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## BUILDING OUR YOUTH SECTION

Dave Greene Natl. Youth Organizer

Our youth section is growing. At the time of the convention in May we had officially 17 youth branches with some 12 groups functioning, in the process of becoming branches. Our official membership is over 600.

The Slovak workers have endorsed the amalgamation. All the Slovak, Russian and Hungarian youth clubs are now to become part of our organization.

Through our participation in the demonstrations and through our discussions of every day problems, our membership is learning more and more on how to carry on a struggle against the miserable conditions, side by side with other working class organizations.

We certainly cannot feel satisfied with our present speed of growth. One of our gravest shortcomings is our failure to draw the Negro youth into our ranks. Our branches are still numerically small. We have gathered around ourselves a following of young workers and students who come to our meetings and affairs but who are not yet in our ranks. We must make a concentrated drive to make them join. Our membership has not entered into the full spirit of our membership campaign. Our campaign ending February with the sending of a delegation to the Soviet Union must be the driving force in building the Youth Section into a real mass movement numbering in the thousands. We can only do this through carrying out in real life our slogans of FACE TO THE SHOP AND FACE TO THE SCHOOL.

EVERY YOUNG WORKER AN ORGANIZER FOR THE IWO. YOUTH SECTION IN THE SHOPS.

EVERY STUDENT AN ORGANIZER FOR THE IWO YOUTH SECTION IN THE SCHOOLS.

BUILD A MASS YOUTH SECTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL WORKERS ORDER.

## HUNGER MARCH PROCEEDING TO WASHINGTON

Five thousand workers, negro and white, employed and unemployed, old and young were out on Union Square Thursday, Dec. 3 to greet line number one of the Hunger Marchers, on their way to Washington. An enthusiastic welcome was given these unemployed workers from the New England States New Hampshire and New York. The whole delegation of 450 workers left Friday morning to meet Column Number Two in Philadelphia on Friday night. Column Number Two consists of delegates from Northern New York and Eastern Pennsylvania, the anthracite coal region. Column #3 from Ohio and West Michigan will meet the delegates from the mining district of south and west, (which forms column #4) at Pittsburgh.

The entire delegation of 1500 unemployed workers from every important center in the United States will meet in Washington on December 7th to present to Hoover and the Federal Government their demands for immediate winter cash relief, and for the passing of an unemployment and social insurance bill.

This mass demonstration of Hunger Marchers is the answer that the American workers will give to Hoover and his starvation program for the unemployed. They will demand insurance and cash relief directly from the government, instead of Hoover's meager charity and nation wide wage cuts. They will expose the preparations for another imperialist war, by which the bosses think they can solve the present crisis. NOT A CENT FOR WAR PREPARATIONS----ALL WAR FUNDS FOR THE UNEMPLOYED, is the slogan of the delegation.

Dora Spiro of Branch 405 New York, will represent our organization in the hunger March.

FULL SUPPORT TO THE HUNGER MARCHERS!

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## BARRICADE AND YOU

The first issue of the Barricade marks a huge step forward for the I.W.O. Youth Section. It marks the emergence from the infantile inarticulate stage of our organization into the healthy, conscious, and expressive period of development. When we recognize the progress of the organization as a whole, we are also saluting the growth of each individual in it. Of both the organizational and individual growth BARRICADE shall be the barometer.

BARRICADE will stand in the field of our activities a cultural bulwark, a defensive and offensive instrument against the decayed bourgeois culture which poisons the youth, still living in a rotting capitalism. Comrades, BARRICADE will be what we make it. Shall it be an expression of our class-conscious aspirations, a weapon in our hands against the system of society which enslaves the masses? Or shall it follow the lead of bourgeois dilettantism and "cultural" tommyrott Our answer must be yes to the first question. IT MUST BE or BARRICADE is doomed to uselessness as far as the youth of the proletariat is concerned.

In order to make BARRICADE a weapon, in order that it may reflect the life and thought of struggling youth, it must have your active cooperation. You must write for it: you must realize that BARRICADE is an expression of your struggles and ideals as it is of thousands of other young workers and students in the country. Write of your daily experience in the shop, in the school. If your genius inclines to poetry let us know it. If your interest lies along scientific, economic, or social lines let this magazine be the mirror of your subject.

Expecting an avalanche of contributions in the next mail, we greet you comrades.

EDITORIAL COMMITTEE

## A LETTER TO A COMRADE ACROSS THE OCEAN

(Ed. note-to a worker in a fascist country

You don't participate in the work of toiling youth. You are a coward. You are afraid of prison-walls. Well, I would like to write you a lot about it but I shall satisfy myself with a few rhythmical lines written by a Greek poet in the seventh century B.C. The title is "Courage", and it reads:

"My soul, my soul, careworn, bereft of rest
Arise! and front the foe with dauntless breast;
Take thy firm stand amidst his fierce alarms;
Secure, with inborn valour meet his arms
Nor, conquering, mount vain-glory's glittering sleep;
Nor conquered, yield, fall down at home and weep.
Await the turns of life with duteous awe;
Know, Revolution is great nature's law."

That is my answer to you. I consider it bad when a youngster like you is overwhelmed with pessimism and fear. Anyway I shall return to that later.

Now, you want me to write you about America, Louis? Every country is in reality two countries. One of the working-class, the other of the capitalist. To describe both is perhaps too difficult a task for me. You insist---well, I shall try.

The United States is a huge country, a country which lies like a giant between the Atlantic and Pacific. It is a land that ceased to grow in the width and therefore started to stretch its neck higher up so as to creep into the smoky sky and hunt there for new gold mines, for new wealth...dollars... "If we can't get it from the earth, on the earth, we'll get it from the sky, from the sea, from anywhere! Give me dollars and I will sell you my daughter, my son, and myself." Capitalist America. Money, money, give them a new "gold-rush" and they will "expand".

Hyman Lauer
Chicago

(This is the first of three parts, the other two will follow in the next issue)

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## MUSIC

### THE EVOLUTION OF ORCHESTRAL INSTRUMENTS

by Archie Abrahams-409

The orchestra is broken up into four sections, brass, woodwind, strings, and percussions. Articles in this and following issues will treat the development of the modern types of instruments of each section. General information and questions concerning music and instruments will be cheerfully answered in this column and we invite responses from the readers.

The first to be discussed will be the brass section. This department consists of trumpets, trombones, French horns, and tubas. The principle underlying these instruments is a vibrating column of air in a tube. The quality, pitch, and timbre depends on only three factors, the bore or width of the tube, the length of the air column, and the type of exciter used. The last factor concerns the method of producing the sound. The mouthpiece which is usually cup-shaped and placed upon the lips which are made to vibrate while emitting air through them. In Roman times a horn was used on the hunt. It was usually made of ivory, brass, or leather over strips of metal. Only one note at a time could be blown. A later development of the hunting horn consisted of a brass instrument of the fanfare type about eight to eleven feet long. When this was too bulky it was wound in a coil and held under the arm. This horn could only give about 12 harmonic tones. An ordinary scale was impossible. Some straight modeled horns developed a slide attachment to give different air column lengths, thus lowering the pitch and giving a chromatic scale. This was a trombone.

The valve theory was a late development of lengthening the air passages without too many movements. The trympet, tuba and French horns are the modern version of this type. The difference in tone of a tuba and trympet is that the bore of the former is wider, the vibrating air column is larger, therefore the tone is lower.

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## SCENE

by Alex Sechfeld-402

Grit and sand....coal and coke..... rusty slag and molten heat.... all are written in the face of this man. No ruddy glow of flame, but rather a fierce unbending cruelty flares forth from furnaces, white with ancient blood-stained ash. A door flies open with a clang and raucous rakes fling clinkers into grates below the flame.

A steel mill in the night.....

The worker stands, sweat stained body red....eyes dim with darkness of fatigue herculean muscles huddle close and leap with frenzy underneath the gleaming skin ....blackness, which answers with a sigh.

A great crane swings overhead and casts a curiously gargantuan shadow on worker, steel and all.....The muscles play and tense again....coke burns blue.....rails run white and hot and free.....the blast screaming forth its shrill siren song, is answered by the wail of anguish coming from the very soul of the worker... bent and busy raking clinkers into Moloch's Maw.

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## WAGE CUTS AND LAY-OFFS IN THE WESTERN UNION

Two years ago the Western Union introduced the stagger-plan. Since then the majority of the workers have been working 3,4, and 5 days a week. A few weeks ago the lay-offs began on a real mass scale. They are being continued in spite of the fact that every day those who are still working must put in overtime, whether they like it or not.

The work itself, because of the speed-up system, is very hard on the nerves; yet, when an operator is off the floor longer than the regular relief provides, which is 15 minutes, she must often see some superior, although that operator may not be more than one minute late; depending on whether she or he is liked personally by the supervisor at the clock.

If an operator enters the employ of the Western Union and is not in need of eye glasses, rest assured that she will wear them when leaving. That is not all; On November 1st, a 10% wage-cut was introduced for those who yet received $85.00 a month.

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A 5% cut applied to those making from $60. to $85. a month. There are many who have not had a cut as yet. These are the ones getting $60. per mo.-$15. per week!

Workers of the Western Union who, little more than a year ago were getting from $23. to $30. a week are now receiving from $11.50 to $15. weekly. The association of the Western Union Employees, is really working with and for the bosses of the company, since each officer of the association receives $1200. a year besides his regular salary as a worker. This is the way in which the assoc. represents the workers.

As you can see from the above, the conditions of the workers of the W. U. are far from good. The speed-up system is employed at all times.

There is only one remedy for the workers of the Western Union. They must organize in a real union under the leadership of the Trade Union Unity League. With such a union they will be able to prevent the bosses from cutting the wages, and using the speed-up system that takes the very life out of the young worker and makes him prematurely old.

Member of Branch #400 who works in the Western Union. (Chicago, Ill.)

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JAZZ AND JUSTICE

Now as I listen to a jazzy refrain,
A jamble, a medley and a jamble again,
A frenzy of noise, a melody of din,
A war-cry of dulness, of standardized sin,
'Tis beauty going out and rankness coming in,
'Tis the opium of a life that holds nothing for him
Who labors and lives from the sweat of his brow,
Who knows no tomorrow, who sees only now,
Whose brain cannot fathom nor realize how
Some people can reap without work at the plow!

Sam Pevzner
Br. 405

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S U P P O R T ! ! !

ANTI-WAR CONFERENCES - ORGANIZE

AND FIGHT BOSSES WAR PREPARATIONS!!

To our diplomats: "Would that we could see ourselves as others see us.

—

(Read and turn upside down)

or

"things turned the right side up sometimes make a great difference.

WHY ?

by I. Halpern

Boston Common lies in the center of the city. It is here that the bosses make their speeches during the election campaigns. They have no occasion to complain about the freedom of speech. It is entirely different when workers try to use it... they have to brave the policemen's clubs.

The Common divides the city not only geographically but also economically. On one side where the workers live is the flop house, where the starved unemployed come for their bowl of dirty soup to quiet the pangs of their hunger; on the other side on Beacon Hill, shines the Golden Dome of the State House, where "our" lawmakers "produce" laws to fool the workers.

I saw a group of workers, with their collars turned up, hats pulled down, so as to protect them from the wind. Some of them were lying on the ground covered with newspapers. Their bony faces and hands told the story common and tragic; these unemployed have been evicted and the park was thei home.

I walked from the park into the street. Passing by apartment houses my eyes were attracted by the signs in every other flat "To Let". At the distance I could still see the workers shivering from cold. My fists clenched involuntarily. A question rose in my mind, "Why should they be homeless, when there are so many empty houses, which they themselves have built."

## THE NEGRO IN THE SOUTH STATES

by Robert Goldenkarb

After the Civil War the negro was granted bourgeois democratic rights by amendment to the Constitution. However, due to the inability or rather the unwillingness of the Northern capitalists to divide the great plantations of the slave-holders among their former slaves, the negro was compelled to return to his master, who soon reduced him to a state of semi-slavery. One of the means of reenslaving the negro was the tenancy system.

The tenants may be divided into 5 classes but the outstanding characteristic of each class was the fact that the landlord supplies not only the land but usually the capital and the equipment for which he received the major portion of the crop. The tenant furnishes the labor sometimes the equipment, for which he receives a very small portion of his crop, barely enough to keep him alive. It is easy to see that in this way the negro will never be able to rise above this degraded state.

Once a year a contract is drawn up which the tenant signs, sometimes because he cannot read, but usually because he is forced to. The boss employs an individual to supervise the work of the tenants. The working day is usually from sunrise to sunset-six days a week. Because of the fact that they have no money the negroes by their supplies on the credit plan from the owners, who charge exhorbitant rates. After the crop is sold the owner deducts the debts from the profits, seldom leaving anything to the tenant and more usually presenting him with a bill.

Of course the children of the tenants are denied an education and thus when they have grown up find themselves in the identical situation with their parents. Another method of reenslaving the negroes is a series of certain vagrancy laws which provide work for unemployed negroes....on the state highways without pay. This in short is representative of the way America treats its working-class.

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CRITICISMS
SHORT STORIES
ARTICLES
REVIEWS --- MUSIC
CARTOONS
LET THIS BE A MIRROR OF YOUTH ACTIVITY

## MADISON SQUARE

by Alex Gochfield

Queer jagged streaks from misty lamps zigzagged on the wet pavement. Mist obscured the headlamps of cabs running wild in a maniacal city of hunger and fear. The Eternal Light flickered feebly. as each hot moist stain of filthy fog sidled past and licked the everlasting monument with slimy tongue and laughter or scorn.

Below in an immovable frieze they stood huddled in bas relief. Blackness against gray. Back further behind the silence and blackness flashed the brazen signs of an old-decaying day.

Madison Square Hotel....hostelry of wantons and big men from the South...."Come--- "Oh Boy....don't you know your way around yet". A half sheepish grin, a lascivious smirk and a quick reckoning of cash hand.... "Sure girlie".... The bas relief dissolves and fades away into blackness----blackness of damp cellars and long dark hallways---- the hideous rainbow of neon blatancies fades out--the mist deepens, swirls about the now deserted square.

The city sleeps, a restless and fitful sleep except where the chinks of shaded light peer through drawn blinds in the face of Madison Square Hotel.

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Sh.. sh....sh Communist Party to invest heavily in Wright Motors.....
That's the latest rumor.
Sweer.... Thier motors make 60,000 revolutions a minute.

## "1931"

Reviewed by Frank B. Blumenfield

Adam sang the brave song of labor, He was young, strong, and independent--a 100% American. He was filled with the old beast of the freedom--he could exercize the right to quit his job.

But Adam did not reckon with the economic crisis. He believed what the papers and the movies and the politicians had been teaching--than an able man who was willing to work could find a job. There are millions of jobs, he said, and he told his boss at the warehouse to go to hell.

In "1931" Claire and Paul Siften tell the story of the 12 millions of unemployed in the U.S. Here are reviewed the wretchedness and the demoralization of young manhood in the face of a situation that cannot be coped with in the traditional ways. Charity is inadequate, and in private hands it kills the self-respect of those in distress through no fault of their own. Lousy flop houses and bitterly cold slop lines are show places for the purpose of separating slummers from their small change. The irony of a religion of the meek and humble is represented. Racketeers sell jobs to, and buy pay tickets from desperate men who are fighting for a hunk of sour bread. "No Help Wanted" signs, eviction orders, laid-off women whose only refuge is the street, the police who are hired to maintain the status quo, all are escaped in a swiftly moving picture. in 14 scenes and 7 interludes, of the crisis in 1931. It represents a people with their backs to the wall, a people who are desperate to the point of disregarding personal safety and the sacred laws of property.

But the Siftons hold no clear-out brief for the solution of the problem. Perhaps that was the condition of production. There is the inference, however--only lightly touched upon--that the unemployment are turning "red". Unemployment councils do not exist so far as the play is concerned, and the Hunger Marchers never reached Washington.

It is a gripping play which held the attention of a full house in the Mansfield Theatre, N.Y., and it is very much worthwhile, if only to show up the lies minimizing the crisis that are broadcast in the newspapers and over the radio.

F.B.B. Branch 419
Springfield, Mass.

## ON THE HUNGER MARCH

Dora Spiro Branch 405 N.Y.

(Comrade Spiro was the delegate of the City Youth Committee of N.Y. on the Hunger March--She will tell bf her experiences in two parts.)

Ten thousand enthusiastic workers gathered at the Bronx Coliseum to send off the New York unemployed delegation to Washington to demand of the Federal government immediate relief and unemployment insurance for the hungry millions. Friday morning together with the delegation from Boston and Connecticut, we left for Philadelphia, our first over-night stop. All along the way to Philadelphia, especially in Trenton where we stopped for lunch, thousands of workers were out on the streets to greet us and support our program of relief. At Philadelphia we were greeted by a meeting of workers of such startling enthusiasm that it developed in us a determination to go to Washington and fight until we won our demands. We were fed and housed by the Workers International Relief. The next morning we held a demonstration and send-off in front of the Philadelphia City Hall. When we reached Wilmington we were flanked on both sides by hundreds of police who thought that in this way they could prevent the workers of Wilmington from demonstrating in favor of the Hunger March. The zest of the workers of that city was manifested in their cheering and waving. One old Negro woman, in her religious simplicity, gave us the Lord's blessing and was sure "He" would help us.

In Baltimore we were "warmly welcomed", "lavishly fed", and "comfortably sheltered" by the Salvation Army and by courtesy of the city of Baltimore. The welcome consisted in keeping us frozen in the open for three hours; the food was rank and contained so much seasoning we could not stomach it. The shelter consisted of spring beds with no mattresses. The capitalist press of Baltimore admitted that less than $100. was spent on feeding the 700 delegates. Many of us had often before eaten such slop at the hands of charity organizations. We gave our answer to such relief by getting up in a body and refusing to eat such so-called food. For some who had never before visited flop-houses, came the realization of what the homeless unemployed were up against.

(Continued in the next issue of the Barricade)

# BRANCH NEWS

YOUTH SECTION IS GROWING COMRADES!!!!

Erie, Pa., Newark, N. J. Washington Hgts, Another Detroit branch, another Chicago br. are the latest additions. In just a short period of time the following cities are expected to also fall in line.

Toledo, Ohio
Cincinnatti, Ohio
New Haven Conn.
Hartford, Conn.
San Francisco, Cal.
Norfolk, Va.
Syracuse, N. Y.

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Springfield 419 leads our branches in cultural activity this month. They are the first to get out their own branch bulletin. We are sending each branch a copy. It needs a lot of improvement from the point of view of content, and they promise to do better the next time.

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Akron 417 Spaghetti party held recently was a huge success. Five dollars was turned over to the Young Worker. They have two comrades functioning on the Mooney-Harlan defense committee. And to keep up to the minute on current problems, they have arranged for informal discussions at comrade Meltzers home. Members are not yet sport minded, but they are hoping to have a basketball team before long.

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Trenton 406. Comrade Greene paid a visit to Trenton and it seems to have pepped up the branch considerably. Their immediate objective judging from the hurry call for plays, is a functioning dramatic group. The lack of a gym is handicapping the sport activity. And as to Social activity--why not give us an ear-full Trenton?

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Washington 411. Only a little while back we were boasting of the fine cooperative between youth and adult branch in Washington. But it did not last long. Our members are so involved in campaigns being conducted in Washington-Hunger March etc. that they have all but forgotton about the Youth Section. Wake up Washington--activity that does not result in organizational gains for the Youth Section and which does not involve the greatest percentage of members is not very healthy activity.

Cleveland 413 Only recently we were informed that we would have to eat our remarks, in re the inactivity of branch 413 and since the letter was accompanied by several application cards for new members we were about to apologize....but the silence since then could almost be heard. And this branch which used to contribute articles and short stories has forgotten how to write. What have you got to say this time.

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Grand Rapids 414 Two steps forward..... silence...silence...and some more silence please be good and send us some news, working in spurts is not very healthy. Nuf said !

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Roxbury 422 Just a little branch beginning to do things in a big way. A number of busy students who are finding time to do things. But what they are doing is too much of a mystery. What is the City Committee of Boston doing? We did get some material for Barricade.

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Mary Branch 428 in Hollywood, hasn't got time to flirt with the actresses--just too busy sport hikes and interesting discussions. Are about to divide into two branches junior and senior.

Vanguards 426 in Los Angeles, is competing in activity with 428. Only to hear a lot more from 428. What happens at the joint affairs? And how is our City Youth committee faring in the matter of organizing new branches. California has completely neglected the Young Worker. There is still time comrades--get on

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Baltimore 427 will have to get [illegible] and give us an idea of their plans. Just received word that the Hungarian Youth br. is cooperating on a series of discussions on the capitalist press.

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Newark is having their installation Sat. Dec. 12. The Slovak Youth branch is to give a sport exhibition. A play also has been prepared.

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From the above reports we can see that with the exception of Akron, nothing has been done by the above branches for the Young Worker. The campaign has been extended to the end of December. SOME ACTION PLEASE!!

# NEWS FROM CHICAGO

The Chicago City Youth Committee is all agog over their plan which calls for 12 new branches by February. A new branch has already been formed in South Chicago. Calumet City Hammond and Gary are next in line.

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Here is a report of how branch #434 was organized.---- On Friday Oct. 23, eight young workers and students met at the home of a comrade. This small gathering was the firs meeting of #434 and was called by the City Youth Committee. Adult branch 59 cooperated in giving us the names of prospective members They are also allowing us the use of their headquarters free for three months. We have already had four meetings. At the first meeting a temporary executive committee was elected. Nineteen comrades have been examined so far. There are sixty-seven names on the contact list, and we haveforty-four coming to meetings. A discussion on the "Fourteen anniversary of the Russian Revolution" Our next discussion is to be on the Relations amoung Races. Permanent officers will be soon elected. We already have our charter and are now planning our installation, for Dec. 12. We ask all members of the other branches to cooperate with us. Come down to the installation. Yours for the growdth of the IWO.
Sophie R. Weinstein-Temp. Cult. Dir. #434

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Dramatics in Chicago!!!!

Do the comrades in Chicago know that we have a city dramatic group functioning? Plays sketches and skits are being rehearsed and prepared under the able direction of comrade May Kanevsky. The group has proved itself to be quite capable of producing dramatic productions. The recent play produced "Oscar Sapp" went over in a big way. Mr God is Not In, is now being rehearsed and polished up for our big city wide dance on Januarey 23. The cast is not yet complete. We need help. Come on you amatuer actors and actresses, come down for tryouts. We meet at the Youth Center 1224 S. Albany Ave. every Tuesday.

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The outing to Camp Nitgadeigot was a washout. It just rained and rained. Only about 70 people down. Nothing could be gotten for the Young Worker.

We are far from reaching our quota of $75. for the Young Worker. All we have raised is some $25.00--New York City is way ahead on the challenge with $50 already raised.

BRANCH ???????

"On your tiptoes, sh-sh now careful, there Dont raise your voice above a whisper, you Might disturb them.

Say, that's all this about anyways? Disturb who? Somebody working? No, sleeging, haven't you heard? And the entire branch involved. What, the Albany Park Branch?Why it seems to me I've heard that the Albany Brance started off to be THE branch.... So they did, but something happaned--they forgot they were a branch of the International Workers Order, or else in their anxiety to go to sleep overlooked it. They went into a deep hibernating coma, then somebody woke up-- a bustle here and a bustle there and $2.50 was raised for the Young Worker. For a while we thought that things were going to happan. But no-- to start things rolling would have meant activities, life- interest. and the recruiting of members into #423 of the IWO. But it seems as if the comrades are determined to avoid these things. Why my Dear!--the branch might grow! And what a field to work in--Evanston-Portage Pk.---Albany Park--and the nearest branch is miles away on Division St. Come Come Comrades, this will never do--don't forget that the delegate to the Soviet Union is to be chosen in only a few months.

We are afraid that #423 is competiting with South Side #421 to see who can remain stagnant longest--Well you both win!! lets get going -with a little attention and spirit, there isn't a doubt that #421 and #423 can recruit members by the tens. Lets Go!!

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Branch 430-Thee. Dreiser, branch despite the short period since its organization has demonstrated its ability to carry through successfully all branch activities planned. The John Reed Club cultural evening held on Nov. 16, was more than a social success. The executive committee has outlined an extensive program for our future activities. Beginning with a lecture on Dec. 4, and following with a social and dance on Dec. 18. Lydia Beidell will speak on State Instatutions under the Proletarian Dictatorship. We aim to have 100 members by Jan. 1932.

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Branch 410 is not only leading with $11.00 inthe young worker campaign, but is also conducting an interesting study circle. It is held at a comrade's home and there is an intermission during each session for tea and discussion.

# NEW YORK NEWS

New York is awakening!! The Youth Branches and the CYC are beginning to sense the possibilities for growth of the Youth Section. In the recent city dance that NEW YORK held the growing literary and artistic consciousness of the branches was manifest in the wallnewspaper contest held there. The competition was keen, the interest high, and the prize went to branch 407 Brownsville with 401 Bronx running a very close second. Socially the dance was a success. Financially we came out with $10.00 over and above.

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Three new branches in the offing in Gotham!! One in Williamsburg is functioning nicely. The comrades have organized a debating circle and also a girls' basketball team. We are hoping the girls' don't use their debating experiance on the basketball field. Washington Heights has already examined 10 members and have planned a little party for Dec. 19, just to develop a sociable spirit. The third is the Scholem Aleichem Cooperative in the Bronx, which has started off with a discussion on the Hunger March.

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DRAMATICS!!!!!!

Our City Dramatic Group has completed its rehearsals on "MR. GOD IS NOT IN." The first performance was given Sunday Dec. 13 at an adult forum in Bklyn. You who are interested in dramatics come down to 32 Union Square on Tuesday nights and join up.

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MUSIC----A YOUTH CHORUS IN THE MAKING

Under the leadership of comrade Adohmyan a group of music minded IWOers have been attending a music leaders class. We have already begun to see some of the results of this class in the group singing which is becoming an important part of branch entertainment both before and after meetings. AND NOW THE OBJECTIVE IS A CITY WIDE YOUTH CHORUS. Take note of this you songbirds--get the time and place at your next meeting and come down.

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The New York branches are beginning to take an active part in the Anti-War [illegible] on Jan. 3, and also for a mamoth indoor rally on Jan. 15. Delegates are to be elected by every branch. The IWO nationally, we hope, will take an active part in the fight against the Imperialist War which is fast approaching on the black winds of capitalist rivalries and hatred of the only workers country - the Soviet Union. And the Youth Section will lend its best energy and might in defense of the Soviet Union.

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Branch 401 in the Bronx is probably the prize winner of the city. That's not saying it has no blemishes in its organism--we should say not! Yet the branch is working along witha nicely varied activity - a basketball team that plays regularly(loses and wins being of minor importance) A class in the Fundamentals of Economics every Sunday--A dramatic group run ragged with bookings--Discussions led by Harry Gannes--Frank Palmer and others. Finally the Big Dance January 9, 1932.

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Spartacus Youth Branch 403 Middle Village has filled its quota in the Young Worker But like Spartacus of old, it doesn't stop there--They are entering the organizational battle well armed, they are using a regular series of Sunday Open Forums for weapons, and Spartacus cuts a merry caper in ye Dramatiks art with ye Olde venerated playe "Oscar Sapp"

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Branch 405 [illegible] planning a big package party and hoopla time for Sunday Dec. 20, when the crowd will dance and sing, and nibble on sweets-all for the benefit of the Young Worker.

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Red Colony Branch 433 has mapped out a whole program of activity for the next three months. Cultural, social and sports. The branch has already turned in some money toward filling its quota for the Young Worker--meaning that things are on the upgrade in the Red Colony. May it continue so

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Jamaica Branch 412 --Held a very interesting discussion led by Harry Gannes member of the Dreiser "Investigation Committee"

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## Editorial

To-day with the issuance of the second BARRICADE we hail the formation of the 45th. youth branch of our Youth Section. With the inception of this new branch our membership tops the 700 mark and begins the rapid trend toward the 1000 members which we have set for March 12. Let that slogan be the outstanding feature of our new membership drive- 1000 NEW MEMBERS IN THE YOUTH SECTION BY MARCH 12.

To carry out this slogan, the National Youth Committee has set MARCH 6 as the pep rally day. On that Sunday all the youth branches are going to launch one final concentrated drive for membership by carrying on a house to house canvas thruout the entire country.

Along with the growth in our membership we have corelated our activities to absorb these new members into a definitely organized plan of activity. In New York we have a youth chorus, which after three meetings, has a membership of 45-- A dramatic class and group which brings 20 members to its meetings. This group which is at the present time working on three play at once is going to be, along with the chorus, the outstanding feature of the New York District concert to be held late in March.

The new rush of activity is not by any means confined to New York. The Vanguard branch in Springfield, Mass. has got the jump on the National Cultural Committee and has issued the second issue of the branch magazine. From Cleveland we hear that they have organized an orchestra.. a humdinger....With prospects of a large membership in sight. And so on from many other branches thruout the country.

With our growth both numerically and educationally has come an understanding of the importance of participating more and more in the various working-class struggles.

We have already carried through a successful campaign for the "Young-Worker" in which we raised "125". All of our branches are actively involved in the Anti-War Youth movement. They are active in raising relief for the present miner's strike.

Our major campaign is the participation in a united front of all working-class fraternal organizations in the fight for social insurance. WIN ALL YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS INTO THE UNITED FRONT, AND COLLECT SIGNATURES DEMANDING UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE.

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## "OUR BARRICADE"

Jack Goldstein Br.#401

With untiring effort the cultural department of our Youth Section has devoted itself to the task of issuing the second "BARRICADE". Whatever technical shortcomings this magazine may have, they are insignificant when compared to the task ahead of us in having such a magazine appear regularly every month.

The value and importance of monthly magazine to be issued by our membership, cannot be overestimated. The growth of our Youth Section, the struggles we are facing demand such an organ to speak to young Workers and students, enlighten them on problems that face the youth and keep them in touch with and constantly interested in the vital activities of our Youth Section

We shall exert every effort to make the coming "BARRICADE" more attractive and have it out in printed form It all depends on how well we shall succeed in getting the fullest cooperation of young workers and students. We want this magazine to reflect the interest and activity of the everyday problems of the young workers and students through their articles and correspondence.

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## WHAT'S IN A NAME ?

The National Youth Committee feels that the name of our monthly magazine should be one more expressive or our Youth Section- we invite suggestions for a new name.

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## SONG OF THE WHEEL

Sam Pevzner #405

(The wheel under Capitalism)

Whirl.....
Of iron and steel,
We cannot feel,
We rule the world!
You give us all,
Until your're dead,
Our spokes turn red;
Then we are piled
And those who toiled
Are replaced by more
Whom we shall gore.
So when you're dead
We still shall whirl
Our woeful tune:
"You poor lion,
You too shall drop,
Your heart-beat stop,
We still shall whirl.....
Whirl.....

(The wheel in the Soviet Union)

Whirl.....
Of iron and steel
We build and build!
The red star shines
On field and mines.
The proletariat
Builds the future,
Builds the future.
The red flag flies,
The youth outcries,
Hail the Soviet!
The din of hammers
The swish of sickles,
We build, we build,
We grow, we grow!
The proletariat
Builds the future.
No more steel,
We now feel,
We whirl and whirl
To build the future
Of the Soviets!
Whirl.....

(The above poem can be used for dramatic presentation. Write to Cultural Committee for details).

## YOUTH AND THE WAR DANGER

Ted Vosk #401

"The hour of conscription has come..Soon... will come the order of mobolization and the best resources of young men.....must make up their bundles and desert their parents, their brothers and sisters, their friends and fellow- workers, often their,wives and children....." So spake Karl Liebknecht before the General Assembly of the Union of Young Workers of Germany in 1906.

"The last war was fought by boys, and the next wars will be fought by boys!" This by an agent for imperialist United States, General Ryan.

Young workers and students must wake to the ever darkening warclouds overhead. It is they who will bear to the full the brunt of the next war... A war which will embrace not only the front trenches but the worker at the bench, and the student in school; the office worker and the laborer. Daily the machines of war are being more highly perfected! Millions of dollars yearly are being poured into Moloch's maw, while the world's burden of misery grows larger and larger. Since 1925 U. S. and Britain's armies have increased over 8%. Last year, all war items of the U. S. budget totalled $2,733,200,000 or 72% of the budget! 1200 firms have contracted to provide war materials to the U.S. government and plans have been made to draft 14 million youths in the next war (N.Y. Times)!

Pacifism which has always been used to cloak greater war appropriations, is an illusion created to cover up the war and war preparations, does not attack the real basis for all wars, economic rivalry caused by the imperialist policies of capitalist countries in their search for new markets, raw materials, and cheaper labor.

"But one sixth of the earth, comprising 160 millions of peoples, is now closed to imperialist expansion." Their production is gaining, their population develops, they grow in wealth and resource. All this, without profit exploitation, is an inspiration to all oppressed peoples. These two tendencies -- the forces driving for inter imperialist war and the forces for war upon the Soviet Union are not opposed to each other.

"Both tendencies are now maturing. The conflict between the U.S. and Britain, France vs. Italy, France vs. Germany, United States vs. Japan, are only too obvious. As the antagonism grows sharper, in the same measure do the antagonisms of the imperialist world against the Soviet Union assume a more open

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## STRIKING AGAINST HUNGER

Sol Goodman #409

"If we're gonna starve we might as well starve striking" Thats the way the Kentucky miners feel about it. Ten thousand of them are striking under the leadership of the National Miners Union. All determined,all united,black and white,young and old,-one class interest in the struggle for the right to live.

The Dreiser committee brought to the forefront the miserable conditions existing in the coal fields. Even the Capitalist press has been forced to recognize these conditions. Stories were told about children without milk, or shoes. Miners who never see real money. The little money they ever see is company scrip which can only be used at company stores. These stores take take advantage of this monoply and charge exhorbitant prices. Stories are told of miners who live in shacks and huts,children working in the mines at the ages of ten and twelve.

The press and the United Mine Workers are apposed to the strike. Its the same old story about the impossibility of winning a strike during a crisis. The workers must take everything the bosses hand them..wage-cuts, longer hours, speed-up etc. The miners will show that this is not true and that the strike against starvation can be won.

The miners know what this strike means. Experience has tought them. The Democracy they expect goes something like this:First they will be evicted by the company from their shacks,then their credit in the company store will be cut off Picket lines will mean armed warfare with the company thugs,the sheriff and his gunmen. Arrests will come fast, then will frame-ups and jail sentenses, and increased terror.

They will have to face the big card in the hands of the coal operators..STARVATION. Morgan Mellon, Insull and the rest will attempt to starve out the striking miners. The miners will then be helpless, unless the rest of the American working class can come to their help

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## HUNGER MARCH TO THE CAPITOL

Part 2- By Dora Spiro

When we arrived in Washington we found that city an armed camp. In the crevices of the Capitol waited machine guns and tear bombs. But contrary to the press and the Secret Service, the marchers came unarmed,with outthe fictitious sticks and stones. ON THE MORNING OF DEC. 7 the eyes of all unemployed and employed were centered on Washington.

The delegation of 1600 workers marched to the Capitol to present the demands for unemployment insurance. The committee of 24 was refused admittance-a committee of three was ejected from Congress. Shouting slogans demanding immediate relief, unemployment insurance and for the freedom of Tom Mooney, the marchers proceeded to the white house. Mr. Millionaire Hoover refused to see the delegation representing 12,000,000 unemployed. We left not however without promising the president that we would come back in greater numbers and WE WOULD BE HEARD.

In the evening at the youth conference it was pointed out how the youth were taken off the bread lines and refused food, they are denied even the small relief handed out by the charities. A program of youth demands were worked out.

The delegates have gone back home to continue organizing unemployed councils,block committees for immediate relief. The next outstanding step is the mass demonstrations throughout the United States on Feb. 4th. Our Youth Section is carrying the struggle for Social Insurance to all working class fraternal organizations through an united-front with these organizations.

Every Youth branch should take part in this campaign. WIN ALL YOUTH GROUPS FOR THE UNITED FRONT-COLLECT SIGNATURES DEMANDING UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE.

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BLACK MOUNTAIN

Sam Pevzner #405 N. Y.

Harlan,--Kentucky-----just a town with big doings. Miners live there and they die there. Some think they never live there. Maybe they are right. Rockefeller sees to that. United States Steel sees to it also. Insull lends more than a helping hand. Other black corporations loom behind the scene. They all see to it that the miners barely exist. If the miners get the idea they deserve to have something to eat for working in mine-hells-well--machine guns are effective and Rockefeller has his own little blue book of thugs. Insull finds guns and thugs a good investment. So does Morgan. But that is old stuff. Morgan, Insull, Rockefeller- the murderous triumvirate of a heartless capitalism. We have been introduced to these guys before.

We have been introduced to big doings in Harlan before. We were introduced to them because the miners risked their life to do it. Because the workers dared to organize a real fighting Union, the National Miners Union. Because the International Labor Defense dared to enter the murderous triumvirate's kingdom to aid the starving strikers in their fight. Because two reporters for the labor press were shot. Because the murderous triumvirate feels the red hand at its throat.

But I have something else to introduce to you. Black Mountain. Yes, just old Black Mountain. It stands right over the borderline from Karlan, Kentuck, in Virginia. It stands there, quiet, brooding, dark. It has a story to tell.

"The night was dark. A drizzling rain glossed my side. And I was slowly falling into the silent easy slumber that only mountains experiencein the early hours of morning. Soon a big car wound its way up my sides, and stopped on the top. Its bright lights shot out from the headlamps, causing eerie shadows to fall by the roadside. In the car were five men, three armedwith revolvers and two without. The two without were Tom Myerscough and Jim Grace. Both Tom and Jim were NMU Union organizers. These other men looked like deputy sheriffs. Two of them were squat, heavy set men, The third appeared to be a man of authority, hitting over the six-foot mark, bruiser-built, and armed to the teeth. I watched them. The big man approached Tom and Jim after they were ordered out of the car: Would you guys like to fight?--

'Not under the conditions'---answered Tom, eyeing the bruiser and arsenal.

Crack! Tom's mouth was bleeding. Jim felt two revolvers prodding his sides. Again the giants fist flew. Tom crashed to the ground. He rose and turned to run. Bam! a rock struck in the middle of his back. Tom ran and disappeared down the precipice. The giant shot at him many times. He smiled. He got the dirty red-reck. Now for the other guy!

" A lusty wallop got Jim down on the ground. Then the brute walloped and kicked him on the head unsparingly. He broke the bone under the right eye. He blacked the other one. He was having a good time. Finally Jim got up and ran. He ducked into darknessout of the range of headlights. Rocks and bullets followed him. They missed. But one eye was blacked, the cheekbone broken--and Tom Meyerscough was----where the hell was he?

Jim stayed nearby in the bushes, avoiding the lights of passing automobiles. Deputy-sheriffs and like enemies of the miners were riding all the roads in search of strikers. Jim took no chances. Later he returned to the cliff and called Myerscough No answer. Called Again. Silence-----just dark silence. Jim Grace felt bad. Tom must have been killed--riddled by bullets and smashed to bits. Jim went on-death and murder meant little to him. In the coal fields death ins't much darker than life. And men tote guns in Harlan just 'sos they wont feel naked! And Jim is an old time unionist. He left the United Mine Workers because its a traitor organization. He's a fighting man---and the National Miners' Union is a fighting union. He knows the triumvirate: he knows them well, He is a fighting man. Not in the silly individual sense either. He is an organizer for the National Miners Union.

Black Mountain tells that story. Jim Grace tells the same story. I believe him because the black eye is still there. The broken bone, however, is not noticeable. But there are deep furrows on his face that tell the story. Jim Grace doesn't talk too much. But he was nice enough to furnish Balck Mountain's story.

Jim, bloody and tattered slowly hiked his way to Middlesboro. No one knew his

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whereabouts for over a week. He was given up for murdered. Jim gave Tom Myerscough up for dead. It was several days before he learned that Tom escaped. Yes Tom got away and went Appalachia, Va. There he was arrested. Red-neck organizers can't travel aroun easily in them parts. And Va. bows before the triumvirate So do the other states. So does Washington.

Now Jim is working in New York, for the International Labor Defense. His hide isn't safe in Harlan County. His home has been attacked and raided many times. They found "Red Literature" there. They know Jim Grace. Used to be all right when he was active in the United Mine Workers. That didn't harm anyone: the triumvirate didn't care. But as a member of the National Miners' union he became a "RED" and that can't be.

The Harlen County miners tote guns for personal safety. The National Miners' Union finds it difficult to hold the miners back from starting actual warfare. They haven't learned the need of strong organization yet. They see only the enemy before them. They can't trace the line through the murderous triumvirate to the halls of Washington. They still trust politicians.

But they tote guns and the National Miners' Union is organizing them.

The murderous triumvirate and its companies feel the red hand at their threats!

DEMAND ALL WAR FUNDS FOR THE UNEMPLOYED!

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If there was ever need of solidarity among the workers, it is now. Solidarity in the form of money, food and clothing. Solidarity to stop the fierce offensive the capitalist class has launched against the working class. A victory for the miners will mean a setback to the bosses in their campaign to cut wages, and institute a vicious speed-up system. The miners can and must win the strike. It depends on how long it will take and how long the miners can stay out and keep the mines closed. And that depends on how long they can be sustained by relief.

