Union of Young Communists need if they themselves are to train up the millionfold masses of young folk in the spirit of the proletarian revolution.

DICKS RAID CHINESE STUDENT MEETING IN SAN FRANCISCO

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 9th.—In Chinatown here an organization known as the Chinese Student's Association has for some time been carrying on activities amongst the Chinese youth. Because they stood by the principles of the Chinese revolution they earned the hatred of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, the Kuomintang which together with the Board of Education and the police department is endeavoring to break up their organization.

On Jan. 9th the meeting hall of the Chinese Students Federation was raided

are not cowardly and are not running away from a fight. The assassination of Comrade Mella, the increased offensive of the bosses and the war danger, only spur them on with a fiercer determination to destroy capitalism.

"The Young Workers (Communist) League calls upon the American young workers to demonstrate their solidarity against the real assassin of the young fighting leader, Mella—the U. S. imperialist government and its tools in Cuba. It calls upon the young workers to refuse to be cannon-fodder for the bosses in the next war and to fight for the defeat of their real enemies, their own exploiters, American imperialism and its executive committee the Hoover government in Washington. The next imperialist war must be turned into a civil war for the destruction of capitalism and the establishment of a workers and farmers soviet government in the U. S. We appeal to every young worker to become our comrade in the struggle for this goal by joining the Young Workers (Communist) League today.

Down with the imperialist murderers of Wall Street!

Down with the bloody dictatorship of Machado in Cuba!

For a workers and farmers government in the U. S.!

Join the Young Workers (Communist) League!

National Executive Committee
Young Workers (Communist) League

by two detectives of the Chinatown squad. They broke in a closet containing literature which they confiscated. When one of the 12 boys (the ages varied from 15 to 23 years) asked for reasons for this raid, he received three heavy blows from the detectives. When Benjamin Lee, another boy came in later he was arrested on a charge of vagrancy but later released.

International of Youth

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workers," writes Com. Nota-Bena. In order to "emphasize hostility to the state on principle" it is indeed necessary "clearly" to understand what is the state, and the author lacks this clearness. The passage concerning the "roots of the state" are altogether confusing, un-Marxian and not socialistic. It is not the "state" that has come into conflict with the denial of the state, but opportunist policy (i. e., the opportunist, reformist, bourgeois attitude towards the state) has come into conflict with revolutionary social-democratic policy (i. e., with revolutionary social-democratic attitude towards the bourgeois state and towards utilizing the state against the bourgeoisie for its overthrow). These two things are altogether different. We hope to return to this important question in a separate article.

3. In the "statement of principles of the International League of Socialist Youth Organization," published in No. 6 as the "Secretariat draft", there are numerous inexactitudes and a complete lack of WHAT IS MOST IMPORTANT: a clear comparison of the three main tendencies (social chauvinism, "the center" and the left wing) which are now fighting within the socialist movement in all countries.

To repeat: these errors must be refuted and explained; at the same time, all efforts must be exerted in order to establish contact and to approach closely to the youth organizations and assist them in every way; but they must be approached PROPERLY.

* O. K. means Organizing Committee. This was the menshevik leading body, situated in Russia of the Russian Social-Democratic Labor Party at the time when the Central Committee of the Party, situated abroad, was in the hands of the Bolsheviki. (T.)

★ LENIN'S TEACHING IS GUIDE TO BUILDING NEW SOCIETY ★

Socialism in Industry And Agriculture Grows In The Soviet Union

LENINISM IS WEAPON OF STRUGGLE

By I. AMDUR

Moscow Y. W. Correspondent

January 21st is an outstanding date in Russian and International revolutionary history. 5 years ago on 21st of January Lenin died, and in him passed away the greatest revolutionist of the twentieth century.

Soviet Grow Stronger

To the working masses his death was a severe blow and felt with dismay and deep sorrow. To the capitalist, nepmen, kulaks, to the former nobility, it was a cause for wild joy and risen hopes for the return of the Romanoffs. To them, Lenin's death was synonymous with the collapse of the hated and feared proletarian State. In his passing their distorted minds saw the break-up of The Party, that steel weapon of the toilers whose years of merciless struggle against the autocracy, whose years of bitterest suffering in prison and Siberian mines had wrought in it such an iron discipline that drove all before it and brought the workers to power.

But the Proletarian State did not collapse. The entire country rose in this hour of working-class sorrow and affirmed their determination to support to the last the Government of the October Revolution. The workers of the whole world pledged their solemn oath to battle in defense of the Republic of Labor.

