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L. I. D. NOTES

NO ACTIVITY of the L. I. D. during this month has meant so much to us and, we hope, to the future, as the work of our child, the Emergency Committee for Strikers' Relief in connection with the Marion, N. C. massacre. We had thought that our work in the South was temporarily over with the settlement of the Marion strike on terms which meant defeat but by no means extermination for the union. But the Marion Manufacturing Company did not live up even to its own terms. On the night of October 1st, the night shift, goaded beyond endurance, struck. Early in the morning of October 2nd some of the unionists met their fellow workers at the mill to persuade them not to enter. A cowardly and incompetent sheriff and his deputies with unbelievable stupidity or cruelty could find no way of dealing with the situation but to fire into an unarmed crowd. The result was a massacre. The death roll totaled six and there are many wounded. The wounded have had to pay in the hospital before even their dressings were changed!

This is not the place to tell the sad story. It is the place to set down the fact that the Emergency Committee at once got into action, that it added Bishop F. J. McConnell to its Executive Committee, that it was fortunate enough to get Mary Fuller as acting secretary in place of Jack Herling who had previously left to work in Texas; that newspapers, especially the Scripps-Howard chain, proved very hospitable to our appeals; that Elmer Cope went down from Brookwood to act as

our agent, serving simply for expenses; and finally, that thanks to the generosity of our friends we have already sent down more than \$3,000. This money, be it recorded, was the chief reliance of the strikers in burying the dead, caring for the wounded and feeding the living. The A. F. of L. only got into action some two weeks late! But it must be said that the Marion situation was one factor in that revival of morale and intelligence in dealing with the Southern situation and with other situations which was so hopeful a note of the Toronto Convention of the American Federation of Labor.

It is also a pleasure to report that we have enlisted the co-operation of the American Friends Service Committee in this general type of industrial Red Cross work. All of which means that such work will be more adequately done than we have done it, but not for a moment that there is no further need for our Emergency Committee.

In all America no question deserves such careful consideration by students in and out of our colleges as the question of the effect upon life and labor in America of the industrialization of the South. We call especial attention to current comment in the pages of the *New Republic* and *The Nation* and to Sinclair Lewis' articles in the Scripps-Howard papers.

But we do not have to refer you simply to the printed word or recommend that you do nothing but study the situation. If you will write to this office we can suggest one or more speakers who have actually been in the South and who can speak authoritatively on the Southern situation. The list includes A. J. Muste, Tom Tippet, Alfred Hoffmann, Frank Gorman, Sara Bernheim, Benjamin Stolberg, Paul Porter, Roger Baldwin, William Spofford, Paul Blanshard, Lois MacDonald, Forrest Bailey, William Ross, and Samuel H. Friedman.

College and other groups around New York ought to avail themselves of one or another of these speakers. Possibly some of them might be available for more distant groups.

Meanwhile we urge our friends not merely to listen but to act. Clothing is greatly needed and should be sent direct to William Ross, Box 98, Marion, North Caro-

lina. Contributions should be sent to the Emergency Committee for Strikers Relief, 112 East 19th Street, New York.

Philadelphia means to catch up with New York very fast in the size and zeal of the L. I. D. Chapter it is forming. We think Chicago may have something to say about both of them. But to come back to Philadelphia. Under the enthusiastic leadership of Professor Andrew Biemiller of the University of Pennsylvania a city chapter is being formed in Philadelphia. Its first festal appearance will be at a dinner at the Hotel Rittenhouse on Friday, November 22nd when Norman Thomas will be the principal speaker. For information regarding the Philadelphia Chapter or the dinner, or both, residents of Philadelphia and points adjacent will please write to Miss Mary Fox of the national office.

Speaking of those dinners and luncheons at which we enjoyably eat our way to Utopia it is a pleasure to remind our readers that on November 16 there will be the 30th Anniversary lunch of the National Consumers League at the Hotel Astor, New York City. Senator Burton K. Wheeler and Professor Broadus Mitchell of Johns Hopkins University will be among the speakers. To our elder sister organization whose Executive Secretary and moving spirit is our own beloved Vice President, Florence Kelley, we send congratulations and greetings.

Indeed it has been our happy fortune to send congratulations and greetings more than once this fall. Thus we extended them to Ramsay MacDonald both by letter and in person in the name of the L. I. D. during his visit to New York and to our own American John Dewey when so many of his fellow citizens celebrated the fact that he was seventy years young.

Next in our series of publications is a pamphlet on unemployment by Harry W. Laidler. America which is often slow to awaken moves fast when it is aroused. It is moving fast — though not fast enough — in the direction of old age assistance. It must move fast and along a variety of roads to alleviate the various kinds of unemployment which make fear the natural portion of an increasing number of American workers. The facts about unemployment, something of its social consequences and the various measures we must take for its alleviation are well told in Dr. Laidler's pamphlet which ought to become a hand-book for an ever wider group of Americans who are in this fight heart and soul to bring a sense of security to the workers.