Our youth section can do a great deal to offset the greatest weapon of the coal boss....STARVATION. We can be instrumental in raising the funds, food, clothing to enable the miners to carry their struggle through. Every Branch should arrange Miners Relief affairs. We must carry our relief campaign outside of our own branch and into the shops and schools. Young Workers and Students who support this campaign, can be brought into the Youth Section. In this way a mass organization will be built which will be able to help wll the struggles of the Working class.

SUPPORT THE PRESENT STRIKE STRUGGLES AGAINST HUNGER!

ROGUES GALLERY OF CAPITALISM

## UNITED FRONT YOUTH CONFERENCES AND THE STRUGGLE AGAINST IMPERIALIST WAR

Dave Greene

The week of January 3rd marked the beginning of a united front movement of working and student youth against imperialist war.

Under the leadership of provisional anti-war youth committees, there were called together representatives of all kinds of youth groups, sport clubs, social, trade unions, shop groups, YMCA's, YMHA's, unemployed councils, fraternal and political organizations. ALL CALLED TOGETHER FOR THE PURPOSE OF WAGING A MILITANT STRUGGLE AGAINST IMPERIALIST WAR.

On every side we see the preparations for the imperialist war. In Manchuria we see first a conflict between Japan and the other imperialist powers, United States, France and England as to who shall dominate Manchuria, with indications of an agreement between the United States and Japan by which Japan is to use her sphere of influence in China toward crushing the fast growing Chinese Soviets, and to clear the way through Manchuria for the attack on the Soviet Union.

Of especial interest to us is the slogan of "All War Funds For The Unemployed" raised by the conference. Although the function of our Order is to supply the workers with insurance in the formof sick and death benefits,we raise the issue and fight for social insurance at the expense of the government. At the present time when our Order is engaged in a campaign to unite all workers' fraternal groups in a fight for social insurance, we must raise very sharply the question of demanding that the government stop their war preparations and use these millions of dollars to supply the workers, and millions of unemployed with unemployment insurance and other forms of social insurance.

In the next war it will not be only those in the front line trenches whose lives will be taken, but new poisonous gases, and the modern war airships will be used to wipe out whole villages and towns, distruction of life will be carried on wholesale -- ALL THIS SO THAT THE BOSSES CAN REAP GREATER PROFITS.

Since the war is to be fought by the youth, the bosses are using every instrument they control to prepare the youth for the slaughter.

The task of the Anti-War Youth League will be to mobilize the working and student youth to fight against these preparations.

In New York City the conference was attended by 133 delegates representing 86 youth organizations. EVERY ONE OF THE TWELVE YOUTH BRANCHES IN NEW YORK CITY WAS REPRESENTED. At this conference the ANTI-WAR YOUTH LEAGUE was formed. An executive committee of eleven was elected at this meeting to work out a plan of work.

Our membership must take an active part in carrying out the work of the Anti-war Youth League and at the same time build our youth Section. Every young worker and student recruited for our Youth Section means another fighter against war. BUILD THE YOUTH SECTION AND ESTABLISH A GREATER FORCE IN THE FIGHT AGAINST WAR.

## LETTER FROM A YOUTH MEMBER OF THE SLOVAK WORKERS SOCIETY

As a youth member of the Slovak Society I wish to express my views on the coming amalgamation of our Slovak Society with the International Workers Order. At the regular 5th convention S.W.S. held in Detroit in 1929 our membership became convinced of the necessity of organizing English branches (youth branches). Already there are 8 youth branches in existence and as a result of the 6th special convention which endorsed the amalgamation a special campaign is being conducted towards winning 1,000 new members before the amalgamation is finally completed. During this campaign we expect our youth section to grow by leaps and bounds. Our campaign will be conducted in the mining and steel districts where we have already adult branches and we can win from these places a youth membership direct from the mines and steel plants.

I find it hard to express in words the opportunity the amalgamation gives to our Slovak youth for working and fighting together with young workers of other nationalities, to once and for all break down the racial and nationalistic barriers which have hindered the growth of our movement. I see in this amalgamation the building and developing of a powerful movement for workers in the mutual aid field, embracing in our youth section educational and sport activities.

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## HOW TO LOOK AT A MOVIE

By H. A. Potamkin

The common way of seeing a film is to pass through the cordon of uniformed lankies, into a plush seat and be browbeaten or lulled into helplessness. The ceremony of movie-going is akin to the ritual of a church-organ music, incense at times, stage shows, etc. etc. A clean mind toward the film is prevented by the gossip and press-agent blarney (boloney in American Talk) about the stars, so that we do not see them clear or plain, but as something dazzling and apart. How many of us are able to go to the movie and see it for what it is:

1) Always dealing with things remote from our experience, just as religion does;

2) Trapping us into indentifying ourselves with the rich, the nouveau riche (allright-miks), the racketeers, the good bad men of the West, the beau brummel, the stenog. married to the rich man, the happy ending;

3) And even when the last minute of a film ends unhappily, as is now the fashion with gangster pictures, still we are intrigued by the glorious road of romance on the trigger, and that, by the repitition of numerous films, is what remains with us;

4) In a picture--"The Big House" for instance-- the indictment against the society that produces the evil is shifted to the individual, and then the individual is vindicated by the lovely love-affair which his evil act has caused, so that everything is hotsy-totsy, none is to blame, and what was it all about?

5) The comic character is usually foreign or of the "lower classes." The pangs of denial are soothed in the success of wit and luck--the weakling gets the girl, the fortune, the fan;

6) Foreigners are villians or fools unless they wear highhats;

7) Workers are not presented from the viewpoint of the working-class. In fact, today the labor - struggle isn't stressed at all. The worker is made a swashbuckler like the romantic racketeer who gets to the top-that's to flatter the workers, the major part of film - audiences, and keep him in the land of dreams;

"Czar" Will Hays admits that the movie is a great "social influence" but he is aganist-having the films contain "social,politial- or economic ideas." That means he is against "social,political or economic ideas"- that question the present state of affairs. He is against the straightforward fundamental propaganda of the Soviet film; the film is just entertained--oh yes! It is subterfuge, entertainment as propaganda--you get the show and the show gets you. The movie is sopowerful an impression, its influence sums up all the other influences of press, radio, school, etc., and makes their imprint deeper and more permanet--what is more drastic than a moving image, especially with sound added? Remembering all this,how are we to look at a movie? As something idle, to which we offer no opposition and bring no criticism? A movie must be looked at as an idea, false or true. The better workmanship in presenting the false idea only makes that idea more dangerous.

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## "PIE IN THE SKY"
FREDERICK HAZLITT BROWN
reviewed by Miriam Plotkin 433

We have here a fine example of bourgeois reformer literature. As is the Case with the great majority of bougeois fiction,the greatest part of the book deals with sex and love. A desire to find some sort of solution for social ills on the part of the hero has its conclusion in the formulation of a prepsterous scheme, "Humanity Inc." wherby the hero hopes to persuade the capitalists to provide some sort of a minimum livng wage to the workers. Evidently the author disapproves of the militancy of the workers, for the hero, David Harren, although supposedly brought up in a radical family, discards militancy as a means of attaining better social conditons.

It is for us to take up the challenge-of militancy in this book, and answer with increased activity and ever-growing revolutionary strength the "little-dog-begging-for-a-bone",meek and humble conciliatory attitude that the capitalists and bourgeois social reformers would have us take toward the system existing in five-sixths of the world. We must follow, and soon, the example of our comrades in the remaining sixth, and establish the SOVIET UNION OF THE WORLD!

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form. On the basis of the differences between the imperialist countries develops common agreement in regard to war upon the Soviet Union..."

The situation in Manchuria now, is a reflection of the foregoing paragraphs. The U.S. and the League of Nations were hostile to Japan's move into the rich Manchurian Market, but when they saw an opportunity to use Japan as a battering ram against the Soviet Union, they changed their attitude and supported Japan's position in China on the condition that it continues to advance North to Tsitsihar and Soviet Russia.

The capitalist papers are already starting to grind out war jingoism by the column and patriotic muck by the page!

Young Workers and Students.

DECLARE WAR AGAINST BOSSES WAR!

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# BRANCH NEWS

NORFOLK, Va.

Two new members this week, making the total for our newly organized branch 15. Our basket-ball team went up against a real tough quintet-we lost-a close-- score. Another tough game in store for us this week. Sunday Jan. 17, Dave Doran spoke on "The Present Crisis and the Youth". Next week we are goingto have an lecture on"Evolution" by Professor Franklin of the William and Mary university of Virginia. At present we're rehearsing the play"Oscar Sapp"which we are inviting the youth of Norfolk tosee. The play should bring some much needed-finances. YOURS FOR A MASS YOUTH SECTION OF THE I. W. O.

UPPER NEW YORK

Under the direction of comrade Yurack, a branch of seventeen members has been organized. The applications should be in any day now. Comrade Yrack is at present in Syracuse and we can expect another branch to be organized there. Ten members were present at the last meeting.

MICHIGAN

Please send us-immediately-15 emblems of the Youth Section, writes comrade Kishner from Detroit, it will be a good advertisement as our basketball teams both boy and girls will wear them on their uniforms. This is what we call sports in a big way-Detroit has the first!! Girls basketball team in our YOUTH SECTION!!!! The comrades in Detroit are planning a district conference which will take in both Detroit branches, Toledo and Grand Rapids Out of this conference should come a functioning district committee and increased activity all around.

CALIFORNIA

The City Committee of California has just taken a very good step in dividing, both California branches into -- Junior and Senior sections. All four branches are functioning nicely. On a city- wide scale a rally is being held on the 22nd. of Jan. The installation of the new officers will take place there. An interesting program including mass singing, yells

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and a play, "The Big Stiff" presented by the "Rebel Players" The rally will also be in preparation for the city-wide dance.

CONNECTICUT

Hartford and New Haven have gone into competition with each other, Hartford has its installation set for Friday Feb. 12, and New Haven is set for Feb. 13. On Sunday, both branches together with Springfield are to hold a district conference.
New Haven has an interesting plan of work- a discussion on sports, a class, and a dramatic group that is at present working on the second play.
SPRINGFIELD is still leading nationally in being the first branch to issue its own bulletin. But we must report that the rest of the activity is lagging.
HARTFORD we hope will soon report.

OHIO

The Cleveland City Committee has just been formed and is already working on a joint city-wide affair.
BRANCH 413 has set itself an ambitious task-the organization of an orchestra. Then there is the "Rebel" a monthly, not yet off the press. The branch has collected 500 signatures in the campaign for free gyms.
BRANCH 425 is a younger branch and cannot as yet boast of much activity, a dramatic group is functioning, and new members are coming in.
BRANCH 417 Akron. The Spaghetti party given a short while back was quite an affair. "The Second Story Man" Upton Sinclair's play was presented. Comrade Glick requests other plays to be presented in the near future.

SEND IN A DETAILED REPORT
FOR "BARRICADE"
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# BRANCH NEWS

## MASSACHUSETTS

The introduction of sports into both the Roxbury and Bo ston branches has been the turning point in activizing the membership. Together with the La bor Sports Union our branches hav secured a gym and have started a tour nament.

Roxbury is a little more ad-vanced in that they have a group interested in dramatics, BUT just a little too much so called home work is holding everything back. We don't think its a proper excuse, and we are asking the guilty ones to get busy.

Boston on the other hand has made no serious attempt re cultural work, especially in dramatics, and generally there is much too little news from Massachusetts in general.

## WASHINGTON D. C.

We want to call the attention of all our youth branches to Branch 411. As an example of how not to co-operate with the National Youth Committee. It is now almost two months since we have received a report. Just received a letter---a nd what do you think it contained-a request for Edith Siegels address--AND a promise that a report of activities will soon go out. We don't intend to wait very long-and we very lightly urge Washington to mend their ways.

## BALTIMORE, MD.

We are having a hard time to recruit new members writes comrade Ray, what with unemployment n'everything. BUT I am sure that unemployment is no worse in New Haven, or Hartford andif there the comrades can continue to recruit members WHY NOT BALTIMORE? We will grant that it means a little harder work and attractive activities. Just try that for a while a nd then seeif you can still complain about getting new members. And what about the Hungarian youth branch? Why not effect a little closer cooperation between both youth bra nches.

## CHICAGO, ILL.

Here is what Mae Newman of #423 has to say about the remarks in the last issue of "Barricade" re #423.

"Who said the Albany Park Branch has been asleep--- does the comrade liv in Chicago? Those that holler the loudest don't always do the most.

Have we got activity? for the short time that we have been in existance we have had many affairs--a dance, parties and lectures, the money from these affairs have been utilized to help other class-conscious organizations. We extend an invitation to to this wide-awake comrade to attend our mid-winter hike and our St. Valen tine's Party.- PLEASE DONT OVERLOOK this -Mae Newman - We didn't But we also overlook the fact that #423 is in debt to the N. O. WHAT ABOUT SOME MONEY for the National Office?

We must admit that applications for new branches have been coming in from Chicago, but that is about all. Chicago is entitled to a page of news, but we will be..... if we are going to make up and write the news.

Branch 430, THEODORE DREISER BRANCH and BRANCH 400 are in the running for a delegate to the Soviet Union, we mean from Chicago. WHAT THESE AND the other branches in Chicago need is a little SPEED-UP-not in the shop but in ACTIVITY and in VISITING CONTACTS. LETS HAVE A LITTLE MORE LIFE in the recruiting drive. WHICH BRANCH IS going to be the first to pass the 50 mark in membership? CHICAGO or NEW YORK? AND

NOT A SINGLE ARTICLE IN THIS ISSUE OF "BARRICADE" FROM CHICAGO!!

## ST. LOUIS, MO.

Branch 424 is in the Chicago district but you wouldn't think so from the way they ignore the CYC of Chi. Its just a little better when it comes to the National Office. With a chorus, classes, and sports going on, we will expect to hear more from #424 from now on.

# NEW YORK TID-BITS

Intwor Branch 401 - the branch that's doing things. Always on the go - and ever growing. Pipe this: they held a merry dance a few weeks ago - nothing to brag about financially, but a wow in every other way. The night was rainy, you see. No rain stops the 401 Basketball team, however. The boys are playing steadily and doing right by their branch...Every meeting is jammed full of interest for the members and for outsiders as well. They heard Frank Palmer about a month ago on Newspapers, Mac Weiss, editor of the Young Worker on "Youth and War", Harry Gannes on Harlan, and others. But the dramatic group of this branch has declared a lengthy Moratorium, hibernation, or what you will. The fact is, that 401 can put on a zippy play when it is so inclined. Hope they wake up and get back on the boards with their dramatic group!

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Middle Village is in an uproar..Youth members of the branch have forgotten everything except their BIG DANCE which shall light up the Irving Plaza on Sat. Mar. 5.. The leading Comrades of this branch are buzzing about like a hive of bees publicizing and preparing this DANCE..neglecting the business of the branch and letting the regular activities go hang... They ought to wake up to the fact that one big affair is no signal for a cessation of branch activities...

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Branch 404, Boro Park, is lifting its head from the slumber of a lengthy inactivity. They recently held a lecture with Max Bedacht, of the National Committee of the IWO. They are doing steady work in visiting contacts, and are seeing results. Also, plans are in the air for an interesting series of lectures and discussions.

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Branch 405, Downtown has ventured to compete with the USSR by the creation of a two month plan replete with healthy activities and branch boomers. Last Sun. a social was held in a comrade's house, which was attended by more than fifty young workers and students. Now the branch feels the itch for a DANCE. Despite its plans the branch is not growing... Something wrong somewhere, and we think it is with the exec in fulfilling the plans laid by it. Less talk, 405 and more work in this membership Campaign - that's one solution to our problem...

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Branch 407, Brownsville: Just received a blazing Youth Banner presented to them from the City Committee for having the best wall-newspaper at our last city-wide dance. They are planning a Dance for the 2nd week in Mar. Two comrades from this branch are to be commended for their good work in visiting contacts - having visited more than 18 at one time, and netting very favorable results. The rest of the branch should follow their lead.

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The Spartlets of Sparts Branch have mapped out a splendid two month plan, are starting to visit contacts, with a steady growth registered...

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Br. 409 Bensonhurst on the upgrade..netted $11.60 in Miners' Relief party held recently. Also collected food as admission..branch has nobby basketball team..a very successful class in Fundamentals of Communism.. and is arranging a DANCE ala in Mar..The branch is growing, thank you!

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Jamaica, 412, has been dragging its feet in the mud, but has scraped its boots, and promises to march ahead..expecially in the hike it is planning for Feb. 12..The branch has linked arms with the YCL unit in Jamaica and is arranging a BIG DANCE in the near future..

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Branch 433, Red Colony, has its difficulties but members of the SHOCK BRIGADE are helping them press them out..so now they have a month's plan.. a Red Sun. arranged..and brighter hopes. But we suspect they had better get rid of irresponsible elements before they go much further..a little house-cleaning, eh what?

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Washington Heights Br. 438 experiencing slight growing pains, but all the new branches do, so we don't worry.

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Williamsburg Br., a new branch, has taken the lead in organizing a Debate Section, and they are hearing arguments pro and con on every conceivable subject of importance..These comrades show signs of building a real branch.

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Branch 435, Newark, recently held a gala Installation and has started to function as a Youth Branch with youthful vigor. A bit too youthful perhaps because their meetings are conducted on somewhat of a rowdyistic style..Wake up Newark and behave yourself.

## THE WOODWIND SECTION OF THE ORCHESTRA

This group of instruments is differentiated in the method of producing their tones. The tone is usually brought out by setting in motion a column of air in one of three ways.
1) by direct blowing either at the end or thru a hole cut in the side of the pipe (flute)
2) by means of a single beating reed (clarinet)
3) by means of a double reed (oboe-bassoon)

The original type of woodwind instrument (still found among various savage tribes) consisted of a pipe which was blown into either directly or by means of a reed. There were no holes, consequently it was limited to one note sometimes two "over-blown" notes. Owing to the softness of the material it was improved by having holes cut in the pipe. By this means, the length of the pipe was altered. It is only recently that the holes have been placed so that they are more accessible to the hand and also produce more notes pleasing to the ear. The modern mechanism of these instruments have complicated combination of holes, padded stops, finger-pieces, rollers, etc. to facilitate easy manipulation.

The "serpent" was the predecessor of the clarinet and bassoon type. It was used in the French army for military purposes but its deficiencies were so many that even the men fighting at Waterloo couldnt stand it. The whole instrument presented the appearance of a dishevelled drain-pipe which was suffering internally.

The flute is a very charming (?) instrument. liquid tones, great flexibility of passages and sad and mysterious on the lower ones. On the Continent in the period of musical experimentation (the 17th and 18th centuries) a bass flute was developed. It was an instrument which was practically unmanageable by human lungs and lips. It had a bore of 1 inch and length of 43 inches. It required a Ubangi savage with oversized lips and a special race of men, or rather heroes of the Neitschean superman type to even blow a note on it.

The oboe is used for sad, wistful pastoral scenes and is very funny when played fast.

The bassoon (same type as oboe) playin lower, can imitate a drunkard staggering along an empty street.

The woodwind section is useful in depicting special moods and therefore is unexcelled for solo work in the modern symphony.

ARCHIE ABRAHAMS BR#409

## THE DANCE

Night Gleaming faces. Copper colored bodies moving in vast rythmical circles. The steady beat of the tom toms, the steady beat of naked feet upon hard earth. Years before the dawn of civilization and the dance is already used to express man's emotions, desires and hopes. Down through the ages, dancing has played many parts. It has amused the class who spend their time in drinking and eating, it has been a part of religious ceremonies which have drugged the minds of the masses and it has also portrayed the desires, the poverty, anguish and joy of the poor.

It is in the latter case, that we, the working class youth should be interested in. What part has the dance played in the lives of the oppressed and the revolutionary.

It was in the fifteenth century that white man first settled in the new world. Before they came, a race almost as uncivilized as those first dancers, lived in the forests. The white man came, killed the Indians, cheated them and exploited them, In many places the Indians were robbed of their land and made slaves. The tribal dances now took on a different meaning. It was'nt a case anymore of rivalry between two of the tribes. This time their dances expressed the hatred of the redman towards the white, and their desire to kill the exploiters.

The French Revolution is one of the most outstanding revolutions the world has seen. It was an immense uprising of the people against their enemies, the church, the king, and the nobility. Even in such days the people danced. They danced a wild dance of revolution, of liberty, fraternity, and equality. Their dance was not a minuet, the slow graceful dance of the moneyed nobility. Their dance was the dance of the oppressed people freeing themselves and taking the power into their own hands.

Thus we can see that the Dance has among many others, a revolutionary role. But it is not to realize this fact, we must also utilize it. The youth is always interested in the dance and through this medium one can present them with simple working class ideas. To do all this all that is necessary is to join the I.W.O. the only working class organization which offers to its members, cultural and social advantages.

MARIE SNYDER BR# 409

WRITE NOW FOR THE MARCH "BARRICADE"

## What the Youth Section of the International Workers Order Is and Why Every Young Worker and Student Should Join It.

As our name indicates, we are the youth section of the International Workers Order. Our parent organization, spread throughout the United States with a membership of over 14,000, is a working class insurance and benevolent society. We, however, being a youth section, have organized more in line with our needs as young people. Our chief aim is to give expression to the athletic, social, and cultural desires and requirements of the young worker and working class student.

We welcome into our Order all young workers and working class students between the ages of 15 and 25 who wish to avail themselves of the many advantages that our membership offers, or who wish to partake of the activities in which we are engaged.

As young workers we feel the need of a solidarity of all young workers regardless of race, color, nationality, or sex, and we therefore extend an invitation to colored as well as white young workers of all nationalities to join our ranks.

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## 1,000 Members by March 12th

This has been our slogan for the past half year. As this day approaches we eagerly count our application cards and find that our expectations will almost be fulfilled and that the campaign will just fall short of being entirely successful. As this issue of the NEW ORDER goes to press we find that we have 900 in the Youth Section of the International Workers Order.

Every individual comrade in the organization must admit that he did not carry out his duty to the fullest extent, every member must admit to himself in the light of the present figures and in consideration of the amount of effort put into the recruiting of new members, that the quota for March 12th should have been nearer 2,000. We are not trying to belittle the activity of the organization or attempting to upbraid the individual members for lack of interest and cooperation; but we are trying to stimulate and arouse a new and stronger drive to double, even triple, our membership before the close of the year. Comrades: you know it can be done, you know you did not do your best to make the present campaign a complete success. The campaign does not end with March 12th. This was merely the start, We must redouble our efforts to make the I.W.O. Youth Section a real mass organization.

Let us look for one moment at the growth of organizations similar to us in composition. For instance, the Young Circle League, the Youth Section of the Workmen's Circle. This organization is 5 years old. At the present time it has a membership of 429 - yes, FOUR HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINE MEMBERS AFTER FIVE YEARS. Let me quote a short paragraph from the report to the Executive Committee of the Workmen's Circle given by J. Baskin, the General Secretary.

"You must not fool yourself about the youth. We (each member) pay five cents a term for the Youth Clubs. That gives us $12,000 and we already have a deficit of $6,000. Of the 33 Youth Branches which we have organized 11 have been dissolved. Branches 1017 and 1023 are being reorganized. At this time we have 429 members in all the Youth Branches, but many of the branches were left with a small membership." (From the FRIEND, Feb. 1932, official organ of the Workmen's Circle.)

What does this mean - $12,000 in one year, the same sum spent last year, $32,000 for building youth branches and what is the result. Not even considering the fact that these tremendous sums have been spent regularly for five years the total result is FOUR HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINE MEMBERS. This proves that the Young Circle League, together with the parent organization, cannot win the working class with its reactionary, social-fascist program. This organization has done nothing and will do nothing to win the Negro and language groups of workers.

It shows clearly that the Workmen's Circle, the running mate and boon companion of the A.F. of L. is drawing its last dying breath. However, let us not be too optimistic - till we ourselves have built a strong mass organization, we must not underestimate the reactionary position of such organizations as the Young Circle League.

It was for the purpose of drawing youth away from such social-fascist and fascist organizations into a real working class organization that our Youth Section of the I.W.O. was organized. Today we have 47 branches and 900 members. Have we succeeded in our purpose? To a certain extent obviously YES. But we can count our numbers in thousands and say that we have a real mass Youth Organization. Our slogan should be EACH MEMBER MUST BRING IN A NEW MEMBER EVERY WEEK. Lets go: with a little pep we're going to work on the basis of 100 members every month for our Youth Section.

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## United Front Campaign for Social Insurance

by Dave Greene

"Social insurance is a system of government support to give workers financial assistance, thus affording them a measure of security in case of accident, sickness, death of the wage-earner, unemployment, child-bearing or dependent old age." ("Social Insurance" by Grace Burnham.)

In America today, as a result of the crisis, the workers, employed and unemployed, are beginning more and more to voice their demands for social insurance at the expense of the government. With 12,000,000 workers unemployed, they and their families facing starvation, millions more working part time, we see clearly why immediate steps must be taken to force the government to provide some forms of protection to these workers. Up to the present time, the workers have been able to force from the governments in certain states some crumbs of social insurance. Some states, for example, have been forced to pass workmen's compensation acts. Information from these states is very unreliable. When we take into consideration the fact that the total estimated number of industrial deaths reached 35,000 with an estimated number of 3,250,000 non-fatal industrial accidents we get a faint idea of the basis on which workers of certain states have been able to win compensation from the state governments. However, the amount paid out in the form of workmen's compensation ranges from 50% to 66-2/3% of the wages lost by the workers as a result of their injuries. We can clearly see from this how inadequate the relief is. When it comes to other forms of insurance all that we can find is an old age pension act allowing for protection to those workers who can manage to escape the hazards of industry and live to the ripe old age of 70 and then they receive a small pittance at the hands of several state governments.

No provision is made whatsoever for unemployed workers, for widows or for those workers who take sick. Let us for a moment contrast this with the conditions in the Soviet Union. From birth to death the well-being of the individual in the Soviet Union is the direct concern of the state. Pre-natal clinics, leave of absence with pay 8 weeks before and 8 weeks after child birth, experienced physicians and nurses to care for mother and child, adequate hospitals and accomodations for all expectant mothers, nurseries attached to industrial establishments where the mother can leave her infant during working hours, free medical and hospital care for the sick worker or any sick member of his family, rest homes for the convalescent, club rooms and vacation homes, annual vacations with pay, insurance against unemployment, accidents, sickness, permanent disability, old age and death are part of the system. This is all possible because in the Soviet Union the state is entirely controlled by the workers and peasants, and where industry is no longer run for profit. In the U. S. the workers, in order to get any form of protection must join one of the many fraternal organizations which offer a small fraction of the necessary protection. Such an organization, the International Workers Order, was organized as a result of the demands of the workers for protection. At best these fraternal organizations can give only a minimum of benefits and the payment of course for these must come out of the pockets of the worker.

The bosses, recognizing the demand of the workers for social insurance, have organized such fraternal organizations which they use as a weapon, first, in checking the demands of the workers for adequate social insurance and, second, as an instrument for carrying out their own political aims and ambitions. It is interesting to know that Tammany Hall, the most corrupt political organization in New York, was formed originally as a fraternal organization. Today the millions of workers unemployed and those working part time are finding it more and more impossible to meet the high dues of these various fraternal organizations under corrupt capitalist leadership, and are dropping out, thus losing even the small

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## From Miami to Moscow

by Mrs. Gleason.

I am about to leave this "happy" land of ours - this "land of the free", for the Soviet Union, where I hope to be able to find my place as a worker and help in the completion of the 5 year plan, a step in the building of socialism.

Since I have spent most of my life below the Maxon-Dixon line, I want to give you comrades an intimate picture of the life of the Negro sharecroppers or tenant farmers who make up 80% of the Negro population of the South.

In a future article I will give you my first impressions of the Soviet Union and how the young workers there are helping to build a new social order.

I don't know whether you comrades can appreciate the conditions under which the sharecroppers are forced to live. Their food consists of "chitlins", a hash made from pigs intestines--bacon--the cheapest imaginable consisting mostly of fat. That is why we find so many Negro children suffering from rickets, pellegra and other diseases resulting from malnutrition. And did you know comrades that most Negroes suffer from eye diseases and many go stark blind at an early age. This is due to the fact that the Negro mother must be out in the field either planting or picking cotton - there are no nurseries for children, especially Negro children in the South and as a result, the child is taken out to the cotton field and laid on the ground as the mother goes from row to row picking cotton. These children lay in the burning sun for hours at a stretch and the sun literally burns their eyes up.

Have you ever seen the house of a Negro sharecropper! You just wonder how the boards manage to keep together so long, no doors, no windows, holes in the roof thru which the rain comes thru in torrents during the rainy season. Children that do not know what shoes are, running around literally naked. There is a story told of how the sharecropper

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## Murder in Kentucky.

Once again, the ruling class of the United States, insane with rage and fear at the growing struggles of the workers against starvation and misery, has tried to silence their revolt by murder. On Wednesday, February 10, Comrade Harry Simms, 20 year old District Organizer of the Young Communist League in the South and Youth Organizer of the National Miners Union, was fatally shot down by the deputized thugs of the Kentucky coal barons.

Harry Simms, born December 25, 1911, in Springfield, Mass., joined the Young Communist League at the age of 17. On March 6th as District Organizer of Conn. he led the demonstration of 10,000 workers for unemployment insurance. For this he was beaten up and jailed for six months.

In December, 1930, he became D.O. for the Y.C.L. in Chattanooga, Tenn. In July, 1931, at the 6th National Convention of the Y. C. L. he was elected a member of the National Executive Committee. In December, 1931, Simms (Harry Hirsh) went to Kentucky to help in the preparation of the strike. There as a result of his activity as Youth Organizer of the National Miners Union, he was brutally shot down by the thugs of the coal barons.

Comrade Simms' death must be answered! The miners must win their strike! Spread the miners' strike - raise the necessary relief for the continuance of the struggle against starvation - Fill the gap left by the death of Harry Simms!

## STATEMENT OF THE I.W.O. CITY YOUTH COMMITTEE OF CHICAGO ON OCCURRENCES OF WHITE CHAUVINISM IN OUR BRANCHES

The Youth Section of the International Workers Order, a working class fraternal organization, interested in supplying the workers with protection in the form of sick benefits, medical aid and death benefits thru mutual efforts, improving their cultural and social conditions and using the combined energy of the organization in the struggle to improve the conditions of the working class as a whole, wishes to make clear to the young workers and students within the organization as well as to the working class as a whole its stand in relation to recent events and occurrences of racil prejudices which have very sharply expressed themselves among our ranks.

Today when the conditions of the workers are becoming worsened thru unemployment, wage-cuts, speed-up as part of the attack of the boss class on the standard of living of the workers we find it necessary for all workers regardless of race or color to organize into a workers fraternal order to supply themselves with this very necessary social insurance. The Negro working youth, because of the system of racial discrimination and Jim Crowism maintained by the bosses to divide the working class youth, are doubly exploited, both as young workers, and as Negro youth. Not only do the Negro youth receive the lowest wages but they are denied insurance by most organizations and the few to which they can belong charge them exorbitant rates. Because of these conditions the youth, especiall the Negro youth are looking for working class organizations to satisfy their needs.

The International Workers Order will not be able to grow and become a mass organization of youth unless on the basis of a struggle for immediate needs of the young workers Negro and white, on the fraternal field we carry on a struggle for these needs and win both Negro and white youth for the I.W.O.

The very fact that up to the present time, our organization has but two Negroes within our ranks shows how we have underestimated the importance of winning the Negro youth for the I.W.O. and shows our isolation from the Negro youth and has led to the recent occurrence of white chauvinism.

As a result of the failure of the National Youth Committee to prepare our membership ideologically for winning the Negro youth into our Youth Section we find an outbreak of white chauvinism first in Branch #434 where the comrades refused to dance with the Negroes present and second in the Jim Crow dance held by Branch #421.

The comrades of Branch #421 carried thru a Jim Crow dance, using the excuse of avoiding a "lynching of Negro workers who would be present"! These comrades had no confidence in being able to mobilize the white and Negro youth for the defense of the Negroes, to smash any attempt to attack the Negroes present. By these actions the comrades played into the hands of the boss controlled churches and small business men of Burnside. We must thoroly realize that we cannot speak of equality of Negro and white, unless we are ready to fight for equality of Negro and white workers.

In view of the foregoing facts, the City Youth Committee is launching a campaign immediately to educate its membership and all working youth which we can get under our influence, as to why and how we must organize the youth of all races and nationalities, equally into the International Workers Order. This educational campaign will mean nothing unless it is followed with action along the lines of winning the Negro youth for the I.W.O. Our actions will speak much louder

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than words and will hereto show that we really intend to struggle for Negro rights.

Proper steps are immediately being taken to wipe out the existing elements of white chauvinism. The Burnside Branch with the help of the City Youth Committee must organize a Mass Trial. Here the members of this branch will be tried by the workers of their neighborhood and their Jim Crow actions will be condemned. Severe action will be taken on all case in the future when any member does not live up to the program of the I.W.O. Only if we consistently fight for Negro Rights, and carry on our intensive recruiting campaign among the Negro youth as well as the white will we be able to build our organization into one of masses of Negro and white working youth.

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## Negro Youth and the I.W.O.

by Max Bedacht.

It is a very great weakness of our Youth Section that i has pracitically no Negro workers in its ranks. Just like the International Workers Order as a whole, so also its Youth Section must demonstrate its international workers' character by being an organization of all workers, irrespective of nationality, race or color.

It is in the period of youth that the capitalist illusions and prejudices are formed in the minds of the workers. The capitalist teachings in school are fortified in the heads of the young workers by the capitalist leadership of the numerous young workers organizations in all fields.

It is in the period of youth that the militant workers and their organizations can most successfully try to shape the ideas of the worker to conform with his or her class interests.

That is why youth sections of organizations like the International Workers Order are of such tremendous importance That is why the growth of the Youth Section of the I.W.O. must not only be the concern of the Youth Section itself, but must be made its own problem by every adult branch of the I.W.O. And that is also why the Youth Section itself must carefully shape its activities and propaganda so as to reach evermore young workers, and so as to become for these young workers a leader and a

teacher in working class activities.

Activity and experience are the best teachers. The Youth Section of the I.W.O. has as a primary task to break down among its own members and among the white working youth in general the capitalist barrier of white chauvinism. There is no better method to do that than to organize Negro young workers in the Youth Section. In the educational activities of the Youth Section the problem of organizing the Negro youth must receive much more attention in the social activities as well as in sports work. The class unity of black and white workers must be established in ever present comradely cooperation and competition. The struggle against white chauvinism must become for the Youth Section of the I.W.O. a matter of actual mass activities and group activities of black and white young workers alike.

The task is important. Let it be carried out in our Youth Section.

## Tasks and Aims of the Workers Theatre

by Esther Posner.

A very definite contrast exists between the bourgeois theatre and the proletarian theatre not only as to form and content of the presentation but also as to the purpose. In the bourgeois theatre, the playwright is assigned the job of writing something - anything that will appeal to the theatre-going public the director, seldom consulting the playwright as to interpretation, has on hand professional actors - merely human puppets - to enact the play to his liking. Week in, week out, they think, not of the play, but of the many tiresome rehearsles, bawling outs by the directors, occasional dismissals, of of costumes, scenery and more scenery.

In the proletarian theatre we see quite a different assemblage. The actors and directors, taken from the ranks of the working class, do not perform with the aim in mind of portrayal of character - their aim is to act as the mouthpiece of the workers - voicing their protests, showing the growing militancy of this subjected class and the changing attitudes of the workers.

The greatest aim and task of the workers theatre necessarily changes the role of the proletarian playwright compared to that of the bourgeois writer. Rather than writing to provide entertainment alone, the proletarian playwright must constantly aim to convey definite ideas and particular social and class issues of the day - the conflict between worker and capitalist; the role of the church and its effect on the working class; the importance and significance of the miners' strike and other like cases that may come up. Thru a dramatic means, the worker can be shown the dangers of the existing form of society; the danger of pacifism and the need for action against pacifism can be explained; achievements of the Soviet Union, the workers' fatherland, can be popularized and used as a method of spreading propaganda. In order to popularize the workers'

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## The New Proletarian Culture.

George Brandes, famous bourgeois scholar and critic, writes in one of his boods (paraphrase) "The truly great writer is the one who reflects his era. The one who can forsee the problems of his era and give them articulation."

This statement of a "liberal" critic should give the keynote to our young aspiring writers. We appeal to them as members of the working class. Where shall they stand, what shall they devote their literary ability to, in this period of intensified capitalist exploitation.

In such an era and under such influence our writers have only one task: that is to portray the true conditions of their class and to point a way out.

Under capitalism there can be no real culture. A prerequisite for any true culture under which writers can devolop is that the masses be freed of economic exploitation. The essence of the word culture is a better life for the masses. No culture that is based upon the misery and exploitation of the vast majority of the people can exist.

"Culture" so called as we see it today is the conscious effort of the capitalist class to keep the workers in poverty and thus force the young writers to prostitute their efforts and in most cases their working class interest and turn out yards of slimy "Parlor, bedroom and bath", propaganda to poison and delude the minds of the workers.

Our young writers seek form and style. These are important, but never as important as portraying the class struggle in a simple lucid manner, so that the mass of workers can be shown the way thru the morass of bourgeois ideology in which they are floundering, to a proletarian dictatorship and a better life. The daily struggles of our class should be our field of observation and its intensity our inspiration. Only thru struggle in the front ranks of the working class can our young writers prove their mettle and turn out work of value to this class.

## Steel - With the Sob Sisters.

by Sam Pevzner

When the play "Steel" was produced in a Broadway theatre the news was spread by the bourgeois critics and some of our own comrades that here was a workers' play. The little first-night hounds who saw the play, with the usual smartness of their sect, wrote in the yellow journals that "Steel", "Like all Communist plays", was propaganda and not good dramatics. According to them, they do not go together, and gave this as reason for the ineffectiveness of the play. But these theatrical spittle-dogs of the bourgeois press were overstepping their mark when they wrote thus; they ceased playing their little game according to their own standards.

"Steel" was not effective enuf because it lacked agitation, because it was hampered by the conscious or unconscious attempt of the author to create a dramatic bauble suitable for the lapping of the critics. At the same time the author, John Wexley, attempted to play fair with his conviction that the workers should revolt and organize.

But this cannot be done. The critics, whose little canine minds see everything that smacks pro-working class as non-dramatic material forget even their reverent regard for individualistic plot where the "conflict of a human soul against external forces" is concocted in judging "Steel". They were seeing red when their eyes should still have been glued to their book of dramatic rules. "Steel" offered them little chance to sense true working class drama.

I think that Wexley valiantly tried to put into his story those situations which are typical of the American steel worker and his family. He no doubt intended to show how the worker becomes entangled in a mesh of drudgery, poverty, and family tragedy until the little hope he ever had has disappeared and he has given himself up to the bosses and the machine till death. A very true reflection of capitalist economy! But he failed to put this across

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## Our Youth Section Publications.

by Al Gochfeld

With the birth of our organization a year ago, we included as part of our plan of cultural activity for the branches, the publication of branch newspapers, not wall bulletins, but real honest-to-goodness journalistic productions. In our early burst of enthusiasm we over-looked the di ficulties and obstacles facing the issuance of such journals. Later we settled down to concentrating our efforts on building up the cultural activities which were easier to carry on, lectures, discussions, etc. W ile we were working on the first issue of our national publication then called the BARRICADE, we received a bulky envelope with a copy of the VANGUARD issued by the I.W.O. youth branch in Springfield, Mass. This first I.W.O. youth publication had certain serious errors which after certain constructive criticisms from the membership at large were successfully remedied in the next issue. In all they have already put out three editions and are busily at work on their March issue.

This month we received the second branch publication, the REBEL, published by the Cleveland Youth Branch. This also came in for a certain amount of criticism. We are eagerly waiting for the second issue of REBEL and also the newspapers put out. We are not saying anything about the NEW ORDER as we have a very supernatural fear of self-criticism. We leave the "slandering" of this organ to you. Get busy!


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## The Scene in New York

The New York branches have just begun to realize that our Order is in the midst of a Membership Campaign. This only after National and City letters have pounded away at the fact time and time again. The increase in our membership has been nothing to rave about, and the greatest number of new applications coming into the Office these days come from the cities outside Gotham. But preparations are being made for the March 6 nation-wide canvass by all the branches and high hopes are held for that day.

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New York City put out a Bulletin last month, but only under the extreme pain of those in charge, the City Cultural Committee. The pain was caused by planlessness, lack of cooperation and responsibility, and the attempt to publish it at the same time that work was progressing on the BARRICADE. We expect better results next time.

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At one of the recent City Committee meetings one of the Reps remarked that the New York branches would get along much better if they depended less on the City and National Secretariats and more upon themselves. He cited the case of his own branch, Bensonhurst 409 and showed that as soon as they began to do their own work upon their own initiative, the branch began to flourish and become active. We are inclined to agree with this Rep to a great extent. That is why we have not written up the activities of every branch in this column as we have done previously. If the branches want to get news about themselves published in our national magazine, then they must send it in themselves. It is a good job for every cultural director. WE SUGGEST THAT A COMRADE IN EACH BRANCH BE ELECTED AS CORRESPONDENT IMMEDIATELY, AND THAT IT BE HIS DUTY TO SEND IN A COMPLETE ARTICLE ON THE BRANCH EVERY MONTH. Not all of them will be published, but the best will certainly appear.