Building Socialism

And what is the position today, after 5 years?

The Government is the most stable in Europe. The elections to the Soviets now being carried on give a voting average of nearly 80 per cent. This speaks for the rising consciousness to political life of the once "ignorant" peasant. The returns show a marked increase of elected poor and middle peasants to the Soviets, and the ousting of the kulaks and other anti-soviet elements from official positions says much for the all-important slogan launched by Lenin: "Unite the forces of the workers together with that of the poorer and middle peasants against the kulaks".

Industrialization (the gigantic power stations Volkovstroi, Dnieprtroi) making steady progress. More and more factories are going over to the 7-hour day; the "tractoring" and "cooperizing" of the village is growing apace. The following figures eloquently shows the rising curve of industry as compared with agriculture: Total aggregate value production in billions rubles all industries—1925-26, 12.5. 1927-28, 19.

Total aggregate value production Agriculture 1925-26, 17; 1927-28, 18.6.

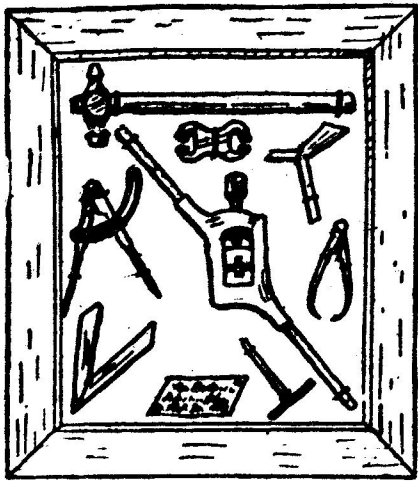
C. P. Stronger Than Ever

Neither did the Communist Party go under. True, it has lived through some trying periods in the Opposition discussions, but it has come out of these conflicts, firmer, stronger, with its authority and influence on the masses as deep as ever, with its discipline unshaken.

"The Lenin Call" (in 1924), the opening of the Party doors to the masses brought the remarkable figures: In 1923, the social composition of the Party gave 44.8% workers of whom only 17% composed those members working at the bench. In May 1924 there were 55.4% of proletarian origin with 35% directly at the bench. By January 1925 the figures had reached 59% and at the bench 39% and in July 1928 61% of the party membership (over 800,000) were of working class origin of whom 42.4% worked directly in factories and workshops. The present membership (as of the beginning of 1928), is 1,304,400.

The Communist Party, the party of the working class will, under the banner of Leninism, carry on the fight to its historical conclusion.

N.Y. Leads In Drive for Weekly!



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3.	30.00	23
4.	—	2
5.	5.45	15 1/2
6.	7.76	33 1/2
7.	—	3 1/2
8.	21.50	31 1/2
9M.	6.00	8
9S.	10.95	33 1/2
10.	—	21
12.	—	3
13.	—	—
15.	19.50	1/2
Agri.	—	—
Mis.	—	13
Total	171.91	281 1/2

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District	Sub Quota	Money Quota
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6. Cleveland	250	250
7. Detroit	100	50
8. Chicago	500	300
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NEGRO DISCRIMINATION

When three Negro workers, members of the Workers (Communist) Party were refused service (not in New Orleans) but in the Tip Toe Inn on 14th Street, N. Y. C. the group of 15 Negro and white workers walked out in protest.



Every Party Member Must Help Weekly "Young Worker" Drive

By JAY LOVESTONE Executive Secretary Workers (Communist) Party

THE Young Workers (Communist) League of America is conducting a drive to convert the YOUNG WORKER into a weekly. This drive must receive the co-operation of the entire Party, and our comrades in the language factories must especially give their fullest co-operation to establish the YOUNG WORKER as a WEEKLY.

