

A Weekly "Young Worker" By First Of Year

YOUNG WORKERS LEAGUE BEGINS DRIVE FOR \$2,000 AND 10,000 CIRCULATION BY END OF 1924

By MAX SHACHTMAN.

A weekly Young Workers by January 1st, 1925!
A weekly organ of the revolutionary young workers by the end of this year!

That's the slogan that is going out all over the country to the members of the Young Workers League of America... That is the decision-made by the national executive committee of the league.

A weekly by the First! Three months in which to do it!

And it all depends on the energy with which the member of the organization throw behind this campaign.

Already the announcement of this drive has aroused tremendous enthusiasm among the comrades locally, and as the news spreads over the country we expect to hear of the joy expressed at the story that we are going to have our Young Worker issued every week instead of twice a month.

But in order to get a weekly two things are essential by January 1, 1925:

1. A Two Thousand Dollar Weekly Young Worker Fund.

2. A Circulation of Ten Thousand Young Worker an issue.

Quotas have already been drawn up for the various cities and towns for their share in raising the two thousand dollars and the sums for each league are so relatively small that an Over the Top drive is certain.

For the increase in the circulation, a novel plan has been laid out. Duplicate cards are already on their way to the branches of the league which are to be signed by every member of the organization, pledging him or her to take a certain number of copies of every single issue of The Young Worker, official organ of the Young Workers League.

Buy Young Workers.

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The league members carried on conversations with many of the workers, and succeeded in getting their names and addresses. All of them that were approached, expressed sympathy for our campaign. While speaking with one of the girls, she openly admitted disgust with the conditions under which she worked and ended up by saying, "I am going to get another job, I can't stand it in this place much longer."

One copy of the pledge card will be kept by the city literature agent who will then make up his total quota of Young Workers for the city comrades. The other copy of the pledge card must be sent in to the national office. If, for example, a league with 40 members gets every one of them to pledge himself to take 5 copies, the city literature agent will then receive a bundle of 200 copies of the paper every issue, which he will then distribute.

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Y. W. L. ACTIVE AMONGST YOUNG SILK STRIKERS

Calls on Them to Join for Youth Demands

PATERSON, N. J.—Every member of the Young Workers League of Paterson is actively participating in the strike of the silk workers here, and devoting its attention to the special demands issued by the league to the young workers.

There are about 2,000 young workers involved in the strike, and the league is making an appeal to them to enter into the organization and fight for the special young workers' demands, as well as to stand firmly in the struggle against the bosses of the silk mills.

Rallying Youth.

A leaflet has already been issued to the young strikers urging them to add to the demands of the silk workers' union, demands for equal pay for equal work, a six-hour day and five days work for all young workers, the abolition of all night work for the youth, and other issues presented to the youth.

Delegates representing the Young Workers League have spoken to mass meetings of the strikers and have presented the youth viewpoint to them.

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Y. W. L. MEMBERS FREED

LEAGUE PLANS DETROIT N. B. C. SHOP NUCLEUS

Young Workers Eager to Read "Y. W."

By BARNEY MASS.

DETROIT.—Monday evening as the workers of the National Biscuit Company came pouring out of the gates on their way homewards, they were greeted by members of the Detroit Young Workers League who were handing them leaflets.

The leaflets told the young biscuit makers that the following day they would have the opportunity of reading about their conditions in The Young Worker, official organ of the Young Workers League.

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Average Four Days a Week.

The local plant is working only half capacity. The workers average only four days in the week. The conditions prevailing in this plant are the same as what is true of the other

PITTSBURGH LEAGUE TO PUSH DRIVE FOR NUCLEUS IN NABISCO

By MORRIS SCHINDLER.

(Special to Young Worker)

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—The Young Workers' League of Pittsburgh has decided to concentrate its energy on the drive against the local plant of the National Biscuit Company with the purpose of organizing a shop nucleus there, following a meeting of the members of the district addressed by Oliver Carlson.