The season for college and forum tours is about to

begin. Paul Porter, our Field Secretary, left October 28 for a trip to New York State colleges. This is a kind of curtain raiser for a long trip which will take him to a good many Southern states and then up into the Middle West in time to help arouse interest in the Mid-Winter conference at Chicago. After that conference in the holiday period he will probably remain in the Middle West for a few more college and forum engagements. His schedule is fairly well made or, at any rate, well under way, but if any colleges in the general area indicated have not heard from us and have a burning desire to hear Mr. Porter will they please write Mr. Thomas.

Harry Laidler whom we are trying to free as far as possible so that he may finish his important study of the growth of consolidation and the concentration of financial power in the United States is planning a short tour in New England in December.

Norman Thomas will fill a number of forum engagements in November, will spend the first eleven days of December in Texas, coming back probably by way of Tennessee and North Carolina. Mr. Thomas plans another fairly extensive trip at the end of February and the beginning of March in the Middle West. L. I. D. office work, the New York Mayoralty campaign and work for the Emergency Committee for Strikers Relief has kept Mr. Thomas pretty closely tied to New York during the Fall. He did, however, make one trip to speak at the Dorchester forum in Boston, Massachusetts, and the fine Progressive Club Forum in Northampton, Massachusetts. He has already spoken in some of the New York City colleges and universities.

Paul Blanshard, who won fame for himself and us as our former field secretary, leaves his desk at *The Nation* on February 1 for a six weeks trip to the Pacific Coast for the League. Colleges and civic forums who are anxious to hear Mr. Blanshard should write to us at once as there will be a heavy demand on his time. Florence Kelley, of the National Consumers League, and one of our vice-presidents, addressed college groups in Syracuse, Buffalo and Boston for us late in October. Cynthia Reade, who has been one of the active spirits in our Chicago Chapter will make a tour of Michigan, Illinois, and Wisconsin colleges during November and December.

We are especially anxious this year to supplement trips by our regular staff with speaking engagements for that splendid list of friends of ours who have so generously agreed to put part of their time at the disposal of our groups throughout the country. We call your very careful attention to the list of speakers, subjects, etc., which we publish elsewhere in this issue.

L.I.D. Speakers

THE L. I. D. is not equipped to serve as a regular speakers' bureau. But we do have a list of excellent speakers, in addition to the Executive Directors and the Field Secretary, who are available for occasional college and forum lectures. In many cases these speakers can speak for expenses only; in no instance is the honorarium excessive. Groups which desire to hear one or more of these speakers should write to Miss Mary Fox of this office at least four weeks before the prospective engagement so that the speakers may conveniently arrange their schedules. A list of the speakers and some of their subjects follows:

FORREST BAILEY, Director, American Civil Liberties Union. Subjects: Freedom in Education; The Problem of Religious Freedom; Civil Liberties in Industrial Conflicts; Censorship; and interpretations of famous civil liberties cases.

ROGER N. BALDWIN, Director, American Civil Liberties Union. Subjects: The Struggle against Imperialism; The Future of Liberty Under the Soviets; Free Speech or Violence; The Fight for Free Speech; The Fighting Issues of Civil Liberties Today. Mr. Baldwin will be in the Middle West during the winter.

ANDREW BIEMILLER, University of Pennsylvania. Subjects: The British Labor Movement; Intellectuals and the Labor Movement.

MCALISTER COLEMAN, Author of *Pioneers of Freedom* and co-author of *Don't Tread on Me*. Subjects: The Fun of Radicalism; A Man Unafraid; Coal-diggers and Gold-diggers; More Power to You; The Hokum Slingers.

ALBERT F. COYLE, Director, American European Travel Bureau; formerly editor of *Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers Journal*.

PAUL H. DOUGLAS, University of Chicago. Subjects: The New Russia; American Policy in the Caribbean; Prosperity and the American Worker; Wanted—A Labor Party.

JOHN W. EDELMAN, Editor, *The Hosiery Workers*. Subjects: The Modern View of Economics; Intellectuals and the Labor Movement; Modern Trade Unionism; Social Legislation; Textile Industry; Injunctions.

MARY DONOVAN HAPGOOD. Subjects: Labor's Viewpoint on Vital Issues; The Need for Socialism; The Sacco-Vanzetti Case and other Labor Frame-ups. Open for engagements only in Colorado.

POWERS HAPGOOD. Subjects: Labor's Viewpoint on Vital Issues; The Labor Movement; The Need for Socialism; Experiences of a Coal Miner in America, Europe and Asia; The Sacco-Vanzetti Case and other Labor Frame-ups. Open for engagements only in Colorado.