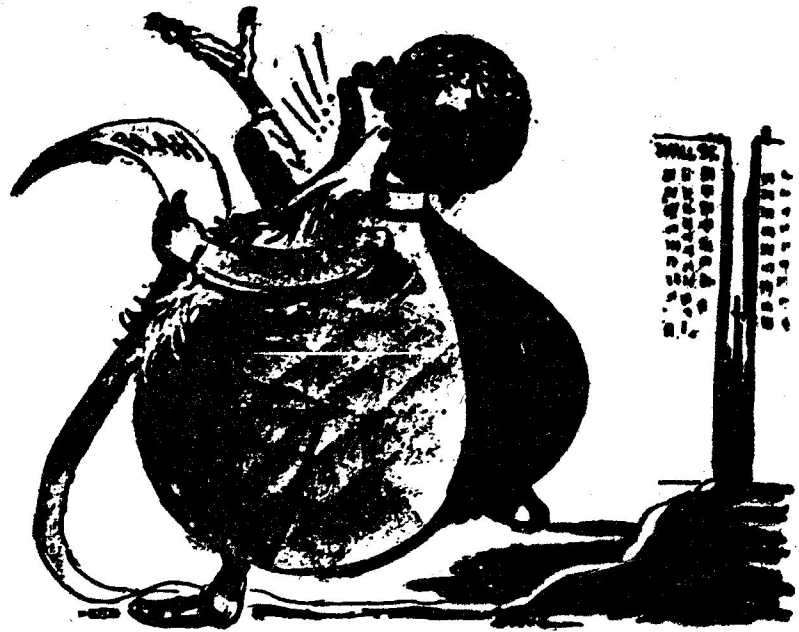
The young workers are beginning to play an increasingly important role in the struggles of the American workers. Thousands of young workers are being drawn into the basic and most important industries of the country and in these industries are coming into the forefront in the struggles against capitalism. In the recent mining strikes, in the textile strikes in Passaic and New Bedford, the young workers were the most active elements in the fight of the workers. We can expect that in the future, this will be true even to a greater degree than in the past. The bulk of these young workers are American born, of foreign parentage, who will constitute a most important basis for the development of a mass Communist movement in this country. They still have contacts with their foreign born parents. They serve as the link between the foreign and American born workers. They act as a unifying factor for the entire working class. They can be reached through our language papers, through our clubs and through various mass organizations in which our Party works and has influence.

The YOUNG WORKER is the organ for the mobilization of the young workers for the struggle against the capitalist system. We have already seen in the above-mentioned struggles in mining, textile, etc., that the YOUNG WORKER is well liked among the young workers. We now have the problem of establishing the YOUNG WORKER as a WEEKLY and on a functioning basis. We have the problem of bringing the YOUNG WORKER to the millions of toiling youth in the basic industries. This is a problem not only for the Communist Youth, but for all Communists, and particularly for all our organizations and newspapers.

PHILLY YOUTH RUN "YOUNG WORKER" BANQUET AND DANCE

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—As part of the campaign to establish the YOUNG WORKER as a weekly, the Young Workers (Communist) League here will hold a Banquet and Dance on Friday, Feb. 15th, 1929, 8 P. M. at Progressive Library 4035 Girard Ave. Every young and adult worker is invited to attend, have a good time, and meanwhile help the "Young worker" in its present drive.

GREETING THE NEW PRESIDENT Republican Speaker: "Mr. Hoover is great man; he is as solid as the Rock of Gibraltar." Voice: Especially from the neck up."



Fight the Capitalist Press! Build a Weekly Young Worker!

HELPERS IN PASSAIC DYE PLANT ARE UNDERPAID AT HARD JOBS Join National Textile Workers Union

By Joe Harrison

Passaic, N. J. THE Standard Bleachery is situated in Carlton Hill, one of the suburbs of Passaic. On one hand we have the Erie R.R., and on the other hand we have the swamps.

The conditions inside of the plant is nothing to brag about even in comparison with the other dye houses.

The dying department is divided into two parts, the fast dye, and the fancy. The fast dye is where we dye silks, and the fancy dye is where we dye light shades of cotton goods. The pay is very low, for men running a pad, 50 cents per hour, and the helpers get 38 1/2 cents an hour. The helpers have to go for color in the color shop, and where the color in powder form flies around and get onto his clothes and into his nose. On coming in contact with the damp goods, the clothes of the helpers cause spots on the cloth. For this the helpers "gets a cigar"

The water mangles is another job that

requires a man to be of Herculean strength. When the goods come from the dye houses and bleach houses, they are washed in the water mangles to free them from loose dye and acids. These rolls are of an average weight of from 600 to 800 pounds, and two men are required to lift these onto the machines. In other factories of this kind we have a hoist to lift these rolls, but not in the Standard Bleachery.

In other departments it is just as bad. Some of the departments do not have any regular time for dinner. This means that they work at least ten hours. There is no drinking water in the plant, and when a worker is thirsty he must go with pails for it outside of the mill. The enforced overtime without any extra compensation is done almost every night in order to rush through the goods on contract time, which means that some of the men have to work all night and thru the next day without any rest, and with the same pay. If there are any refusals they will get rid of you one way or the other.

There is only one remedy for bettering these conditions and that is by organizing ourselves into a union. All the workers should join it. This union is the National Textile Workers Union of America. The Passaic Headquarters are at 25 Dayton Ave., Passaic, N. J.