The New York Shock Brigade is proving to be a great aid to our branches. Altho it has not yet attained the desired representation from all the branches, the Shockers are visiting old and new branches, helping them out in their problems, and suggesting new methods of activity. On alternate Mondays the Shock Brigade meets and discusses the problems of the branches visited, attempts to solve them collectively and makes new assignments for the following two weeks. The Shock Troopers are comrades who wish to further the work and influence of the I.W.O. Youth Section among the masses, and are willing to give their time in actively building the organization. They are in reality some of the more responsible workers in our various branches and the recommendation of a member by the branch executive for the Shock Brigade is a sign that the comrade's desire to work and his interest in the I.W.O. is recognized. For this reason we hope that the Shock Brigade will in due time number our entire membership. And don't laugh, for that is not impossible.

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## The New York City Youth Concert

Hits galore are planned for the first city concert. The City-wide Dramatic Group will present several short plays. Branch 404, Boro Park, has accepted the invitation to play "Marching Guns" at the affair. Harry Melofsky, the big-boy with the many talents (hope you see him imitate Ghandi's goat sometime), will play a duet on the piano with the charming Reba Goldenfarb. Both are from Branch 401, where celebrities breed like flies. And how they buzz. Comrade Norman Plotkin, a pianist of no mean reputation, will play. He hails from Red Colony Branch 433. One of our dancing groups under the leadership of Lily Mehlman will show us what is meant by revolutionary dancing. The one and only ENGLISH WORKING CLASS YOUTH CHORUS (organized by the I.W.O. Youth Section) and other features shall fill the entertainment basket to overflowing.

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From Miami to Moscow (con'd from p. 4.)

plants and harvests potatoes which brings out very sharply the conditions in the South. In order to plant the patatoes the mule is led across the field and in the holes left by his hoof the seed is planted. Then when the potatoe plant becomes infested with potatoe bugs, which eat up the potatoe bugs of course the chickens also eat up the plant. Then when harvesting time comes around, the pig is left loose in the patch and the pig digs up the potatoes, with a boy watching the pig to see that he does not eat them up.

The workers in the South, Negro and white sharecroppers are not sitting by and allowing themselves to be crushed by the Negro and white landlord class and by the industrialists who are moving to the South where labor is cheap. The outbreak in Gastonia is just an indication of the awakening class-consciousness of the Southern masses of workers and farmers. The Scottsboro case, and the reign of terror and lynching now going on in Camp Hill in the South attests to the fact that the bosses are using every means in their power to crush the ever rising organized militancy of the masses in the South. In spite of this sharpening terror, the workers and farmers are organizing and fighting back. The unity of Negro and white workers, is taking on more concrete form every day. The struggles in the South are becoming part of the struggles of the whole working class against their one enemy - capitalism.

Young Worker Criticizes "Barricade".
M. Seidlin-Branch #405

When the first issue of the BARRICADE appeared it looked grim, dull and forbidding. It gave one the impression that to read it would mean the loss of his eyesight. The "Morse-coded" letters made it impossible for one to discuss or analyze the material enclosed within the dim covers. Even the cartoons which are usually not subject to the perpetual caprice of the mimeograph this time highly indeterminate.

Our second endeaver to put forth our thoughts and deliberations on paper was met with greater success. When one looked at the cover of the Feb. issue of the BARRICADE it made him feel that there was something really worth while inside the covers. The story about the Kentucky miners and the brilliant cartoon by Pat depicting our biggest and most hard-fisted capitalist rulers is a work of art. Judging from the leap the mouthpiece of our organization has taken one cannot but feel proud and enthusiastic about our monthly magazine.

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Steel With the Sob Sisters (from p. 8.)

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"Steel", is an important milestone in the bourgeois theatre, because it dares to scrape nearer to the bone in the industrial conflicts confronting the working class today. It is a very credible attempt of a playwright, who evidently knows his stuff theatrically, to give a picture of the class struggle in the pseudo realistic mould of the bourgeois theatre. "Steel" can succeed in teaching those unacquainted with class conflict a little something about it, but to workers who went thru strikes, and to the class-conscious developed worker the play will seem just a little too much for the sob sisters.

## Sports In the I.W.O.

by Sam Kessler

"Ouch, that was an awful sock on the head!" I turned around and saw a monkey laughing at me. He was adding insult to injury. He had hit me with a peach pit and was now enjoying himself at my expense. So you see its natural for us to play. Our ancestors were forced to learn how to throw spears and stones and swing a club with accuracy. From this developed our present day sport desires.

Sport work will not only build bodies. It will also build healthy branches. Thru sport work we can attract that element which is interested in sports and once we get them to join, it is easy to interest them in our other activities. Sport teams come in contact with other teams, and thru such contact we can invite them to our affairs and win them for our movement. Sport activity, as our other activities, should be a means to an end. We should link up our sport work with the working class movement as a whole.

At present every worker should be interested in the workers' sport meet, which will be held in Chicago this summer. This meet is going to be a direct hit against the bosses meet, the Olympic games to be held in California. The counter-Olympic campaign is our major sport work for this spring. All sport activity carried on should be in connection with the campaign. New York has already made a start thru a counter-Olympic hike. Preparations are now being made for a counter-Olympic basketball game and dance. All our youth branches should enter their runners in the Tom Mooney street runs being held thruout the country. Below is a guide for the counter-Olympic campaign which City Committees and branches should follow.

## Guide of Work for the Counter Olympic Campaign

The Los Angeles Olympics is a boss class meet. It will be a meet which will be used for boss propaganda. It will be used to whip up nationalistic feeling and jingoism. It will discriminate against Negro athletes. It has ignored the Soviet Union, one-sixth of the world's surface, where capitalism has been overthrown. It will be held in the state where Tom Mooney, labor's martyr, has been in jail for the last fifteen years in a vile frame-up. It will be composed of a few "star" athletes, rich men's sons and such. It will NOT be a workers meet, nor will workers be able to see it because of the prohibitive price charged for admission.

We state further that the Counter-Olympic campaign is to be a broad struggle against the Los Angeles Olympics. It is to be a united front accepting all amateur athletic organizations and, athletes - workers farmers, students - regardless of affiliation, political opinions, who accept the following fundamental principles as a basis for affiliation:

1) Boycott the Los Angeles Olympics! For an International Workers Athletic Meet at Chicago as a counter meet to the Olympics!
2) For the unconditional release of Tom Mooney!
3) Against discrimination of Negro athletes! For full equality of Negroes in all sport organizations and athletic meets!
4) Against the use of sports for bosses militarism and war!
5) Against the sport blockade on the Soviet Union! Unity with the Soviet athletes!

amount of protection afforded by these organizations. None of these social fascist and fascist fraternal organizations have made any attempts to demand from the government these vital necessities. On the contrary, they are the ones who indorse Hoover's "un-American" interpretations of the demands for social insurance. They are part of the capitalist system and we cannot expect otherwise from them.

We, however, as a working class fraternal organization, see very clearly that while we as an organization serve the function of supplying thru mutual efforts some of the benefits, recognize it at the same time as a function of the government. We are therefore at the present time initiating a campaign to mobilize all the fraternal organizations for a united front campaign to demand from the government social insurance. In carrying thru this campaign it is our intention to reach not the corrupt leadership of the social fascist and fascist fraternal organizations, but the masses of workers found in these organizations and who are very much in favor of supporting such a campaign. Thru this campaign we will prove to the working class as a whole that we are the only workers' fraternal order that has as its program a struggle for winning social insurance at the expense of the government. This campaign will give us a fine opportunity at the same time to expose the corrupt leadership of the fascist and social fascist orders as a result of which we can win many new members for our International Workers Order.

Our Youth Section is to work in conjunction with our adult branches in carrying thru this campaign. The Youth Section has the special task of mobilizing the youth in the Croation, Young Circle, Slovak, and other Orders. Following are the organizational steps outlined for this campaign:

1. A broad ideological campaign among our membership to acquaint them with the problem and prepare them for participation in it.

2. Issuing a call to all fraternal organizations, inviting them to a conference.

3. Election of a standing committee consisting of representatives of the organizations participating, leaving room for any organization that may join after the campaign is under way.

4. Dates for state and district conferences should be set for between March first and fifteenth.

5. Set a quota of signatures to be gotten for the Social Insurance Bill.

6. The Conference is to work in close cooperation with the Trade Union Unity League, the Unemployment Councils, and other such organizations which are in the struggle for social insurance.

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## Tasks and Aims of the Workers Theatre.

(Con'd from page 7)

theatre movement and its accomplishments a Workers Drama Spartakiade is to be held in New York on April 16, to be followed by a National Conference on April 17. Approximately 15 dramatic groups representing language groups from the entire country will participate in this Spartakiade. The Workers' Dram Buro is attempting to set a new precedent in this country thru this Spartakiade and also to acquaint the workers with one of the strongest organizations which is fighting for the interests and cause. The Youth Section of the International Workers Order will be represented - (and here's an incidental tip - we have a good chance to place first in the contest.)

# C_O_A_S_T T_O C_O_A_S_T W_I_T_H O_U_R B_R_A_N_C_H_E_S

This past month New York has taken a back seat when it comes to activities that result in winning new members from our Youth Section. From Sunny California comes not only reports of a varied program of activity, but THIRTY ONE APPLICATIONS at one shot for the Mooney Branch #428. This puts #428 in the lead for a delegate to the Soviet Union. We have a suspicion that the applications are the results of the city-wide dance held recently for the defense of the nine Scottsboro boys.

We are waiting to hear from both the junior and senior sections of the Tom Mooney Branch #428 in Hollywood. They are holding something up their sleeve and we think its applications. Its not far off to March 12, and we will soon know. In the meantime we have received two cultural folders, one for the junior and one for the senior section giving their program of lectures and debates for a month in advance. Not only is it a fine program, but it is also fine publicity. Some of our other branches please copy.

In sports we also have to hand it to California. Tennis for girls, basket ball for boys and girls, hikes, outings galore, just goes to prove that with a functioning city committee, and with functioning executives in both branches, the district just must grow.

Coming east our next major stop is Chicago - on the way we want to say that St. Louis is on the job - #424 is recruiting new members - what else could you expect when we learn that a soccer team is playing regularly, functioning dramatic groups and a chorus are just part of the activities. A mass meeting held recently attracted 100 young workers and students who went away with a knowledge not only of the immediate danger of war, but how to fight against it - thru joining our Youth Section. Contacts and recruits were the organizational results. And now to Chicago!

CHICAGO

The City Youth Committee under the able leadership of Carl Levin is more and more becoming the axis around which our Youth Section activity is centering. With the election of Comrade Fine as cultural director for the CYC we begin to see definite signs of real life. Three major campaigns were mapped out as follows:

Feb. 15 - An ideological campaign on the Negro question combined with a special recruiting drive to win the Negro youth for the International Workers Order and to root out white chauvinism that has been exposed as existing in Chicago.

Feb. 15-29 - Campaign for Social Insurance. During this period we intend thru discussions and preparatory work to acquaint our membership with the United Front Campaign of all fraternal organizations for Social Insurance which our Order is initiating.

March 1-15 - Counter-Olympic Campaign. Discussions on the Olympics and the International Workers Sport Meet to be held in Chicago in July.

We can already begin to see a reflection of the CYC leadership in the increased activity of the youth branches. Branch #430 is second in the contest for a delegate to the Soviet Union. A soccer team is on the field. The branch is also active in miners' relief and have pledged $10 for the DAILY WORKER.

Branch #410 is close behind #430 with an honest-to-goodness flare for cultural work. Here is a literary program as arranged and carried thru by the branch

Russian Literary and Musical Evening.
Peoples Auditorium

1. International. 2. Ensemble Number by John Reed Ensemble. 3. Piano Solo by Louise Pellegrine. 4. "The Authors Trend" by Hyman Lauer. 5. Mass Singing. 6. Violin Duet with Piano, The 3 "R'S" of Branch #410. 7. Vocal Selections by Al Berenstein accompanied by Rose Gertler. 8. "The Readers Trend" by S. T. Hamersmark.

Branch #400, the first youth branch organized, seems to be asleep, however

## From Coast to Coast with Our Branches

(con'u from page 13)

Branch #434 is plugging away and so are the other branches in Chicago, with the exception of Branch #421 which as a result of white chauvinism, had neither grown nor activized its membership.

On a city scale March 20 is the date set for the "coming-out" party scheduled for Thatcher woods. An extensive sport program has been arranged.

Coming further east--on passing we must say that the Cleveland City Committee is not functioning, while Branch #425 is making some progress, Branch #413 has sent out a distress signal, due primarily to the fact that unemployment makes it almost impossible to collect dues from members. That is not the only trouble - it seems that the executive has not as yet learned how to involve the membership in a program of activity. Akron, Branch #417 is also lagging. Cincinnatti has finally sent in their applications and we now await big doings from there.

We almost forgot Detroit on this trip - perhaps we should say that Detroit has forgotten us - communications are few and far between. The District Committee in Detroit seems to be on the job. Our young Italian comrades in Branch #432 have been active and applications are coming in. Grand Rapids, with Sid Nodolsky at the head may be carrying on activity - BUT WE ARE TOLD NOTHING ABOUT IT.

In Washington, the capitol - someday it will be our capitol - there "rests" our Branch #411 - we see signs that the rest period is over and work is being started. Baltimore is on the up and up. Our latest addition is Norfolk, Va., Branch #422 - the Progressive Youth has a basketball team that has challenged any team in the district. Send that challenge to some of our other branches direct and when you issue the next challenge in the YOUNG WORKER let them know that you are part of the Youth Section of the I.W.O.

The past month has seen some big doings in the Connecticut District.

First came the New Haven Installation, followed one week later by the Hartford installation. Both proved organizational successes. New members have been coming in. A district committee has been formed and has had its second meeting. Quotas have been set for Springfield, Hartford and New Haven. A fine cooperative spirit exists among all three branches. This district is the first one to get some results in recruiting Negro youth.

Boston and Roxbury are not altogether asleep. As a matter of fact Boston seems very much alive. But Roxbury - nuf said.

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### Ford-Murphy Police Murder Hunger Marchers

A hunger march of 5,000 workers to the Ford Factory in Detroit was brutally attacked by the police and machine gun fire resulted in the death of Joe York, District Organizer of the Young Communist League, and three other young workers. Twenty were shot. This, following closely upon the death of Harry Simms in Kentucky, shows to what extent the bosses and their hirelings will go to suppress the demands of the starving workers for immediate relief. Four more martyrs in the cause of the working-class. Shall this terror go unanswered? We must give our answer in mobilizing mass protests thruout the country. Thousands of young workers must be recruited to take the place of our fallen comrades!

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All Branches Take NOTICE!

## What the Youth Section of the International Workers Order Is and Why Every Young Worker and Student Should Join It.

As our name indicates, we are the youth section of the International Workers Order. Our parent organization, spread throughout the United States with a membership of over 14,000, is a working class insurance and benevolent society. We, however, being a youth section, have organized more in line with our needs as young people. Our chief aim is to give expression to the athletic, social, and cultural desires and requirements of the young worker and working class student.

We welcome into our Order all young workers and working class students between the ages of 15 and 25 who wish to avail themselves of the many advantages that our membership offers, or who wish to partake of the activities in which we are engaged.

As young workers we feel the need of a solidarity of all young workers regardless of race, color, nationality, or sex, and we therefore extend an invitation to colored as well as white young workers of all nationalities to join our ranks.

Sports

Social Cultural

Mutual Insurance Benefits

Fill in this card and hand it to the Branch Secretary

Name ..... Age .....

Address .....

Occupation ..... Union? .....

Male ..... Female ..... Married? .....

Paid $..... for ..... month

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## GROWTH AND ACTION

Nothing is more encouraging to an organization than its steady healthy growth. Numerical expansion is an index to the vital and advanced program of the organization. Growing numbers means coming ever nearer to our final attainment of our aim, namely, building a MASS ORGANIZATION which plays a leading role in the front-ranks of the working class.

The membership campaign in which YOUTH SECTION participated together with our adult sections culminated in a grand victory for us. We grew, and to an encouraging extent. We grew despite the growing impoverishment of the Young Workers and Students in the present depression, thus making it more difficult to meet even the small financial requirements of our Order. We grew from 253 members at the beginning of the campaign to mighty near 1000 at the present time. Yes we more twice doubled our membership-and it is only a small start. We say start, because there is absolutely no reason in the world why the Youth Section should not draw in thousands and thousands of young workers and students before the year 1932 draws the curtain. All that it requires is a little work on the part of the membership, and proper attention to the question of contacts by the executives.

This month the I.W.O. delegation to the Soviet Union, those comrades who represent the winning branches in the membership campaign, will leave this country of "ragged individualism" to attend the May Day celebration in Moscow. In the delegation will be a representative from the Youth Section. This representative is Sam Miller, of Tom Mooney Branch 428, Hollywood, Calif. This branch grew from 15 to 72 members in the period of the campaign, an increase of 500%. And now branch #428 tells us that comrade Miller will bring applications for 25 members when he (new) comes here to leave with the delegation. If every branch in the country reacted to the call of membership campaign in the manner of branch 428 we would not be far from being a real Mass Organization. Every branch will react to the Membership Campaigns of the Order when they realize the great impetus the IWO gives to the Forward March of the workers in their struggles for better conditions, social insurance, against oppression of the bosses and their government, and for a minimum of protection refused by the capitalist State.

While we may rejoice at the strides made by the Youth Section in the past months, we must be alive to theweaknesses which were brought to light during the Campaign. Very few of our branches became conscious of the Campaign before the last month or so. Not until the National Office began to complain and warn did the branches begin to emerge from the sloth of inactivity. Had this not been the case, by now we would have several branches boasting of a membership of 75 or more.

But now we have the opportunity to make amends for our indifference in the last Membership Campaign. This campaign has been extended to Mayl, with a quota of 1500 new members for the entire Order, - the share of the Youth Section being 250 new members. On May 1 the I.W.O. Delegation in Moscow will present the workers and peasants of the Soviet Union with 1500 new members - and in this gift there must be 250 bright-eyed youth readt to work under the banner of the IWO, working learning in the midst of the class struggle, building and ever building the only workingclass fraternal Youth Organization in the country.

BUILD OUR
YOUTH SECTION

1250 MEMBERS BY MAY 1ST!!

## RESULT OF MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

### ENDING MARCH 12, 1932

| BRANCH | JUNE 193[illegible] | MARCH 1932 | NEW QUOTA MAY 1. |
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| 400 Chicago | 35 | 34 | 5 |
| 401 New York | 28 | 45 | 10 |
| 403 New York | 11 | 20 | 5 |
| 404 New York | 14 | 18 | 5 |
| 405 New York | 14 | 19 | 5 |
| 406 Trenton | 17 | 16 | 5 |
| 407 New York | 17 | 22 | 5 |
| 408 New York | 23 | 25 | 5 |
| 409 New York | 15 | 25 | 5 |
| 410 Chicago | 15 | 25 | 5 |
| 411 Washington | 14 | 14 | 5 |
| 4[illegible] New York | 10 | 11 | 5 |
| 413 Cleveland | 9 | 17 | 5 |
| 414 Grand Rapids | 5 | 12 | 5 |
| 417 Akron | 10 | 14 | 5 |
| 419 Springfield | 16 | 20 | 5 |
| 421 Chicago | | 12 | 5 |
| 422 Roxbury | | 11 | 5 |
| 423 Chicago | | 22 | 5 |
| 424 St. Louis | | 27 | 5 |
| 425 Cleveland | | 14 | 5 |
| 426 Los Angeles | | 31 | 5 |
| 427 Baltimore | | 13 | 5 |
| 428 Hollywood | | 72 | 15 |
| 429 New York | | 25 | 5 |
| 430 Chicago | | 63 | 10 |
| 431 Boston | | 10 | 5 |
| 432 Detroit | | 20 | 5 |
| 433 New York | | 16 | 5 |
| 434 Chicago | | 23 | 5 |
| 435 Newark | | 31 | 5 |
| 436 Erie | | 6 | 9 |
| 437 Detroit | | 5 | 10 |
| 438 New York | | 18 | 5 |
| 439 Chicago | | 7 | 8 |
| 440 Chicago | | 12 | 5 |
| 441 Hartford | | 19 | 5 |
| 442 Norfolk, Va. | | 14 | 5 |
| 443 Chicago | | 15 | 5 |
| 444 New Haven | | 26 | 5 |
| 445 Chicago | | 9 | 6 |
| 446 Rochester | | 20 | 5 |
| 447 Kansas City | | 14 | 5 |
| 448 Cincinnatti | | 11 | 5 |
| 449 Syracuse | | 10 | 5 |
| 450 New York | | 13 | 5 |
| 451 New York | | 9 | 6 |
| | 253 | 935 | 269 |

BUILD THE YOUTH SECTION!!!!

1 2 5 0 MEMBERS BY MAY 1

## TOM MOONEY BRANCH 428 WINS DELEGATE TO SOVIET UNION

To The Tom Mooney Branch 428 went the prize for having increased its membership form 15 to its present membership of 72. Comrade Sam Miller, organizer of the branch has been elected to greet the workers of the Soviet Union at their May 1st celebration in Moscow in the name of the Youth Section of the International Workers Order The comrades in California in arranging a send-off have pledged to recruit 25 new members for comrade Miller to present to the IWO at the mass send-off inthe Bronx Coliseum on April 16. On his way in to New York arrangements have been made for stop-overs at St. Louis, Chicago and Detroit where the comrades are arranging to greet our delegate.

### CAMPAIGN CONTINUED TO MAY 1st.

The National Executive Committee has decided to continue the membership campaign from March 12 until May 1st. We have set ourselves the goal of 1500 new members by this date. This is going to be our gift to the workers of the Soviet Union. Our Delegation in turn is to bring back a banner which will go to the branch recruiting the greatest percentage of new members. In addtion each branch that recruits 25 members will be entitled to a weeks vacation at one of our working-class camps. THE YOUTH SECTION QUOTA IS SET AT 250 NEW MEMBERS.

Both the delegation and the membership campaign are of the utmost political-- importance at this time. The imperialist powers using Japan as the spearhead are preparing to attack our fatherland---------THE SOVIET UNION-- Japanese troops are massing on the Siberian border.

The capitalist press has begun itsmuck-racking campaign, babies and women being murdered by the "REDS", just as in 1914 with the tales of the "HUNS"-- slaughtering men women and children.

The danger of war is real and immediate Our delegation will express the solidarityof the American and Russian Workers. The recruiting of 1500 new members will mean 1500 more workers ready to defend the Soviet Union.

## THE FUTURE BELONGS TO THE YOUTH

by Kalmon Marmor

The future belongs to the youth. This is an old maxim which is always new. That is why the youth thinks so little of yesterday and always looks to the morrow.

Youth is honest, energetic, unselfish, enthusiastic and revolutionary. Youth plays, studies and works. It thirsts for it. Age weighs and measures, figures profit and loss. Youth searches, experiments, plans, dares and accomplishes. Age defends itself-youth attacks. No tradition is holy to youth. It does not recognize the authority of century-old institutions. It fears no bans or warnings. It does not think of comfort or rest, but of truth and justice, for which it is prepared to sacrifice its life.

At all times, therefore, the youth has been a leading force in the propagation of revolutionary ideas. In every struggle for liberation the youth has stood in the front ranks. Every inch of progress in the battle for a better world is spattered with the blood of the youth. The role of the working class youth in the fight against capitalism has a special significance. In this struggle the youth does not fight the battles of others. Here the working class youth is itself a part of the oppressed class, and the most oppressed section at that. The exploitation of youth is one of the cornerstones of the capitalist system. Because it has little chance to enter the trade union movement, because it stands in the background of the economic and political strife, youth is oppressively exploited. It is used to increase unemployment, by replacing adult workers in industry, thus destroying the better working conditions, which the working class has won only after great struggles and sacrifices.

The capitalist class well understands the fate that awaits it when the working class youth becomes conscious. It therefore uses every means at its command to keep the youth in ignorance and darkness. Through its public and high schools the capitalist class strives to instil servility, chauvinism, hatred of foreigners, and scabbery into the new generation. For the same purpose the capitalist class also organizes the Y.M.C.A.'s and Y.M.H.A.'s.

A number of capitalists have established "Homes" and "Clubs", which chloroform the young workers through sports, dances and highly vulgarized sex, in order to make them forget their economic interests and remain willing slaves. Many clubs and societies which the young workers organize by their own initiatives are not any better. They model their organizations according to the inane and scabbing institutions which the bosses have devised. The result is that the majority of the youth organizations, even those which bear the high-sounding names of "progressive", pay very little or no attention to the problems which most vitally concern them as wage slaves and cannon fodder under the capitalist system.

"Knowledge is Power", it is said. But this knowledge must be useful. One may know the names of all the race horses, athletes and movie stars and still be an ignoramus. One may read all the serial-romances, cry out one's eyes at the "heartrending" melodramas, reel over from laughter in the vaudeville shows and yet know nothing about life. To know oneself, to know the place of the individual society, to understand the relation of the particular to the general and of the general to the particular--that is the essence of knowledge.

The problem for class-conscious workers is, therefore, to organize and educate our working class youth, so that it may devote its rich resources of

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MAY DAY approaches, once more the workers throughout the world will demonstrate their solidarity in the struggle against the boss class.

MAY DAY, born of struggle, symbol of working class solidarity came into being in the year 1886 in the United States. It was the rallying day in the struggle for the eight hour day. In 1889 the first congress of the second International adapted May 1st as an International day of struggle the world over.

The traditions of revolutionary struggle that are indissoluble with May 1, are part of the wealth of the working-class, the inspirer to greater solidarity and struggle. The capitalist class realizes this. They fear and hate May 1st for what it represents. With the aid of all their forces, the social fascists, reformers, and labor misleaders they make every attempt to substitute so called labor days, socialist May 1st's, military demonstrations in a futile effort to avert the demonstrations of the working class.

STARVATION-INCREASED TERROR-IMPERIALIST WAR FACES THE WORKING CLASS

The three year crisis is still on the down grade. The bosses are increasing their terror towards making the workers bear the brunt of the crisis. The millions of unemployed and their families are being denied social insurance and the measley charity they have been receiving are again being denied them. While the dole is America for the boss class and millions are being paid out to aid the banks, the workers are told that the dole for workers relief is un-American. They must get their food from the garbage pails, and from the flophouses, and if they should demonstrate for real relief, the whole terror of the boss class is loosened on them. In Detroit where workers went out to demand bread, they were answered by the state police and Ford's thugs with bullets. Five workers murdered for the crime of demanding immediate unemployment relief. In Chicago, in Kentucky, and where-ever else the workers have demonstrated, they have been met by the increased terror of the bosses.

In Scottsboro, Alabama jails, are to be found the nine Negro working class children facing death as part of the program of terror which has as it's purpose the division of the working-class, Negro and white.

WAR AND DEFENSE OF THE SOVIET UNION

Already, thousands of Chinese workers have been slaughtered on the bloody battlefields of China. Using Japan as a spear-head the imperialist powers--are making every effort to destroy the Soviets of China and another step toward a war against the Soviet Union.

War is upon us. We can no longer speak of the "coming war". It is here in all its "gory glory". It is only a matter of time until the other nations shall be drawn into the conflict.

How clearly the League of Nations,-Kellog Pact, the Disarmament conferences and all the pacifist bosh stand exposed in its true light to the workers of the world. So long as we have

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WITH YOUR CLASS EYES
Harry Kaplan Branch 444

If a prospective member of our Youth Section of the I.W.O., after reading Senator Bingham's statement in U. S.A. there are "only" 6, 000, 000 men out of work, suspects exaggeration when we tell him there are 12, 000, 000;-- unemployed in the U. S. or if he be believes that it is an outright lie that workers are committing suicide by the hundreds in this land of surplus everything, and if he opposes Unemployment Insurance as a "dole", what are you going to do? One of the best methods of counter-acting the poison of this boss propaganda is to have a "scrap-book"handy. If it is a well organized, ample scrap book, the results will be most gratifying. Experience has shown this to be true, especially in the case of those who know that "seeing is believing".

A true illustration of the use of clippings in connection with the above is the expose of the demogogy of Senator James J. Davis, former Secretary of Labor, and revealing the effects of capitalist crises on the workers. In an editorial January 14, 1932, the New Haven Register quoted Davis as follows: "no longer are youth and brawn absolutely necessary in factory and mill. The touch necessary to control modern machine has been made so slight that the older man has become as valuable as the young man because of his riper experience and more mature judgment. In time, the employer who discharges the older worker because of his age will be condemned by the community in which he lives" In thevery same paper what do we find? One article had the headline"Man ends life thru fear of losing job" Michael Fogarty, 62, employe of Seamless Rubber Company, driven to suicide."

Still in the same paper, we read-"Unemployed for two years W. F. Hickey 56, of 12 North Cherry St., committed suicide at 6AM today by drinking a solution of cyanide of potash." This is only one issue of a newspaper that is notoriously anti-working class.

But a scrap book has more than just one use. Interesting articles and pictures of the Soviet Union, and general conditions of the workers there may be utilized for comparison with conditions in the US. Then a section devoted exclusively to local conditions, such as unemployment, evictions, the charity racket, graft, war preparations etc.

Material gathered in this way can serve not merely as a mass of facts, but as living compelling subject matter, for our wall newspaper, our magazines, and as reference on which to base talks at our meetings. Make the scrap-book our ally in all our work!

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THE FUTURE BELONGS TO THE YOUTH(from #4)

energy and fighting spirit for the betterment of economic conditions.
Light is the strongest weapon against darkness: Knowledge against ignorance: proletarian classconsciousness against capitalist slavery. Such enlightening work is being carried on, in the first place by the Young Communist League. It develops among the youthful workers self-reliable and class conscious organizers and propagandists for the economic and political struggles. The Youth Section of the International Workers Order, altho a fraternal organization, has the opportunity of becoming an important factor organizing and educationg the workingclass--- youth. In the youth branches of the I.W.O. youth should find all that it-- expects in a youth club, at the same time should participate in the class-struggle.
The young worker has important tasks before him. He has shown, and is showing veritable wonders in Soviet Russia, where he is in the front rank of these that are building the new Socialist Society, and of the Red Army. The working youth, when organized and class conscious, will be able to destroy the capitalist slave system in this country also and in its place to build the proletarian society of enlightened and educated humans who live thru work, knowledge and art.

LAW AND ORDER IN KENTUCKY
by Joe Ayeroff - Branch #401

I never new until recently that a citizen of the U.S. was liable to be shot or hung if he became too inquisitive about the affairs of striking miners. I was a member of the student delegation which attempted to go to Bell and Harlan Counties in Kentucky in order to study the social and economic conditions of the miners. Our primary aims were unsuccessful but we learned a great many things that I never knew before. I was given to understand immediately that the laws and constitutional rights of an American citizen do not hold true in Harlan and Bell Counties where a miners strike is now in existance. Free speech is a thing of the past; the use of state highways is interfered with; the right to organize is punishable by death; the right to assembly is a crime; the use of guns for intimidation is very prevalent; and if an American citizen attempts to investigate these conditions, he is liable to be shot.

Six o'clock in the morning, ten miles from Barboursville our bus ran out of oil and we had to stop on a big hill leading to Cumberland Gap. At eight o'clock the "official" delegation of Kentucky "graduates" arrived to "welcome" us. Our credentials were taken from our leader by force and the bus was immediately searched. I don't know what they expected to find, but we found a strong odor of "corn" when we were "asked" to enter the bus again. It seems as though the deputies indulged in a drinking orgy before they came to welcome us, because they certainly had been worked up to a high nervous tension.

We were escorted by fifty automobiles up the hill and thru the town of Barboursville. The "deputies" in the crowd and in the automobiles supplied music for the procession by continuously bursting out into such phrases as "string 'em up; lynch 'em; take 'em for a ride; send the 'furriners' back East; nothing but 'Russian Reds'; and what school did you walk thru?"

After being given a send-off from historic Cumberland Gap by about 300 curious who had been invited there in order to see "the funny looking Easterners", the armed escort forced us to proceed thru the neutral state of Virginia and into Tennessee.

Upon coming into Tennessee, the leader of the bus asked these Kentucky officials to leave our privately chartered bus as soon as we had crossed the state line into Tennessee. For this offence, five or six of the deputies drew their guns. Our leader had a gun thrust into his side and after being forcefully thrown from the bus up against a stone embankment, he was brutally beaten and kicked in the ribs. Upon hearing the order from Walter B. Smith "not to hurt them", the deputies turned their guns around and used them for black-jacks. One of the delegates was hit behind the ear with the butt of a revolver and another one was hit in the side.

Having joined the rest of the delegation in Knoxville, it was decided to petition the Governors of Tennessee and Kentucky for the inhuman treatment we had received at the hands of officials of those states, and then to petition the Lacoctigan Senatorial Committee for investigation of the Kentucky coal fields.

Governor Laffoon of Kentucky informed us that he could do nothing about the state of affairs in Kentucky, and the only resource we had was thru the courts. The futility of his answer

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## UNITED FRONT CAMPAIGN FOR SOCIAL INSURANCE LAGGING

In the last national letter sent to the youth branches there were included amongst other things directives on the campaign being conducted by the IWO as a whole for uniting all fraternal, and benefit organizations in a common struggle for SOCIAL INSURANCE at the expense of the government. These directiges were later followed up by an article in the March issue of the New Order explaining the purpose of the campaign, its importance for the IWO as well as for the working class as a whole.

The reaction on the part of the branches and membership of the Youth Section to the first independent campaign conducted by our Order was practically nil. With the exception of the Chicago and and Connecticut districts no word has come into the National Office on what the branches have done in carrying through the campaign.

The National Youth committee accepts a major portion of the responsibility for the failure to have made the proper preparations, sending out an outline etc., toward preparing our CYC's, and branch executives ideologically, for the campaign.

The necessary material is now going out. At the same time our branches and membership must learn to use a little initiative and even in the absence of such an outline could have gone ahead and made preparations in their locality and seen to it that committees were elected from there for the United Front Conferences. Below we are again outlining the steps to be taken by the branches:

1. A broad ideological campaign amoung our membership to acquaint them with the problem of Social Insurance.
2. Issue a call to all organizations for a united front conference.
3. Set a quota of signatures.
4. The Conference should work in close cooperation with the Trade Union Unity League and the Unem. Councils.

LET US GET THE CAMPAIGN UNDER WAY!!!

## MASS TRIAL OF WHITE-CHAUVINISM

Branch 421 of the Youth Section was on trial before the working-class of Chicago-charged with white-chauvinism in having arranged a jim-crow dance.

Comrade Carl Levin, secretary of the City Youth Committee, presided, Comrade Murry Fine, was prosecuting attorney and Ray Kozul defense attorney. The trial was a spirited one and lasted three hours.

Three members of the branch Peck, Steiner and Demkowitz admitted that the branch and they as members were responsible for the outbreak of white-chauvinism, that the branch had not inany way carried on a struggle in the interests of the Negro workers-Toward recruiting them into the IWO.

The jury of nine workers elected from those present (four Negro and Five white workers) found the branch guilty of white-chauvinism.

Those members of the branch who testified and admitted their guilt were given the task of proving their sincerity through building up a real branch on the basis of a struggle for Negro rights and through recruiting Negro young workers into the branch. Those who failed to appear at the trial to testify were guilty and were recommended for expulsion to the Natl. Office

A Negro and a white worker were recruited for the IWO at the trial.

## THE COUNTER-OLYMPIC CAMPAIGN
by Sam Kessler - Branch #401

The Counter-Olympic campaign is gaining impetus. Soon it will be moving ahead at top speed. Workers and students are rallying to support the campaign. They are waking up to the fact that the bosses are using sports as a weapon against the working class. Thru this medium, the bosses are winning the working class youth to their side.

We the Youth Section of the I.W.O. are naturally interested in sports. In our sport work we come across many difficulties. We can't get a gym or if we can get one the cost is usually so much that it is impossible for us to pay it. This is only one of our many problems. This problem faces every young worker and one of the slogans of the Counter-Olympic Campaign is "Free gyms for workers' children"!

The I.W.O. being a working class organization must support the Counter-Olympic Campaign. All our sport work must be carried on with the purpose of supporting this campaign. Most of our branches have already held Counter-Olympic meetings to acquaint their membership with the purpose of the movement. Now they must carry the campaign to the workers who do not belong to working class organizations. We can do this by holding outdoor affairs such as hikes, picnics, and athletic meets.

The Workers Sport Meet which will be held in Chicago this summer must be a mass meet so that it will be a fitting protest against the Olympics. Our organization must not only help out by advertising it and supporting it financially; the athletes in our ranks must begin preparing themselves to take part in this meet. The branches must get busy and organize track and field meets, and invite other clubs to compete against them. In doing this, they not only boost the Workers Sport Meet, but they also will be recruiting new members into their branches.

SUPPORT THE INTERNATIONAL WORKERS SPORT MEET IN CHICAGO!

## ON MUSIC IN THE U. S. S. R.
Bill Glusman-Natl. Cult. Comm.

The proletarian culture is making its advent together with the new social order in the Soviet Union. Music is still in its youthful stage. Being that the composers are quite young and have not taken a prominent place in the music world as yet, there were no outstanding books on music or biographies written. Most of the report found in the files on music about "Russia" in the library, were from correspondents or people who made a trip to the Soviet Union. Here we always find those who are ready to propogandize against the U. S. S. R. even though their subject is on music. Thus we find this muddle by a certain Narodny who writes for Musical America. In the issue of May 26, 1928 he says: "Ten years have passed, and the Kremlin has worked its way into the subconsciousness of the Soviets as a new religion-Proletheism- rises on the ruins of the Old Orthodox Church, and may soon surprise the outside world with its peculiar rituals, dogmas and doctrines."

For such people some form of religion must exist no matter what system you live under, it is beyond their imagination that there is one system under which religion is absolutely unnecessary Leningrad is a missionary camp of prolet-puritans, as pictured by Narodny, and he also states that although the U.S.S.R. is nominally a republic,-- there is no sign of republican administration there.

No matter what they write about, some form of politics is included so that it may be used for progaganda against the Soviet Union. No matter on what front it may be, they are always formenting hatred and preparing the attack on the workers fatherland.

It is now 1932 and we see no surprise such as predicted by Narodny. It has been shown clearly that the workersand peasants enjoy every form of art and music and not under any religious pre-

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capitalism we shall have war. We are faced with an international politic,-- which has every capitalist nation a rival and jealous of the other. Despite this hate and jealousy of each other they are united upon one thing that is, that the Soviet Union, the workers and peasants fatherland must be destroyed.

Daily we can see the acts of the capitalist nations to provoke the Soviet Union into war. This is shown clearly by Japanese actions in Manchuria, Bucharest, Riga and Paris are again sending atrocity stories in order to whip up mass sentiment for war againstthe Soviet Union.

THE YOUNG WORKER AND MAY DAY

We the young workers shall be those who will bear the brunt of any imperialist war or an attack on the Soviet Union.
The youth are the most exploited section of the working class. They work the longest hours, are speeded up the most and get the least pay. When unemployed, the youth are refused even the miserable charity that the bosses hand out to the older workers on the ground that the youth have no families to support. Because of their militancy, and readiness to struggle the sharpest terror is directed against them. Three, of the four killed in Dearborn were young workers. The nine Scottsboro boys are all in their teens.

The rising anger of the working class cannot be stemmed by the terror of the bosses. The wave of strikes show this May Day must become the rallying point from which more intensified struggles for better living conditions must result. The YOUTH SECTION of our ORDER has the task before it of rallying all of our membership as well as the masses of young workers to come out and demonstrate against HUNGER--TERROR--WAR and for the DEFENSE ofour fatherland THE SOVIET UNION!!!

ALL OUT MAY 1 !!! FOR MASS DEMONSTRATIONS THROUGH OUT THE WORLD!!

CULTURE
by Miriam Plotkin - Branch #433

I

Let's be cultured
Sit down and muse
On pragmatism
Or whatever else you choose:
Let's sentimentalize,
And murmer sweet regrets and plaints
On dear, dead Greece,
And poetry and saints.
The common herd can never understand
The wisdom and divine forseeing
Of the godly hand.
But we, select and few,
With leisure, well may muse
On learned sayings,
Or whatever else we choose.

II

Culture for the masses:
Culture for the world:
A higher road in life must be unfurled!
The wealthy few who do not toil and slave
May well refuse us the knowledge we crave.
We need no privileged class to pose and snob
The high-aspiring, stifled yearnings of the "Mob"!
Culture for the masses:
Culture for the world:
Down with the privileged classes ---
The RED FLAG IS UNFURLED!

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Stretchout, speedup, no delay
The belt must move its hurried way.
Boss' profits are the order of the day.

Cut production costs, expenses
Do away with all impediments.
The sun doesn't shine,
Yet the bosses make hay.

What if workers wear their health away?
Before their time get old and gray?
What of it? There are dividends to pay.

## THE LIBERALS STEP INTO LINE

Alex Gochfeld, Nat'l Cultural Director

From the NEW YORK TELEGRAM of April 2, comes one of the most deliberate pieces of Social Fascist propaganda posing under the name of the "Liberal Point of View". Following is an excerpt from a column of that name written by Professor Harry Elmer Barnes, one of the little gods of the "progressive American intellectuals."