Other tasks set for itself by the league here were the laying of plans for future drives against the slave driving plants of the territory like Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company, the Heinz Company, and Clark's Candy Factory.

Efforts are being made by the local members of the league to arrange for the maintenance of a permanent organizer for the district, enabling the organization to carry on its work more efficiently and effectively.

plants. No extra pay for overtime; dirty aprons; an average salary for the young workers of \$15 dollars a week; the same amount of nasty supervisors and foremen; lack of ventilation, etc. All plants of this institution are run on the same basis.

The local league is anticipating the holding of some noonday meetings which will be addressed by comrade Mass. Our slogan is: A nucleus in the Detroit N. B. C. plant! The campaign is just beginning and big results are expected by the local membership.

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NO EVIDENCE IN MPLS. CASES IS COURT DECISION

Nabisco Drive Will be Continued There

By LESLIE R. HURT.

MINNEAPOLIS.—Carl Cowell, Gerry Pett, Morton Green and Leslie Hurt, four members of the Young Workers League, were dismissed by Judge Gunnar Nordbye in the municipal court, because of lack of evidence.

The comrades were arrested for holding a meeting in front of local National Biscuit Company plant in the national campaign of the league to rally the young slaves to the young Communist program.

Cops Not Enthusiastic.

They were taken to a filthy jail after complaint on the part of the officials of the company. The police who arrested them are union men, but they are compelled to execute the wishes of the master class just the same. They told the young Communists: "We feel like thirty cents arresting you, boys, but the National Biscuit Company is raising hell at headquarters.

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GIRLS ARE EXPLOITED EVEN IN DANCE HALLS, SOCIAL WORKER SAYS

(By the Federated Press.)

NEW YORK.—Girls who work in the closed dance halls have to dance at least 40 dances an evening to earn \$2.40, says Maria W. Lambkin, who reports on conditions in the dance halls for certain social agencies. In closed halls the girls are employed by the manager and must dance with whomsoever he chooses no matter how offensive the partner may be. Miss Lambkin suggests a minimum wage for the girls.

WESTINGHOUSE YOUTH SLAVES FOR LOW WAGES

Pittsburgh Plant Has Rotten Conditions

By MAX SALZMAN.

Every day 25,000 employees of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company of East Pittsburgh, Pa., enter the workshops to work many long, dreary hours in order to produce the wealth upon which the parasitic owners live.

Almost half of these are young workers who toil long hours, receiving the most miserable of wages. Many of these are mere children who lie about their ages in order that they may get work, due to the fact that their parents receive so little wages.

Under Bad Conditions.

For 48 hours every week, these young workers toll, hearing the tiresome, rattling monotonous roar of machinery, dodging the huge cranes as they pass from one end of the room to the other carrying the heavy metal, which is used to make the electric motors, which are needed in order to keep the machinery running.

Young Workers coming into the plant are employed at 20 and 25 cents per hour. They are not immediately hired for work in the plant, but are hired as messengers. After working at least three months they are transferred to monotonous machine work. Here they are given the opportunity of advancing themselves, after years of work, to the immense sum of sixty cents per hour.

YOUNG WORKERS TO FIGHT FOR U. S. CAPITAL

Juicy Plum of China is Point at Stake

By HARRISON GEORGE.

Did you young workers ever go into a "penny arcade"? Usually there is a machine there with a glass front, behind which stands a sort of a doll representing an old lady. If you put a penny in the slot, the old lady grinds out a printed card. Your "fortune" is supposed to be on that card.

It is a "fortune teller" machine, and for one cent it will tell you some bunk about you marrying a "blonde heiress" or a "millionaire with brown eyes."

But there is another and a greater and more ominous machine for grinding out "fortunes" for young workers. Young workers put, not pennies, but their lives, into it every day. This machine, too, tells you a lot of bunk. It grinds out a mountain of capitalist newspapers telling you, if you are a working girl, that you will not have to work for years and years—may be your whole life—in a factory, or have a harder job as a worker's wife, but that you are sure, if you never listen to "agitators," to marry the boss' handsome son and live in luxury. It is a boy workers, the capitalist press tells you that, providing, of course, you won't join a union, go on strike or be a "Bolshevik," you will certainly "climb to the top" and be a boss yourself over other young workers. But like the machine in the penny arcade, this machine, capitalist society, has peddled you lies.