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Support Party Against Right Danger and Trotskyism

No Reservations on C. I., C. Y. I. Decisions

E. C. C. Y. I. LETTER

Dec. 18, 1928.

Dear Comrades:

Trotskyism in America represents a serious danger for the League and Party. Its seriousness lies in the fact that under the cover of leftist phrases it is making a counter-revolutionary attack on the Party which provides dangerous Social-Democratic elements with a weapon against the Party at a time when it is faced with grave Right wing dangers. It is therefore necessary to conduct an ideological campaign exposing the ultra-left phrases with which Cannon attempts to cover his opportunism and at the same time exposing "Trotskyism" as utilized by many extreme Right and Social-Democratic elements within the Party (Askelli, Sulkonen) as well as by openly Social Democratic elements outside the Party, (Lore, etc.)

At the same time we must emphasize that the Right Wing danger is the chief danger. The struggle against Trotskyism must not be allowed to weaken the struggle against the Right danger but must be linked up with it. This is because the past years of struggle against Trotskyism has resulted in its defeat in its most important strongholds, the discrediting of its platform and its complete exposure as a Social-Democratic deviation which attempted to hide beneath leftist phrases. Therefore Cannon will rapidly abandon ultra-left phrases and begin to merge with the outright Social Democratic elements, (Lore, etc.)

The main danger now for all Parties is the Right Danger as pointed out by the last Congress of the Comintern. The resolution of the 6th World Congress of the C.I. says: "On the basis of the partial stabilization of capitalism and directly owing to the influence of Social-Democracy, the principle line of deviation from the correct political position observed within the Communist Parties is to be found at the present time towards the Right." In America, as pointed out by the C.I. and Y.C.I. Congresses, the Right danger finds its expression in the under-estimation of the war danger, in tendencies not to play a sufficiently independent role in relation to the strike movements, the organization of the unorganized and the consolidation of our position in the existing union; in the question of our relation

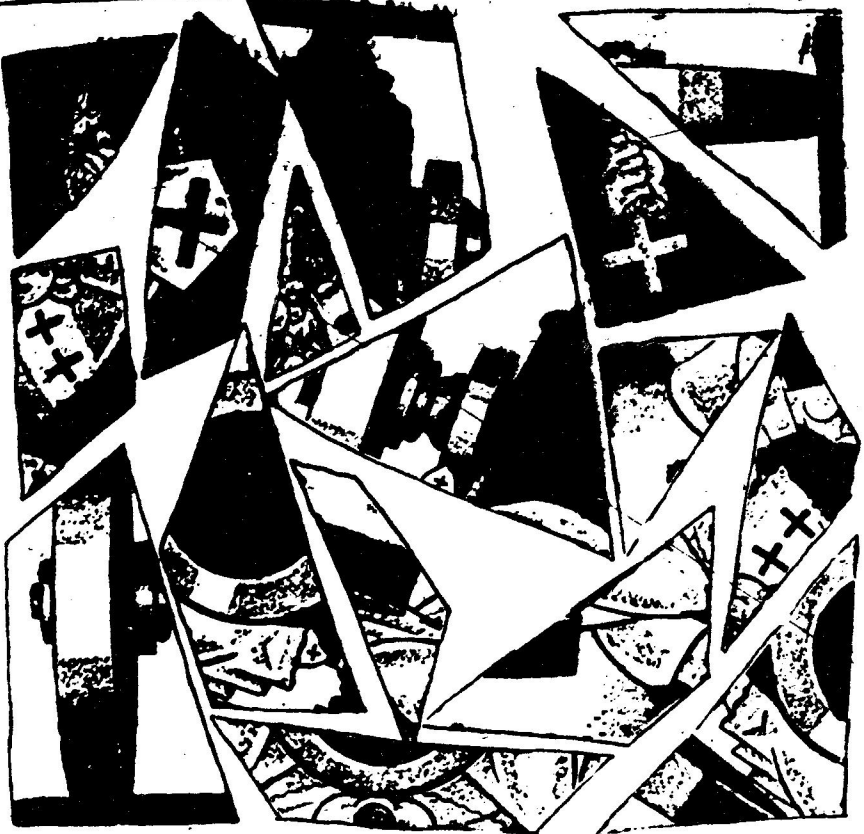
with the Socialists; in tendencies to under-estimate the full importance of Negro work; in the poor social composition of the League and in the difficulties confronting the League and Party in adapting many elements to the new conditions and methods of work etc. etc.