"The upholding of the conviction of the Negro boys for alleged rape in the Scottsboro, Ala., case indicates the special dangers of mixing the Red and Black issues in the South.

"It is probable that the boys would have been released or been granted a new trial if their defense had been left to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. But this would have vindicated fair play for only blacks.

"The International Labor Defense intervened, implying that the boys were Reds as well, tho to the defendants Karl Marx was as unknown as Max Planck, Goethe or Ben Jonson.

"The Communists clai that they cannot get justice in American courts. The dice are certainly loaded in favor of this thesis when they take the cases of alleged Red Negroes accused of rape in the far South. But it is hard for the boys.

"The Alabama Supreme Court played into the hands of the Communists by affirming their conviction in the lower courts. There was every ground and opportunity for granting a new trial and disconcerting the Communists but, as usual, the courts preferred to prove the Communists thesis of American jurisprudence."

It would not have been enuf to quote a line or so from this article since every word reeks with the slandering hypocritical mouthings of this typical liberal, who represents one of the most powerful battering rams in the hands of the bosses against the students, workers and intellectuals who bow down to the great capitalist publicity of Liberalism which twists their ability to think and thwarts their efforts to take part in the working class struggles.

It is quite evident that Mr. Barnes never had any further contact with the Scottsboro case than those imaginings which originate in his own well paid column. The facts of the outright betrayal of the nine innocent Scottsboro boys by the NAACP seems to have miraculously escaped his attention. He forgot or never new about the decision of "Ratty" Roudy, NAACP attorneys and the prosecuting attorney of Scottsboro to come to an "understanding" on this case. (an understanding which would have sent the boys to a speedy capitalist barbecue)

Our answer to the boss class and their lackeys must be thousands of protest telegrams to the Alabama officials, mass demonstrations thruout the country. This is the only way that we will be able to save the Scottsboro boys from the legal lynching.

## Law and Order in Kentucky

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made us laugh because we had remembered the answer that the Prosecuting Attorney W.B. Smith of Bell County had given us when we had told him that we would take his actions to court. Again with that silly grin of his he had answered "I suppose you could take this matter to court, but you seem to forget the fact that I AM THE LAW IN THIS SECTION OF THE COUNTRY." From then on he was designated by the students as "I AM THE LAW SMITH".

This investigation of the miners strike by American students, is the first definite step taken by them in aligning themselves on the side of labor. They have finally realized that the social and political problems surrounding them, concern them very gravely. A movement of this sort should receive the fullest support from every intelligent, clear thinking student in the United States.

## Music in U.S.S.R.

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On the other hand we have reports demonstrating the interest the Soviet Government is taking in educating the masses in every form of cultural activity. Serge Prokofieff writes:

"Music of real significance and beauty is being written by the younger generation of composers in Russia today, and lasting credit is due the Soviet Government for aid and encouragement it offers the creative artists".

The music in the Soviet Union is growing from day to day. Many modern compositions have been played by United States and European Orchestras. The Soviet Union has two conductorless orchestras which (as was expressed in an article) in a few years will surpass many conductored orchestras. There are eminent soloists such as Igoumuntoff, Sofornicky, Oborin, Ginsbourg, and Dimitri Schostakoff who is only 23 years old. Maiaskowsky is one of the older but is the most important in the Soviet Union today. Oborin won first prize in a piano contest given in Warsaw a few years ago.

We see clearly that the younger generation, growing up with the Revolution is setting a new stage in the establishment of new music and the creation of new composers in the Soviet Union. Just as the Five-Year Plan progresses rapidly on the industrial field which will place the U.S.S.R. among the great industrial nations, so will she progress in the field of music and attain the high ranks in the musical world, with its new modern and proletarian music.

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# COAST TO COAST WITH OUR BRANCHES!!!

Comrade Weiner, our president on his trip to Boston rallied the youth members of the Boston and Roxbury branches and as a result we have formed a district committee under the leadership of Bessie Lifland. From Boston comes word that two new branches are in the process of formation.

Connecticut district is sure doing things in a big way. Outstanding are the district dramatic contest, involving Springfield, Hartford, and New Haven. Each branch is to give a number of plays-two or three and the judges are to choose the winner. In addition Comrade Greene is to tour all three branches and lecture on Social Insurance. The district is to cover the cost of the tour.

Up-state New York - has added a third branch to the existing two. Buffalo is the latest addition. A district dram contest is being planned as well as a district conference to establish a district youth committee. Comrade Forman of Syracuse is in New York to get some info. from our Dramatic director Sam Pevzner.

New York carried through successfully what we think is the first youth concert held in our revolutionery movement The affair was a huge success, Outstanding at the concert were the youth chorus, the plays "Marching Guns" and "Fantasy in Red" presented respectively by branch 404 and the City Dramatic Group Musical numbers galore were presented by comrade Plotkin, Feldman, Melofsky, and Goldenfarb. Our Junior dance group under the leadership of Lily Mailman had the audience of 450 in an uproar with a dance version of present day jazz. Twenty members were recruited for the Youth Section. The tag at the door and a collection at the banquet held after the concert netted $10.00 for the Young Worker.

The City Dramatic Group under the leadership of Sam Pevzner has come to the forefront, winning first prize in the Dramatic Spartakiad and is to compete with dramatic groups throughout the country on April 16 & 17.

The Philadelphia District as a whole is a sore spot in our youth section.-- Talking about theories of exceptionalism we have a fine example here. The comrades in Trenton, Philadelphia, and Baltimore, Washington are laboring under the illusion that the crisis has struck this district a stultifying blow, and it is therefore impossible for these branches to carry on any degree of activity. Its just a poor excuse for failure to plan any work. May we suggest that these comrades write to the Connecticut district or for that matter to any of the other districts and find out how similar the situation is there and how with a little effort on the part of the leading comrades it is possible to carry on activity and recruit new members. The exception in this district seems to be Norfolk, where although everything is notup to par nevertheless the comrades are persistently and consistently on the job, arranging lectures, sport activities, and dramatics. Comrade Dashman has been assigned by the National Committee to visit Philadelphia and Trenton towards improving the situations.

Cleveland is having it's ups and downs. The ups seem to have concentrated themselves in Branch #425 while on the other hand Branch #413 has quite a problem. First with the question of headquarters, and second would suggest that comrades Hurwitz, Ravitz, Chessin and the other members of the executive committee iron out their differences and get on the job building up the branch. We would also like to know what happened to the Rebel, the monthly magazine of Branch #413.

Detroit district has recently held a conference including Grand Rapids, both Detroit branches, also Toledo where a branch is in the process of formation. Out of this conference has come plans for building the youth section in the district.

Our Detroit comrades played an important part in the Ford Hunger March. Five thousand workers who marched to

## COAST TO COAST WITH OUR BRANCHES (cont.)

Fords plant in Dearborn, Michigan demanding bread were fired upon by the combined gorces of the state police and Ford's thugs. Five workers were killed and forty wounded. DeBlasio an Italian worker, member of the IWO Was one of those killed. The IWO participated in the demonstration and later arranged protest and memorial meetings.

Grand Rapids with Sid Nodolsky at the helm has issued its own magazine. Crocodile is the name, and it contains some humor that's really humor, BUT it contains very little about the IWO. We hope future issues will contain more information regarding the IWO and that it will serve as an organizer in building the branch in Grand Rapids. The National Sports Director would like to know whether the branch basket ball team still has a perfect record of yes! Moral? victories.

Chicago--chicago-how happy we would be IF we didn't have to make up this part of the column from the fragments gathered from letters here and there. Fourteen branches in Chicago, a City Youth Committee, and so on, but no one to write an article or a report for our NEW ORDER. Sad, but true. From the CYC minutes, we gather that an outing is being planned for the city to Garyton, Ind. in connection with the Counter-Olympic campaign, that 4848 Ashland is planning a party for April 2, Albany Park branch has a class, and is arranging a Miners Relief affair. That the CYC is taking steps to coordinate the activities of all the branches instead of leaving them almost completely to their own resources, that the CYC is taking steps to line up branch 430 with, instead of agin' the CYC.

The CYC of Chicago is planning to hold four mass meetings in defense of the Scottsboro boys. Each branch is to elect two representatives to the Anti-War conference scheduled for April3rd. Here are a few dates to memember:

April 8--2nd Anniversary celebration, sendoff for USSR delegation.
April 10---Conference to elect Dist.Com.
April 30---Anniversary of #410 at Humbolt Hall.
May 7---Branch #430 dance at Herzl Center

AND BELIEVE IT OR NOT!! Branch 410 challenges Albany Park to send in and get printed more material for the New Order.--We're from Missouri--and seeing is believin' (Editorial Committee.)

Not to be outdone by some of the other branches St. Louis has issued its own monthly magazine. Vanguard is the name and the first issue is a wow! Don'tbe surprised St. Louis, if you find between the pages of this issue excerpts from your last issue. St Louis has a surprise in store for us, it will soon come out in the wash.

Sunny California certainly has become a bright spot in our Youth Section. They have accomplished no more than an increase in membership of 57, winning the prize of a delegate to the Soviet Union. Comrade Sam Miller has been elected as the delegate. The CYC of California has pledged to recruit 25 new members at the send-off affair, part of their contribution to the next membership campaign. Other branches & City Youth Committees please copy.

On this trip we almost overlooked our newly organized branch of Cincinnatti. A debate on "The Open Door Policy as a Menace to World Peade"has been planned. The dance committee is all set for the big dance.

The second place we omitted on this tour was Kansas City, Mo. The installation of the branch is being prepared. At the last meeting a discussion was held on the present crisis, causes and remedies.


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## What the Youth Section of the International Workers Order Is and Why Every Young Worker and Student Should Join It.

As our name indicates, we are the youth section of the International Workers Order. Our parent organization, spread throughout the United States with a membership of over 15,000, is a working class insurance and benevolent society. We, however, being a youth section, have organized more in line with our needs as young people. Our chief aim is to give expression to the athletic, social, and cultural desires and requirements of the young worker and working class student.

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May First, 1932 marks the culmination of the first Major Membership Campaign of our Order. And it marks the same thing for the Youth Section, the first working class youth Fraternal organization in this country. May first also marks the "coming of age" of the Youth Section. Truly a significant episode for the young workers and students of the United States, where there has been a decided lack of such organizations to purge them of the capitalist influences in school shop, street, and club. 1000 members -with 80 over for good measure. That is before the list of expulsions which will come into the office by June first. Nevertheless we have reached the point where we are formally considered a full-fledged Section by the National Committee of the Order and will be accorded all due priviliges and right ful honors coming to a Section which is one in reality.

But our rejoicing atops here. May first was to have marked the ending of the campaign for 250 new members since March 12th Our records show only a hundred gained in that period. This shows a lack of consistent intensive activity during the campaign. This serves as a warning to us against a lull in our everyday recruiting activity during the most dangerous period of our organization's life,- the summer months. During the summer months we must have a program of activity capable of drawing new members to us, and -"incidentally", retaining the old ones Such a program should be built around healthy summer activities such as outings, picnics boatrides, hikes, outdoor sports, etc. All of these activities can and should be combined with organizational and educational work. On the foundations of these activities our branches can turn the summer months from a dangerous period into a period of fruitful growth for our Youth Section.

As a working class organization May 1932 means to us a time of intensified struggle of the workers against the measures adopted by the capitalists to put the whole burden of the ever-deepening crisis upon the masses. Young workers are even more effected by these brutal hunger-measures. We find that the workers are refused any kind of relief, no matter how small, by the Hoover regime. This means that we, members of the International Workers Order, must carry on the fight for unemployment and social insurance much more vigorously and with more determination than ever before.

For us May 1932 marks a crucial point in the war preparations against the Socialiat Fatherland, the Soviet Union. It marks a point where Japan is openly and cynically mobilizing its forces on the borders of the Soviet Union, preparing for the bosses long-wished for attack by the imperialist powers. We of the International Workers Order have a definite task to perform together with the other workers of the world in defending the Soviet Union, We of the YOUTH SECTION must show the American Imperialists that the working youth of this country will no more be willingly butchered and killed for the interests of the parasitic capitalist class. We must demonstrate our solidarity with the entire working class in Defense of the Soviet Union.

On National Youth Day (May 29 and 30) the working and student youth of this country will pour out onto the streets and fields to raise their fists against the imperialist invasion of the Soviet Union, Manchuria, and the Chinese Soviets. Our Youth Section should be represented 100% in these youth rallies and demonstrations on May 29th and 30th. As members of a workingclass organization we must more actively participate in the class struggle. With the tremendous historical import of these days confronting us, it is our duty to mark May 1932 the day when the YOUTH SECTION of the International Workers Order hurled itself more intensively into the daily struggles of the workingclass against the onslaught of the capitalists !

# NATIONAL YOUTH DAY OR DECORATION DAY?

ALL OUT N.Y.C.! DEFEND SOVIET UNION! INTERNATIONAL WORKERS FIGHT FOR SOCIALISM

---by Dave Greene

MAY 3o is a legal holiday! This day has been set aside by the government as the day on which all 100 % Americans are to go out to decorate the graves of those soldiers who died to make the country safe for democracy,-also those soldiers who freed the slaves in the Civil War, and in one war or another,saved O U R country from one evil or another.What sort of democracy did these soldiers fight for? What kind of freedom do the Negroes have ? And what are we preparing to save OUR COUNTRY in the war being feverishly prepared by our government on this very day ?

While many of us still carry illusions of American Democracy, we cannot continue to fool ourselves any longer,-especially the working youth and jobless youth who will very shortly find themselves in uniform fighting the boss battle of "Democracy", whether it be against another imperialist power or against the Soviet Union. Just take a little time off to talk the matter over with some of the veterans of the last war-- you see,that was also a war to end war- and the "democracy" they have is to walk the streets side by side the other millions of unemployed slowly starving to death looking for jobs that just can't be found.
Then just look at the slaves that Lincoln and the Civil War freed!Their freedom means working under the most miserable conditions at starvation wages,-their so-called rights to vote are just a sham, and every so often one or two are taken out and lynched to keep the Negroes safe for the bosses. The sharpest expression of the white lords' suppression of the Negro masses are the Nine Negro Scottsboro boys being railroaded to the electric chair.

There can be no "Democracy" for the workers under capitalism. Only under a Soviet, Workers and Farmers government, as in the Soviet Union, can there be real freedom and democracy for the workers and farmers .

We must expose these phrases used by the bosses to foool the workers. Particularly the young workers and students who are made to swallow this bosh through the teachings in the schools and the general propaganda about "Patriotism".

And so-on"Decoration Day" we the class-conscious youth instead of falling prey to the bosses program of "commemorating" the death of the soldiers while they feverishly prepare the next war for "Democracy",-will demonstrate on NATIONAL YOUTH DAY,May 29-30 toward exposing the true meaning of the past bosses wars and the war which they are now hastening against the Soviet Union.

Last Year, the first National Youth Day was marked by demonstrations throughout the country ,militant demonstrations against imperialist war. In Youngstown,Ohio,the demonstration was broken up by the American Legion and the policw, and seven young workers were shot.

This NATIONAL YOUTH DAY is much more important than the last because the WAR has already started in Manchuria where Japanese imperialism is muddering thousands upon thousands of Chinese workers. The war is being directed at the Soviet Union. Japanese troops are moving closer to the Siberian border, and the imperialist powers, including the United States are preparing their war machinery for the attack against the Soviet Union.

NATIONAL YOUTH DAY is also a day of struggle against the bosses program of Hunger and Terror. One these days we come out in masses to demand relief for the unemployed, against discrimination of the youth in handing out of relief, against the shooting of the militant young workers, Harry Simms,the Detroit victims, and for the freedom of the Scottsbororboys and all class war victims!

DEMONSTRATE ON NATIONAL YOUTH DAY
MAY 29th, 30th FOR FREEDOM OF SCOTTSBORO BOYS.FOR DEFENSE OF SOVIET UNION !

# THE order of the day

BY "SLIM"



THE NEW ORDER has long been in need of a column. It has felt the lack of one section upon which our member readers could depend every month. You know what I mean-- a column around which you can detour when your eyes accost it. A real dependable sedtor of which you have no doubt-- consistent, unreadable, worthless stuff. Well here it is, fresh, clean,--on the ORDER OF THE DAY !

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AND DO YOU NOTE who writes it? Slim's the name. I personally don't know Slim very well myself. He's been in hiding ever since the IWO was founded. A real modest fellow, a proletarian from his burly big toe, thru that elongated backbone of his, to the top of his collorless hair (somewhere between a dirty brown to a milky-mud color,-a real unameable). Slim is a rank-and-filer of the highest rank. He disdains to ascppt leadership because he claims that condemns one to inactivity. Maybe he's right, but he has to take the leadership of this column, because he is the only man with sense enough to run it. But he claims he "aint" much on writing and he wants all members of the IWO Youth Section to contribute. Not a bad idea says I to him, but meanwhile its up to you, Slim. I take my leave. Signed: SLIT

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YOU KNOW, when columnists start up a column in the daily bourgeois press or periodicals they usually say they want to look at things with an impartial eye and write so's not to hurt nobody's feelings. They are just good guys, namby-pambying the public -- with soft, clever phrases, raving about the beauties of nature, condemning "vulgar" Communists, and urging "peace on earth, good will to men in a Socialist Party way" for a nice fat salary.

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WELL, IF I have to be a columnist, I'll be one in a different way. In the first place I "aint" got what they call an "impartial eye". My eye dont see no way but the workers way. I'm partial as hell for the workers and that's because there ain't nobody deserves to live on earth but a worker. Workers built up this world and workers should own it. And that's all there is to it. But I don't say that we should kill them right off as ain't workers. Nosiree. There are plenty of people who aint workers but what we call "petty bourgeoisie" - some of them pretty bad off in the crisis. Well them guys is all right iff they are willing to fight on the side of the workers. And they should. First thing they got to do is join up with the thousands of workers and help build such organizations as the IWO.

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AND I'M WRITING sons not to hurt people's feelings. All depends what people you mean. You see, there are two kinds of people as far as I concerned; them that works and produces everything and them what don't do a thing but hogs everything the other's produced. The first kind is my kind; the second - my bitterest enemy. And the more I write or say as hurts their swinish feelings the better I like it, the greater success I be. So I'll never get a big fat salary.

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THE SOCIALIST MAY DAY demonstartion on Union Square, N.Y., was held on Saturday April 30 because the Socialists are "impartial" and "tolerant" and didn't want to interrupt any church services. After all, they know how a preacher feels when there is noise while he sermonizes. Their dear, dear little Rev. Norman Thomas has experienced many a boo from workers' throats and knows how disconcerting it is.--But the Socialists really had a lovely day of it. They kept the parade as "dignified" as could be desired, with the pinochle tummies predominantly dignified,-- and only a few workers are still deluded by their phraseology. And the S.P.'s observed the day of struggle with "Liebestraum" and other giddy music from a phonygraf in Union S.

# EN ROUTE TO THE U.S.S.R.

WITH THE I.W.O. YOUTH DELEGATION

— a letter from Sam Miller —

With us on the Europa are Scott Nearing, Eisenstein, the famous Soviet cinema director and Bogdanov, President of the Amtorg.

Day before yesterday, Eisenstein held a most interesting lecture aboard the ship, contrasting the American and Soviet film. Eisenstein is on his way to the Soviet Union from the U.S. where he had come under contract with Paramount. He said that the first thing that was handed him when he came to the Paramount studio was a list of sixteen subjects which a director must never touch upon in his productions. Among the banned subjects were these dealing with the relations between labor and capital or with the race problem in the U.S. One of his objects in coming to the United States, Eisenstein said, was to film a picture of Negro life in the South. Paramount, he said, was willing to have him produce Negro pictures, but of the kind that show the Negro lolling in the green grass under the blue skies, but not any that depict the real life of the American Negro.

I asked him how it was possible for him to make pictures in Hollywood where they would not permit him to depict the class struggle. He answered that it wasn't, and that he had spent seven months there without being allowed to turn out one picture. He told of the immense overcrowding that exists in the movie industry, and described how organizations of old actors and producers systematically keep young actors and technicians out of the movie industry. He showed that this system makes it hopeless for young people to get employment in the movie industry.

In the Soviet Union, he said, there are special technical film schools to encourage and develop the talents of young workers. He advised us to visit a Soviet Preview while in Moscow, see how the masses themselves decide on the ideology of the Soviet films.

Yesterday, Scott Nearing spoke on the economic situation in Germany. The room was filled . The command of the ship tried to break this lecture up. After Nearing had been talking for about 15 minutes a flunkey came into the room saying that political lectures on the ship were prohibited, and that the captain had ordered this lecture to stop. The people in the room immediately protested. We argued that this was not a political lecture but an economic one. The flunkey, seeing that he could get nowhere with the crowd, left and the lecture continued. In a few minutes the Commodore came in to the room and in a military voice said, "I forbid you to hold this lecture.- Unless you stop it immediately, I shall have you all arrested on arrival in Bremen. "

We were not frightened by this bullying language. Nobody in the room budged. Every one was solidly with us. We told the Commodore the same thing we told to his flunkey. In the meantime the indignation of the crowd was rising. The Commodore sensed this. He actually began to tremble. It was marvelous to see him turn from a stern commander into an amiable "gentelman". He pretended that he was not serious at all He joked with several of the comrades. He left the room chuckling and the lecture went on as scheduled.

This morning a steward came to us and told us that the captain wanted to see four of us with regards to yesterday's lecture. Two comrades from the IWO, and two from the FSU delegation went to the captain's cabin. There they met the Commodore again. The poor fellow was completely afraid of us and begged our committee to please not hold any

# The MUTINY OF THE 310TH U.S. INFANTRY AT ARCHANGEL

BY HARRY RAYMOND

(Repinted from the DAILY WORKER . SUCH ARTICLES ARE OF EXTREME IMPORTANCE AT A TIME LIKE THIS)

ON NOVEMBER 28,1918,exactly 17 days after the armistice was signed, the 310th infantry regiment, then stationed in France, was told to pack up. The officers informed the men that they were going home and at once there was great jubilation in the ranks.

The soldiers busied themselves putting their gear in order, cleaning their mess kits and straightening out their packs. Everybody washed and shaved and cootie hunting. Every body was happy. For they were going home,— back to America.

A little corporal in Company C was talking to a group in the corner of the barracks. "No more war for me,"he said,as he swung his over the edge of the bunk and stood up."I've been in it from the beginning. Enlisted in the Jewish Legion of the Canadian Army to protect Palestine, transferred into the A - merican Army with the rest of the Yanks in 1917. Believe me, four and half years of hell and murder is more than enough for me. I'll never fight another war."
The rookies listened to the corporal with an air of approbation. For the corporal was an old timer, and the new recruits and draftees always stood in awe when veterans of many battels spoke. These veterans were wells of wisdom for the new soldiers. Yes, they all had enough of the war and were glad they were going home.

MR. WILSON HAS OTHER PLANS

But Mr. Woodrow Wilson, who was then acting as dictator for the Wall Street bankers and the owners of big industries, had other plans for the 310th Infantry.
The workers and peasants in Russia under the leadership of Lenin and the Bolshevik Party had kicked out the czar and Kerensky and had set up their own government , the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics. Mr. Wilson said that this new budding Socialist state must be crushed. So America, along with British Imperialism, French Imperialism and Japanese Imperialism, declared war (unofficially, of course) against the Soviet Union.
The war to end all wars and to make the world safe for democracy was ended. A new war to make Russia safe for the czar and Mr. Kerensky and the bankers and industrial ists and unsafe for the workers was started.

On the morning of November 29 the soldiers of the 310th Infantry were awakened from their sleep at three o'clock. They were herded aboard a transport in the harbor at Brest and sailed at 6:30 the same morning. Joy and laughter still permeated the ranks of the soldiers, for were they not on the last leg of their journey home ?

OFF TO SIBERIA

But soon the troops were disillusioned. Word was passed around that the government had changed its mind. The 310th Infantry was not going home to America. It was on the way toVladisvostok, Siberia !

"Why to Siberia?" This question arose in the minds of everysoldier in the regiment "What have we done to be sent to that cold country?" they asked of each other.

In the sub-zero weather the soldiers were put to work unloading guns and ammunition. There was much grumbling, much cursing about the cold and the aching backs and bones. But still they continued to unload heavy crates, the feidl kitchens, the machine guns The unloading, spurred by the cold, was completed in redord time. In two hours the regiment was on its way to a camp 15 miles distant.

After 35 minutes marching aeroplanes were sighted high up in the clear sky. There were about four or five planes circling around,above the marching troops.The officers acting on information given them by a white guard officer accompanying them, shouted to the soldiers that ehemy planes were overhead. Orders were given to mount all guns !

—( continued in next issue )—

Watch for a"BARRAGE OF LEAFKETS"the second part of this factual story, next month.

# on PROLETARIAN MUSIC

by Norman Plotkin
Red Colony Youth Branch 433

Any discussion of proletarian music must start with the proposition that there is no such thing - it is an art form only in its embryological state. The groping of the young Soviet composers, and the unique work of the American revolutionary musical leader, Jacob Schaefer, have, with all respect to their accomplishments, not as yet set a sharply defined trend of musical development.

Marxism teaches that the social and economic forces of every historical era bring forth their own distinctive forms of artistic expression. These may be the work of individual composers, but their very greatness lies in their expression of their times. Bach's colossal work is based on his Chorales, the songs of the revolutionary German peasantry. The upheaval of the French Revolution can definitely be seen in Beethoven - for the myth about the Third Symphony has a certain factual basis, and, most clearly, in his own verbal text in the tremendous Ninth Symphony, does the master express the "Brotherhood of Man". The revolution in the technical arts of production are mirrored in the Romantic movement; while growing nationalism brings to the forefront Greig, Chopin, Moussorgsky, and latterly Albeniz.

The perplexity and barreness of current musical life is an achievment of "individual initiative". Since the advent of imperialism there has been no composer of commanding importance. Economic determinism is relentless. The fit musical expression of the present capitalist system is— nothing at all. Schoenberg, Ernst Toch, and the altra- moderns fly off into metaphysical manias of arbitrary artificiality; their very striving after new freakish "colors" and "tonalities", after the new forms expression for form's sake, proves that there is nothing between the staves; for a vital expression will always create its own form. No, musical development has been prostituted by jazz, commercial philharmonic societies, music "appreciation" and the educational racket, hack composers, and the gigantic entertainment monopoly. The bourgeois substitute for music is a commodity, -its musician is a professional fiddle-torturere

The Proletariat uder Capitalism, unlike the peasantry previously, has not developed its own music. It has no folk- music, nor has it exponents among the intellectual classes in the musical field. Revolutionary songs are practically all of little musical significanse (though they play an important political role) and poor fare indeed is the debris of bourgeois degeneration and the relics of the old nationalistic peasant folk tunes. Yet there is nothing else to turn to. One can almost say that Capitalism has crushed music in the masses.

# CRAZY LAND!

Have you ever been to crazy land,
Down on the Looney Pike ?
There are thequeerestpeople there,
You never saw the like.
Fo r those that do the useful work,
Are poor as poor can be,
While those who are the idlers
All live in luxury.
They raise so much in Crazy Land,
Of food and clothes and such,
That those who raise them starve to death
Because they raise too much.
(reprinted)

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Yes, my dear children,-LIBERTY is just a magazine, and a lousy one at that.

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A POEM —

Ashes to ashes, dust to dust,
If "script" doesn't please you,
Then police clubs must.
(reprinted from "Crocodile" # 414 )

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If some of our members put as much energy into branch activities as they do in the Lindy Hop, the branches would be growing by leaps and bounds. When one watches the little boys and girls of the Youth Section- (and others) going through the fast-legged insipid-faced itch maneuvers of the Lindy Hop,-he begins to wish it was the Lindy Hop which was kidnapped instead of the baby.

# A LETTER FROM AN I.W.O. MEMBER IN THE U.S.S.R.

DEAR COMRADES:-

I will give you a brief resume of what I've done here so far. I was offered about sixteen different jobs the first day I was here so I looked 'em over to see which I would be beat fitted for, and went to work in an automobile plant. They put me on a conveyor, and I started to put out. It took me all of the first day to line things up like I wanted them and then started in.
After working five days and teaching some of the younger boys and girls who were learning the mechanical end of the game, it was decided to send me to the "Amo" plant to learn more about automobiles, and make a qualified engineer out of me.

Nowehere but in theSoviet Union can you find such a thing possible, as teaching you so that you can qualify for a more responsible job and still get paid for learning. We are fed in out factory kitchen. The food is the best I have ever eaten. It is very nourishing and the black bread and kashe which are staple, sure guard you against constipation. We work seven hours, five days a week. The workers who work on jobs that are hazardous or unhealthy, such as painers, batery workers, pr inters, lead workers,etc., receive special rations of milk and have lighter working hours and longer vacations.

Anyone who wishes to work or even learn to work, is given the opportunity to do so. Sex is no bar. In my department one of the best lathe hands is a young girl and she sure puts out the work. No one ever hears the words, "hurry up,tempotempo". We work here because we want to. No one drives us. I never feel tired out after a days work like I did in the U.S.
I am ready for my Russian class, shop class or theatre after work. Work here is a pleasure. I will write again, soon

Comradely yours,

SAM GLESER.

## "ARE YOU FIGHTING AGAINST WAR ? "
## "You're Insane" says Judge Wilder.

— Alice Roxin , Br. 446

The youth of Rochester can now stretch out their hands and forge another strong link in the IWO Youth Section chain . The Jack London Youth Branch #446 which was organized some six months ago has had some experiences in the last ,onth which have transfromed each of our members into a more militant member of the working class.

We had organized in a United Front Youth Anti-War Committee. In connection with this committee we made preparations to expose National Army Day, April 6, as a day for mobilizing the youth for war. Early one morning four boys were arrested for distributing anti-war leaflets. Two nights later three girls were arrested in front of a Citizens Military Training Camp meeting. A week later two more men were arrested.

All the nine arrested were released on bail. The girls were held for two days incomm unicado and were only released after a writ of "Habeus Corpus" had been gotten by the International Labor Defense.

Judge Wilder, the Republican boss of one of the Ruchester wards, ordered a psychiatrical and pathological examination for the girls. "The Bourgeoisie is trying to teach the workers that protest against a program of war is sheer insanity ).

The protest of the workers aroused by this action forced the authorities to correct their first blunder and instead of accusing the nine on the technical charge of distributing leaflets without a permit, the charge is now changed to one of "communism". This will mean a real struggle on the part of the workers for their release. We cannot allow ourselves to be terrorized by such action on the part of the bosses of Rochester. We were taught that freedom of speech and press were the basic protection of an Americanization, and now it has been found out to whom the principle applies. Not to the workers! Not to the ones who made America but to the Ruling class!

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The Counter-Olympic Campaign is definitely on its way! Tom Mooney and Scottsboro Street Runs have been held throughout the country, and the eyes of the working-class athletes are now focused upon the International Workers Sport Meet to be held in Chicago, Layola Field, July 29, 30 and Aug. 1st

As the campaign gathers headway, more and more working class athletes are being drawn in, and now as the elimination meets draw nearer, we should make every effort to win more clubs and more athletes and our own membership for the meet. We can do this by going out into the parks and playing with them. After playing with them, you will find it much easier to approach them on the importance of working class sports.

The Workers Sport Meet is already planned, and will take place on July 29, 30, 31 and Aug. 1 at Layola Field in Chicago. Every thing is set for a mass workers sport meet where working class athletes from every nation, the Soviet Union included, will gather and meet in socialist competition. Now it is up to the working class to get behind the campaign and make it a direct hit at the bosses' Olympic meet.

At present, we find the campaign is not moving ahead as fast as it should be-it is being hampered by the lack of finances. A deposit has been placed on Layols Field and before we can get the use of the field, it must be paid for in full. Finances are also needed to issue leaflets in order to popularize the campaign. The National Counter-Olympic Committee issued stamps and buttons in order to help raise the necessary funds. Every branch received stamps which must be sold as soon as possible so that the campaign can move forward at full speed.

This year as we approach National Youth Day we find the worker athlete engaged in a campaign to bring out the true role of bosses' sports - how the bosses are using sports as a means of dividing the working class. Through sports, as in everything else, they are trying to keep the Negro and white workers divided. The bosses are also using sports as a means of preparing the youth for war, and on this day the bosses hold their large militaristic parades doing everything in the power to arouse a spirit of nationalism in the young workers be - cause they know that it is the youth who fight in the front rank of any struggle. It is our duty to approach the young workers and get them to participate in National Youth Day. This year National Youth Day has been made very attractive; besides the various parades and demonstrations which will be held in every city, the Counter-Olympic elimination track and field meets will be run off. It is a very opportune moment to get the worker athlete to participate in National Youth Day and to bring out the importance of working class sports in the class struggle.

--Sam Kessler

PLATFORM OF THE COUNTER-OLYMPICS :--

1-Boycott the Los Angeles Olympics! For an International Workers Athletic Meet in Chi. as a counter meet to the Olympics!
2-Unconditional release for Tom Mooney!
3-Against discrimination of Negro athletes and athletes from colonial countries! For full equality for Negro and all colored athletes in all sports orgs. and meets !
4-For the free use of school gyms, municipal stadiums and fields by all workers!
5-Against the use of sports for the capitalist militarism and war!
6-Against the sport blockade against the Soviet Union; Unity with Soviet athletes!

## HUNGARIANS AMALGAMATE WITH I.W.O.

The much talked of amalgamation of the work ing class fraternal organizations has completed its first step. The Hungarian Sick Death, Benevolent and Educational Soc. is now a part of the International Workers Order. Our orgagization has now a combined membership of 22,000 members. This is the first completed step in the four cornered amalgamation which is soon to see the Slovak workers, and the Russian workers combining forces with our IWO. It is now only a question of time before our IWO will have a mem bership of 32,000.
There are many youth members in these organizations. It will remain our task to combine our youth forces with theirs and form one united YOUTH SECTION.
FORWARD TO A UNITED FRATERNAL MOVEMENT OF ADULT AND YOUNG WORKERS!

## EN ROUTE TO THE U.S.S.R. (continued)

more meetings as he had received many protests from the passengers and that many more protests would probably be lodged with the office of the company at Bremen.

The comrades drew him into a discussion on the economic crisis during which the Commodore admitted that he saw no way out of the capitalist dilemma and after the affair with a complete victory for our side. This incident certainly proves that united militant mass action is the only way for the working class to get its rights.

We found moreover that the Captain and Commodore are not sure of their crew. In talk ing to the sailors and men of the ship, we found that these workers are most horribly exploited. They work sixteen and even more hours a day, seven days a week, getting only one day every fifteen days off. Their pay is 120 marks a month (about $25).

Over one-third of which pay is taken away from them to pay for "social insurance", and dues to their fake Socialdemocratic unions, etc. I remarked to one of the sailors that the conditions of the Soviet sailors are much better than theirs. "Ya, ya, I know," he said, "The men on Russian ships eat together with the captain". We found that a surprisingly large proportion of the men on the crew were our warm friends and sympathizers.— Soon we shall be in Germany. I will write you about my experiences there. In the Meantime, Good-bye.— Sam Miller.

## UNEMPLOYMENT AND THE STRUGGLE FOR SOCIAL INSURANCE -

With the deepening of the crisis we find the working class reacting more and more to the struggles for immediate relief for the unemployed and for Social Insurance. The struggle has witnessed its sharpest expression and form in the Ford Hunger March resulting in the death of five young workers and again in the Chicago massacre where workers were lined up against the wall and machine gun fire loosened on them.

Especially today then the relief stations and the charity organizations are closing their doors and cutting off the little relief that had been granted up to now completely, is it necessary to involve greater masses, both employed and unemployed to demand from the government adequate relief in the form of Social Insirance instead of the present program of so-called private charity.
The International Workers Order, as a fraternal organization, is very much concerned with this problem. We understand very well that it is impossible for us through our own mutual efforts to care for the unemployed, nor even to supply the members of out own organization with the benefits which all workers should get. It therefore becomes one of our major problems to take a leading part in the campaign for Social Insurance.

With this in mind our Order is now engaged in the United Front Campaign among all fraternal organizations for Social Insurance. In many sections of the country the preliminary conferences have already taken place. These conferences have served to join together in a united front many fraternal Orders, independant, fascist and social fascist, workers in these organizations who recognize the need for a struggle for the Social Insurance.
Our Youth Section has not as yet played any part in this campaign. A very faint beginning has been made in New York. In New York several of the Young Circle League branches have been sent calls for the conference, and are soon to be visited to elect delegates.

This proceedure must be followed nationally. The calls must besent to all youth fraternal groups in the particular neighborhood, of the branches. FORWARD IN THE STRUGGLE FOR SOCIAL INSURANCE!

## NEW YORK CITY PREPARES VARIED SUMMER PROGRAM!!

A varied and interesting summer program has already been launched by the New York City Committee, and promises to keep the branches of Gotham on the go during the hot months. The program allows for branch activities in addition to this city-wide plan by keeping several weeks and week-ends open, for which dates the branches have already planned one or another events.

### THE CITY-WIDE PLAN

May 13- Counter-Olympic Swimming Meet
May 14- Tom Mooney Street Run in Brooklyn
May 15- Hike to Tibbetts Brook Park
May 21- Dramatic Contest between branches
May 21- Downtown Street run.
May 21-22 Nat'l Youth Day tag days.
May 29-30 National Youth Day, demonstration and Semi-final track and field events of the International Workers meet to be held in Chicago.

June 4--Installation of the Ho Lung Branch
June 5--Bklyn Semi-final track and field events.
June 12-Sectional IWO outings with adults.
June 12-International Solidarity Day at Starlight Park.
June 19-Boat Ride to Bear Mountain
June 25-IWO picnic to Pleasant Bay Park

July 10-Overnight hike
July 24-City swimming party-Brighton

August 1- Anti-War demonstration

August 6-Freiheit Picnic

Aug 20-21 Week-end party to Camp Kinderland camp of the IWO.

Sept. 3-4-5 Overnight hike

In the detailed planning of the above program will be included educational features such as short talks on hikes, mass drills, study circles on hikes, etc.

Swiftly following upon the heels of the acts of terror committed by the boss class first in Kentucky and then in Detroit is the shooting of workers in Melrose a suburb of Chicago.

One of the axioms of revolutionary theory is that as the class struggle grows sharper boss's terror increases as a means of defeating the struggles of the workers. Not only does the government pass vicious anti-working class measures but it also uses the forces or reaction, to terrorize the workers.

On Sunday May 8, the workers of Chicago, 700 of them assembled in Melrose to protest the breaking up of the Maylst demonstration The meeting was held in an open lot after permits for a hall had been revoked.

No sooner had the workers assembled, when a gang of police, American legion and thugs surrounded the lot, lined the workers against a wall and raked them with the withering fire of sub-machine guns. Nine workers were shot, some seriously.

The International Labor Defense which is defending those shot and many who were arrested issued a statement after the massacre, pointing out that the attack was premeditated on the part of the combined forces of the legionaires, businessmen of the town criminal elements and police. "Patriotic" elements, defenders of the system that allows them to exist, and protects their profits.

Our Youth Section must send protest telegrams participate in the protest meetings and help to arouse masses of workers to protest.

## The National Student League

- Joe Cohen

Contrary to the position which students in other countries have taken in political and social events, the American Student has kept aloof from such matters. Thoroughly convinced that a comfortable professional existence awaited him, he was a staunch supporter of the status quo. However, the present economic crisis has completely shattered this outlook. The effects of unemployment and decreased income, coupled with the decay of the entire capitalist system compel the students to become participants in the social struggles. With thousands of licensed teachers unemployed in New Yor k and with Chicago teachers unpaid, with a superfluity of doctors,dentists, c engin - eers, journalists, lawyers, and all other professions, the students begin tO feel the crisis in a very personal manner Theyrealize that they must ally themselve s with the working class in the struggle to do away with the evils resulting from capitalism by destroying this moribund system and building a new social order among the lines which the workers in the Soviet Union are following.

Conditions in the colleges and universi - ties lead the students to participate in a fight righton the campus for Academic freedom, against Militarism(R.O.T.C.) against race discrimination and for better economic conditions on the campus. The fight of the C.C.N.Y. students against Reserve Officers Training Camp,the Columbia Strike for the reinstatement of the expelled editor, Reed Harris, the present fight against theplan to institute tuition fees in the "free"city colleges, are examples of struggles.

The militant student movement, through the country,on the campus and in support of workers class struggles, has been crystallized organizationally in the foundation of the NATIONAL STUDENT LEAGUE. It was the National Student League which lead the Columbia strike,established a united frontand finally won all the demands of the strike.

The voice of this new student movement is heard in its official organ,"The stud - ent Review". It is the duty of every Student to join the National Student League and read the "Student Review". For further information write to the NATIONAL STUDENT LEAGUE, 102 West 14th St., N.Y.C.

## A GREAT OPPORTUNITY

- for -

One of the most frequent complaints registered by our Cultural Directors was the dif ficulty of answering the clamor of our members and friends for study circles with adequate material and methods. The situation was really serious, and the Youth Section certainly felt the dearth of material with which to supply our groups.

But this situation need not exist any long er. The opportunity to undertake a systematic study of the labor movement from the Marxist-Leninist viewpoint is now at hand in the Marxist Study Courses now being published by the International Publishers. Political Economy and History of the Working Class. Each course is to consist of 12 lessons in pamphlet form. Each lesson is complete with easily obtainable references, questions and answers and can be used for individuals or groups study.

