National Yipsel Head Under Charges

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National Secretary O. Carlson of the Yipsel organization has been placed under charges on complaint of William F. Kruse, former National Yipsel Secretary. Kruse retired upon being sentenced to 20 years in jail by Judge Landis for his loyalty to the workers. Carlson was elected in his place and has been paid a regular salary by the National Office of the party. The charges are that he has not occupied his office, although regularly drawing his wages; that he has had his official mail directed to his home, and that he refused to occupy his seat at the national convention, but attended the convention of a party formed as a rival to the Socialist Party instead. Kruse has been placed in charge of the office temporarily. It is interesting to note that Kruse was the leader of the “Left Wing” element in the national convention, but that he refused to bolt the party. The charges have created a profound stir in Yipsel circles everywhere.