In the light of the foregoing analysis it is clear that the resolution of the Majority of the N.E.C. gives an incorrect estimation of the Cannon-Trotskyist development. It states: "Trotskyism... at the present time presents the greatest danger for the Party and for the revolutionary movement. In the American Party at the present time the Right danger is represented sharply by the Trotskyists." To declare that the struggle against the Trotskyists is the chief form of the struggle against the Right danger means in effect to deny that the Right danger as amplified above is the chief danger confronting the Party. The resolution of the Minority of the N.E.C. gives a correct estimation of the Trotskyist development in so far as it shows that the Right wing danger as stated by the Comintern is the chief danger for the League and Party. It fails, however to differentiate between the Right danger and the ultra-left phrases and approach of Cannon. In order to successfully combat Cannon's Trotskyism it is necessary to unmask his leftist phrases with which he endeavors to conceal his Social-Democratic position. The Resolution of the Minority of the N. E. C. where it stresses the Right mistakes of the Party must not be interpreted as directed solely against the C. E. C. Majority. It is the task of the League to struggle against the Right mistakes of the Party as a whole. The role of Trotskyism itself is indisputable and the entire League must take a united stand against it.

The entire League must support the Party in its struggle against the Right danger and Trotskyism. The Y.C.I. regrets that the Majority and Minority of the N.E.C. failed to work out a common resolution on the Right Danger and Trotskyism. The entire League must support without reservation the decision of the C. I. and Y.C.I. and fight unitedly on this line against the Right danger and Trotskyism and for the liquidation of fractionalism in the League.

E.C.Y.C.I.

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A BAD MISTAKE

General—Look here, my man, why don't you be careful?

Army Clerk—What is wrong, sir?

General—Why instead of addressing this letter to the "Intelligence Officer" you have addressed it to the "Intelligent Officer." You should know there is no such person in the army.

NOT MISSING MUCH

At a discussion meeting one of the speakers had great difficulty in winding up his speech. The audience became restive, shuffling their feet and moving the chairs about. Perspiration rolled off the face of the speaker. Then he stopped abruptly and said: "With all this noise and interruption I cannot hear myself talk." Quickly came the reply from a member of the audience: "That's all right, comrade, you ain't missing much."

THE OLD SWAN SONG

Chairman (at the union concert) "Miss Bello will now sing, 'Oh, that I were a dove, I'd flee.'"

Member of the audience: "Point of order Mr. Chairman. Before the lady starts may I ask for a description of a dove-eyed flea?"

THE OLD BOY SMOKES

Question: "What is a volcano?"

Answer: "A mountain with a hole in the top. If you look down you can see the creator smoking."

AMERICANISM

Figuring out a way to take something else on the installment plan.—From The Railroad Worker

PACIFISM AIMS TO DEMORALIZE THE PROLETARIAT

some students work after school from six to twelve almost every night for which they might get about five to seven dollars... The regular wage for a full time worker (74 hours per week) is about \$15.00 to \$18.00 per week.

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PITTSBURGH "SODA JERKERS" NEED A FIGHTING UNION

By Will Wirt

Pittsburgh, Pa.—An exploited young worker in Pittsburgh is the "soda-jerker" or pharmacist's apprentice. Before obtaining the job, the worker must get an apprentice's license from the state, which license entitles him to work in the drug store, and which costs him two dollars. We must even pay for allowing ourselves to be exploited.

He is then given the work of shining the fountain, sweeping and mopping the floor, washing the windows, etc. When this part of the work is finished, he makes the syrups, if the store happens to sell sandwiches, he must make those also. If he has any time left over—the boss usually sees that he has—he must work in the stock room, which work means getting heavy packing boxes, opening them, marking prices, and a lot of other things. While he is performing all this work, he is naturally expected to wait on trade.

The average working day is from eight in the morning to twelve at night. This day is divided into three shifts: from 8 to 12, 12 to 6, and 6 to 12. He averages seventy-four hours per week! In chain stores like May's McCullough's the wages are about 20% better but the discipline are about 20% worse.

During the summer months the regular workers are sometimes dropped in favor of the students who not having any school at that time, and who will work for less money. During the school term

YOUTH ENTER AUTO INDUSTRY FOR TWO BITS AN HOUR

Work 10 and 12 Hour Day

By a Y. W. Correspondent

DETROIT.—The conditions of the young workers in L. A. Young Spring and Wire Company which is a part of the auto industry are unbearable intolerable. I went down to ask for a job in this particular factory and the boss in the office told me to come to work the following morning at seven o'clock. I came and found about 35 other girls also waiting. We also found about 500 men waiting outside in the cold.