These courses have come to light in the nick of time for the Youth Section. Now we can utilize the summer months for the develop - ment of our members STUDY CIRCLES in the parks, on the fields, after the hikes are great drawing cards to all serious minded young workers and students, preparing them for the struggles against the capitalist offensive, and leading them to a better understanding of the application of the Marxist-Leninist principles in these struggles.

The time to start with these courses in NOW! Every branch should write to the NATIONAL OFFICE immediately for the first lesson and start at study circle. Each time a different comrade should lead the circle. The price of each lesson is only 15 cents. Send in cash with each order.

Which branch is going to be the first to take advantage of this fine opportunity?

# FROM COAST to COAST

## WITH OUR BRANCHES

May 1st saw our Youth Section of New York out in full force. Some three hundred youth members were out to show their solidarity with the rest of the workers of New York. In spite of the rain, there were 50,000 in the line of march with another 100000 on the streets to cheer us on. The IWO as a whole was the best represented organization. In way of doing something to express their spirit of struggle. workers in the tenement district on the line of march waved red jackets, bunting, and even red pots and pans. The spirit was such as to make every marcher feel the real strength of solidarity.

New York City is at present active in United Front preparations for National Youth Day. Sam Pevzner, city secretary has been elected treasurer of the united front committee, and that should solve the financial problems for New York.

When it comes to Dramatics, we must admit that New York is leading the country. There is a reason for this. The reason happens to be Sam Pevzner, our dramatic specialist. The latest development in dramatics is the City-Wide Dramatic Contest of all the N.Y. branches which is to take place on Saturday, May 21st, at the Downtown Workers Club. So far some six dramatic groups have entered; there are at least three otjers that hope to be ready by that date. Some of the plays to be given are the "Spark" - "Marching Guns" - "Mr. God is Not In" - "Charity" "Groggy Compads" "Shadow Play".

The New York City Committee with the help of the "Shock Troop" have already worked out a cpmplete program of summer work. Elsewhere in this magazine you will find copy of it - as we feel that those City Committees and branches that have as yet not planned their program will be able to use this a s a basis.

New Haven has just completed its City Dramatic contest, where the "Second Story Man" - and "Marching Guns" were given. The "Spark" which was also given won first prize. It was done so well that the comrades immediately received a return engagement and gave it again at the indoor May 1 meeting. The comrades are also busily engaged in preparations for the 2nd National Youth Day.

Not to be outdone by New Haven, Hartford is also becoming "dramatic-minded". They have set May 14 as the date for their dramatic night. Outside of dramatics, however, we see very little life in Hartford.

Springfield, Mass. is having its little troubles; their signal of distress is to be answered by Comrade Hubelbank who is to spend about a week in Springfield to assist the comrades there.

Bessie Lifland writes us re Boston and other points east, that while it's almost as bad as pulling hen's teeth to get the City Committee (Youth) on the job, nevertheless both branches are on the go and doing things What these "things" are we do not as yet know - but it might be worse - so that's that.

Joe Dashman recently spent a week-end in Phildelphia, where we have three prospective branches in the embryo. Comrade Joe reports that we should soon see three functioning branches in Philly.

Baltimore should now set itself the task of combining the youth branch there with the Hungarian Youth now that the amalgamation with the Hungarian Orggnization has been completed. The branch is at present attempting through social activity and thru sports to develop a comradely spirit, - something sadly lacking in Baltimore.

Comrade Ray from Baltimore informs us that she is in touch with our comrades of the youth branch in Norfolk and that they are progressing nicely. Unfortunately this information should reach us second-hand due to the failure of the comrades in Norfolk to understand the importance of communicating with the Nat'l. Office directly. Com. Davis, please take notice.

# Coast to Coast With our Branches — (CONTINUED) —

Cleveland is going strong! The Harry Simms Branch is growing slowly but surely. The comrades are active in the campaigns of the movement. Branch 413, the oldest branch, is just beginning to recover from a reorganizational plan.

We have also to report that the Cincinatti branch has adapted the name of Anna Louise Strong, editor of the Moscow News.

As this goes to press from Chicago district comes finally the applications of the reorganized Milwaukee branch.
Chicago has again been lagging in sending in reports. Comrade Blechman, on his way to the Soviet Union, stopped off in New York long enough to give us a detailed picture of the situation in Chigago. The possibilities for growth are tremendous, but a lack of forces plus a little looseness on the part of the C. Y.C. is holding back the work. Leading in activity are the following branches:- Charles Ruthenberg Branch #410 which has just celebrated its 1st anniversary. Branch #430, the Theodore Dreiser, is continuously on the go with classes, lectures and social activities. Branch #400 seems to be falling behind the other branches in activity.

For the information of all cultural directors, comrade Lila Lee is the City Cultural Director, and is raring to go, but it seems that you branch cultural directors of Chicago just refuse to give her your cooperation. Let's begin pulling together.
We would like to hear from the membership of Chicago to what extent they are being involved in the preparations for the International Workers Sport Meet preparations, and what is being done also in preparation for NATIONAL YOUTH DAY.

Altho St. Louis is in the Chicago district, we feel it deserves special mention. First because the comrades there are doing some good mass work in organizing mass meetings, and second because their magazine is the best one issued insofar as form is concerned. Elsewhere in this issue of the magazine you will find a criticism of the contents of the magazine.
It's a long hop from St. Louis to California but we have to make it since our Youth Section has not as yet penetrated into the Wild and Wooly west. We are working on Denver but no results as yet. Our comrades in Lod Angeles are carrying on in the right spirit. In the absence of Sam Miller, who is touring the Soviet Union with our delegation, the branch, under the leadership of the City Youth Committee, is bending all efforts towards further increasing its membership through organized activity. The Tom Mooney Branch was the first to issue a calendar of events, in printed form for wide distribution. The spirit of organized activity has finally spread to the Vanguard Br. which has thus far been lagging. Together, both branches are planning to send a team to the Counter-Olympic eliminations in San Diego. They have also recently held a lecture by comrade Olgin, resulting in a net profit of $15. which has been turned over to the Freiheit.
The long planned district conference of our branches in Rochester, Syracuse and our prospective branch in Buffalo was scheduled for the beginning of May, thus far we have heard nothing from the district. We have learned that our comrades in Rochester have had a very interesting experience while out to organize the young workers of the Eastman Kodak plant against the bosses war preparations. Elsewhere you will find a detailed story of their experiences.

We always manage to miss at least one stop on our cross country tripa. This time we have overlooked our newly organized branch in Minneapolis, Minn. All we can say is greetings and best wishes for speedy growth. Then the other stop should have been at Kansas City, Mo. Four new applications give the branch the required 15 for the charter. The comrades are busy planning their installation for some time in June.

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We welcome into our Order all young workers and working class students between the ages of 15 and 25 who wish to avail themselves of the many advantages that our membership offers, or who wish to partake of the activities in which we are engaged.

As young workers we feel the need of a solidarity of all young workers regardless of race, color, nationality, or sex, and we therefore extend an invitation to colored as well as white young workers of all nationalities to join our ranks.

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## CULTURAL ACTIVITY A REAL BRANCH BUILDER

The basic principle upon which any healthy organization rests is an active, interested membership. An organization, which depends upon such members is able to carry out its assigned functions.

In order to activize our membership, we must provide such functions as are particularly interesting to the type and class of individuals we seek for membership. If this is done our organization will attract thousands upon thousands of Youth to our ranks.

We are a working class organization seeking to draw togehther the young workers and working class students, so that we may be able to win them to the support of their class and its struggles. We, however, are not the only ones seeking the support of the Young Workers and Working Class Students. The Boss slass realizes that in order to make greater profits they must have a docile, obedient slave class. For this reason they establish clubs which are provided with vast facilities for sport, socialand-cultural activities.

We have neither the finances nor the facilities for carrying on Youth work as they can; therefore, it devolves upon us to seek other methods of winning the Youth to our standard.

Cultural work, therefore must be our basic activity. It must be so organized, that it permeates every phase of our branch life. Today, this most important of our activities is far below par. To bring our cultural work to the standard we must perform:

1. To learn what our cultural work is and means.
2. To organize it upon a healthy foundation.
3. To plan our work in advance.

In the above we have explained clearly the importance of our cultural work. Our cultural work consists of breaking down the bourgeois idealogy which the Young Workers and students in our ranks have and istilling in its place a working class ideology. This is best done by having lectures and branch discussion enlightening the youth as to the corruptness of this system of Society, the theory of a Soviet system of Society. Classes explaining thoroughly what the Communists stand for. Songs to inspire and awaken young workers to their tasks in the class struggle. Plays and sketches showing in simplified form the issues of the working class. A vital task is that of spreading literature among the memberships and contacts. This is done by having literature on sale at each branch meeting and affair, also a library, for books which are too expensive for individuals to buy.

A very important phase of cultural activity is the actual participation of Comrades in struggle. Lenin said: there can be no revolutionary theory without revolutionary practice.

To carry out the extensive program that we have outlined, we must have healthy committees. At the head of the Committee is the cultural director, who must push the work of his committee and give it leadership. The committee is to be compsed of at least five members, librarian, dramatic director, Bulletin Board Editor.

In order that our wok may go smoothly and enter each department, we must plan it in advance. Unless this is done the branches will find themselves in difficulties. With the development of healthy cultural activity alongside, health sport and social work, we shall be able to fulfill our functions as a youthgroup in a revolutionary organization.

SEND THAT COMPLAINT TO OR ASK THAT QUESTION FROM THE ORDER OF THE DAY

By Dave Greene

Beer, Beer and more beer! Just pick up any capitalist news sheet, and you will find that the solution to all the ills of the present crisis is repeal of the 18th Amendment. So all you economists and especially you unemployed -- -- just tighten up your belts one or two notches (if there are any more notches left) forget about bread and wait for BEER!

The Republican convention is over, with a sweeping victory for that 100% American, that great engineer - the author of the "rugged individualist", etc, etc. & etc. Yes, comrades, with this great engineer at the helm this grand and glorious country is to be steered out of the crisis and saved for dear old capitalism!

The Republicans are not the only ones who can save the country! The Democratic Donkey is also in the ring. "This country has been mismanaged for the last eight years, its all the fault of these Republicans, they have forsaken the need of the people," and now the Democratic party in their convention after the usual days of 24 votes for -- from Alabama -its a tug of war between Roosevelt and Smith and perhaps a dark horse will slip in -- but it doesn't matter which for that grand old Democratic party of which Tammany Hall is a part will with the help of the Almighty God and Beer bring-back prosperity -- for whom?

And then again if preaching can bring back prosperity, your choice should be the very, very reverand Norman Thomas . In Milwaukee, where the Socialist rule --a rule that means clubs for unemployed the Socialist held forth in holy convention. Morris Hillquit-in case you don't-know- (he is or was the lawyer for the Czarist's family who were suing the Soviet Government to recover the oil properties, taken from the Czar by the workers to whom it rightfully belongs-) is a Socialist who is to lead the workers in "struggles" for better conditions. The Socialist party is part of the 2nd International. They have been in power in England under Ramsey McDonald where they betrayed the workers. And look at the Social Democratic party of Germany, also part of the Second International, where the workers are being gradually turned

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(National Youth Day)

The beating of drums
Youth marches forward
No work - no rent
No work - no rent

A black head on a window sill
White hands waving up
The Scottsboro boys
Shall not die

A white hand on a window sill
Black hands waving up
Negro and white
Unite and fight

The beating of drums
The waving of flags
Youth marches on
The shuffle of feet
Youth goes forward.

By Sam Kessler

A group of boys sat and watched an endless stream of cars pass over a white concrete road. They did not utter a sound, they just sat there, with their eyes glued to the road. Now and then one of them would get up, lood down the road as if he were expecting someone, and then he would sit down again.

Suddenly, a large car emerged out of-line and pulled up in front of them. A gauky youth got out, waved good-bye to the occupants, and walked over to the group of boys.

"Its no use, fellas," he said, "the playground won't be opened this year. The board spent the last nickel on this road. They explained it to me this way. The mill on the other side of the town needs this road to get its stuff to the railroad. This new road shortens the trip, and besides, the old road was too lumpy and the trucks broke down too often."

One of the boys in the group could not, longer hold himself back and he blurted out, "Yeah, this is all part of the new economy plan of the mill. First a wage-cut, then firing half the workers, and making the other half work longer hours. Now they had the town build this new road so that they could lay off some drivers and mechanics. Listen, fellas. If the town could afford to build a road for the mill, then it could surely afford to keep the playground open this summer."

"Theres no use talking, if we want to get that playground opened for this summer we've got to get busy. You know the Board's last meeting is next week, and then they go on their summer vacation."

"We've got to get out a petition and leave everyone in the town sign it. We

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History is being made for the working class sport movement of America. In Chicago on July 29, 30, 31 and August 1, will be a gathering of worker-sportsmen from all parts of the United States. There for the first time im America will be held a read International Workers Sport Meet. Workers both young and old of all nationalities, Negro workers will compete in a varied program of sports events.

The meet will bring together the champion soccer teams of the New York League and the Chicago Soccer League. Relay races, shot put, short and long runs for juniors and seniors, boys and girls. Some of the crowning features will be special mass drills in which thousands of workers are expected to participate.

Compare this meet with the Olympics!-The meet to be held in California at the same time. California that has contributed $2.000,000 for the meet while refusing any relief for the unemployed. California that is holding Tom Mooney in jail sixteen years. Here the so-called amateur athletes from all the capitalist countries will compete. Rich men's sons from all countries and a few "outsiders"-pampered athletes, trained like thoroughbred horses for the amusement of the rich, "outsiders" who last only so long as they can continue to break records, and when they begin to slide- out they go on the scrap heap. Look at Jim Thorpe-possibly the best athlete the world has known, now digging ditches out west. He was a full-blooded Indian and just as is the case with Negro athletes-they have no place in rich men's athletic circles, they may serve as amusement for a while, but not for long. Even for workers to witness the Olympics is impossible. Which worker can afford to spend $5.00 to witness the meet?

We must also remember that in back of the

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# SOCIALISM IN CHILE

By Alex Gochfeld

A little while ago the capitalist press was fed with a new and sensational "scoop" - the government of Chile had been overthrown and a "Socialist regime" had been instituted. The first head lines dealt with the immediate and widespread seizure of private estates, industries and banking concerns with "Due compensation" to the parties so expropriated. These were followed headlong with great editorial fervor and "Liberal" sympathetic mouthings concerning the abolishment of unemployment and other "Capitalistic Evils" (according to Davila the new dictator and demagogue, he will wipe out unemployment in one month) The shops are filled with food and shoes and clothing, hundreds of houses stand empty and untenanted, the banks are filled with money which is the money sweated from the great number of workers who are now starving, unclothed and homeless. These workers must go on starving. The capitalists who have bled them must be paid and satisfied as to the safety of their holdings (which incidentally include almost the entire country) Hoover and Davila seem to have many things in common although it seems that Davila is a little better lian than Hoover, the workers in Chile have been misled more masterfully than Hoover could manage. The workers thought that since they had a "workers government" they should be entitled to arm themselves to protect it. The proposal for a workers armed guard was very neatly shelved and avoided by Davila who sees his power only in the force of the reactionary armed forces which set him up as dictator. Incidentally our pretty social fascists in America-I mean the Rt. Revd. Hon. Norman Thomas and the not so honourable Morris Hillquit are tripping over themselves in trying to be the first to congratulate their fellow demogogues in Chile. There Mr. Thomas and Hillquit see the realization of their-

"GET HIM IN THE MOUTH"

Hey! Hey! Get him in the mouth, the rolly-polly "chicken-in-every-pot", a-car-in-every-garage." Big-Boy!

The above picture shows Herby at his best with mouth open ready to take the zipping crashing nickel-rockers as they were hurled by the workers at the last picnic in New York City. Take a tip, branches and set up a picture of Herby the rugged individualist at the next picnic you have and watch the folks showering you with nickels for the privilege of socking the ole guy with baseballs.

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Their socialistic system means that instead of the workers having an Anarchic system of oppression they will be "blessed" with StatiSocialism (of the Thomas brand) which will burden them with an organized oppression. Dear Mr. Thomas, Mr. Hillquit, Davila, and-Ford won't mind being classed here. I want to tell you that the workers of the world have the best weapon against demagogy and labor faker lies --- starvation - empty stomachs - no homes no clothes. These your own weapons will turn into a mass slogan of working class solidarity against you. The workers-throughout the world will learn from--Chile another lesson in "How not to establish a workers and farmers gov't."

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# The Mutiny of the 310th U.S. Infantry at Archangel

BY HARRY RAYMOND

(Reprinted from the DAILY WORKER. Continued from May issue.)

The line of march was broken. Soldiers scattered along the road, some looking for cover, others preparing to shoot. Terror was in every heart, for the men remembered the bombing raids in France.

They waited. But no bombs fell. Not a shot was fired from the planes. Hardly a man moved. It seemed that they had waited hours.

Finally thousands of white specks were seen floating in the air. The Red aviators were bombing the American soldiers with leaflets. The 310th Infantry was to learn for the first time the truth about the American intervention into Siberia.

Naturally the soldiers scrambled for the leaflets as they reached the ground. They were printed in English and as the soldiers began to read them the officers ordered that they be thrown away. Most of the men, however, put the leaflets in their pockets and read and discussed them before they went to sleep in the camp that night.

The leaflet said:

" To the American and British Soldiers:

"Did you ever stop to think why they don't send you home?

"The war is over. Armistice is concluded Peace negotiations are already being conducted. Months have already elapsed since the slaughter has stopped.

Millions of soldiers - French, British,- American, are returning home from the battlefields. Millions of prisoners are returning from prison. This is the time of joy and happiness for thousands of humble homes - the boys are coming back! Hundreds of ships are carrying American boys in khaki from the Western front back to the shores of Columbia.

"Why, then, don't they let you go home? "Sweek home" is waiting for you. Those whom you lover are waiting for you. Your gray, old dear mothers are waiting for you. Are they waiting in vain?
"Your mother is asking every newcomer from the front: 'Where is my boy?' 'Don't know! Somewhere in the steppes of Siberia!
"What are you doing here, 'somewhere in Russia?' What do they want you here for?
"The war is over because there is nothing left to fight for, and nothing to fight against.

"They have been telling you that this was a war against German autocracy, against German imperialism, against kaiserism. But now there is no more kaiserism, there is no more autocracy. The German workers have risen in revolt - and they have themselves defeated kaiserism. Themselves! - without the help of British and American troops....

"Is it true that you were fighting for freedom and democracy? If this was true you would have been sent home when the German revolution broke out. But instead of home they sent you to the steppes of Russia. Why?
"Because this is not a war for freedom. This is not a war for democracy, but against democracy.

"Do you know that Russia is the freest and most democratic country in the world? Do you know that all the wealth in Russia now belongs, not to a small group of greedy capitalists, but to the vast majority of the people, the workers and poor peasants? Do you know that the land, the mines, the shops, the factories of Russia are now owned by the people and operated for the benefit of the people. Do you know that the present government of Russia--the government of the Soviets (councils of workmen's and peasant's deputies) is the only real democratic government in the world?

(To be continued in the August issue.)

# SHADOW PLAYS

By SAM MAGDOFF

Someone once said, "There is nothing new under the sun." Whether that is true or not, shadow-graphy is no new thing, for in our grandfather's days fun was manufactured from shadows.

We also shall try to derive some fun from shadows altho in a different manner then our ancestors.

It would be interesting to go into a long discourse on the origin and history of shadow-graphy, but as there is neither the place nor the place here we will have to leave it for some other time.

HOW NORMAN THOMAS LOOKS ON THE SHADOW-GRAPH

The purpose of this article then is to explain the method of producing shadow plays so that we could utilize it in making our dramatic presentations more enjoyable and novel. It is especially essential now since the league of Workers Theatres of which we are a part is starting an election campaign plan of activities for all of the dramatic groups affiliated with it.

The arrangement on the stage for the play is simple. A large white transparent screen (two sheets sewed together), suspended from the outer curtain divides the actors from the audience. For a light good strong electric bulb a--bout a 200 watt will do the trick. Or if a good carbon arc with a wide beam could be gotten all the better. The light should be placed as far back as possible and on the same level with the actors so that there is no chance for having a distorted shadow. It is also essential to have all the lights out in the auditorium while the play is going on.

The actors whose shadows form the illustrations for the narrative are first of importance. Each one is assigned some particular character in the play which he is to dress and enact to as appropriate and amusingly as he can. As the success of the play depends on his ability to invent comical action he is urged to spare no pains in the invention of such "business" and to elaborate it to the utmost extent consistent with the appreciative powers of the audience.

It is also essential to have a competent director. The duty of this director is to first of all take care of all scenery and scenic tricks that happen during the performance. Also he must be the regiseur. He should while rehearsing mark down all the little tricks and pranks that the actors invent as they rehearse so that they don't forget to repeat them at the second rehearsal.

The next of great importance is the scenery. Scenery which is to be permanent thruout the play and which is directly concerned in the action may be very conveniently made of small dimensions and placed near the light in order to case an enlarged shadow. A very little experimenting will determine the proper position relative to the light, necessary to produce the right effect.

Going back to the actor we forgot to discuss the costume that he is to wear. The dress is really not so very important. The most important thing is the face. There is one rather simple method of making a mask that I will try to explain. The mask itself consists of a flat piece of beaverboard or heavy cardboard. It is to be cut out in profile and of course resembling the face of the char-

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# SHORT STORY and POETRY

CONTEST

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COAL TOWN INCIDENT

By Nathan Hurvitz.

Yesterday had been pay day for Frank Baldwin, and to-day he was in debt to the Company. Frank could not understand: he had worked four days that week and mined seventy-nine and one-half tons of coal: and should have received $30.90, but instead he owed the Company $3.05.

Of how many tons he had been cheated, Frank did not know; but to work for the Company, and then be in debt, was a startling fact to him. Again he looked at his pay slip to be sure, but the total diductions remained larger than the total earnings.

From the $31.90 he should have received were deducted: $15.00 to the Company store, whose prices were 30% higher than those of independent establishments, and who had it so arranged that the miners would get "token money", redeemable only at the Company store; $8.70 went for gas which burned with a yellow flame, and made one sick; $3.00 went for rent for a one-room hut which was kitchen, dining room, and bedroom. It contained a stove, a table a broken wire bed, and two boxes for chairs. There was also a dresser with a broken mirror, and shoes, worn beyond possible repari were strewn on the damp floor. Ancient colored photographs, mocking relics of other days, hideously discolored, covered the walls where there were holes, to keep the sharp wind out. There was no running water, and over all was a pungent odor of coal gas, garbage, and decay The remaining $2.15 went to the doctor and hospital whose services he could not got unless he was on the verge of death.

He owed money to the Company. He could not get that out of his mind Up tillnow he had earned enough to keep him ahead of the deductions, but not....Frank knew that this had happened to other miners, and when they had protested they were fired immediately. These were the Rednecks whose children did not receive the free lunch which the county was forced to dish out once daily at noon, to the school children.

Frank's children received the free lunch but not every day could they go to school because they did not have clothes enough to wear, and were sick because of cold and lack of food. His oldest boy, who was twelve, who in bed with pneumonia, and his daughter, Virginia, had the flux. Frank knew that conditions were not harshest with him; the Rednecks, who were evicted from the company houses lived in tent colonies, and suffered both starvation and cold. It was not seldom that infants died because of rickets and dysentry, and many children could not go outdoors because they had no clothes.

But to owe, when he had earned!.....He knew that to get credit for ten tons of coal he had to mine thirteen, but he had always accepted things as they were, and had never protested. He had heard of the strike the National Miners Union had called to fight for better conditions, how they were fighting against starvation, and were struggling for a living wage, but he feared to be evicted, and to lose his job, so he remained with the Company and starved without resistance.

But now Frank was turning against himself. He asked where was the man in him? How could he stand by and watch hisdaughter die without his protesting? Was he content to live in this broken cabin

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# "Merry-Go-Round" Goes Round

By Sam Devzner

Broadway, the glorified tinsel "strasse" of the American bourgeoisie, is growing feelbe. Just as the economic whirlpools encircle greater numbers of bourgeoisie and suck them down into the depths of poverty and bankruptsy -so do the lights of theatre after theatre on Broadway fade into the darkness. More than half of the houses on "the great white way " are closed sown to-day. The remaining ones are leading a very precarious existance. Capitalism, to whose services-Broadway is dedicated,had been condemned by history to an early doom at the hands of the working class. Broadway must follow.

Out of the theatrical sanitarium which is Broadway hobbles a figure on crutches a bit more healthy than the others. This figure is the play "Merry-go-Round" the product of two writers,Albert Maltz, and George Sklar.

Merry-Go-Round is a competent picture of the corruptness of American city politics and the use of the third degree and frame-ups to help in winning the election of a candidate so steeped in rottenness and corruption that even his own underlings hold their noses. Jimmie Walker and his gang, if you please. That's why Jimmie and his Tammny bosses made it practically impossible for Merry-go-Round to get a show-house for quite some time.

The play also aptly shows how the interests of the politicians ( capitalism's puppets) and gangsters are interwined-how they are one and the same thing i.e. the robbing and exploitation of the working masses in the form of graft and rackets.

The story and "human element" of the play in the form of a bell-hopp who is framed up by the political machine, given a dose of the third degree to very near the point of death, and finally murdered in prison to make it appear like suicide, in order to hide the corruption of the machine during election. Well acted and dramatic - but it was too

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That invited the elements against his wish? Was he even low enough to permit other men's children to die without declaring it shouldn't be? Was he afraid to fight those who oppressed him?

A Frank Baldwin told him it wasn't necessary to think these things, but just to go and work. Things would smooth, themselves. But a new Frank Baldwin, rose to the level of a man. This Frank Baldwin said these were necessary questions, and he answered them with a "No!"

But a verbal answer did not accomplish anything - it was the acutal fight that would bring these conditions to an end. And Frank prepared to fight.

The rednecks were spreading news of a food truck coming to town that afternoon. Frank had heard of this, but decided not to meet the truck, as the Rednecks had planned to do, because the Company forbade its workers to go with the threat of firing them, and Frank was afraid of the Company. He had also seen the papers which stated that the Mayor announced he would not allow the National Committee Aiding Striking Miners Fighting Starvation, which was working in conjunction with the Workers Inernational Relief, to pass food out among the miners.

But that was the old Frank. The new Frank knew that only by not heeding the intimidation of the Company could the workers organize against the Company, and Frank decided to go meet the truck.

The miners were to meet at Dan Simpson's tent, for Dan was the leader of the Rednecks, and from there were to march to the Workers Inernational Relief station. At one one o'clock when the march was to start,200 miners formed a line to the town. When they came to the food truck, there were 20 deputies there to meet them The members of the Committee to pass out the food were with the truck,and when the workers gathered around, they addressed them.



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## NEW PLAYS ON HAND

Three new plays are now nestled in the files of the National Cultural Committee, just waiting to be asked for by the branches. They are all easy to produce and have proved themselves very effective. Here they are: "FOX, BOX and NOX" - a delicious farce showing how ragged "rugged individualism" really is in big business; "TEMPO-TEMPO" - an impressive and sure-fire agitprop play comparing the tempo of American slavery with the tempo of Soviet liberation; and "CHINA WAKES" - a prizewinner about Chiang Kai Chek and his cut-throat imperialist bootlickers. All of these plays can be produced at picnics, in the camps, or on the stage.

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acter being portrayed. Here is an excellent chance for cartoonists or caricaturists to exhibit their skill.

Here are a few examples:
One caution is not to make it too large or too small. Make it large enough to cover the actor's head.

The next important thing is how to attach it to the head so that it will stay. The materials necessary are elastic, or leather strips.

In conclusion let me state a few cautions and don'ts and commandments:

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# THE ORDER OF THE DAY by "Slim"

All of the political parties have had their Big Confabs already, and only one of them had any real workers participatin' in it. The Republican Party, lookin like a shaved pup with hay-fever after it swam through a cess-pool, renominated somethin' called Hoover- a guy who has been settin' up there in the White House for four years working had as hell for Morgan, Ford, Mellon, and Big Finance, splittin' his head to find means of starving more workers and speedin' themup!! so's his little pals could cash in and not catch chills from the winds of capitalist crisis. He fixes that up by arranging for the workers to get pneumonia.

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Of course, F. Roosevelt belongs to the purest, cleanest, most divine, political machine capitalism has. Yes Siiiir--. The Democrats nominated F. D. Roosevelt for the job of Chief Overseer for the Capitalist Class in America, who proved his qualifications for the job when he fixed up the Haitian masses onlylike an American Humanitarian could-at thepoint of the bayonet and the tyrannical,--heel of the marines.

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He's a great man, ready to save America from the crisis, prohibition, and the Republicans. All he has to do is to point to his proud record in N. Y. State where there are only $2\frac{3}{4}$ million unemployed where workers are starving to death daily and where the so-called relief agencies refuse aid to the needy and close down in the face of increased misery Meanwhile Jimmey Walker plays hide-go-seek with tin boxes and somehow finds thousands of dollars in them. One of Roosevelt's little side - kicks. A $weet little $mart boy.

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Next comes the Socialists. And when I say " Next " I mean right by the side of Roosevelt and Hoover. Another playmate for the boys , only this one turns his collar around, politically speaking. He was nominated in holy session in Milwaukee, but only after due prayer and pleadings were lifted unto the heavens by the nominee Norman Thomas. You see there was a bit of unsaintliness in the demogogic psalm of the Socialist platform , and right reverend , Normy pleaded with tears in his voice that the phrase " confiscation of property " was inspired by the devil and dignified Socialists just don't harbor such infidelish sentiments.

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Nay Norman became vehement. Religious zeal does lift men from earthly things, after all . He said he would never remain a candidate for the Kingdom of Heaven ( the presidents chair) as long as those words were inscribed on the sacred scroll. So like good little children the Socialists gently dropped-the phrase " confiscation of property " from the platform and reassured the palpitating , eloquent , Thomas that they didn't mean it anyway.

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But these Socialists are not to be laughed at. They are smart boys. Saving dying capitalism is no small man's job. They know the workers are becoming radicalized , and to prevent them from becoming revolutionary ( "for Revolution is such a messy way to bring about a social change. It's mush nicer to do it the way McDonald did it in England and the Social - Democrats did it in Germany "\) they pull the workers away by uttering revolutionary phrases . Revolutionary phrases without revolutionary deeds is plain ordinary rotten demogogy. And accordin' to my observation over a period of years the Socialist Party and demagogy is what my English teacher called-synonomous , meaning " the same da mn thing".

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There is only one Party left, the Communist Party. This is the party of the working - class, and I'm not saying this because they advertise it as such, but because I attended a State Nominating Convention of that party and saw who the delegates were , who was nominated for the offices, and who did the talking all through , Workers from the shops, the mills , and the docks. Not sleek cigar-

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acter being portrayed. Here is an excellent chance for cartoonists or caricaturists to exhibit their skill.

Here are a few examples:

One caution is not to make it too large or too small. Make it large enough to cover the actors' head.

In conclusion let me state a few cautions and don'ts and commandments:

1. Rehearse carefully and repeatedly not only the general action of the piece and without, the accompanying reading, but all the minor mechanical details, for any bungling during the performance may not only destroy the effect of that particular attempt, but seriously mar the illusion of the whole affair.

2. Carefully think out every bit of business at rehearsal and leave nothing to chance at the performance.

3. Remember the actor is nothing - the shadow is everything.

4. Be careful to keep your shadow distinct from those of the other persons.

5. If you have to pass behind or in front of another actor or to turn around and reverse your profile do so as quickly as possible.

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bitter a truth for the bourgeoisie to swallow , Couldn't be so, they claimed from all parts of the theatre, while the perspiration trickled down under the starched Tuxedo shirts.
MERRY GO ROUND hobbles on crutches, however. It gives no inkling of the class basis for the whole story. It leaves the audience with the arroneous impression that the political machine with its gangster allies is a dominating factor American life , standing by itself. It fails to show that behind the scenes pulling all the strings are the bankers, big industrialists, and financiers. It does not attempt to show, of course, that the system of frame-up and third-degree is used more and more frequently upon workers not only for "political" reasons, but because they lead the workers in the fight against the vicious offensive of the big industrialists and financiers.
Because it evades the class struggle, MERRY GO ROUND cannot and does not even suggest a solution. It remains a bourgeois play which shows us an x-ray of a festering sore on the body of the American masses, but does not tell how to operate on it and remove the sore by the roots. An x-ray is valuable an assetin diagnosing the case, but it doesn't do a damn bit of good unless there is a doctor there to diagnose the case and to OPERATE! And Messrs Maltz and Sklar should learn that there is only one doctor who can DIAGNOSE the case and perform the operation. That is the American working class following the leadership of the Communist Party. Because they fail to realize this, MERRY GO ROUND goes round and round and gets nowhere!

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over to the Fascist Hitler, by the same Socialists who talk to us in revolutionary phrases about fighting for our demands, about some kind of a workers revolution-to be brought about be the democratic ballot.

All this going on while under our very eyes workers are starving in the absence of any relief for the unemployed, a system of terror instituted in order tokeep the workers from struggle, with a war going on in Manchuria,and an imperialist attack planned against the true Soviet Union. Have the Democratic, Republican and Socialist parties a solution for the workers on these problems?

Then we have the "Reds" with a National Nominating Convention in Chicago- with workers, young and old, negro and white from the shops and mines, mills, andpoor farmers attending. Here were raised not the questions of beer but of bread, relief forthe unemployed, Social Insurance Struggle against wage-cut-against the slaughtering of the Chinese masses of workers -- for the defense of the Soviet Union.

Which is our program- the next issue of the New Order is tobe a special election issue. Write for the next issue.

## COAL TOWN INCIDENT

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While the miners were resisting the deputies, the heads of the Committee came with the sheriff, and the deputies,re - treated. The sheriff then recruited the members of the Committee to pass out some food, but most of it they took for themselves. The deputies then broke up the meeting and drove the miners home. They also turned their attentions to the members of the Committee.

Homeways Frank learned many things. He was walking with Dan, and Dan told him how the committee had bought more food but the deputies did not allow them to bring it into town because the sheriff had said there were no mines near his town, and his town didn't need the food anyway. He also learned that once before the Workers International Relief had tried to bring food to the town, but the authorities stated that they couldn't come to town because they would spread disease among the inhabitants. He also learned that as organizer for the Young Communist League, Harry Simms was his name, was shot down while going to address a meeting of miners. Also that there were two unions, one that the Rednecks belonged to, the National Miners Union: and the United Mine Workers Union which the operators organized to mislead the workers from a militant organization.

When Frank came home he did not feel tired. He was a new individual, but now an individual that would fight with the masses. His wife could not understand: something was wrong with Frank, she thought. He did not look tired.

"What did you do, Frank?" she asked.

"Why I've joined the Rednecks".

"Joined the Rednecks?" Why you've gone plumb crazy!

"WELL IF THAT'S SO, I DON'T EVER WANT TO GET SANE AGAIN! AND WE NEED MANY MORE "CRAZY" PEOPLE LIKE ME.

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SEND IN YOUR CONTRIBUTION FOR OUR SHORT-STORY CONTEST; PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED!! FOR THE BEST STORIES.

## THE INTERNATIONAL WORKERS SPORT MEET

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Olympics-on the National Olympic Committee are army officers to see that the proper war spirit is developed thru the meet.

The International Workers Sport meet is a meet of workers - financed and arranged by workers. Run not on the basis of "stars", "records" and "rackets", but on the basis of socialist competition between worker athletes.

The National Counter Olympic Committee is calling for a boycott of the Olympics and for all workers to support the International Workers Sport Meet.

Let us help in the building of a mass movement here in America, a sport movement which will force the government to supply working class with sport facilities, gyms and playgrounds: a mass-movement which will break down the nationalistic and color barriers erected by the bosses, a mass sport movement which will react to the problems of the workers,problems of hunger, terror & WAR.

MEMBERS OF THE YOUTH SECTION: YOUNG WORKERS---SUPPORT THE INTERNATIONAL WORKERS SPORT MEET. Send your athletes to the meet in Chicago. Spend your vacation in Chicago and witness the meet !

BOYCOTT THE OLYMPICS - FOR THE FREEDOM OF TOM MOONEY

FORWARD TO A MASS WORKERS SPORT MOVEMENT HERE IN THE UNITED STATES!

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SPECIAL NOTICE!!!!

The National Youth Committee has been seriously considering the problem of the dues of our membership as well as the problem of the high initiation fees. The National Youth Committee has made the following proposals to the National Executive Committee of the Order which have been approved and will shortly go into effect!

1. Reduction of initation fee to 25¢
2. Elimination of the doctor's examination for all members under 18 years.
3. Creating another option calling for a smaller insurance policy, the dues to be 15¢ per month to the Office.

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get the Negroes in the South section to join us. You know that the Negro and white workers of the mill are uniting and planning to fight for better conditions. After we get as many signatures as possible, we'll parade to the town hall and present the petition to the Board."

The next few days were very busy ones for the boys. But the news spread like wildfire and many Negro and white boys and girls offered to get signatures. Soon all the signatures were collected and everything was set for the parade. That night they held a large meeting in the square. One of the town politicians addressed them and tried to persuade them to drop the whole matter, saying that it was un-American, but he was quickly booed off the stand. They decided to hold the parade the following day, and that a committee of four, made up of two Negroes and two whites, were to present the petition to the Board.

The next day, the town witnessed the largest parade ever held there. Young and old joined in the march to the town hall. Negro and white, marched hand in hand for the first time. Many people from the neighboring towns who came down to watch the fun, joined the marchers and said that their town would also demand the opening of the playground.

When they reached the town hall they were greeted by the mayor, a man with greedy eyes and a belly that showed that to a large extent his greed is gratified. He took one glance at the committee and in a sneering voice asked: "Well, what is it?" The leader of the group told the Mayor what they demanded. He laughed and his belly shook. "You better go back to your mothers", he threw at them.

The leader of the group walked to the window, and pointed looking at the Mayor meaningfully: "Will you tell that to the thousands of kids outside?" he asked quietly. The Mayor walked to the window and when he looked out his smile turned to a look of ghastly fear. He saw thousands of kids surrounding the town hall, all looking angry and determined to get what they came after. No fooling here, he could see that.

The Mayor turned back to his desk, his lips quivering and his fingers uneasy. "Well, what do you say," the group asked almost in unison.

"All right, boys and girls, I'll see that the Board opens the playground tomorrow...Now get that crowd of kids away from the town hall."

"Sure, Mr. Mayor, "we'll all go away, but we'll be ready to come back any time - politicians and business men take any of our rights away. Don't forget that."

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## THE COUNTRY I SHOULD LIKE TO VISIT.

Eva Frager - Roxbury Branch.

The country I should like to visit, and in fact intend to visit in the near future, is Soviet Russia. Whenever I speak of this desire, I become so enthusiastic, so thrilled, so excited, that I can hardly find words enough to express my deep desire and emotions. To visit a country that is building Socialism.

I left Russia in a state of chaos when I was but a child. Little did I understand about the change that was taking place in the social system. I heard the word Bolshevik and thought that anyone who was called by that name must be very wicked indead. How may opinion has changed!

When I arrived in America, I was certain that the Bolsheviks were murderers and that I must be very sure never to come in contact with anyone that belonged to that Party. They did not believe in God, they wanted to be their own bosses, they wanted revolution. What wicked people indeed!

A few years later, the inevitable came:- I became acquainted with a family of Communists. Arguments followed. The Sacco Vanzetti case was then taking place. I became interested in that case, although I was a child. I was sure that these men were innocent, but then, I argued, our government would not murder innocent men. How much better I know now!

A few years later, I began to read favorable articles about the U.S.S.R. I became interested. I began to read Communistic literature and biographies of Lenin, and other leaders. I went to hear radical speakers - and then I began to think and draw my own conclusions.

The result of all my experiences and studies of this burning new system is that I believe in Socialism with all my heart and I would love to visit this country that is building this new system.

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# FROM COAST to COAST—

## WITH OUR BRANCHES

For the last few weeks the bee of finances has been buzzing in the air without letup. Many of our branches, due to negligence and irresponsibility, have been stung by the bee and now the Youth Section in all too many places finds swellings on its body which hamper in the normal progress of branch activity. These swellings must be removed - which means that every branch finding itself in the expelled state at present must arrange to collect all dues owed the organization, and to run affairs for the purpose of raising funds. Instead of wheezing and wailing about the difficulty of getting the money to pay, our branches must roll up their sleeves with proletarian determination and GET THAT MONEY BY HARD CONSISTENT WORK! The I.W.O. Youth Section must grow at a faster pace than ever now and those branches which are expelled owe it to the organization to get back into the ranks and forge ahead!