Now we are going to tell you real, sure-fire fortune. It is not pleasant, not a lot of bunk. It is the fortune of WAR! War, another big war, is on the way. You young workers who were too little to be drafted in the last war, may think war is great fun. If you do, you better talk seriously with the rank and file doughboys who actually laid in the trenches in the war for "democracy" because Morgan had loaned the Allies a load of money and had to have them go and help lick Germany. They'll tell you, if they learned anything from that butchery of 10,000,000 young men, that there's nothing for workers in fighting capitalist wars, but to kill and get killed, that those who were blown to pieces merely became fertilizer for French farmers, and those who came back lost their jobs, discovered that free speech and the right to strike had been taken away by the government.

DRIVE OPENED FOR A WEEKLY YOUNG WORKER

Quota Is Set At 2,000 Dollars

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in the most efficient way to the comrades who have given their pledges.

An efficient prosecution of this campaign will not only guarantee The Young Worker a circulation of 10,000, the minimum for the beginning of the publication of a weekly, but will give it an even greater circulation.

Our slogan is: Every comrade a bundle order distributor! There is no one who cannot find it possible to take a bundle of at the very least three copies. It is a tiny, ridiculously insignificant effort compared to the undying sacrifices made by our young Communist comrades in other parts of the world.

For the Two Thousand Dollar Drive, it is expected that every league will hold a special entertainment or dance during the months of October, November or December to raise a part of their quota. The rest will be raised by the circulation of subscription lists which are being sent to all branches of the League for distribution to the membership. These lists are to be used for the collection of contributions to our \$2,000 fund, and the money should be raised primarily among your shop mates. Side by side with the collection of money must go the collection of subscriptions to The Young Worker. The names of the comrades and the sums gathered will be printed from week to week in the columns of this paper.

Quotas for the collection of money towards the \$2,000 fund have been allotted as follows to all league branches:

New York City	\$400
Chicago	400
Cleveland	75
Philadelphia	60
Detroit	75
Boston	80
Los Angeles	80
Superior	50
Minneapolis	45
St. Paul	40
Fitchburg	45
Worcester	40
Waukegan	35
Baltimore	35
Rockford	35
Providence	35
Hanna, Wyoming	35
Maynard	50
Eban Junction	30
Ironwood	10
Hibbing	20
Chisholm	20
Munising	20
Warren	20
Clequet	20
Cromwell	15
Gardner	10
Buffalo	10
Kenosha	10
St. Louis	10
South Bend	10
Pittsburgh	20
East Pittsburgh	20
Dalystown	10
Oakland	10
Norwood	10
Newark	10
Springfield	20
Hartford	10
Monessen	10
Washington, D. C.	15
Ft. Bragg, Calif.	15
Easton	10
Denver	20
Dillonvale	25
New Haven	15
Bridgeport	20
Brule, Wis.	25
Owen	10
Phelps	10
San Francisco	20
Ashabula Harbor	20
Bradley (Dry Forks)	20
Youngstown	15
Perth Amboy	15
Passaic	15
South Norwalk	15
Fresno	10
Wauwau	10
Hammond	15
Hegewisch	10
Pullman	10
Lewisville, W. Va.	10
Oalloway, W. Va.	10
Scalp Level, Pa.	10
Aberdeen	10
Northport, Wash.	10
Zieger	10
West Frankfort	10
Dowell	10
Christopher	10
O'Fallon	10
Valler	10
Buckner	10
Benton	10
Johnston City	10
Bellefonte	10
Collinsville	10
Marissa	10
Stamford	10
Gary	10
Grand Rapids	10

We expect every league to achieve the quota set for them. Start sending in your money immediately. Don't wait until the last minute.