12 Hour Day Again

After awhile the boss decided that he did not need any girls that day. He picked a few 15 and 16 year old boys from the army of unemployed men waiting at the gate. They were hired at the rate of 25 cents per hour. In the factory they work from 10 to 12 hours a day. Under the most filthiest and unsanitary conditions existing in these factories where the youth work in Detroit. The factory employs about 98% young workers from 14 to 20 years of age.

As I was standing there I made the acquaintance of one of these workers. He was 15 years old and had just gotten his working papers from the boss controlled Board of Education existing in this wonderful "democracy of ours". He happened to be one of the lucky ones that

was hired. He said his father who had been working at Ford's for a period of 5 years was canned and young workers put in their place. He being the oldest of 6 children had to support the family with 15 dollars a week.

Auto Youth Need Organization

All young workers in the automobile factories especially those working in such plants like the L. A. Young, Briggs, Fords etc., must work under the same conditions. Young workers must organize together with the other workers to fight the bosses in order to get better conditions. Join the Young Workers (Communist) League and fight against these miserable conditions and for the organization of the working youth.

PHILLY PIONEER CONVENTION

The Young Pioneers of District No. 3 will celebrate the opening of their Third District Convention on Friday Feb. 22, at Machinists Temple, 12th and Spring Garden Sta., Philadelphia.

This convention will also mark the Fifth Anniversary of the Pioneer organization in Philadelphia district.

SWIMMING MEET L. S. U.

A swimming meet of the Labor Sports Union will be held March 2, 1929 at 7:30 P. M. at the Metropolitan Avenue baths, Bedford and Metropolitan Aves., Brooklyn, Senior entry fee, 5 cents and Junior entry fee, 10 cents.

Practice is held under the supervision of the Swimming Department of the L. S. U. If you need any assistance in this field or any other get in touch with Robert Herbin, 1603 Madison Ave., N. Y. C. or call the same at 7:00 P. M. at University 1640.

Milton Weich
Tech. Director, E.D., I.S.U.

Special California Page

PRO-BOSS CHINESE TONGS FOOL YOUNG WORKERS OF FRISCO CHINATOWN

Keep Young Chinese Workers Out of Basic Industries

JOIN THE YOUNG WORKERS LEAGUE

By B. F.
(Chinese Young Communist)



IN San Francisco's Chinatown one can see a vivid picture of the degeneracy of the present capitalist system. The masses of the Chinese young workers and part time students and workers are kept out of the basic industries and are forced to engage in such fields as: cooks, waiters, janitors, house-boys and laundry men, delivery boys, etc. Many of them put in 14 hours a day for small wages. In garment shops, schrimp shops, etc., one can find children from 6 to 12 years working day and night.

Bosses of Chinatown

The class divisions of Chinatown reflect to a large extent the divisions in China proper. There is the group of "feudalistic" elements with sympathies for the worst reaction in China. The representatives of the Chinese bourgeoisie the Kuomintang (so-called Nationalist Party) mimic their betrayal of the revolution in China by working hand-in-hand with the "feudal" elements in the Community.

These "feudal" elements have their own organizations for ruining the youth; the gambling houses, the opium joints, the prostitute joints, the lottery dens and the Tonga. All inevitable accompaniments of the glorious capitalist civilization.

The Tonga are really groups of ignorant young people utilized by the Chinese bosses to protect their interests. The Tongman will pick up a young Chinese immigrant who is disgusted with the hard lot he found in this "land of plenty", and tell him he can live a life of leisure by joining the Tong. All he will have to do is to shoot some person during a gun fight. Other young workers join the Tong in order to get protection and justice. But they soon discover that they get neither. As members of the Tong they have to pay \$200 a year to the Tong Master and his gunmen. If they do not pay promptly they will be sent to Alaska and work to pay their debts.