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And now for New York City. - - - - - - - - The New York City Committee started the summer season with an event of historical importance in the annals of workers' theatre in this country. On May 21 seven branches participated in the first Dramatic Contest of the Youth Section in New York. Besides the old standbys in worker's theatre many new and novel bits were present for the first time. SNO USE, a shadow play dealing with imperialist war, was presented by the new Ho Lung branch (which branch will get further notice in this column). An article on shadow plays such as SNO USE is to be found in this issue. Another novelty was presented by a pickup group of members of several branches in the skit LABOR'S LOVE LOST, a real laughfest with Norman Thomas, Capitalism, the Yellow Press, and Labor as characters. The audience rolled off their seats laughing. This skit was not in the contest because it was not presented by a single branch. First prize went to Branch #403 (Middle Village) for its powerful presentation of the SPARK, a play on unemployment. Second prize was given to a fast-clip farce presentation of MR. GOD IS NOT IN by branch 401. Branch won third prize with "MARCHING GUNS". The other plays in the contest were LINK ARMS and CHARITY, which received interesting and commendable treatment by branch 438 and 405. It was a great affair and the Dramatic Contest will be a regular feature every year from now on!

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More New York flashes: Sam Miller returned June 13, from the Soviet Union. All enthused and inspired by the workers accomplishments there. Told the New York membership in report on June 14. A bright flash of color has been spattered into the New York City flag of branches with the organization of the new branch in Jersey City where 24 members have already been examined and more coming just around the corner.....the branch is composed of young workers of many nationalities and that gives them a big leap ahead to start with...the comrades there are doing great work by participating in campaigns of other working class organizations, and are preparing a summer of peppy worth-while activity for the branch...and those on the other side of the river in the town of N. Y.

The New York City branches have been allotted the major part of this column because other branches over the country failed to send in news of their activity. There is a miserable lack of news seeping through the mail from the states and the situation must be remedied at the risk of making the NEW ORDER a New York organ-and nobody wants that! Eh! So hustle up, you branches, and keep the New Order staff in touch with your doings. Only by mutual interchange of experiences and ideas can our ORDER grow nationally. So pep up, ye branches and get that dope in as often as you can!

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The Chicago City Committee has invented and started the best thing yet, in the way of campaigns. It is the "BEST"---- BRANCH CONTEST, and the whole thing is run like an airplane race, each branch winning miles (or points) when it wins a new member, when attendance at meeting is good, when committee reps etc. attend

# Coast to Coast with our Branches —(CONTINUED)—

meetings, etc. etc. Special mileage is given for recruiting Negroes, for study classes, athletic teams, and other merits too many to mention. The contest is very well planned out and ought to give the branches of Chicago a zipping r a ce run along Socialist competition lines. While Chicago is becoming air-minded it should be reminded that things are not so hot in Denmark when practically every branch in the Windy City is tottering on weak financial pins. Many mistakes were committed in the past which put Chicago branches in a hazardous position, one which they are finding great difficulty in liquidating, although this BEST BRAnch contest ought to help matters along. Branch 430 especially is in line for a bit of reprimand by the way it indiscriminately took in members on false pretenses (by not telling them of the fees to be paid when you join the Order). In order to be a winner in the last membership campaign. A great deal of blame should go to the comrade in the branch who worked promarily to wim himself a trip to the Soviet Union regardless of the methods he used. He is to be condemned for this action.

OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST: New Haven, Hartford, and Springfield had Youth meetings on Social Insureance. Comrade Pevzner lectured in these cities...results organizationally nothing to brag abouts.....

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New Haven has young active bunch busy with dramatics, baseball, and boxing.. kind of lagging when it comes to dues however ... On the other side of thiscontinent Vanguards branch 426 in Los Angeles. heldan interesting debate-also played Tom Mooney branch of Hollywood in baseball, both branches are active in Counter Olympic campaign.

Sh! Sh! Its a secret but it leaked out The Olgin Youth Branch in Mimmeapolis, Minn. held a meeting on the campus of their school in this burg where a Communist held forth...a real success...BUT the branch just wont find time to send in reports- and we must discover things by accident.

Just received word from Sam Miller onhis arrival in California, having completed his tour, reporting on his trip to the Soviet Union. In many cities fine meetings were arranged. Pittsburg Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City. Detroit fell down on the job. Sam alsovisited many cities where there are no youth branches as yet and we expect to find branches organized there in short order Sam reports that our youth branches, have yet to learn how to conduct interesting meetings. What we are going to do is DECLARE WAR AGAINST DRY AND UNINTERESTING MEETINGS. WATCH for the next organizational letter!

On the side--Dramatics is all the wowin many branches these days..The summercamps offer great opportunities to the office has plenty of good plays and sketches on hand..Catch on--just send for them, and keep the summer an activeone.

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smoking balloon-bellied clever politicians, but workers, plain ordinary workers like the guy workin'at the next bench and the feller we eat lunch with at noon.

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And the young workers were there too. Not as spectators but as delegates, with a voice in the proceedings. Kids too,-prancing around with delegates' badges on their coats, and making speeches about what they need. Show me another party that takes the youth in on an equal basis. Not on this side of hell. Show me another Party that stands unswervingly for the emancipation of the workingclass and for a real struggle against Hoover's hunger and terror program. Until you show me another Party that does these things, comrade, you owe it to yourself as a young worker or student to wither vote Communist or work to have others vote Communist in the coming election. The I.W.O. is working-class organization and it sticks by the political party of the working-class. Otherwise it would not be worthy of its name!

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SEND IN
YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS
NOW ! !

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## Workers Order Is and Why Every Young Worker and Student Should Join It.

As our name indicates, we are the youth section of the International Workers Order. Our parent organization, spread throughout the United States with a membership of over 15,000, is a working class insurance and benevolent society. We, however, being a youth section, have organized more in line with our needs as young people. Our chief aim is to give expression to the athletic, social, and cultural desires and requirements of the young worker and working class student.

We welcome into our Order all young workers and working class students between the ages of 15 and 25 who wish to avail themselves of the many advantages that our membership offers, or who wish to partake of the activities in which we are engaged.

As young workers we feel the need of a solidarity of all young workers regardless of race, color, nationality, or sex, and we therefore extend an invitation to colored as well as white young workers of all nationalities to join our ranks.

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THE NEW ORDER

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# BUCKING THE LINE FOR THREE THOUSAND!

The big day has passed! September 15 marked the start of our new MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN! From that day until May 1st the entire Order will be **bending** every effort towards attaining the goal of 40,000 members! The Youth Section is to have 3,000 members when the race has been run. Three thousand members in the Youth fraternal organization in the revolutionary movement! Really a small demand when we consider the objective conditions and the great appeal the IWO Youth program has with the mass of American youth.

These youth are drawing nearer to us day by day. The crisis has forced them to thru their attention from the True Story Magazine and the movies to matters affecting their daily bread - to the economic situation and politics - to Social and Unemployment Insurance!

Greater numbers are discovering the fact that the Y.M.C.A.'s, the Y.M.H.A.'s, the Young Circle Leagues, the Junior Fraternal Orders, the various social and athletic clubs are ramaparts of thier own enemies - the same fellows who cut their wages, deny them relief, throw them out of work, and send them to war. These fellows and girls need the Youth Section. It is our task to bring it to them, to acquaint them with it.

It is especially our task to draw in the great mass of Negro youth, the boys and girls who are mercilessly exploited by the slave driving capitalist class. Because their skin is black they are spewed upon by the bosses, given the most degrading work, handled like swine, always, always subject to the basest villainies that the capitalists are capable of. Their wages a hairline above the vanishing point, their conditions really unbearable, the Negro workers are skinned of even their meager earnings by the insurance companies who charge them exhorbitant premiums for policies which whites get for much less.

The IWO knows no color-line. It knows only the interests of the working class. The white workers cannot win a thing from the capitalist system without the Negro workers, and the Negro workers must unite with the rest of the working class to win freedom from the double yoke of national and economic oppression. The IWO is the only fraternal organization which unites white and black and fights tooth and nail against the boss-fed fires of race hatred. The Youth branches of the Order must prove their slogan of solidarity of white and black with deeds - and this membership campaign is the great opportunity for this. We must win the Negro youth, and every branch should set itself a quota of young Negroes to be brought into the branch by the end of the campaign.

The Youth Section has another important task in this campaign. It must begin to penetrate the shops and factories. No more concentrating merely on our own friends or students. Into the shops with systematic, well-planned campaign work! To the young workers must we go. They are the ones who suffer more directly the vicious measures of exploitation imposed by the money-mad capitalists of the United States - they are the ones who realize the need of such insurance as the IWO gives; they NEED and WANT an organization such as ours. Shop-gate meetings, participation in strikes and industrial struggles, and work from within the shops will bring the IWO to the young workers. Branches must start the campaign with definite plans of work for penetrating the factories and winning over great numbers of working youth!

The Youth Membership Campaign will receive impetus from tha fact that initiations have been cut to 25¢, and dues for members up to 18 years cut to 15¢ a month (to the NO) for a smaller policy of $100. This policy will not require a doctor's exam either, thereby saving another 50¢ for the members under 18 yrs.

The members of the Youth branches, the old-timers so to say, have been blind to the real value of the IWO. They lose sight of the fact that the insurance rates of the IWO are without a doubt the lowest rates of any similar organization in the country and many many times lower than the commercial insurance companies. They take a small policy in the IWO when they join and forget about it. Meanwhile some of them are paying big premiums to insurance companies for protection which our organization gives at a fraction of the cost. During this Membership Campaign all our members, old and new, must be made acquainted with the benefits the IWO can give them. Discussions on the entire system of benefits given by our organization should be held, individual youth members approached for increases in their policies - and on the whole, our entire membership should be made conscious of

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# VOTE - for WHOM ??

The usual ballyhoo surrounding an election campaign is now on. Presidential elections are to take place in November, and the political parties are urging us to adopt their platforms and vote for their candidates. Which party deserves our support? OUR SUPPORT MUST GO TO THAT PARTY THAT STANDS READY TO DEFEND THE INTEREST OF THE WORKERS AND THAT HAS A PROGRAM TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS CONFRONTING THE WORKING CLASS. What are the problems and which party offers us a solution?

The young workers and students as part of the working class are confronted with some serious problems. Unemployment among the youth is on the up-grade. Thousands upon thousands of students are graduating from school only to find themselves among the unemployed unable to find work. The capitalist press reports that there are 200000 youth wandering over the country, without any means of support, having left their homes as a result of unemployment.

While relief in a very small measure has been handed out to the adult workers, the young workers are told that since they have no families to support, they must go without relief. Special vagrancy laws have been passed calling for the arrest and conviction of unemployed youth. Sixty-five per cent of the arrests made in New York were of young workers. Wage-cuts have reduced the wages of the youth to $6 and $8 a week, while their hours have been lenghtened and speed-up methods instituted wherever youth are employed. Child labor is being used thruout the country.

The wave of terror directed against the militant workers is used by the bosses to keep the workers from struggling for better conditions. As a result of the militancy of the young workers, the terror has been directed most sharply against them.- in Kentucky, in the murder of Harry Simms; in Detroit, in the murder of Joe York and Joe Bussel. In Scottsboro nine Negro boys are feeling the terror with a death sentence hanging over their heads as the result of a vicious frame-up.

War is no longer a matter for discussion! The war is on! In China masses of workers are being slaughtered by Japanese imperialism. The Imperialist powers with France and the United States in the leadership are leading the way for the attack against the Soviet Union. In the United States feverish preparations are going on for war. The United States ranks first in moneys spent for war armaments. Thru the Reserve Officers Training Camp, the Citizens Military Training Camp, National Guard, the youth are being prepared for war. All these preparations by the same government that refuses to grant any relief for the unemployed.

What stand do the parties take on the burning question of unemployment relief? BOTH THE REPUBLICAN AND DEMOCRATIC PARTIES ARE DETERMINED TO CRUSH ANY ATTEMPT ON THE PART OF THE WORKERS TO FIGHT FOR SOCIAL INSURANCE AT THE EXPENSE OF THE FEDERAL AND STATE GOVERNMENTS. Their solution to the unemployed problem is one of "Blockaid and Charity", with the workers footing the bill. While Hoover talks about maintaining the standard of living of the workers, we find instead a policy of wage-cuts and speed-up, which has thus far succeeded in reducing the standard of living of the workers by 40%. This clearly exposes both the Democratic and Republican parties as parties of the bosses not interested in the misery and starvation of the workers, but on the contrary, making every effort to maintain and increase their profits at the expense of the workers.

The Socialist Party, the third capitalist party, recognizing the radicalization of the workers, is using radical phrases to win them away from struggle. While they talk about social insurance, Norman Thomas, their candidate for President, endorses the Blockaid. In the Socialist city of Milwaukee, we find workers being clubbed for demanding relief for the unemployed. Wherever the Socialists have been in power here in the U.S., as well as in England and in Germany, they have betrayed the workers.

The Communist Party and the Young Communist League held their National Election Convention on May 29 and 30 in Chicago. To this Convention came workers and farmers from (continued on page 4)

all over the U.S. Here the problems raised were not of prohibition, but of immediate relief for the unemployed and for a struggle against hunger, terror, and war. Foster and Ford were nominated as the standard bearers. The following platform was adopted

at this Convention:

1. UNEMPLOYMENT AND SOCIAL INSURANCE AT THE EXPENSE OF THE STATE AND EMPLOYERS.

2. EMERGENCY RELIEF FOR THE POOR FARMERS WITHOUT RESTRICTIONS BY THE GOVERNMENT AND BANKS; EXEMPTION OF POOR FARMERS FROM TAXES AND FROM FORCED COLLECTION OF RENTS AND DEBTS.

3. AGAINST HOOVER'S WAGE-CUTTING POLICY.

4. EQUAL RIGHTS FOR THE NEGROES AND SELF-DETERMINATION FOR THE BLACK BELT.

5. AGAINST CAPITALIST TERROR;
AGAINST ALL FORMS OF SUPPRESSION OF THE POLITICAL RIGHTS OF THE WORKERS.

6. AGAINST IMPERIALIST WAR; FOR THE DEFENSE OF THE CHINESE PEOPLE AND THE SOVIET UNION.

The Young Communist League fights for the above main demands of the Communist Party and for the following specific youth demands. These are supplementary to the above:

1. For the right of all over 18 years of age to vote, including soldiers and sailors.

2. No discrimination against young workers, Negro or white, in unemployment relief or insurance.

3. Abolition of child labor under 14; government support for all children now working and for all children of unemployed workers.

4. Equal pay for equal work for all young and adult workers.
5. Against all forms of bosses militarism.

Here is a program based on the immediate needs of the working class. This is a program aimed to solve your problems. You should support it. The International Workers Order officially endorses this program as the only one calling for a fight for unemployment and social insurance. To the millions of workers both young and old who are members of fraternal orders, this is a burning question. High dues and expulsions for non-payment of dues are depriving them

of the little in the way of benefits they have been getting thru these organizations. VOTE COMMUNIST ON NOVEMBER 8. SUPPORT THE ELECTION CAMPAIGN OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY & THE YOUNG COMMUNIST LEAGUE.

DAVE GREENE

# 5 YEARS: SACCO AND VANZETTI

BY NATHAN HURVITZ

NICOLA SACCO
BARTOLOMEO VANZETTI

Workingmen,
Dreamers of a brotherhood of man,
Who indured it for America.
Workingmen,
And the Dreamers Dream since life began,
Now this Dream for America.

America richest land on earth,
Richest also in its dearth;
Cannot allow such visioned dreams,
For dreams pave ways to new regimes.

Martyrs,
Murdered by children of those who fled,
To America, Land of Freedom.
Martyrs,
Two bodies rot, now five years dead,
In America, Tomb of Freedom.

This capitalist murder will be revenged,
All class atrocities will be avenged,
Molly Maguires, Joe Hill, Scottsboro,
Haymarket, Tom Mooney, Julia Mello.
American workers requit such action,
Arise and fight, Revolution.

NICOLA SACCO
BARTOLOMEO VANZETTI.

Bucking the Line for 3,000 (cont'd)from p2)

the tremendous value a fraternal order such as ours has in these days of misery for the young workers. In this campaign, then, we are not only going after new members, but we are to make the members we already have IWO conscious. This will prove a tremendous step forward in building a real mass Youth Section and push us leagues ahead in the race for 3,000 members by May 1st.

The branches must realize that winning new members means nothing if there is not a consistent round of well-planned activity keeping the members busy and interested all the time. The whirr of activity should animate the branch all the time, after every meeting, with open nights, special affairs, socials, house parties, lectures, dramatics, discussions, debates, study circles, hikes, indoor and outdoor games, sports, etc., etc..... In this campaign we must think of getting the members and KEEPING them as well!

Besides the individual prizes, the branches have another objective to work for, namely, the attainment of at least 25 members in the branch by January 1st in order to send a delegate to the convention in June. Branches near or over the 25 mark today must try to attain the membership of 110 by January 1st so that they could send two delegates to the convention with all expenses paid by the Order. Let us have a convention dominated by the youth! Let us show the adults that the Youth Section is forging ahead with throttle wide open, drawing ever nearer the mark of 3,000, no, 5,000 - and on and on until the working youth of this country will call the IWO their own - the fraternal organization of the working class! ********

FIGHTING JIM-CROWISM

Bronx, N. Y.

This summer the Bronxdale swimming pool shut its doors to all Negroes. A vivid case of open discrimination against Negroes.

Under the leadership of Pioneers, the pool was boycotted and demonstrations were held there. James Ford, a young Pioneer leader, was arrested on a charge of "disorderly conduct" for snapping pictures of the pool to be used in the Pioneer magazine. The judge gave him a suspended sentence (which automatically sets him free) but found him guilty of disordely conduct. James Ford, had been sent to Reform School a while back and was out on Parole. Finding him guilty gave the Parole Board the opportunity to revoke the parole granted him and sent him back to Reform School until he is 21, a sentence of one year. Unless mass protest is raised he will have to serve one year. All branches should send letters or telegrams demanding his release to the Parole board, % Municipal Building, N. Y. C.

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FIGHT FOR

EQUAL RIGHTS FOR NEGROES-AGAINST JIM-CROWISM

# STRUGGLE IN THE SCHOOLS

BY W.S.

"I AM AN ENLIGHTENED DESPOT. THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS STUDENT DEMOCRACY OR FREEDOM OF SPEECH AND PRESS IN THE HIGH SCHOOLS"

With this statement, Principal Clark of De-Witt Clinton High School, New York City, tried to settle the entire question of student democracy.

To understand this statement fully, it is necessary to give a brief resume of the fight of the De Witt Clinton Social Problems Club for student demands.

Previous to the election of the school officers on the platform forwarded by the Social Problems Club, a leaflet telling the students to vote for a candidate because he accepted our demands for lower lunchroom prives and freedom of speech and press was distributed. Immediately after, the Club was abolished and the charter revoked, all of the members of the Club were summoned before Clark and were told to promise no further activities or they would be expelled. Most of the members said that they would think it over and as a result, fifteen were suspended and school was on fire. One authority told me, "You were the spark near a keg of gunpowder. If we hadn't caught you in the nick of time, I don't know what would have happened here." The usual police terrorism resulted and many students were arrested. The Clinton Student Council's demands centered upon lower lunchroom prices, freedom of the press, (An article on the unemployment situation had been submitted to the Magpie, a school publication, supposedly run by the students, and had been accepted unanimously by the Student Board of Publications, but when it came to the faculty head, (he had only one vote) he ruled it out because it mentioned the fact that there was no unemployment in the Soviet Union,) and a financial report of the G.O. and the lunchroom which was to be made to the students. The Council grew by leaps and bounds until six members of the Council were arrested and told that any further activities would be punished by the withholding of diplomas. One member, myself, was expelled from the Arista without the consent of the students of that body. The members protested and when told that they had to take it or leave it, fifteen resigned and many others walked out of the meeting room. The remaining members refused to pass any protests and abolished the meetings. The students recognized Arista as a body of conspicuous individuals with inconspicuous mentalities. This is interesting to note in that it shows what students can do when their rights are stepped on and when they realize that they can expect no justice from their masters. Up until today, Arista remains merely a name and has been shorn of its glory. After the threat of withholding the diplomas, the Council disintegrated and the Council was officially disbanded by its members.

Two days before the end of the term, my father received a letter notifying him that my diplomas was being withheld becauseof "malicious attacks against the constituted authority". Together with two other fellows (their diplomas were also being withheld ), I visited the principal's office and demanded the diplomas on the grounds that we had carried no further activity since the threat of withholding the diplomas. One of his lackeys corroborated our statements and we were allowed to attend the Commencement Exercises, but the diplomas are still being withheld for six months because he fears the growing militancy of the students and wants to curtail it by terror.

This little incident in Clinton can be linked up with the entire working class and student movement, even though Clinton is a petty-bourgeois school. It was a struggle between the oppressor and the oppressed. It failed because of the lack of organization and the proper leadership. It failed because of the lack of facilities to put the issues before the students. But, shall, the students of Clinton accept this defeat? No, new struggles will be carried on and they will be successful because of the knowledge we have gained from this bitter defeat.

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## CYC OF CHICAGO BREAKS INTO PRINT!

Its nameless as yet, but its a magazine at that. This is issue #2 thus far of the official publication of the Chicago youth section of the IWO. A real honest to goodness magazine-an improvement over the first issue. It is well illustrated and we have a sneaky feeling that Frank Bruchtel, sports director of Chicago is going in for cartoon work in a big way.

One feature that should be looked forward to is the series of articles started in this issue by Ed. Knoska, from our Slovak youth-branch who has just returned from the Soviet Union and is to write of his experiences.

We are glad to note that Sports is taking its rightful place in the magazine. We hope that the articles on sports will serve to stimulate the Chicago membership for the organization of real sport activity in Chicago.

The issue also contains an account of the Bonus marchers in Washington by an eye witness; an article dedicated to Sacco and Vanzetti; the coming presidential elections; the American Negro; poems; a short story and some choicy tid-bits on some of our members of the Chicago district.

The magazine has its shortcomings. The editorial on the membership drive does not hit the point. There is an indication thatthe prizes, and what a list! seems to be the objective in recruiting new members. All of the articles have a tendency to appeal to our present membership exclusively, instead of serving as an invitation for outsiders to participate. In the appeal for soccer players, why limit it to the membership of the branches? Why not invite outsiders to join with us in our sport activity?

The report of the training school of the IWO, by far the most outstanding event of the past month, does not receive its just deserts in the magazine. More space should have been devoted to the actual school than to the discription of the scenic effects. There should also have been something said of how the students were to be used in the building of the Youth Section.

Any of our branches that are planning their own publications would do well to write to Chicago for a copy of their publication.

## BRINGING THE KIDS INTO THE I.W.O.

The IWO family which thus far included adult workers, men, women, both negro and white regardless of race, or creed as well as young workers and working-class students, has now undertaken in all seriousness the organization of the children.

For the summer period, when children are forced onto the streets, facing the danger of being run over, and contracting all kinds of diseases from playing in the dirty streets, when the little relief they have been getting through the schools is completely cut off, the IWO decided to open in New York five summer centers.

Through these centers, the kids in the neighborhood were mobilized, given a program of activity, arts and crafts, sports, dramatics, singing etc. as well as educational features to give them an understanding of the problems of the working-class children. Attempts were also made to involve them in the fight for free food and clothing for the children.

Through these centers we have already organized seven childrens branches. The children are covered by insurance for a minimum dues of four cents a week. Each child gets a membership book and stamps for his dues payments. No examination is necessary for the smaller policies - $100 to $250.

One of the major problems in the building of our childrens movement is leadership. In this connection New York has already made a start. A two week training school was conducted at Camp Kinderland to train members of our Youth Section as leaders. Our youth branches thruout the country will have to supply the leaders for these branches. At your next meeting take up this problem, get one or two of our youth members to act as leaders and together with our adult comrades begin to mobilize the children into branches.

Our branches will be part of the whole childrens movement and will be connected up with the Pioneer troops as well as the groups being organized by other mass organizations.

Begin to think in terms of the children who are perhaps the worst sufferers under Capitalism and get your branch on the job organizing them for struggle jointly with the adults and youth.

# White Chauvinism On Trial!

The Chicago Young Communist League has declared war against white chauvinists within its ranks. Harry Hankin, a member of the Y. C. L. in Chicago, was tried for white chauvinism at a mass trial, and found guilty by a jury made up of Negro and white workers from the International Workers Order, the International Labor Defense, and the Young Communist League, and three workers from the audience. The prosecuting attorney was comrade Kling of the Y.C.L., the attorney for the defense was a Negro comrade, Ray, also of the Y. C. L.

As witness after witness took the stand and testified for and against the defendent, Harry Hankin, it was pointed out very clearly that he was a white chauvinist. All the witness testified that the defendent had told them that Negro workers were inferior to white workers, and therefore we should either organize them after the revolution, or that we should organize separate Jim-Crow branches.

Harry Hankin's reason for saying that Negro workers were inferior to white workers was that Negroes come from a hot climate where the sun shines very strongly, and so the brain of the Negro is affected, but the white worker,who lives in a hot climate is not affected. In other words, Harry Hankin tried to point out that the sun shines differently on the Negro workers's head thanit does upon the white workers' head. This statement was so foolish that the defendent dropped it after several of the comrades, had pointed out the shallowness of this argument.

The defendent also said that the Y.C.L. was sacrificing white girls, in order to win the confidence of the young Negro workers-and not that the Y. C. L. takes in young Negro workers on an equal footing and leads them in a struggle together with white workers against their common enemy, the exploiters of the working class, the boss' class. And has not the Communist Party, proved through struggle that it recognizes the equality of the Negro and white workers and have they not put up Comrade Ford, a Negro worker for vice-president?

The attorney for the defense, Comrade Ray, pointed out that because of the boss poison which is taught the working class youth in the schools and through the press, they often have white chauvinistic tendencies, and the Y.C.L. takes in such workers and thru educating them, and by leading them in struggles together with Negro workers, attempts to show the white workers how they have been duped by the boss' class, because the bosses know that as long as the Negro and white workers are divided they cannot fight successfully against unemployment, wage cuts, and speed up.

The prosecuting attorney then pointed out that the Y.C.L. had attempted to educate Hankin, they even held special classes and meetings with him and pointed out his errors; but still the defendent had these white chauvinistic tendencies. After one of the classes, he was asked how he would respond when faced with the problem of a Negro workers being evicted by a landlord because the white tenents objected to him. He said that since the landlord owned the building he could do as he pleased.

Since Harry Hankin is also a member of the I.W.O. Youth Section,several youth members, comrades Tannenbaum, Estrien, Berswer, and Ruthweine, testified as witnesses. They clearly showed that the I.W.O., a working class fraternal organization, would not tolerate any white chauvinism in its ranks.

The jury found Hankin guilty and up-held his expulsion from the Y.C.L. The foreman of the jury points out that since Hankin was a member of the I.W.O. before he joined the Y.C.L., the I.W.O. before he joined not having carried on the proper educational program against white chauvinism. The foreman also recommended that Hankin remain in the I.W.O. and that he carry on work, among the Negroes. And if in his activity he shows that he has overcome his white chauvinistic tendencies, he will again be admitted into the Y.C.L.

Harry Hankin is an I. W. O. member and the I.W.O. must accept part of the responsibility for this case of white chauvinism. We must intensify our activity toward ideologically preparing our membership for the struggle for Negro rights. Our membership campaign must reflect these struggles.

# THE ORDER OF THE DAY

BY "SLIM"

This column hasn't been what it started out to be. No one seems to write in to kick about how silly it is, or asks any questions, or shows any signs that the darn thing is read at all. We've got to stop right here and say that this column is going to print many things that wouldn't get by the editors of the rest of the magazine. You know, little items that are on THE ORDER OF THE DAY. Poems which don't mean much as poetry, experiences in shop and school, witticisms of the kind that no literary guy would let slip by.....

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And yes, questions which might be bothering you - on political, economic and current problems. Questions relating to love, romance, and heart troubles will be referred to the bookkeepers in the General Office who will send them to the Financial Secretaries of the branches, who will in turn bring them up before the executive, which sagacious body will concretize the questions into waste paper and write the order of business on the other side

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SO WRITE FOR THE ORDER OF THE DAY, WON'T YOU PLEASE?

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The biggest thing on the ORDER OF THE DAY just now is piling up a tremendous Communist vote in the November elections. And it's our little Youth Branches all over the country that have to help get that vote! How?...Simple...First, - the formation of First Voter's Clubs, then - Open Air meetings regularly - then, - discussions inside the branch, debates, symposiums - and especially active participation in the workers' struggles!

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And won't it be worth it when we see a big increase in the Communist vote in November?.... We've got to pile 'em up election after election until the workers and farmers are organized strong enough to establish just what kind of a government they want.....

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But meanwhile, we must do that by organizing. And the IWO is giving us just the chance we need to do it.

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Comrade Dave Greene, erstwhile National Youth Organizer, claims that 3,000 youth members will mean the beginnings of a real mass organization. When he was asked what is the ending (numerically speaking) of a real mass organization, he said, "Oh, about 20,000,000 or so!" When you put 3,000 up against that figure it's like putting Hoover's heart up against an ice-house.....

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But big organizational oaks from little Membership Campaign acorns grow.....And Greene was kidding when he said you need 20,000,000 before you become a mass organization. I would venture to say that 10,000 would put us into that class. Gol-durn-it, there is no reason in the world why we shouldn't have that number before many months.

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10,000 members would mean a big printed magazine such as the Jewish section has, a fund for athletic equipment, and our own gymnasiums in the larger centers, library funds, our own publishing house, schools for members, correspondence courses, speaker's buros - and what not! Best of all, it would mean 10,000 class-conscious youth striving in an organized manner to better the plight of the workingclass and educating themselves for the struggles of their class!

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Into the Membership Campaign with vigor and determination to build the Youth Section! 3,000! - And then on and on!

Slim

# FORWARD - TO A MASS YOUTH SECTION

The Youth Section has set itself the goal of coming to the National Convention of the IWO in May, 1933, with a membership of 3,000 strong. Our slogan is "At Least One Delegate From Each Branch at the Convention" which means that each branch will have to have a minimum of 25 good-standing members by that date. Below you will find listed the quota for your branch. Do you think it's too small a quota? How do you think your branch can best go about reaching this quota? What will you do individually to help the Youth Section reach its goal? What do you think the branch as a whole should do in this campaign? We want your advice and cooperation. Use the NEW ORDER as a medium for translating to the rest of the membership thruout the country your experiences in recruiting.

Here are the three major questions which will decide whether or not we are going to reach our quotas. First: - Penetrating the Fascist and Social-Fascist Fraternal youth organizations, the Young Circle League, etc. Our social insurance campaign presents the best medium for getting contact with such groups. Second: - Penetrating the shops and factories towards winning young workers for the IWO. Begin to think of your shop-mate and about the factory in your locality as a means of recruiting young workers into the Youth Section of the IWO. Registration of our members who work in factories, shop-gate meetings, distribution of our IWO literature in front of the factory are some of the means to be employed. House to house canvassing in your own neighborhood is another good means for recruiting members. Third: - Winning the Negro youth for the IWO. Our struggles for Negro rights and against discrimination must take on concrete form in the recruiting of Negro workers into the IWO.

We must remember that our ability to keep our present membership as well as the new recruits will depend on how well we are organized to supply them with a lively program of sports, social and cultural activities. Fall into line in our membership drive! Make your branch the first to reach its quota! Recruit five members and win a Jersey with our IWO emblem. Build the Youth Section into a mass organization!

## QUOTAS FOR BRANCHES

| | New Members. | Total No. Members. |
|---|---|---|
| 400 Chicago | 17 | 50 |
| 401 Bronx | 36 | 90 |
| 403 Middle Vill | 8 | 25 |
| 404 Boro Park | 15 | 43 |
| 405 Downtown NY | 12 | 40 |
| 407 Brownsville | 12 | 30 |
| 408 Bronx | 11 | 30 |
| 409 Bensonhurst | 10 | 35 |
| 410 Chicago | 13 | 40 |
| 412 Jamaica | 12 | 25 |
| 413 Cleveland | 12 | 25 |
| 414 Grand Rapids | 13 | 25 |
| 416 Milwaukee | 5 | 25 |
| 419 Springfield | 5 | 25 |
| 422 Roxbury | 14 | 25 |
| 423 Chicago | 13 | 40 |
| 424 St. Louis | 13 | 40 |
| 425 Cleveland | 15 | 25 |
| 426 Los Angeles | 17 | 50 |
| 427 Baltimore | 11 | 25 |
| 428 Hollywood | 25 | 89 |
| 430 Chicago | 26 | 75 |
| 431 Boston | 15 | 25 |
| 432 Detroit | 7 | 25 |
| 433 Bronx | 10 | 25 |
| 435 Newark | 8 | 25 |
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## THE INTERNATIONAL WORKERS' ATHLETIC MEET.

by Sam Kessler

From the shops, from the mills, from the factories, from the mines, worker athletes poured into Chicago. No large expense accounts for these athletes, they came by freight train, hitch-hiking, and some by truck. The California delegation's car broke down in the desert, but after making repairs they continued on their way. The Cleveland bunch started out by truck, but they met with an accident, in which fortunately no one was injured, and most of them hitched to Chicago. Altogether over 400 athletes, about 135 Negro athletes, took part in the International Workers' Athletic Meet.

The fine feeling of comradeship which the athletes showed helped make the meet a success. The workers who were present at Stagg Field the last day of the meet will never forget the way Tracy, a steel worker from Gary, cleared the bar in the pole vault at 11 feet 8 inches, his form was perfect, or the brown skinned Abrahams skimming over the hurdles, or Hartere burning up the track to win the 100 meters final. And I am quite sure they will remember the colorful parade of athletes and officials, and then the singing of the International. I believe it was the first time the International was ever sung in a college stadium.

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## LABOR SPORTS UNION CONVENTION

After the International Workers Sport Meet in Chicago, the Labor Sports Union held its annual convention. The.I. W. O. as an affiliated body was pepresented by our national sport director, Sam Kessler, Comrade Greene, national youth organizer, and comrades from our Chicago, St. Louis and Cleveland branches.

At this convention our delegates spoke in regard to drawing our membership into the various sport activities of the LSU. We were promised much better cooperation for the future. We urge our membership and branches in the districts to cooperate to the fullest extent with the LSU in the arrangements of soccer, basketball and track events.

Comrades Frank Bruchtel and Sam Kessler were elected to the National Council of the LSU.

## SOCCER

The LSU has in the past conducted soccer tournaments in Chicago, Pittsburgh and New York. In N. Y. the soccer league comprises 48 teams. Thus far not a single IWO team played in the soccer leagues. We expect to see a change this season. Chicago is already on the job organizing a soccer team. What is your branch doing? The LSU is ready and willing to organize soccer tournaments in all cities. Get your team organized and help the LSU to arrange a tournament in your city.

Pardon us, we almost forgot Phila. A soccer team has been organized and played its first game at the IWO picnic held recently. More power to Philadelphia.

## BASKETBALL

Basketball is by far the most popular sport of the winter season for our branches. However, many of our branches are handicapped thru the inability to obtain gyms. We find in many cities that there are school gyms open in the evenings for the use of clubs. If your branch is thinking of organizing a basketball team, now is the time to begin looking around for a gym. Where no gyms are available or the rates are too high, we must conduct a struggle for free gyms. Petitions should be circulated amongst the workers in your neighborhood, and demonstrations organized to force the city authorities to open the gyms of the school for the use of the young workers. Here again, we must tie up our basketball activity with the LSU. We want our girls to show the way to the boys in basketball.

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# why war?

"Join the Army and See the World" - "The Army builds men". Have you noticed these nice little signs posted in conspicuous spaces as you go out looking for jobs? And the nice looking man in uniform posted at each sign to tell you all about the wonders of life in the army or navy? Yes, the army builds men! One-legged men who now beg for a living on the city streets, men with arms shot off, gassed, maimed and crippled in the last war! Thats the kind of men the army and navy builds.

"Save the World for Democracy" was the cry in the last war. "Manhood of America - save your country from the baby-killing Huns, and when you come back "nothing" will be too good for you. Millions upon millions strong, the manhood of all countries, answered the call. The world was saved - with the life-blood of the young workers. When they came back the bands flared up to the tunes of "Hail the conquering heroes come". They came back to find their jobs gone, only to become part of the millions of unemployed, hungry and starving.

Twenty thousand strong-defenders of America n democracy, on the march from the Atlantic to the Pacific, on the march to Washington, to demand, not a reward for having fought the war for the capitalists, but only their back pay. In Washington a transformation took place - no more are these veterans the defenders of "God and Country" - overnight they have become REDS and CRIMINALS, a menace to democratic America! To their cry for back pay - enough to keep them alive - came the answer - machine guns, tear gas bullets dealing death to two veterans and two children. A capitalist reward for having fought an imperialist war!

The worker-soldiers of Russia also fought in the World War. They soon realized against whom they should fight. Their guns were turned against their real enemies - the boss class in Russia. The real enemy was defeated and the reward of the workers and peasants of the Soviet Union is one-sixth of the world's surface, owned and controlled by and for the workers. Socialism is being built - no unemployment, no need for demanding back pay - a rising standard of living, workers building an industrial country without bosses!

And now, in the face of a crisis of three years standing - a crisis which spells unheard of misery and starvation for the working class - we again see preparations being made for another world war. Billions of dollars, 84¢ out of every dollar collected by the government, is being spent for past wars and in preparation for the next one. Already our government has printed 40 million draft blanks. War materials, battleships, giant guns, war planes, poisonous gasses are all being prepared feverishly for war. The capitalist propaganda machine is at work developing the proper war atmosphere. This time it is those "Reds". Stories are being manufactured daily about the atrocities being committed by the Bolsheviki. Fables are spread about dumping, forced labor, and what have you. All because the Soviet Union is showing the way out for the workers of the world and, as a result, is a threat to the existance of the capitalist world and must be over-thrown by the imperialist powers.

We can see the beginnings of a world war in the attack on the Chinese masses by Japanese imperialists and it is just a matter of time before the imperialists will unite in an attack on the Soviet Union.

Now is the time to act! Young workers who are directly affected by war must organize to postpone war. Organize in your factory against the manufacture of war materials. Demonstrate in defense of the Chinese masses and the Soviet Union. Demand that all the funds being spent for war materials be turned over to feed and clothe the unemployed. Vote Communist on November 8 and support the only Party leading the struggle against imperialist war.

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I.W.O.ers - ATTENTION!

Recruit five new members for your branch and get as a prize an official I.W.O. jersey and emblem.

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Note: Special arrangements can be made to purchase them for your branch at a nominal cost.

# The Mutiny of The 310th U.S. Infantry at Archangel

(by HARRY RAYMOND-reprinted from the Daily Worker-continued from July).

"Of course you don't know this. Because your masters are afraid to tell you the truth about revolutionery Russia. They are telling you lies about the atrocities of the Bolsheviks. Don't believe them! There is no disruption, no disorder, no anarchy in Russia. Revolutionary Russia is, indeed, as one of your American journalists has said, the paradise of the workers and the poor....

"We don't want war. We want peace with you American and British fellow workers. Don't you want peace with us? Don't you want to go home?....

"Demand to go home. Hold meetings in your regiments, form soldiers councils and force your demands on your governments and your officers. If you are convinced in the justness of the cause of labor then come over to our side and we will give you a hearty welcome into the ranks of those who are fighting for the emancipation of labor."

Things moved fast after the aeroplane and leaflet incident. The Bolsheviki fraternized with the officers and men of the 310. During the seven weeks the 310th was in Vladivostok many of the soldiers and officers became staunch friends with the revolutionists who were working in their midst. A small group of soldiers held meetings with the revolutionary workers. Plans were discussed to force the U.S. government to send the 310th home from Russia.

The regiment was then moved to Archangel. Here the soldiers met more of their Bolshevik friends. More meetings were held.More soldiers were drawn into the meetings. After three and a half months it was calculated that over 85% of the officers and men in the regiment would back up the demand to be sent back to the states.

A general meeting was called by a rank and file committee of soldiers and officers to discuss the demands and grievances of the regiment. The meeting was held in a village near the garrison. All those who spoke spoke against the intervention and demanded that they be sent home.

The meeting lasted eight and a half hours. The soldiers voted unanimously not to fight the Russians and demanded to be returned at once to the United States. It was also decided that all information coming from Wrangel, the Russian white guard general, should be relayed to the Red forces in the vicinity of Archangel.

In the meantime the American general head quarters was working out plans to attack a section of the Red forces which numbered around 9,000. The attack however, never developed. The 310th U.S. Infantry refused to fight. Not one shot was fired by the 310th at their Russian brothers. The 310th mutinited in face of the workers' revolution.

This was a very serious military offense. But Mr. Woodrow Wilson and General Graves (who conveniently overlooked the mutiny in his book on Siberia) could not shoot the whole.regiment. They placed the regiment under open arrest, however, but the soldiers kept their arms.

The 310th Infantry was recalled at once. They arrived at Hoboken docks February 14, 1920, and were transferred to the detention camp at Tenafly, N.J.

Mr. Wilson and his banker friends thought it would be a good policy to put the soft peddle on the mutiny. It would be dangerous they thought, to deal harshly with these 4,500 soldiers even though they had committed one of the highest military offenses against the capitalist system. So they discharged the soldiers and quietly gave them $2.00 a day extra pay for each day they spent in Siberia. The news was kept out of the press and the soldiers went home.

Although the soldiers at the time did not understand the political significance of their action in Siberia, the mutiny of the 310th Infantry will go down in history as an important contribution of the American working class to the victorious Russian Revolution.

The End

FIGHT AGAINST IMPERIALIST WAR!

DEFEND THE SOVIET UNION!