The Anti-Labor Tonga

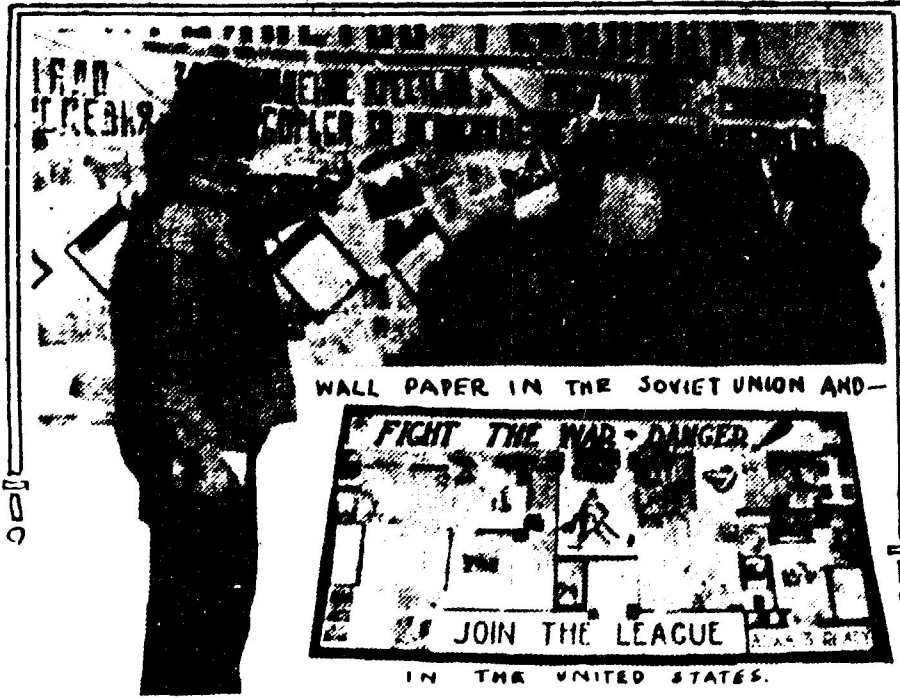
When there is a gun fight on between your Tong and some rival Tong the young workers have a worse time. They have to quit their jobs, hide in some place cut off all outside connection in order to save their lives, etc. Most of these gun fights are started because a certain gambling joint has to be protected, because a certain prostitute has been robbed from the rival Tong, etc., but the main reason is the protection of the interests of the young workers. These Tonga are pure bosses' organization. As the Chinese, especially the youth wake up, we see these Tonga diminishing in influence.

The Young Workers (Communist) League has a unit in San Francisco's Chinatown. New members are being added and it is increasing its work among the Chinese Youth. The Students of the community have organized "The San Francisco Chinese Students Federation" which is carrying on anti-imperialist work.

Every Chinese young worker should join the Young Workers (Communist) League and fight for the abolition of the whole capitalist system of exploitation.

CAL STARTS DRIVE FOR WEEKLY Y. W.

District Thirteen of the Young Workers (Communist) League has the drive to raise its share of the 500 subs to make the Young Worker a Weekly Paper. The drive was started January 1, 1929 and will conclude March 1, 1929.



YOUNG POSTOFFICE WORKERS VICTIMS OF SPEED SYSTEM

THREE BUCKS FOR 14 HOURS IN GROCERY TRUST CHAIN STORE

OAKLAND, Calif.—During the time I worked in the Piggly-Wiggly stores on Saturdays until I lost my job, I worked fourteen full hours for the measly wage of three dollars. Besides working these long fourteen hours, I had to help clean up the store after closing time. This usually took another hour.

Shifting Employees

The system the Piggly Wiggly employs to keep their employees from telling each other about conditions in the stores is to keep the employees working first in one store and then another in that manner no employee has the opportunity to get in touch with other workers in the store.

Quite often one worker takes another worker's job without knowing it. Thinking he has a steady job he works quite cheerfully until the other worker returns who he has been substituting for. The substitute is then left without a job and has to wait quite some time until he has another chance to work for some worker for a day or two.

Temporary Jobs

It would not be so bad if the worker who is put on a job temporarily was told when put to work, because then he would know this is only for a few days and could look for a steady job, but while working for a few days a worker is at a disadvantage in being unable to look for another job. It is impossible to expect better conditions unless the Young Workers in this large grocery chain is organized.

District thirteen has set it's quota for 125 subs and \$100.00 Twenty dollars has already been collected as well as subs. The question of the YOUNG WORKER is being taken up at every unit meeting. At all Daily Worker Birthday Affairs, Leibknecht Luxemburg Memorial meeting the Young Worker Drive has been brought to the front.

San Francisco unit No. 1 has started a rattle which proceeds will go for the Young Worker. The units raising the highest percentage of it's quota is to receive a beautiful banner in red and gold. Let us see every unit in California go way over the top. All comrades on the job for a Weekly Young Worker.

NEW MACHINES, LESS WORKERS, LESS PAY, MORE SPEED, IN CHEVROLET CO.

Oakland Plant Shows Result of Capitalist Rationalization ORGANIZE UNION AND FIGHT BACK

By Y. W. Correspondent

OAKLAND, Calif.—Two months ago the Chevrolet-Fisher body plant closed down and about 1500 workers were thrown out of their jobs. The layoff came very sudden with only a few days notice. The company promised only a short layoff for taking of inventory and making some changes for a new model. However we stayed out for over two months. Many of the workers went out looking for other jobs because they could not wait that long, but very few got it. When the plant opened, many of the older workers were not taken back, but in their places, young workers were put on, with a wage cut.

400 workers less were taken on due to the introduction of new machinery. In many department one worker does the same work that 2 men used to do. Prices are cut almost in every department, so that the already terribly speed up will be still more increased. The piece work system is used, and we work from 9 to 12 hours. Only thru the organization of an Auto Workers Union can the conditions of this plant be bettered.

Y. W. L. SHOP PAPER IN CHEVROLET PLANT

OAKLAND, Calif.—Two "Fisher Body Chevrolet Auto Workers" have been issued by the Young Workers (Communist) League unit in the plant. These bulletins have been received with great enthusiasm, and many letters have been sent in to the shop paper. Here is one letter:

"Dear Brothers—I am very glad that our Bulletin is appearing again. I sure will support you because you are fighting for better conditions. I have been working here over a year and see how much worse it is getting all the time.

"I am now getting only 32 cents a piece where I used to get 44 cents. Yesterday I made only \$3.00 in 10 hours and I worked as fast as I could all the time. We certainly should begin to think about getting organized. Keep up your good work with the Auto Worker.

"The second issue of the Auto Worker was filled with department news, showing the terrible conditions in the plant. For instance one gang worked on piece rates and made only \$1.10 for 10 and one-half hours work. They did not know they were on piece work until the next day. This is but one instance of many that were sent into the shop paper. The Young Workers (Communist) League is beginning to be known to the young workers as an organization that is interested in the bettering of their conditions."

JOIN THE Y. W. L.

The units of the Y. W. C. L. in Los Angeles meet every Friday evening. One meets in the center of the city 234 Bryson Bldg. The other unit meets at 2708 Brooklyn Ave.

WAR FOR DEFENSE OF SOVIET UNION IS WAR FOR SOCIALISM

of the worker as any sweatshop boss. What the postoffice workers, both young and old, need here, as well as all over the U. S. is organization—a militant, class conscious workers organization to fight against the existing evils. As such, the Young Workers (Communist) League and the Workers (Communist) Party are the only class conscious fighters against capitalism. Therefore, it is the duty of all postal workers who have an interest in their conditions to join the Y. W. L. and the Workers (Communist) Party where they can fight against the system that enslaves them.

LOS ANGELES, Calif.—That the U. S. government is as much a labor exploiter and profiteer as any of the large corporations and trusts was proven by the tremendous speed-up of the employees during the recent holiday rush here in L. A. Workers in all departments had to work overtime with no increase in the wage rate. In order to handle the Christmas mail, the regular force was increased by 2500 temporary workers; all either high school or college youths, or ex-servicemen. The average unemployed worker had no chance for a job, as references from an army post or school were necessary.

The Speed-Up System

Although the force was greatly increased during Christmas, even 2500 temporaries were not enough to handle the rush, so P. P. O'Brien, the postmaster, instead of hiring more readily obtainable help, initiated a widespread speed-up system. The force of foremen was doubled in order to carry out this plan. No worker was allowed to slack a minute of his ten, or sometimes twelve hour shift without being told by a foreman to punch the time clock and leave.

Conditions of work in the Arcade Station which is the main postoffice, were practically unbearable. Take for instance the separating room, where the mail receives its temporary separation. Imagine an enormous basement with a cement floor and walls and a low ceiling. Mail sacks are piled all over up to the ceiling. Men and boys are working frenziedly in the hot, dusty room, facing or cancelling letters at machines, or separating them at the primaries. The foremen continually pass up and down forcing the men and boys to work faster by telling them to "pep it up". Anyone slacking a little is told "to punch out and go home".

No worker ever sit down. He must stand on his feet the entire shift. The only time anyone gets off is at the half hour lunch. Even then, if he buys his meal, he has to stand in line at the cafeteria for ten or fifteen minutes. This leaves very little time in which to eat.

Inadequate Wage

The general wage for the workers is 65 cents an hour for day work and 71 cents an hour for night work; regular wages for overtime. These wages are totally inadequate for the kind of work the postal workers have to do.

Thus, we can see that Uncle Sam is no philanthropist. He gets as much out