COAST TO COAST should be the easiest column to write in this magazine. The editor's desk should be piled up high with newsy bits from every branch in the Union. He should have to worry nights which news to put in and which to leave out. But alack and alas, such is not the case. Branches have adopted clam-like silence as far as the National Office is concerned, and we are too much in the dark.

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In light of the fact that the branches need the National Office as much as the National Office needs the branches, such a situation is a shame. In order to change this, the following will be done. Every branch should elect a NEW ORDER reporter whose task it will be to write up articles on the activities of the branch regularly. Branches should do this now!

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We didn't even get enough dope to know which branches fell by the wayside during the days of picnics, swimming, camping and job hunting. These weaker brothers must be helped along - and we can't do it unless we know the situation. And we'll know it when you write to the NEW ORDER.

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Some peeps have come out of California however....We read that the Tom Mooney branch has adopted the squad system in order to activize its membership. The separate squads have captains whose task it is to check up on the activity. Results thus far are rumored to be favorable...On Oct. 6 the branch will hold its anniversary dance.....Friday nights the little Mooneyites have a study circle...The branch has elected a new Sports Director; sports ought to be a big thing in the branch.

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The Vanguard of Los Angeles is trailing quite a way behind the Tom Mooney branch. Be careful, Vanguards, there is a danger of your becoming the rear guard!

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Call it Spring Fever or what you may, but our branches in Minneapolis, Kansas City and St. Louis have an acute attack of this malady. May we suggest that the best remedy is a dose of well-planned activity, with an executive committee at the helm. What with our membership drive in its first lap, we must shake off our slumber and get down to brass tacks.

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Chicago is a Boom! Boom! city. But for our youth section it's Boom! Boom! and go forward! We mean by this that Chicago is on the up and up, with a training school just completed, with soccer teams in the process of formation, a district magazine and plans galore for building the branches, we can and will expect big things from Chicago.

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Detroit seems to be well settled on a set of shock abosrbers and thus far nothing has succeeded in moving them. It's like pu l l ing hens teeth but we hope to succeed. We don't think it will require another massacre.

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Two youth branches we have in Cleveland who have a good companion now. A Slovak Youth branch has just been organized there and we see great possibilities for work in Cleveland if a City Youth Committee were organized in order to coordinate the activities of all three branches. We can give you plenty of dope on how to organize a City Youth Committee. Just ask us, Cleveland, and see.

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Buffalo has an official membership of 7 but about 15 souls are active in the branch. Sez we, they all ought to be members. Sez Buffalo, yeh, but they're unemployed! Sez both of us, oh! it's a question of funds. Activities and affairs are just the thing to build up a reserve for such members.

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Rochester, New York, branch kept its head above water during the summer. As a result, they are planning a large affair in the very near future with their Dram group to supply the main feature. Sports, too!

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The two branches in Newark, N.J. are valiant-

# COAST-to-COAST
## -with our branches -(continued)-

ly working towards building themselves up. The newly organized branch is planning a big installation.

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One of the brightest ray of lights penetrated the clouds this summer with the awakening of the branches in Philadelphia. When the City Committee started to function, it drew contacts from the Ukranian Youth Clubs and the prospects of amalgamation are very high. The C.C. in Philly set a quota of 4 branches---- for themselves which we say is darn good! Two of the existing branches are now doing active work in the election campaign. And, brother sportsmen, a soccer team hath Philly! We would you had one too!

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Shampkin, Pa., has one of the newest groups in our great family. The comrades there are endeavering to build up a branch rivalled by none. We only hope we were there to help them.

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Baltimore, Md., has a branch which was veiled in mystery for some time before last summer. But the last few months have blown the mist away somewhat and we find that Baltimore is plugging along, putting on more and more pep and will soon get there.

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Lest we forget, we bring greetings from our group in Long Island. Twenty-two members--- not a bad start in the least, we say. Just to make the membership feel at home they threw a party, and now they will get down to work.

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And now, NEW YORK--

Several branches gave the summer the go-by and fooled everyone by intensifying activity instead of dropping it. And the results are gratifying. Branch 401 Bronx organized a FIRST VOTERS CLUB which has met and still meets with great success. The branch has to its credit, organized weekly open-air meetings. The dramatic group is just getting its fall stride, all around the branch sets a good example for others to follow.

Jersey City Branch 456 was organized just before the summer and didn't know that branches lapse in their activities just because the hot weather comes on. The branch went right through the summer with educationals, the outstanding thing being a series of four lectures on Social Insurance. The branch has now acquired its own headquarters and will surely make itself heard in the membership drive.

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Branch 404 in Boro Park also kept at it during the summer. Instead of sleeping, the branch prepared for a gala Concert and Social, which event came off Sept. 17 in a big way. The program was prepared exclusively, by the branch - and it had quality plus: dramatics, solos, tap dancing ala proletarian, dancing, refreshments, and good cheer. The hall was crowded to the walls, and tho the branch only charged fifteen cents admission, it made over twenty-six simoleons on the affair. Which is starting the season right!

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Branch 405 Downtown New York, has steadily worked along despite a great handicap such as no headquarters. Now it steps forward--- with the announcement that on October 15 the branch will hand New York a surprise in the way of a concert and Social at Stuyvesant Casino. The branch will present some of its members who have already distinguished themselves on the concert stage. Some new sketches comique will grace the program, and Malkin and his Jazz Band will tinkle tunes, for the dancing.

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Branch 412 Jamaica has announced an ambitious program. Things are improving in the Long Island hamlet...Red Colony 433 claims change of headquarters will save the day for the branch. Ho Lung is still having growing trouble, That goes for the members as well, Its like a convention when everyone begins to talk at one time. Bensonhurst is still a bit groggy after the summer but they are coming along.

## What the Youth Section of the International Workers Order Is and Why Every Young Worker and Student Should Join It.

As our name indicates, we are the youth section of the International Workers Order. Our parent organization, spread throughout the United States with a membership of over 22,000, is a working class insurance and benevolent society. We, however, being a youth section, have organized more in line with our needs as young people. Our chief aim is to give expression to the athletic, social, and cultural desires and requirements of the young worker and working class student.

We welcome into our Order all young workers and working class students between the ages of 15 and 25 who wish to avail themselves of the many advantages that our membership offers, or who wish to partake of the activities in which we are engaged.

As young workers we feel the need of a solidarity of all young workers regardless of race, color, nationality, or sex, and we therefore extend an invitation to colored as well as white young workers of all nationalities to join our ranks.

# Sports

# Social Cultural

# Mutual Insurance Benefits

Fill in this card and hand it to the Branch Secretary

Name ..... Age .....

Address .....

Occupation ..... Union? .....

Male ..... Female ..... Married? .....

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EDITORIAL

November 7th, marks the 15th anniversary of the successful overthrow of the bourgeoiesie, by the workers and peasants of the Soviet Union. For 15 years amidst the hoveling and plotting of a capitalist world the Soviet Union has continued its steady pace of progress. From amidst the stench of a decaying capitalist world, we can see the rising sun reflecting the growth and development of the workers republic. How the boss class sneered and derided the efforts of the workers to build their fatherland. Their sneers have turned to wonderment and silent intrigues. They plan in their offices for an attack upon the only workers and farmers republic, which stands as inspiration and encouragement to the oppressed masses of the world.

What does the Soviet Union mean to us, the young workers and students of capitalist America, and why should we defend it against the attacks of the bosses.

Today in the U.S. there are 15 million unemployed whereas in the Soviet Union there is no unempolyment. The membership of the International Workers Order together with the rest of the workingclass of this, the richest of all capitalist countries in the world, must wage a bitter struggle to obtain the minimum social insurance. In the Soviet Union the workers and peasants have the highest form of social insurance. No worker or peasant in the workers' fatherland need worry about his bread and doctor. When sick, the state provides for that. The woman about to become a mother is given a 6 weeks vacation prior to and six weeks after birth of child with pay. A nursery is provided for the baby and the mother is permitted to nurse it during working hours. Contrast this with the manner that working class children are born in this country. In the United States the government is curtailing the expenditure on education and raising the fees on the higher institutions of learning that the workingclass students can attend. In the Soviet Union not only have the young workers free schools and colleges but are even paid for studying. In the Soviet Union a young worker receives from $35 to over $100 per month, while attending the universities.

The Soviet Union has successfully completed the 5 year plan in four and is now entering upon the task of completing a second 5 year plan.

The Capitalist class knows very well, that with each succeeding year of Soviet industrialization their chances of destroying the Soviet Union diminish. For that reason they are frantically seeking means and methods of provoking war upon the Soviet Union. It is only because of the persistent peace policy of the Soviet Union, and the fact that the capitalist have not as yet been able to unite, that she has not been involved in a war.

The Youth Section defends the USSR when it takes steps to dispel and expose the lies and calumny spread by the capitalist organs of propaganda such as the schools, press, radio, and movies. This is done by our cultural activity where through the lectures, discussions, debates, and study circles our members begin to understand the machinations and war plottings ofthe floundering bourgeousie against the workers' fatherland. First our members learn the truth about the S.U., then they go out as agitators and fighters for its defense. And the army of defenders must grow to countless numbers - for the workers of the world will not let the greatest contribution of the Russian workers to the international proletariat be destroyed. You do your part when you recruit thousands of new members to the Youth Section. Get on the job! Every addition to the class-conscious ranks of the IWO means another ring of iron defense around the SOVIET UNION!

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Recruit five new members for your branch and get as a prize an official I.W.O. jersey and emblem.

# 15 YEARS of SOVIETS

By MAX BEDACHT

November 7th witnesses the 15th anniversary of the existence of the Soviet government. When the Russian workers, thru their Soviets led by the bolsheviks, took over power in November, 1917, the capitalist world and its spokesman exclaimed: it cannot be - it is only a short living adventure - the end will come any minute.

The minutes turned into hours, the hours into days, the days into months and years. The time the workers of Russia held power grew longer and longer - and so did the face of the capitalist world that waited for a collapse. The revolutionary determination and self-sacrifice of the Russian masses defeated all elements of collapse. They defeated foreign invasion; they crushed counter-revolution; they conquered famine; they liquidated capitalist private control and ownership of the sources and means of production and distribution; they wiped out illiteracy; they destroyed the remnants of Czarism and capitalism and organized a workers state; they turned a country of primitive agriculture and oppressed, starving peasants into an industrialized land with modernized and collectivized agriculture and free and happy masses of industrial and agricultural producers.

The fifteen years of existence of the Soviets are a period of struggle, of efforts, of sacrifice - but they are also a period of achievements, a period of rise of the economic and cultural level of 150,000,000 people, a period of constructing a new and better world, a world of Socialism.

The successful completion of the Five Year Plan in four years is the most recent milestone of these achievements; it is the crowning achievement of 15 years of workers' rule, of 15 years of proletarian revolution.

The fanfares of this victorious achievement-sound into a capitalist world of decline and degeneration. The building of a new order by the Soviets contrast the atomization of the capitalist order into the chaos which, fundamentally, it has always been. The richest country on earth, the United States, cannot feed its children any more; and it cannot feed them because it has too much food. That one fact alone condemns the capitalist order. That one fact alone shouts into the ears, of the masses of suffering American workers, of bankrupted members of the middle classes, of empoverized farmers; Do what your brothers did in Russia 15 years ago. Shake off the yoke of capitalist exploitation and starvation and build your own world, a world ruled by labor and not by capital, a world that does not starve in the midst of plenty, a world of service to the masses and not of profit to the few.

Our youth especially must heed this appeal which the historic fact of 15 years existence and achievements of the Soviets is making to them.

In the Soviet Union there are no organizations exactly like our International Workers Order. The workers there do not need them. Mutual benefit organizations in America are merely poor stop gaps for the economic insecurity of the worker under capitalism. Capitalist society refuses to take care of sick, old or disabled workers. Capitalist society only takes the product of its labor from the worker, as long as this is profitable. When labor is no longer profitable, capitalism denies the worker a chance to work, a chance to earn wages, a chance to live.

The Soviets have already liquidated this capitalist crime. It abolished unemployment and secured the worker thru effective social insurance against the chances of sickness, disability, old age, against any form of economic insecurity.

But the Soviets have done more. They have given back youth and childhood to the masses of proletarian children and youth. Capitalism has crushed the childhood of the proletarian offspring in its profit mills. It has turned the play of the child and of the youth into profit producers, into work. Child labor and commercialized sport under capitalism - from amateur to professional sport - have turned even play into wage labor.

The Soviets have turned the world of the youth and the child back onto its feet by turning the world back from its capitalist profit head on to its feet of production for use. While capitalism turned play into work, the Soviets are turning work into play. Millions of Soviet children and youth testify to this with the happy enthusiasm

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# GREETINGS! COMRADE BAROMETER

How do you do, big boy! You haven't risen much since the Membership drive started. That's tough. I hear the branches are still asleep on this campaign. I suppose that explains it, heh? Well, it's a shame, let me tell you, Comrade Barometer. Those branches probably were not introduced to you yet, and they haven't learnt what a pleasure it is to see you grow higher and higher. Besides, they haven't realized how important this campaign is in the fourth year of the crisis. If they all read the NEW ORDER they would know, but they don't show any signs of having read it. We never hear from them in the office, Just a minute, let me tell them something, Comrade Barometer.

Listen, comrades! Meet Comrade Barometer - the fellow who is going to stick with us during the whole Membership Campaign. He is here to help the Campaign along. Everytime a new member crosses the threshhold of one of the branches, he gets so happy that he grows a fraction of an inch. He just reminded me in the Barometish language that the goal of this campaign is 3,000 members in the Youth Section by May 15. That, he says, requires everyday work on the part of the branches and their membership. That, he says, means concentrating on a factory - sending a fusilade of leaflets and pamphlets to that factory, calling the young workers to meetings, affairs, That, he says, means making personal contacts in the shops, and if you work in one yourself immediately elect yourself a committee of one (unless other members work there too) to win young workers into the IWO.

It is most important that we draw in the Negro youth in this campaign. Every branch should establish a quota of Negro youth to be recruited and work toward realizing that quota RIGHT AWAY.

It means doing many things - amongst them the planning of lively and instructive activities in the branch in order to make it attractive to the young workers and students.

OH! shouts Barometer, I almost forgot. Remind them about the dandy BLUE SPORT SWEATSHIRT and IWO EMBLEM which members will receive as a recognition of their good work when they bring in five new members. For three new members they receive a plaque of Lenin. Other prizes such as fountain pens and pen-pencil sets will also be given. That's hot stuff!

Barometer asks that every member in the IWO take the pains to write him a letter about his experiences in recruiting new members. He wants a report from every branch at least once a month so that he could put it next to him in the NEW ORDER.

Now comrades, don't neglect Barometer. Keep him growing every day, every hour. Make him overflow by increasing the membership of your branch threefold before the campaign ends. Watch him month after month. Write in and tell us what you think about the pace of his growth.

ON THE JOB! 3,000 MEMBERS BEFORE MAY 15, SAYS BAROMETER!

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# SCOTTSBORO!

The nine Scottsboro boys are still under the shadow of the gallows. The International Labor Defense on October 10 presented to the Supreme Court its plea for a retrial for the boys; sentenced to die because they are part of an oppressed race which is writhing under its oppression and is a threat to the capitalists and their tools.

The I.L.D. is defending these children and in so doing is defending the whole race. But the I.L.D. does not put too much faith in the ways of American courts; these nine boys, victims of capitalist justice, can only be freed by all the enemies of the capitalist class united in a solid front. The effect of mass demonstrations all over the world, telegrams, petitions, demanding their release can be seen in the action of the US Supreme Court. On October 10 they decided to postpone their decision--yes, it will be postponed until after the elections. The bosses are afraid, they fear the voices of the working masses, black and white. And the Scottsboro boys need the voice of the working masses, black and white, to free them. No laying down on the job, comrades, to be caught unawares by our enemies. Every I.W.O. youth branch must send telegrams, petitions, to the Court; we must speak on the Scottsboro boys at open-air meetings; we must support all demonstrations. And, above all, we must draw the young Negro workers into our branches; for it is only when Negro and white workers unite, that our voices will be loud enough to force the bosses to free the Scottsboro boys.

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with which they pioneer in the further conquest of Russia by the workers.

The 15th anniversary of the Soviets is at the same time the celebration of the success of Soviet economy and the contrasting proof of the bankruptcy of capitalist economy.

We celebrate the 15th anniversary of the Soviets with a determination to make the Soviet government our example of a solution of the problem of hunger in the midst of plenty. We celebrate it by pledging, in the mean time, to fight against all endeavors of our capitalist masters to enslave us further by attacking and attempting to crush the Soviets.

# "TOWARD SOVIET AMERICA"

J. DASHMAN

# A REVIEW

"Toward Soviet America" by Wm. Z. Foster, the presidential candidate of the Communist Party of the U.S.A., is the first book ever written by an American Communist giving the plans, hopes and problems of the Communist Party and the American working class.

This book was written at a most opportune time. The workers of "democratic" America are faced with another of the farcial affairs called "elections". The ballyhoo and noise accompanying the burlesque are now in full force. Into this comedy is thrown a bomb - "Toward Soviet America", a book dealing concretely with the sickness of our system and its remedies.

The book has been divided into several sections. They are as follows: The decline of capitalism, dealing with the elementary laws of capitalist production, explaining the crisis and proving conclusively that the capitalist system is doomed to die.

The 2nd section deals with the rise of Socialism in the Soviet Union. Comrade Foster deals with the rise of the Soviet standard of living, as contrasted to the lowering of living standards of the workers in capitalist countries.

The third section is entitled "Capitalism Attempts to Liquidate the Crisis". This shows the deceit and terror used by the bosses to shift the burden of the crisis on to the backs of the workers. Here also the role of the labor fakers and misleaders such as the S.P., Trotskyites, A. F. of L. are explained and exposed.

The fourth section deals with the "Revolutionary way Out of the Crisis". This section deals with the role of the Communist Party which leads the struggle of the workers for a better life. The work of the Trade Union Unity League is explained.

The one major fault of the book is that it is written in the technical language of the Communist Party. Comrade Foster should have been more careful. Despite this fact, the book has enormous value as a propaganda agent and should be distributed as far and widely as possible.

# POETRY

## I TAKE A SHINE

by Sam Pevzner

I take a shine
from a ragged kid
who works hard as hell
to put the glitter on a worn-out shoe
so's he can help support
the starving shoeless family,
and then a cop,
a healthy Irisher,
with club and badge,
and Christian faith,
shouts, "Get the hell outa here!
How many times have I told you
to stay away from this gate?
NOW GIT!"
I looked around
and saw the gate,
behind which--
there was a church!
The place is sacred
and a bootblack - well -
he ain't the right thing
for a church on lower Broadway.

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The lousy cop -
who clubs the workers
when the bosses tell him to,
so's he can make a livin'
and keep his job--
don't give a damn
if the kid makes a livin',
'couse he don't feel
the solidarity
of the working class !
He's a grand religious man
who prays to a guy called christ,
and goes to confession regular
so's he can keep him clean.
He's got a crucifix in his home
and gives dough to robber-priests.
Now this guy Christ may've been a clever guy,
he sure built up a business;
but these cops who think he was the class
got surprises comin' their way,
'cause workers who work
and workers who can't get any
know Christ's gang well.
They don't give a damn 'bout us
and our families.
We know that these slobberin' priests
are lackeys of the bosses,
and workers got to wipe 'em out
when workers get the power.
And when the time comes
soon, it looks by the depression--
I hope to hell my little friend,
the bootblack boy,
sits on the City Soviet
And tells the cop where he gets off,
and bit by bit tears down that church
so's we can build
a BOOTBLACKS UNION CENTER,
with a hammer and sickle,
AND A RED FLAG FLYIN' HIGH!

## DEATH OF HARRY SIMMS

by Betty Cohen

Comrade lying deep in snow
Comrade shot by hand of foe
Blood and flesh--
Comrades fight
red on white.

Youth lying soft in snow
Living years into the earth,
Worms who shoot--worms that bite,
Comrades fight
red on white.

Working masses growing stronger,
Masses will avenge his death,
Fists and guns--
Comrades fight
red on white.

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# UNEMPLOYMENT AND OUR YOUTH BRANCHES

DAVE GREENE

The failure of many of our youth branches to meet their payments to the National Office brings very sharply before our Youth Section the problem of unemployment and its effect on the working and student youth, and what steps must be taken to overcome this serious situation.

We find in our branches many unemployed young workers who are really unable to pay even the low dues of our organization. At the same time the students, due to unemployment in the family are having their allowances reduced and it is difficult or impossible for them to pay dues. SHALL WE EXPELL THESE MEMBERS FROM OUR WORKINGCLASS FRATERNAL ORDER? If we do so, without making any effort to maintain them, we are no different than the many Fascist and Social Fascist Orders that are today throwing thousands upon thousands of workers out--denying them even the little in the way of mutual-aid they have been getting. If we pursue such a policy we have no right to call ourselves a workingclass fraternal order.

These unemployed young workers and students who are suffering as a result of unemployment stand as a test of the class character of our IWO. We see on the one hand the bosses staning together as a class, in an effort to overcome the crisis. They have their Reconstruction Finance Corporation doling out billions of dollars to the banks, railroads and industrialists, in an effort to tide themover the crisis. At the same time they have banded together to force on the workingclass wage - cut after wage - cut in order to place the burden of the crisis upon the backs of the workingclass.

The unemployed young workers and students in their present situation need the IWO most; sickness and death takes its greatest toll among the starving unemployed. The protection the IWO offers them, inadequate as it is to meet all their needs, is the only thing they have to fall back on in time of trouble. The IWO must make every effort to maintain them in the organization, and at the same time, our membership and the youth section as a whole, must become an important part of the struggle of the whole workingclass, for immediate relief, for unemployment and social insurance at the expense of the state and employers.

The National Youth Committee has a definite responsibility in this respect and is making every effort to do its share. In order to make it easier to recruit members the initiation fee has been reduced from 50¢ to 25¢. A special option is being treated which will cost the member 15¢ a month, with a smaller policy, this will be applicable for all members under 18 years of age. This special option willnot require any medical examination. We are awaiting the approval of the insurance commissioner to put this option into effect.

The branches must do their share. Unemployment funds should be raised in every branch This fund can be raised either through a special tax on each member or through special affairs to raise money for the fund. Some branches can employ both methods. This money should be loaned to those unable to pay. Our members must not look upon this as receivingcharity, but as part of the mutual-aid of our IWO. We must not wait until members drop out; we must go to those of our members who are unable to pay, explain our unemployment fund to them and give them a loan in order to meet their dues.

What are our tasks in connection with the struggle of the whole workingclass? First and foremost comes our United Front Struggle for Social Insurance. Through this united front, we aimto mobolize all membership of all fraternal organizations. Such a united front will be every important factor in forcing the government to grant Social Insurance to the workers. Then comes our participation in the struggles of the Unemployed Councils, helping to prevent evictions, forcing the state and city officialdom to grant relief to needy families, etc. All of this activity must be in preparation for the National Hunger March set for December, when the unemployed together with the ex-serviceman from every important city in the country will march on Washington to demand unemployment and social insurance and the payment of the bonus. In this way we must prove that we are the ONLY WORKINGCLASS FRATERNAL ORDER.

# OUR SOVIET CORRESPONDENT

The NEW ORDER is very pleased to announce that is has acquired a correspondent in the Soviet Union. Comrade Ben Riskin left for the Soviet Union on October 20 to act as correspondent for the NEW ORDER and other publications. For two years Riskin had been an editor on the WASHINGTON OBSERVER, an educational sheet for students in bourgeois schools and colleges. Riskin has gone " left" as hundreds of other intellectuals are going. Here is what Riskin wrote tothe NEW ORDER before leaving:

"The Fifteenth Anniversary of the October Revolution! Moscow, the center of a worldwide celebration! Two thousand years ago, all roads led to Rome, today all roads lead to Moscow. Thousands , hundreds of thousands of people, from the Soviet Union and from all parts of the world, are making their way to Red Square on November 7th.

I, to, am going to Moscow in time to witness this tremendous celebration. There will be hundreds of articles in hundreds of papers which will describe what went on during the exciting period when roughly 4 million people literally jammed the city of Moscow. But I will take it upon myself to be the eyes and ears of all you comrades who must remain in the United States. I hope to be able thru the NEW ORDER to describe to you the various phases of the celebration- my reaction to it, the atmosphere of Moscow before and after November 7th, personal glimpses and fragments of conversation - so that you may feel almost as if you too have been at the celebration.

I shall try to bring before you - how our young Russian comrades are faring, the kind of education they get; how they work and, what their amusements are. We here have much to learn from the Soviet youth . I shall try to interpret for you the enthusiasm, and the zeal with which they work and the skill with which they overcome their obstacles. And it is that which we here must likewise do, learning from them. To work, not only with enthusiasm, but with intelligent skill, at the building of a new and sane society.

# YOUNG CIRCLE LEAGUE REJECTS NORMAN THOMAS

The leadership of the Young Circle League of Chicago, youth section of the Workmen Circle failed in an attempt to force an endorsement of Norman Thomas down the throats of the Chicago membership. The membership refused to allow themselves to be bull-dozed by the bureaucratic leaders and by a majority vote decided NOT TO ENDORSE NORMAN THOMAS for PRESIDENT in the coming elections.

It is significant that the Norman Thomas branch of Chicago led the fight against the endorsement. When the leadership saw that their pleading did no good, they came out with threats to expell whole branches if they refused to follow like sheep the decisions of the higher-ups. This is a clear indication that the young workers and students in the Young Circle League are beginning to recognize the traitorous role of the Socialist Party and the part being played by their own lea ders who are part of the Socialist leadership.

Prior to this convention the Jean Jaures branch was expelled from the "non-political Young Circle League for being sympathetic to the Communist Party. This branch was making things a little "too hot" for the leadership and so on the flimsy excuse that they had changed their name to Fredrick-Engels without notifying the office, they were expelled. The branch nevertheless elected delegates to the conference but were refused a hearing and any say in the convention. Resolutions presented by this branch calling for the struggle against terror and for the release of the 9 Scottsboro boys were withheld from the conference by the leaders.

The IWO Youth Section must support the struggle of the rank and file of the Young Circle League against their misleaders. We must expose the leadership of the Young Circle League to the whole membership of this organization.

Visit the branches in your neighborhood tell them about their leaders, get them to send resolutions against the expulsion of the Jean Jaures branch. Invite them to join with us in a united front in the strug gle for Social Insurance which the IWO has initiated.

# Slim on: THE ORDER OF THE DAY

In a recent speech of his, Hoover said something to the effect that he wants his last word to the American public to be "give". Now Hoover knows that word pretty well, there is no getting around that. So far he has shown he is an expert at "giving". He "gave" the veterans who demanded their back pay a good dose of tear-gas, bayonets, and sabres. He "gave" the unemployed of this country a big razzberry in the last Hunger March. He "gave" and still "gives" millions of the American workers' money to his banker pals through the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. He "gives" the working class of this country the right to be terrorized, deported, framed-up, murdered, and jailed if it dares demand relief or better conditions.

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Herby, I should say, believes in the give and take policy. The workers "give"everything and the capitalists whom Herby represents take everything. There is a simpler formula, however, and that is wiping out those that take and leaving only one class that will "give, take, have and hold everything": the working class.

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And if the goodly Father of Capitalism, Norman Thomas, ever got into the White House we'd have a marvellous Alibi builder for President. You know the old cry of the Socialist when he gets into office. "Sure, we want to give more relief to the workers, but how can we, the bankers got the money, not us (implying that there is not a community of interests between the banker and Socialist--clever boy.) Over in England the Socialists exclaimed "Certainly we are for Socialism in England, but what can we do, we would be put out of office if we suggested it. It is much better to work toward facsism and stay in office, don't you know. Staying in office is so respectable." Over in Germany the same alibi --everywhere the Socialists weep on the shoulders of the working class when they get into office: Boo-hoo, we do so want to be Socialistic, but our Patron Saint Capitalism must not be hurt - that would be violence and smacks of unrespectability, - Boo-hoo!

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Boo-hoo for you, respectable and most honorable Socialist leader, when the working-class gets on to you and your treachery.

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While the IWO is interested in politics--just as any organization is, it does not demand any particular political affiliation from its members. it does not place candidates on the ballot, and its political activity is confined to the decision and desire of the individual branch, with suggestions and help from the National Committee. Therefore, comrades, when some smart aleck splurts out that the I.W.O. is a "political organization" let him know a thing or two. Ask him: if a trade union supports a candidate in the elections would he call the trade union a "political organization"? That'll stop the blabber.

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Say you Youth Members, get your kid brother and sister into the IWO. Give them a break. Prepare them as the future backbone of the Youth Section. Start a Children's branch of the IWO in your city immediately. Get the info by writing to the Youth Office. Every branch elect a committee to be responsible for building a Children's branch NOW! Bring the kids into our ORDER by the thousands!

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Listen, you members, why in the dickens don't I hear from you? Is this magazine so perfect that you have no criticism to make? You guys are sure letting this slim dangle-legged column crippler get away with murder. Never a word to tell him how you fell asleep reading the column last time, how your sister Mollie thought the column was the Death Notices or how the Organizer used the margin to write the order of Business on.

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Buck up! Win a fountain pen from the Order for recruiting five new members and use the goshdarned pen to write an article, poem, criticism, or letter for the NEW ORDER..... Aw say, do it before you win the pen, will you? We can work both things together.

# SONG OF THE RED AIR FLEET

Who said that our Youth Section is not a real live organization? We are bubbling over with vim, vigor and vitality, and our increased sport activity is definite proof of it. It is a healthy sign - we hope to see many more branches seriously involved in sports. Through such activity we can vouch for a rapid growth in our membership. We should grow by leaps and bounds and easily reach our goal of 3,000 members.

Chicago has a soccer team - yes, it is already playing in the Labor Sports Union soccer tournament being held in Chicago. We have no scores as yet, but we do not doubt that our IWO team will be right there fighting to lead the League.

Blue laws don't mean much for our Philadelphia comrades. In spite of the "blue laws" our comrades are out each Sunday rounding out a soccer team. Our branches working in close harmony with the Labor Sports Union are endeavoring to organize a soccer tournament for Philadelphia workers-sportsmen. The comrades are also planning to organize basketball teams in the branches. Here they expect a fight on their hands in connection with the securing of gyms. Petitions will be circulated and if necessary demonstrations will be held to force the school authorities to open up the school gyms for the use of the young workers. Comrade Mac Gordon, national basketball head of the Labor Sports Union has promised to visit Philly and help in the organization of a soccer league.

Not a single team as yet has been entered by the IWO of New York in the Metropolitan Soccer Team League, a league of fifty teams. Branch 401 seems to be stealing a march on the CYC of New York - each Sunday morning a group has been out practicing in an attempt to organize a team to represent the IWO in the Soccer League. If the practice period does not extend over the whole season, we may yet have a team in the tournament.

Branches 404 and 409, both located in Brooklyn, N.Y., are conducting a sport tournament of their own. Each week they vie with each other as to which has the better team. Association football is the most popular game of the branches, but when they get tired they change to touch football. Barring accidents brought about by heavy-handed touch-football players, this tournament should go on and on. Branch 404 is thus far in the lead.

The problem of gyms faces every branch that is now preparing for the Soccer basket-ball season. In many cities this problem can be overcome through a visit to a local school which opens its gyms for the use of basketball players evenings. Where the schools have not as yet been thrown open, a branch wishing to secure a gym will have to conduct a struggle with the authorities to force them to open the school gyms. The struggle should be conducted through petitioning the school board and if necessary through organized demonstrations.

The Labor Sports Union is organizing a motion-picture tour. The complete pictures of the International Workers Sport Meet will be shown, coupled with a talk on the sport movement in America. Branches will shortly receive notice of just when the LSU will be in their particular territory with the picture. Branches are urged to make the necessary arrangements to see the film.

Fellow IWOers: with this issue we are turning over this column to our sports directors and those of our comrades involved in sports. This column will contain as much news of your team and the branch's sport activity as you send in. Make a note of this and send us reports of games and any sport news you think of value to our membership.

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-- Sam Kessler

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# What is the Injunction?

by LILLIAN GERSH.

To-day more than ever injunctions are being used to break down the growing resistance of the militant workers who are putting up a staunch fight against wage-cuts, speed-up and lay-offs, for a living wage and higher standards of living.

An injunction is a writ issued by the court prohibiting the right to strike, picket, boycott, and in some cases they have gone so far as to illegalize the right to organize, distribute literature, hold meetings and speak to the workers about their conditions. Let us see how a boss goes about securing an injunction. First, he submits an affidavit, charging that the leaders of the strike or

the organizers of the unions are interfering with his expectancy of business or are endangering his property rights. He sets forth ways in which he wants their activities stopped. The judge merely puts his signature to the affidavit and as a result we have what is known as a preliminary order.

With the preliminary restraining order the boss secures the aid of the police in breaking up the strike in whatever way the boss sees fit. After the preliminary restraining order has been issued there is to be a hearing to enable the workers to answer the charges. But the hearing is usually put so far in advance that by the time the day arrives the police have succeeded in breaking up the strike. But if the strike survives the preliminary restraining order and the workers come before the judge to cite their case they are given a deaf ear as a matter of course and the boss wins the right to a temporary injunction automatically. In that case they are to properly squelch whatever resistance may be left in the workers. Sometimes the bosses find it advisable to secure a permanent injunction by way of a trial - at which, needless to say, the workers are practically disregarded. This permanent injunction extends over an indefinite length of time and is used to curb any future activity of the unions.

Let us go back to the preliminary order. Regardless of the issuance of the writ we find workers turning out en masse to picket. Along come the police in conjunction with the bosses. We see the strikers clubbed, mobbed, their meetings broken up, their halls raided and most important of all - their leaders arrested. The arrest of the leaders is a serious blow. It means that organization is disrupted.

Then there is another type of injunction called the Blanket Injunction. Whereas the former outlawed picketing and boycotting, the latter makes no discrimination. It covers anything and everything that might help to bring the laborers together to fight. As an example let us take the Tabacco strike in 1929 in Tampa, Fla. When a strike broke out under the leadership of the Trade Union Unity League some of the bosses took out a Blanket Injunction. Under this the T.U.U.L. was ord-

ered to disband and any attempts to reorganize saw the leaders put in jail. Sympathetic newspapers were prevented from going to press and workers were forbidden to come within the vicinity of the strike. We have another example of the Blanket Injunction in Kentucky and Tennessee. Here workers homes have been bombed on pretext of containing literature, soup kitchens raided, food donated by the Workers International Relief confiscated. The

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Blanket Injunction even prohibited the International Labor Defense from sending an attorney to defend some arrested organizers. We have a less recent example in the Pullman strike of 1894 when a Blanket Injunction was also issued. Under that court order Eugene Debs was sentenced to six months in jail because he sent a telegram about the strike.

Let us review briefly the laws and bills designed to "benefit" the working class. In 1840 the Massachusetts Supreme Court passed a decision which legalized unions. That was considered a great victory - but the workers soon saw how little effect that would have since the injunctions broke up any attempts to strike. The situation became more acute as time went by and the strength of the capitalists began to grow due to the trusts and corporations.

About 1880, the workers began to realize the need to organize more solidly to fight for their demands; demands they sought to gain by legislation. Partly due to their efforts the Clayton Anti-Trust Act was passed. This act forbid any business practiced in restraint of trade and was aimed directly at the trusts and corporations. However, before many months had passed, clever capitalist lawyers and judges were interpreting this clause to their own advantage and were declaring that trade unions were in restraint of trade and therefore illegal.

However, in 1914 the Sherman Anti-Trust Act was passed. This bill was less ambiguous and clearly stated that trade unions were not in restraint of trade.

In 1916 the Massachusetts Supreme Court declared the law legalizing unions unconstitutional. This gave the capitalists the upper hand, for judges did not hesitate to back up the decision of the Massachusetts court whenever an occasion arose. Injunctions became more wide-spread in use and the danger of defeat became more eminent. Mass demonstrations were held, hunger marches staged, petitions signed, until the administration saw some need of pacifying the workers. As a result the Federal Anti-Injunction Law was passed. That seems incredible. Here we have a Senate which ignores the cries of the hunger marchers, a president who refuses to listen to the needs of the bonus marchers, suddenly becoming very generous. So we become suspicious and decide to examine this bill. We find that it declares that no Federal Court is allowed to issue injunctions. But the loophole lies in the fact that it does not apply to the local and state courts who still make a practice of granting injunctions.

Now let us see how the American Federation of Labor is determined to fight with us in wiping out the menace. But their misleaders are proving a great hindrance and are fighting hand in hand with the bosses against the T.U.U.L. Recently the Shoe Workers succeeded in organizing about 26 shops in New York City consisting of a membership of about 5,000. The T.U.U.L. showed the workers the need to organize for better conditions and wages. Along comes Charles G. Wood of the Labor Department, who sent letters to the bosses of these unionized shops telling them that the leaders of the union with whom they have signed agreements are aliens and communists, and as such unfit to lead anybody of American citizens. He goes on to say that what the bosses need for their workers is a union of American leadership such as the A.F.L. So we find next a lockout of the 5,000 workers in shops.

The corrupt leaders of the A.F.L. have clearly aligned themselves with the bosses and sabotage all real struggles of the rank and file. The militant unions under the leadership of the T.U.U.L. are today leading a mamoth united front struggle against the injunction.

Socialist lawyers are very active in getting out these injunctions. One outstanding case is the food strike In New York where the injunction gotten out by a socialist resulted in the death of Steve Katovis.

The I.W.O. Youth Section must be in the front ranks of the struggle. Only through mass resistance can the workers smash this guillotine which beheads the workers struggles-the INJUNCTION.

From Comrade Paul Feinberg of the Vanguards, Los Angeles, comes the following: "We note with chagrin that the Vanguards are warned against being left behind by the Mooney branch of Hollywood, this after I wrote quite an extensive report of our activities in my last letter--how come?" You see, Paul, perhaps we should have given your "future plans" more space, but we must all learn to distinguish between plans and the actual carrying out of these plans, and here is what we had in mind when we spoke of the Mooney branch leaving you behind. Plans are important but we want to see them materialize, and if you will give us the "dope" on how they are being carried out, why we will give you as much space as possible. Vanguards has made a start however. The branch arranged a debate with a Zionist organization. Everything went along fine until the date of the debate. The Zionists refused to debate because the Vanguards had advertised the meeting and outsiders were present. Apparently the Zionists are afraid to pass off their bunk in front of workers. This was pointed out by our comrades who were present. And then again, we consider the showing for basketball practice, at which there were twelve present a very good showing.

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And say, Paul, if we receive another such report as we have on hand from the Mooney branch, perhaps we will change our minds about the Vanguards. At the meeting on Oct. 24, we see from the minutes that there were 25 members present. The organizer was absent as was also the secretary. Out of 25 present, NOT A CENT WAS COLLECTED IN DUES, thats quite an accomplishment, don't you think? Thats a good way to stabilize the branch finances? At such a rate the branch will grow rapidly???????. This is far from the spirit of Tom Mooney after whom the branch is named.

We must record one important fact, and that is in regard to Cleveland. Believe it or not, comrades, we have discovered an adult comrade who not only theoretically understands the importance of building our Youth Section, but one who actually is doing all he possibly can to aid. This is Comrade Schlossberg. In spite of the fact that he is secretary of the City Central Committee and holds a hundred other important positions, he still finds time to visit our youth branches and give them the value of his years of experience. And we can see results. The Harry Simms branch held a 1st anniversary affair recently and recruited two new members in addition to many contacts gotten. Branch 413 also of Cleveland, has also recruited some new members and is going forward. Every one of our branches would do well to see that a representative of their parent branch is elected to guide and help in the work of the youth branch.

Comrade Schlossberg had occasion to visit Cincinnati, and here also he visited out youth branch, developed a new spirit among the members and we expect to see them marching forward in our present membership drive.

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We received an invitation from Olgin Youth Br. #455, Minneapolis, to attend their installation held on Oct. 16. We extend a hand of greeting to our comrades in Minneapolis and wish them well.

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We are traveling cross-country by aeroplane and so we will just jump back to Chicago for a moment, to see how things are fareing in the Windy City. Things are blowing, but not to the extent they should. It seems that the leading comrades of Chicago CYC have adopted a new slogan--don't leave for tomorrow what you can leave for the day after tomorrow! With Frank Bruchtel at the helm of sports, we just must be having sports in Chicago--but reports will come in tomorrow and tomorrow. Cultural activity--Knuskka knows his stuff and we are sure he is using his knowledge for the benefit of the youth section--but to inform the Nat'l Youth Committee - thats another matter.

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Carl Levin, sec. of the CYC, in answer to a number of air-mail letters, writes: I saw your air-mail letter weeks after the office received it. Says we - How come. Says Carl-----. One of the important matters in the air-mail letter dealt with the revolt

# COAST-to-COAST
## - with our branches - (continued)-

of the membership of the Young Circle League against their leadership. The best possible opportunity for us to step in and expose the Young Circle League for what it is -- part of the Social Fascist movement using every means and method to keep the young workers from militant struggle against the capitalist class. The young workers and students of the Young Circle League belong in the IWO, which represents their interests and what better opportunity could we hope for than this revolt to bring them into the IWO? What say you Chicago - and more important Chicago - WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

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Our Buffalo and Baltimore branches, both small numerically, are striving quite hard to recruit new members. Keep at it, comrades, and we should soon see results.

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Comrade Sam Pevzner, member of the National Youth Committee, is now out on a fourteen day tour thru New England and Connecticut. Comrade Pevzner is to spend a week in Boston and close vicinity and see what can be done in the way of putting new life into the two branches. From there he breaks into new territory of Worcester and Providence. Then on to Springfield, Mass., his home town. From there to Hartford for a two day visit. New Haven is the last stop of this tour.

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The City Committee of New York has arranged a wide and varied program for the New York branches. First on this program comes a four cornered symposium set for November 4. The City Committee has been able to get representatives of all four political parties to present their programs. For the Republicans Mrs. Jennie Van Ness, first woman member of the New Jersey state legislature; for the Democrats, Kenneth E. Sprague, economist and journalist; for the Socialist Party Gus Tyler; for the Communist Party - none other than Gil Green member of the Nat'l Exec. Com. of the Young Communist League. It is interesting to note that while it was comparatively easy for us to get the Republican and Democratic speakers, the Socialist Party would only send a speaker as a business proposition, that is if we promised them one-fourth of the profits.

The second big venture on a city-wide scale is the proletarian mass dance on Thanksgiving eve, Nov. 23. The dance was prepared months in advance and everything points to a gala affair.

Next in order is the annual concert. This is scheduled for the early part of January. Finally to round out our city-wide activity there will be held a dramatic contest. This is expected to even exceed last years affair at which seven plays in all were given. New York City has also scheduled a number of classes as a means of developing our membership. A dramatic class, a public speaking class and a dancing class.

Outstanding among the youth branches is Br. 401. On the credit side of this branch can be listed-first voters club organized by the branch, regular open-air meetings each week sale of literature, collections and every thing that goes with a good open air meeting One shortcoming must be recorded, however, is the fact that not a single member was recruited from the election campaign activity. Branch 404 is also quite active. In sports the branch is conducting a little feud with Br. 409 as to which has the better team in association football. Each Sunday sees another contest between them. At the same time 409 each Sunday conducts a class in the Fundamentals of Political Economy attended by some 15 members.

We feel that it is very necessary in closing "Coast to Coast" to say that as yet this column expresses the greatest weakness of our Youth Section in that we get from the branch reports hardly a breath of the class struggle. As a working class organization, our membership should find themselves in the midst of the struggles against oppression - in the unemployed struggles, in the struggle for social insurance, in the unions struggling against wage-cuts and speed-up, in the struggles against race discrimination and for the freedom of the nine Scottsboro boys. Very little of this can be found in the above reports. These reports reflect the failure of our youth branches to direct the energies of our membership toward fighting for a way out of the present crisis. Thru these struggles, and thru these struggles only can we build our working class fraternal Order. Our membership and the various branches must begin to turn in the direction of struggling for the every-day needs of the working youth as the means for winning them for the IWO.

## What the Youth Section of the International Workers Order Is and Why Every Young Worker and Student Should Join It.

As our name indicates, we are the youth section of the International Workers Order. Our parent organization, spread throughout the United States with a membership of over 22,000, is a working class insurance and benevolent society. We, however, being a youth section, have organized more in line with our needs as young people. Our chief aim is to give expression to the athletic, social, and cultural desires and requirements of the young worker and working class student.

We welcome into our Order all young workers and working class students between the ages of 15 and 25 who wish to avail themselves of the many advantages that our membership offers, or who wish to partake of the activities in which we are engaged.

As young workers we feel the need of a solidarity of all young workers regardless of race, color, nationality, or sex, and we therefore extend an invitation to colored as well as white young workers of all nationalities to join our ranks.

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Tuesday, December 6th!

When the history of the American Working Class is written, this date will be recorded as a victory of the working class against all the forces of reaction mustered to prevent the Army of Hunger from presenting their demands for immediate relief, unemployment and social insurance to Washington, the seat of government for American big business.

Three thousand strong they marched, elected delegates at hundreds of mass meetings of employed and unemployed workers. Delegates from every section of the United States, from the Atlantic to the Pacific. A disciplined army of 3,000 marching on Washington representing the demands of the sixteen million unemployed in the United States.

Orders sent from Washington to the various states and cities to break up the Hunger March were defeated by the mass resistance of the workers. The eight columns of marchers greeted everywhere by demonstrations of workers not only defeated all attempts to disrupt the march but in many cities forced the authorities to supply housing and food to the marchers.

The demands of the Hunger Marchers for $50 cash relief, unemployment and social insurance did not meet with the approval of the Hoover Hunger government. Congress assembled to hear only one message, that of Hoover with his message of prosperity around the corner. In reality it was a gathering of officials to begin the process of dividing the spoils of capitalist government and to make further inroads on the standard of living of the workers. They were forced to hear another message, the message of the workers, demanding from Congress bread before beer, demanding that the war funds be turned into the fund for unemployed insurance.

The hunger government loudly proclaimed that under no circumstances would the marchers be allowed to enter Washington. The press unleashed a campaign of vicious lies and provocation. The unarmed marchers were termed an "invading red horde marching on the nation's capitol." All sorts of statements, manufactured by the opitalist press and attributed to the leaders of the march were published. "We'll break into the Capitol by brute force", "they will listen to our demands or else we will stage a riot on the spot", " if Hoover brings in the troops there will be a massacre." " Pennsylvania will run red with blood." These are only a few of the lying statements made by the press preparing the alibi for the contemplated attack on the Hunger Marchers. Washington became an armed camp. The police, National Guard, firemen, armed to the teeth with all the implements of war were mobilized to prevent the marchers from going into Washington.

The Hunger Marchers DID enter Washington. The Hunger Marchers DID march in Washington. The Hunger Marchers DID present their demands to Congress. The government backed down and was forced to yield to the pressure of the working class. Against the armed strength in Washington was pitted the strength of a well-disciplined army of marchers backed by mass demonstrations in every important center. Unquestionably a victory for the working class.

The IWO membership supported and participated in the march. Many of our youth comrades were in the march, representing the demands of our unemployed as well as the demands of our organization as a whole for Social Insurance at the expense of the state and employers. The Hunger March is not the end of the struggle. The Hunger March has served to win partial demands in many cities and has served to speed up the whole struggle against starvation. The struggle must now be continued locally, in the cities and states. The IWO must continue to actively participate.

Every increase in the strength of the IWO means an added force in the struggle for social insurance. Our present membership drive must be intensified as a means of building our Youth Section, increasing its effectiveness in the struggle against Hunger.

# HO-HUM SEZ- COMRADE BAROMETER

"Last month I said something about a Membership Campaign. But saying is one thing and being heard is another, and by the signs of life barely discernable in most of the branches I'm afraid my smile was a bit premature in the November issue. Things have been dragging as slowly as Coolidge's intelligence. As a matter of fact the branches haven't been sending my register up fast enough to keep me standing upright. Sure, a new member leaks in here and there - applications don't even toddle in with every drop in the Pound sterling in England. It just means that the branches can't be mean enough to turn a new member down when he comes to their meetings begging to join up. But do you think they ever organize canvass days to visit contacts, or arrange affairs primarily for recruiting new members? Oh no! That might bring some new fresh blood into the branch. Well, big boys and girls, I, Comrade Barometer, want some fresh red liquid flowing up my tube at the tempo of the Five Year Plan, and if you can't go out for new members for yourself, do it for me, which means do it for the Youth Section.

You lazy ones don't get the idea that there aren't some branches trying their darndest to push me up to the limit. Why there's a branch in New York named after some revolutionary Chinese General that's showing the way in new members! Oh yeah, that Chinese General's name is HO LUNG. Ever hear of him? Well, if you didn't, then take a good look of admiration at the HO LUNG BRANCH #454 which has sent in 13 new applications already. While General Ho Lung is showing Chiang Kai Chek what a revolutionary army can do over there, his little representatives in New York are building their army over here!

Altogether, since I came into existence I have seen and registered an increase of 100 members. Not so hot, sez me. About fifteen branches have really participated in the campaign, and the rest haven't even given me a comradely tumble. That's bad stuff, because I can't stand erect unless there's action in the branches. If things continue at the pace they have till now then the next issue I'll probably be lying down, and how in the world could the mercury rise in me when I am down and out.

And listen, we're not doing so bad on the matter of new branches! Calumnet City, Ill., has a new youth branch, Jersey City has the second one -- this time a Junior branch, and New York gives us a new-born with a branch in Crown Heights section in Brooklyn.

But that isn't enough! The yawn must be taken out of the NEW ORDER by a concerted drive on the part of our branches for new members. And what I sez goes!..... So I'll see you next month with the twinkle back in my eye -- I hope.... S'lonk! HO HUM!"

Editor's note:- It really is pathetic to see Comrade-Barometer begin to lean over as he does in this issue. He claims it causes a cramp in his register tube and that in turn makes it harder for him to smile. Now this sort of thing cannot go on. It makes it increasingly difficult to make the page ready for press and it gives the NEW ORDER a dour aspect. The antidote for the illness which afflicts good old Comrade Barometer is a heavy dose of new membership applications. And the only doctors who can apply this antidote are the branches! So come ahead, you branches, and put Barometer on his feet again!

# PATRIOTISM AND HUNGER!

BY HARRY KAPLAN

"Aroused by reports of the spread of Communism among 'adolescents of the high school age' in New Haven, members of New Haven Post 47, the American Legion, on November 7, 1932, appeared before Claude C. Russell, superintendent of schools, and made a plea for permission to bring into the schools 'an atmosphere of greater appreciation for the significance of patriotic holidays, citizenship, and Americanism'. It was planned that representative members of the organization be called to duty in a speakers' buro with a view to having them bring practical lessons in patriotism and citizenship to all the pupils."

This report, appearing in the N.H. Register, was preceded on October 30 by a "practical lesson" in the same paper.

"County Care Extended to 766 Children."

"The depression is advanced as the reason for the sharp increase in the number of children to be cared for by New Haven County, according to County Commissioners. Many homes have been broken up during the past year or more when families were unable to get along due to lack of funds, causing the burden to fall upon the county."

Another "practical lesson" - open "adolescent of high school age" - appeared in the Register on October 14, 1932.

"Hunger of Kin Drives Boy to Try at Theft."

"Leniency Shown Head of Family at 16 Who Sought Food for Mother, Brother."

"In the city court today, Henry Barnowski, 16, who attempted to burglarize the grocery store of a neighbor, told his story to judge Stanley Dunn.

"Why did you do it?" asked the court. Henry hung his head and then, facing the court bravely, said:

"I needed some food for my mother and brother. We were hungry and had no money to buy it."

Questioned further by the court, Henry told Judge Dunn that he had left high school last year in order to find work, but had been unable to find any in a year's search. His father, Henry told the court, had died following an automobile accident six years ago. Deprived of an income, his mother had lost her home to the holders of the mortgages. Judge Dunn placed Henry under probation for a period of six months.

"The weight of your responsibilities should not force you to commit a dishonest act," the court reminded Henry.

Smashing of workers' homes, crowding of workers' children into poor houses, starvation, destitution, these things the American Legion would have us "appreciate". This is what they mean by their "citizenship and Americanism". This is the "atmosphere" they are so anxious to give us.

The students of New Haven and their mates who have dropped out are showing their understanding of all this by their support of the Free Food Fighters in the grammar schools. No tangible results have come from the radicalization of the high school students, but this must be one of our main tasks in the membership drive of our youth branch.

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## LENIN--LIEBKNECHT--LUXEMBURG

The lives of these three outstanding working class leaders symbolizes the struggles of the workers against Imperialist WAR.

In commemorating the death of these leaders let us study their lives so that we can more effectively carry on the struggle against the imminent danger of another bosses WAR.

At 6:00 o'clock the streets leading to the mill were swarming with men and women seeming to appear and fade curiously in the dark mists rising like heavy steam from the grey grass patches at the side of the walks. Men and women, very small and wan, spectre-like in the early morning light, shoulders hunched deeply into seedy coats and turned-up sweater collars, shuffled quickly and nervously on the further side of the street opposite the great barred gate.

Young Heitler stood poised upon the curb, loose-lipped shoe soles drooping over the chiseled slate slabs. His arms drawn back at the elbows, allowed him to put his hands into the pockets of a coat that came a few inches above the bulgy knees which showed blue thru the rotted cloth of his trousers.

This was his first strike.....His first day on strike...and already he was beginning to experience that queer drawn in sensation at the roots of his tongue and his insides were trying to shrink back upon themselves. Young Heitler waited with hundreds of others, not knowing exactly what he was to do. All he knew, and his blue lips muttered the words over and over was that "we must take down the scabs".

At 10 minutes to seven the whistle blew and was re-echoed in a racing cadenza down the cobbled streets.....As the last blast died out,every frail body stiffened and straightened out, and mournful faces set themselves in lines which spelled that greatest courage, of despair. Slowly the great iron gate moved, its pointed spikes rising in creaking cadence as the shining chains screamed tautly downward. Immediately within the entrance way fixed firmly on the rutted driveway, muzzles pointing outward, four snubnosed machine guns were exposed, as men with quick, fair hands whisked canvas covers to the ground. Cartridge belts were being slid into the smooth polished chambers and cars drew up to the curb from which several men with blue jowls and cruel stupid faces jumped to the sidewalk. From their pockets they drew short clubs, and unbottoning their coats to show a cartridge belt and service revolver hanging at their sides they walked forward, and finding places where the barbed wire showed clear spaces on the wall, they leaned back, lit cigarettes and with jagged lopsided grins let the smoke slide voluptuously upward.....

Across the street, the workers began to move, and slowly, indefinitely, exactly where it began, no one can say, a line was formed and the quick clitter-clatter of machine gun clips was drowned out by the steady monotonous shuffle of feet and the growing hum of voices. At intervals a straggling burst of song started and some one would sing "On the line, on the line, on the picket, on the picket line" to the tune of "Polly-Wolly Doodle". Finally after a short whispered consultation at the head of the column, a concerted call started and was caught up with dissonant irregularity all the way up the line until all the way down the street, around for many blocks,into many homes and high into the offices and workrooms of the mill rose the great cry, "Workers Don't Scab, Join our ranks, Workers join our ranks, Workers join our ranks", in vivid martial tempo the call echoed again and again.

Across the street, the mill police had walked forward from the wall, their number had been augmented and now they stood an hundred strong teetering back and forth on the curb,their little clubs swinging incessantly back and forth in quick vicious arcs, coats were buttoned now and the long pistols swung free outside slapping sharply against the sides with each rapid body sway. The cigarett butts lay strewn in the gutter and the lopsided grins had frozen into menacing frowns. The areaway in front of the gate was cleared and every few seconds two

or three muffled figures, scabs, flanked by police carrying rifles under their arms slid quickly and fearfully into the entrance and out of sight beyond the wall. At 8:00 o'clock a group of three men and two women detached themselves from the moving mass of workers and came slowly across the street toward the mill entrance. This movement created a sudden stir among the several bluecoated figures near the entrance and they grouped themselves close to the gate, at the same time twisting their wrists out of the thongs tied to their billies.

A tall close-cropped worker, obviously the leader of the delegation, walked up to the official company gateman and asked if he would be allowed in to see the manager. From across the street, the massed workers, now halted, gazed expectantly, the gateman looked around in a knowing way, flashed a shadow of a grin at the group of officers immediately behind and then turning like a madman upon the worker standing before him, snarled: "Get the hell out of here, you god-damned kike". The tall man started, stepped back and then extended his hand in a sort of pacifying gesture and continued to speak. At this the gateman uttered an unintelligible howl of rage and with a swift motion brought his club crashing down on the outstretched arm. As the worker shrieked his pain, the gateman turned to the police and yelled "Get 'em boys, the louse tried to slug me". At this signal the entire group around the gate turned upon the other four workers, closed about them--nothing could be seen but arms rising and falling and the dull thuds and piercing cries of pain and anger. The workers massed on the opposite side of the street, stood stook still, amazed. Heitler was frozen to the spot, his thin angular jaw dropped open and his eyes seemed to glaze with wonder. There was a cry at this side, "Come on, Comrades, they need help". This shout was answered by another further on, "Watch out, they've got guns, machine guns", "The hell with the guns, they won't shoot". As Heitler uttered this cry, he stopped, amazed at his courage. For a few seconds the noise of combat at the gate was drowned out by the infuriated cries and the calls for action from the first-waving tensed workers. A moments silence and then as a smooth weight falls down an inclined plane, the mass surged across the street and then all was chaos and pain and fear, the noise of falling clubs, the shuffling of quickly-moving feet, the thud of falling bodies and the unceasing cries of hurt and madness and rage.....

A space was being cleared in front of the gate and beyond the milling bodies three, then four glinting muzzles began to swing back and forth in ugly spaced arcs.

Heitler was wading thru, his powerful bony hands crashing like steam hammers upon the faces and bodies of all men who swung billies and had ugly menacing smiles frozen in the corners of their faces, these smiles he smeared into bloody masses of torn flesh. His own nose was bleeding, his lip hung down torn in shreds and the blood drops dribbled black over his chin, but his eyes were clear and flaming and shining with each hammer blow of his fist.

High in the tower offices of the mill stood two men whose hands were soft and smooth, whose thin white fingers were clenched tightly around dead cigar butts. They stood and watched the bloody struggle below and as the great mass of workers swayed to the gate, the taller of the two turned toward the other and asked: "Give it to 'em, Charlie?" - "Uh Huh", the window of the office slid upward, the man leaned out and yelled below: "Clean 'em out boys.".....

First with a short staccato, roll and soon with a deafening clatter, the four gunmen in the yard were ".....cleaning 'em out". Just a short burst, two seconds, perhaps three, no more. The workers stopped, upraised fists dropped slowly and followed falling bodies slumping to the ground, the uninjured, the unharmed, stunned workers backed slowly to the curb.... Thirty lay groaning or squirming in the gutter and on the now bloodstained grey grass plots, others sprawled in impossible postures uttering no sound. And flung back upon a fierce barbed wire strand sagged a tall man with bleeding nose and lips, with great red stains seeping thru rotted cloth fibre at the knees and bathing blue clad legs in red.

At 20 minutes after eight, young Heitler moaned and sobbed with bleeding teeth clenched, as he stood half-racked to the wall, "Silence the guns, comrades, silence the guns.".....

To be continued in the next issue.

# TWO NEGRO SONGS

Every year the American song writers aspire to become great humanitarians and as a result someone writes a Negro"classic". Last year Brown and Henderson scribbling for a musical review, came forth with "That's Why Darkies Were Born"; a song that sold over a million copies, and was plugged from the lowest ham to Lawerence Tibbett. Obviously there must be something gripping in melody or lyric for it to receive such immense popularity. This time it's the verse. Lets look it over.

"Someone had to pick the cotton,
Someone had to plant the corn, etc...
That's why darkies were born."

Need we go any further? Nice, isn't it? Bringing a message to the Negros that fate, cruel fate is the cause of Negro oppression and they have got to take it. You were born, God made you for the purpose of sweating from sun-up to sundown in hot cotton fields all summer, so you could starve all winter.

This year another writer decided that darkies had suffered long enough, so he wrote "Underneath the Harlem Moon".

"They don't live in cabin's like the
old folks used to do;
Their cabin is a penthouse up on Lenox
Avenue.

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"Rythm in their thighs and in their
lips and in their eyes.

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"You may call it madness but they
call it hih-de-ho,
Underneath the Harlem moon."

"C'mon up North all you low Southern niggers and have a hell of a time." Yes, a hell of a time with starvation wages, a hell of a time looking for work and finding none, a hell of a time cleaning toilets and digging ditches.

The Negro masses have been fooled long enough. Some day they will write songs of struggle and unity with their white brothers, of capturing these fields of cotton and corn and "penthouse up on Lenox Avenue" for their own use.

And while we're on the subject, what has your branch done to organize and get Negro members. Write in and let us know the Negro work you are doing so we can send you criticisms and suggestions.

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# THE KIDS!

"Dern those kids! Always pestering! Always in the way! Isn't that the way most of us think of our younger brothers and sisters, and of children in general? We see only their mischeivous carryings-on, their habit of "spilling the beans" when we want them quiet, but one very important point we overlook. And the longer we overlook this point, the more surely we hand the children to the "tender mercies" of the capitalist class.

That point is the following: the children, seemingly interested only in fun and play, are members of our class, the working class, are oppressed by the same miserable conditions as the rest of the working class, and often worse, and are constantly under the mental and physical domination of our enemy the capitalist class.

The work of organizing a children's branch is so important that each youth branch should consider it as one of its major tasks. Comrades who are assigned, or who volunteer for this work should be responsible, willing comrades, and even if they are not yet professors in pedagogical science, they will learn in the course of their work, with the aid of the Children's Section of the I. W. O.

# POETRY

## TOO MUCH

Quiet ripples
mark
Spots of sunken produce,
Food for hungry bellies,
Thrown to bloated.....
Sated....
Eels and inky squids.

15,000,000 starve
THERE IS TOO MUCH TO EAT!
15,000,000 bodies,
Shrink from hunger and cold,
CLOSE THE FACTORIES!
THERE IS TOO MUCH CLOTH....
SMASH THE MACHINES
THERE'RE TOO MANY SHOES....
Millions more to starve
And freeze.

A crate of rotted oranges,
Eggs,
Cast ashore at Coney,
Rockaway..Miami..San Francisco..
Galveston....!
The sea is sweet
With sugar....
Capitalism
Seizes its hair
To tug itself from a mire
Of decay.....
AND MILLIONS STARVE....!

The workers shall not die
Of hunger
In the stench
Of rotting systems....
They shall fill their bellies with
REVOLUTION....!
And millions will march forward
TO FIGHT.

Alex Gochfeld
1932

## I.W.O. SOCCER TEAM SONG.

by Dora Nemirow.

I. Wake up you toilers, it isn't a dream;
Hail for the proletarian soccer team.
Wave scarlet banner wherever you go,
Cheer all you comrades the I. W. O.

Chorus
Hail working classes!
We play for the masses,
Ours is a team of power and might.
Forward you workers, ours is the future,
Always ready!
We'll win the fight. (repeat)

II. Our muscles are strong and our spirits are bright,
To mobilize sportsmen, to win every fight.
Raise hammer and sickle wherever you go,
Cheer all you comrades the I. W. O.

Chorus

## THE CHALLENGE

by H. Kaplan

O, you slaves, whose charred remains
On war-torn battle pits are spread,
Inter your bones! Erase those stains,
Mute signs of Mars' and masters' tread.

Did you not know for whom you fought?
Could you not sense the bosses' greed?
Or were you thoughtless puppets, bought
To spread imperialistic creed?

Is this the gory torch to us you fling
While Morgan's murderous bullets whine?
Shall we raise our voices now and sing
The bloody Hymn of the Dollar Sign?

Arise, you workers dead! You had to give
But one life. Salute us as we pass!
You fought to die. We fight to live
To crush these foes of the working class!

From Chicago comes a breeze of delightful humor. That is, we might say some whiffs in the breeze are delightful humor. Milton Starr is the Aeolus whose full-blown cheek blows these zeyphers our way. Just hearken folks and receive the benefits of their cooling effects: He launches into a bit of satire which borders too near the truth-for a columnist. The whole job is real competition for Slim, but after all competition is the life of tirade. And here are bits of his tirade:

"We know just what's going to happen when we start running a column. We're going to receive one of Carl Sandburg's poems with a little note telling us how the sender has just dashed it off and he hopes we will like it. We'll get letters saying we shouldn't print any contributions, that we shouldn't print anything but contributions, and that no one will read us no matter what we print."

While this paragraph contains some bits of aphoristic pleasantries, it is quite evident the writer does not know the I. W. O. Youth members. Maybe he is justified in stating these generalities,however, because I.W.O. Youth members are not to be placed in any category together with mortals, but must occupy a position all their own, a species not yet fathomed by zoologists of the better kind.

He starts off with the wrong premise when he takes for granted that I.W.O. MEMBERS WILL TAKE THE PAINS TO WRITE AT ALL, regardless of their opinions. Well,some day he will take Slim's place and will appreciate this expose of weaknesses in his logic, despite his credibility as a columnist.

The column goes on:
"Capitalist: a man who keeps the Sabbath and everything else he can lay his hands on."

Here's another-----

"1st Politician: You say you gave him five dollars to vote for you in the election and he didn't?
2nd Crook: Yeah, the guy was crooked."

"A press dispatch reports that a Los Angeles landlord has been arrested, charged with robbing people who were not his tenants."

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These things are what we Americanos call "cracks", and "cracks" are what the Youth members have been clamoring for in the NEW ORDER. A "crack" is a delightful little morsel if it doesn't fizzle before it is scheduled to. The best kind of a "crack" are jokes and quips which expose to ridicule or criticism faults in our branches and members. As a matter of fact Slim is ready to offer a prize to the one who can write a sketch on the most humorous topic existing today - an I.W.O. youth branch meeting. This topic can reach the peak of comedy precisely because it has all the elements of a grand tragedy in it ,a tragedy-which is unfolded for many of us once a week and never weakens because of repetition.

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The Hunger March showed the capitalist press at its best. According to their accounts only retired stock brokers living on independent incomes went on the march. The bank of the Communist Party paid out millions in wages to these marchers, who didn't march but rode in Packard limousines.. Besides the stock brokers and other millionaires only hoboes, bums and Communists (who were there to see that the marchers got their full salaries with time and a half for overtime in the cabarets), were on the march. And all righteous workers and others should spurn these marchers, because they are not the hungry ones but Hoover and Roosevelt are. Oh, yes, and by the way, the hunger marchers were not interested in winning relief and insurance against hunger, but they were just trying to blow up "our institutions" because they got "orders from Moscow". * * * *

# COMINTERN

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Rise up Fields and work-shops! Come
out work-ers, Farm-ers! To bat - tle March on - ward, march
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on world -- storm-ers Eyes sharp on Your guns Red - Ban-ners un-furled! Ad-
-vance Pro-le-ta-rians to con-quer the world! Ad-vance Pro-le-ta-rians! to
con-quer the world! world!
ff (Very loud)
sfz

Phew! That was a tough job. The hardest piece of detective work I ever did. Snooping, delving, noseying, in everybody's way, files upset, and what have you. But this column must see the light of day - nothing can stop it - Let's go.

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Before this article could go to press I was forced to put in this special appeal from the I. W. O. office. (to all I. W. O. Youth Members - If this guy has to write this column again - theres going to be war, and the youth section will be minus one of its members - not mentioning names - But?

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Whether the stuff is authentic or not, I do not know. I am merely putting down what the files tell me. New York City is beginning to step up its tempo, with 401 leading the way. They have rented a school gym and their basketball team is rounding into shape. They may also have a girl's team. The Ho Lung branch is looking for a gym; they better step on it, or they will find that all gyms are filled.

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Special tasks for New York -

1 - Get a functioning city sport committee-which must be linked up with the Eastern District of the L.S.U. At least one member of this committee should be our representative to the L.S.U. Board.

2- Every branch must get a gym; if necessary two or three branches use the same gym. A list of available gyms can be found in the I. W. O. office.

3 - At least five I.W.O. teams playing in the Metropolitan Workers Basketball League.

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Rochester has a gym and their basketball is warming up. They will be open for challenges in the near future. They also have a gymnastic class every Friday.

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New Jersey has several basketball teams. One of them is going to play in the Metropolitan Workers Basketball League. Newark and Jersey City should aim towards building their own basketball league.

Our Philadelphia Youth branches are making a name for themselves. They were instrumental in organizing the basketball league in Philly. They also sent in a report for the New Order.

Soccer--- I.W.O. vs. Italian L.S.C.

It was the I. W. O. 's second league game. The first one had been lost by the score of 2 to 0 to the Dynamo A.C. To offset that defeat of the I. W. O. came with a rejuvenated tea, to beat the Italians, reputed to be the best in the league. Well, the team sure was rejuvenated. The Italians had to fight for that game; and then they only won by luck. In an effort to stop a ball shot at the goal, one of our comrades unwittingly let it glance off his foot thru the goal making the only tally in the game for the other side. The rest of the game was fought with many spills and thrills. One comrade had his breath knocked out by the ball; another fell into a puddle of mud, etc. One of the stars of this game was our own City Sport director, Herman Kaufman.

Philly should immediately get busy on a basketball league; if you can build a soccer league, then the Quaker city should surely have a basketball league. Philly City Youth Committee is arranging a basketball game and dance for the near future.

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Cleveland and Chicago have not sent in any sport material for the New Order. But they are carrying on some sport activity. Cleveland has a basketball team and Chicago has a soccer and football team. Cleveland and Chicago write for the sport page of the New Order.

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Here is something hot for the cold weather. While most of us are freezing, our Los Angeles comrades are going on an overnight hike to Mt. Baldi to escape the heat.

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Don't forget to write for the Sport page of the New Order. Send in reports of your games, scores, etc. Don't keep your sport activity a secret; let the Youth Section know what you are doing.

# OUR SOVIET CORRESPONDENT

by Ben Riskin

I arrived in Moscow just in time to take a rest and get ready for the tremendous demonstration. The holiday spirit was evident. All the people got a two day's vacation in honor of the occasion and most of the people in Moscow had their rest-day just preceding the two days; so that they had a real spell of free time to celebrate.

Every building, every street-car, every bus was in some way decorated for the celebration. Wherever I turned my eyes, I saw red-red banners, red signs, red flags. The signs were in all languages--Workers of the World Unite; or Long Live the Soviet Union, etc. It was strange to see the same thing repeated side by side in French, German, English, Chinese, Russian - a vivid picture of internationalism. Pictures of Lenin, Stalin, Marx, in windows, on fences, taking up the whole side of buildings. There was one picture, for example, that contained the the pictures of all three in such a way that as one approached the picture he saw Lenin; when he stood in front of it, he saw Marx; and when he passed to the other side he saw Stalin. Pictures of Lenin and Stalin were in particular prominence. Head and shoulders, walking, standing, in familiar poses - every conceivable type of picture. An electric plant, for example, erected a huge figure of Lenin with arm extended as if making a speech. The figure was all in red and was outlined by a red electric line so that at night Lenin stood boldly forth over the city. And almost at his side was a similar outline of Stalin's profile.

At night, too, when the light from the giant beacons could be seen, a huge"xv"was made reaching far out into the heavens. And in another part of the city a great dirigible hung almost motionless from which was suspended in big red electrically lighted letters "XV".

Unlike our parades in the United States, the demonstration was one in which almost all the people took part. As a result, it was a mighty job to get everyone ready. In order to get each group in its pooper position in the parade,it was necessary for the people to start assembling early the night before. When you consider that millions of people took part in the demonstration, this is not surprising. So on all the squares all over the city, people were massing. The night was chilly, tho not very cold, and in many squares, bon-fires were lit around which the people gathered and sang songs, and danced and told stories. They were gathering, you understand, according to factory groups, or schools, or clubs, etc. The street car sevice was suspended at 9:00, the morning of the celebration; so that many people had to walk long distances from their home to their meeting places. You may ask why they didn't get up early to make the last car. They did get up early, but Moscow has practically only the street-car service to transport about four million people. The cars are always jammed, and as a result many people could not possibly get a car on the morning of the celebration.

It was then that I got one of my lucky braaks here. Thru the kindness of VOKS, I was given a permit to go on Red Square to witness the celebration--one of the few who was able to do that. By the time I got to Red Square, it was packed tight with soldiers. My place was right across Lenin's Mausoleum where Stalin, Kalinin, and the other officials had their positions. Punctually at ten o'clock - exactly 15 years after the first Soviet order was issued -- the Kremlin bells began to ring and canon began to shoot. The bands played the Internationale - and the demonstration began. The military demonstration lasted until about 1:30--a seemingly endless line of infantry: of sailors; of cavalry; of tanks -- big and small; of airships; of the Red Partisans, the real veterans of the Revolution; whose who had already fought for the proletarian state, many of them already old and bent, but all marching buoyantly and spiritedly filled with an unquenchable fervor.

Then came the march of the people. They flooded the tremendous Red Square, thousands at a time they passed, like a mighty stream of lava flowing irresistibly down the mountain side, on and on all through the day into the darkness. Young and old, they came singing and laughing and carrying great banners and placards showing what each particular group and already accomp-

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I recently handled a book bound in human skin!
In pre-revolutionary France where luxury reached greater and more insane heights than anywhere before, except in ancient Rome, books used to be bound that way, to please the diseased vanity of the nobility. Tanned and dried, the skin of a peasant was about as useful as pigskin, being fairly durable and of much the same appearance.

We read a great deal in bourgeois histories of the "cruelty" of the French Revolution. But for some reason or other, probably the good sense of the Revolutionists, they did not use the skin of the dead aristocrats for any purpose whatsoever.

About thirty-seven years ago a cooperative group of craftsmen, printers, illuminators, and bookbinders was founded in East Aurora, New York, known as the "Roycrofters." For some time they did good work. Then the whole project came under the personal control of Elbert Hubbard. He was a "great salesman", a believer in America as a land of "glorious opportunity", who went about proclaiming that any American could raise himself by his bootstraps if he pulled hard enough. He became very popular with the Elks, Rotary Clubs and the rich of his time lecturing and selling the books that his hierlings in East Aurora turned out. It was for a favored few that he had fifty copies of the Rubiat bound in human skin.

Chuckling over their wiskey, he and a millionaire customer would examine the volume, a hundred dollars would change hands. Any Hubbard might have risen this way, but who needs these Hubbards?

Yes, books have been bound in human skin in America. It is just one of the manyllittle things which show that something is wrong! Just another indication of the value the boss class places on human lives.

The past few years have seen the inception off a new series of academic outrages directed against both the students and faculty members of American universities. Perhaps the most illustrative of these is the battle that has been waged between the students of City College and the Tammany controlled administration of that instution-- The latest being the dismissal of Oakley Johnson.

The fact that Professor Johnson openly allied himself with the Communist Party and voiced his support of Comrades Foster and Ford was a matter entirely outside of the jurisdiction of the school authorities and yet we know that that was one of the real reasons for his dismissal. A plea of necessary economy was advanced by president Robinson, but curiously enough as soon as Professor Johnson was dropped a new instructor in English was appointed at another branch of the college. The facts were clear and the Social Problems Club of City College began to protest this terroristic move against Oakley Johnson.

Oakley Johnson is still out ! Intensive student protests and demonstrations succeeded in gaining much ground both in the affair that I have mentioned and in others of more local importance. Students throughout the whole United States should join in the struggle for the re-instatement of Professor Johnson. Around this case revolves the whole problem of academic freedom and student rights.

Foremost in the struggles is the National Students League, serving to expose such cases and leading in the fight for student rights.

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plished in the Second Piatliletka--and all ready to take their places side by side with the Red Army and Navy in the defense of the Soviet Union.

The Tom Mooney Branch which won the contest in the last membership drive-with the grand prize of a delegate to the Soviet Union has developed a new angle in our present membership drive. Their idea of a campaign is to expell members, and believe you me they have expelled plenty. And whats more the financial condition of the branch is nothing to be proud of. Since the last "Coast to Coast" was issued, another meeting has gone by without the collection of a cent in dues. We begin to ask ourselves, when is a branch not a branch? The branch is certainly not carrying out the spirit of its namesake Tom Mooney. The sixteen years which Tom Mooney hasspent in jail on a complete frame-up have not in any way dampened his spirit which rallies workers everywhere in the struggle against their oppressors. What say you Tom Mooney Branch? What about injecting a little of that Mooney spirit into the branch? The Membership of the Tom Mooney branch must become acquainted with the heritage they have taken in adopting their name. The heritage must be expressed in terms of building the branch, actively participating in the membership drive, stabilizing its finances and thus strengthening the struggle for which Tom Mooney isspending these many years behind steel bars.

The Vanguard branch of Los Angeles has succeeded in a small measure in stabilizing its finances. The branch also is slow in getting the drive under way. The CYC of L. A. has discussed the drive, but is still not LEADING it. In sunny California both branches are carrying through an overnight hike. We cannot reccomendsuch affairs for our other branches unless we want to pay out sick benefit for frozen toes etc.That's just one advantage of living in Southern California.

Minneapolis has lapsed into silence since their installation affair. All Quiet on the Western Front-maybe it's not so quiet, and then again maybe it is? Who knows--of course Minneapolis knows--but so far they refuse to speak. We'll get them to speak soon and we won't use third degree methods either.

Carl Levin gave us a long spiel in his last letter on the Chicago Youth Section. Some of our remarks seem to have struck home. What's more we are beginning to see action what I me an. Outstanding for Chicago is the fact that the Frederick Engels branch of the Young Circle League (part of the Workmen's Circle) has joined the Youth Section en masse. The branch still retains the name of Frederick Engels. Chicago held a Youth Plenum recently. Although the representation of the branches was not what it should have been, the discussion held was a good one and many plans were formulated for building the Youth Section. The quota for Chicago up till the period of the convention is 1000 members, to include at least fifty Negro Young workers. The program also calls for the establishment of a youth center, with gym equipment etc.

Thus far we have only two branches in Chicago actively participating in the membership campaign. Branch 410 and Branch 423, Branch 423 has been the first to reach its quota of new members. The office received 17 new applications at one shot from 423 with a promise of more to follow. We hear nothing however from the other branches in the way of applications, particularly are we not informed of how the Slovak branches are doing on the membership drive.

In the Chicago district we find our Polish comrades on the job with the organization of a youth branch of 15 members in Calumet City, Illinois. More power to the Youth Section, more power to drawing into our youth section, young workers and working-class students of all nationalities.

Chicago had four repre sentative of the Youth Section on the Hunger March to Washington. The representatives are John Doh-

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nalik, Tannenbaum, Jack Adelman and Catherine Cole. These comrades will no doubt cover our branches in Chicago report ing on the Hunger March and mobilizing our our membership to continue the struggle for mediate relief, Unemployment and Social Insurance.

Before we step out of Chicago lets not forget the gala amalgamation dance arranged by the CYC of Chicago for Dec. 17. It's to be a wow of an affair.

Mollie Weinberg a new recruit to branch 413 of Cleveland has proved an exhilirating tonic for the branch. New members are being recruited and some real activity is being started. Branch 425 of Cleveland has also improved considerably.

Hartford has sent in a protest for not having received any mention in the last Coast to Coast. Heres hoping for more protests for the next issue. For it means the developing consciousness of our branches, and a healthy attitude of patriotism towards our magazine. Hartford has elected a special New Order reporter, none other than Kirshnitz. He reports that the branch held an affair where our "Solidarity Group" presented "Scottsboro" which was appreciatively received by the audience. Dancing Followed. The affair was an organizational success but what a dent it left in the treasury. An inter-city contest is being arranged between Hartford and New Haven, to take place some time in February.

New Haven has instituted a merit system. From Nov. 11 members began to pile up points for recruiting, for participating in dramatics, in sports, in writing for the wall-newspaper, in short for participating in each and every activity. This should stimulate a little socialist competition among the membership. This might be a good idea for many of our branches. For further details write to the National Office.

Baltimore still boasts of a functioning-dramatic group. There is however very little of any other activity. Considering the fact that they are a small branch, they are doing quite well, but we just must broaden out to include sports in their program.

Buffalo has set itself the task of putting on three plays in a months time. If you consider the fact that the branch has only a membership of 10, you can see why they are doing things in a big way. We suggest that all of our branches approach the question of finances in the way buffalo does, Walter Cham the financial secretary writes "I am not sending all the dues, for the crisis is deepening in Buffalo, but we will try to rush and catch up". Many of our branches will have to rush and catch up.

Phila. now boasts of three youth branches. The installation of two of the branches, took place on Sunday, November 27. On the Saturday preceeding, a meeting of the City Youth Committee was held with Comrade Green, attending. A membership meeting was also held. Challenges galore were issued by the branches in the membership drive, in sport activity, our Ukranian youth promising to have a basketball team organized before any other branch in Philly. Our Strawberry Mansion came right back and challenged to have a second soccer team before any other branch organized a soccer team.

New York City as a whole is still leading the rest of the country----but considering the fact that the National Office islocated here and that New York City is the largest-city in the country there certainly is no reason for patting oneself on the back.

Two new branches have been added in New York One in Crown Heights, Bklyn and the other in the Sholem Alechem cooperative, the Bronx.

The symposium held last month was a huge success. All four political parties were represented. The city-wide dance held on Thanksgiving Eve was likewise a success both socially as well as organizationally. Now the branches are pointing all their efforts toward the city-wide concert scheduled for January 22.

The CYC of N. Y. has just purchased a sterioptican machine for showing slide lectures. Included in the purchase are slides on the Soviet Union and the struggles right here--in the U. S.

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## What the Youth Section of the International Workers Order Is and Why Every Young Worker and Student Should Join It.

As our name indicates, we are the youth section of the International Workers Order. Our parent organization, spread throughout the United States with a membership of over 22,000, is a working class insurance and benevolent society. We, however, being a youth section, have organized more in line with our needs as young people. Our chief aim is to give expression to the athletic, social, and cultural desires and requirements of the young worker and working class student.

We welcome into our Order all young workers and working class students between the ages of 15 and 25 who wish to avail themselves of the many advantages that our membership offers, or who wish to partake of the activities in which we are engaged.

As young workers we feel the need of a solidarity of all young workers regardless of race, color, nationality, or sex, and we therefore extend an invitation to colored as well as white young workers of all nationalities to join our ranks.

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