WILLIAM P. HAPGOOD, well known for his noteworthy experiments in industrial democracy in the Columbia Conserve Company of Indianapolis, of which he is president.

FRANCIS A. HENSON, Yale University. Subjects: Observations of Socialism at Work in Europe; The Moral Obligation to be an Internationalist; The Student and The Economic Order. Mr. Henson will also speak on opportunities for students in summer industrial work.

JESSIE WALLACE HUGHAN, Teacher and Author. Subjects: Socialism; War and Peace; International Government; A Trip through the Orient; Ethics in the Schools.

JOHN ISE, University of Kansas. Subjects: Economic Fundamentalism; Socialism as Applied Christianity; Is the Economic System Perfect?

PAUL U. KELLOGG, Editor, *The Survey*. Subjects: The Kellogg Pact; Shuttles of Understanding; Manchester, Essen and Pittsburgh.

FLORENCE KELLEY, Executive Secretary of the National Consumers League. Subjects: The Skeleton in Industry's Closet; Women and the U. S. Supreme Court; President Hoover's White House Conference on Child Welfare and Health; Candy Manufacture in Relation to Life, Health and Death; Industrial Revolution in the South; Minimum Wages for Minors in Industry.

PAUL JONES, Subjects: Will the Church Enlist in the Next War? Class War and Others; Should We Punish? Industrial Teamwork.

JOSEPH B. MATTHEWS, Secretary, Fellowship of Reconciliation. Subjects: Socialism in Vienna; Toward an Understanding of Russia; The Economics of Race Relations; Realism in the Peace Movement; International, Inter-racial and Economic questions.

JAMES H. MAURER, City Councillor and Treasurer of Reading, Pa.; former President of Pennsylvania Federation of Labor. Subjects: Municipal Problems; Old Age Pensions; Labor Problems.

BROADUS MITCHELL, Johns Hopkins University. Subjects: The Industrial South; Socialism and Social Reform; American Economic Development.

A. J. MUSTE, Chairman of the Faculty, Brookwood Labor College. Subjects: Workers' Education vs. Adult Education; Progressivism in the Labor Movement; Labor and the New Capitalism; Sore Spots in Southern Textiles.

REINHOLD NIEBUHR has a very full schedule during the year, but will be glad to speak occasionally.

HENRY NEUMANN, Leader, Brooklyn Ethical Culture Society. Subjects: Three Types of Social Change: Which will America Choose? Making a Living and Making a Life; Can Human Nature be Changed? Dr. Neumann will be in the Middle West in November and early December, and in March.

WILLIAM PICKENS, Field Secretary, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. Will speak on economic and racial questions. Mr. Pickens will make a trip from St. Louis to California and back during the period from January to March, 1930.

CYNTHIA READE, Organizer for International Ladies' Garment Workers Union, Chicago. Subjects: An Evolutionary Way to Industrial Democracy — Consumers' Co-operation; Organizing Women into Trade Unions; The Adventure of the Labor Movement. Mrs. Reade is available for engagements in and near Chicago.

JOHN NEVIN SAYRE, Secretary, Fellowship of Reconciliation. Subjects: Russia — An Inside View; The Struggle for Peace in Europe; War and the Christian Church; Disarmament and Defense; Militarism in Education; What is Essential for Inter-American Friendship? The World We Live In and the Church We Need; The Prevention of Race Conflict; Patriotism and Pacifism; Adventuring for Peace in

Areas of Hate; Why Civil Liberties Matter; Christ and Class War.

CLARENCE SENIOR, National Secretary of the Socialist Party. Subjects: European Youth Movements; Youth and Peace; Labor and Peace; Negro Labor and the Unions; What the Socialists Want; The Socialist Party and the Unions; A Socialist Municipal Program; Socialism Around the World; An American Labor Party?

BENJAMIN STOLBERG, Writer. Mr. Stolberg is prepared to discuss a wide range of topics dealing with the labor movement.

TOM TIPPETT, instructor in economics at Brookwood Labor College, is one of the ablest speakers on the American Labor Movement. He speaks direct from his long and varied experiences.

HARRY F. WARD, Professor of Social Ethics, Union Theological Seminary. Subjects: Recent Changes in Property in the U. S.; Is the Profit Motive Efficient?; Our Economic Empire and its Consequences.

LOUIS WALDMAN, New York Attorney. Subjects: Injunctions in Labor Disputes; Old Age Dependence and Social Policy; Water Power — a Constructive Program; Censorship; Literature and Public Welfare; Government and Industry.

The Winter Conference

AS IS our usual custom we shall hold intercollegiate conferences during the Christmas holidays in New York and Chicago. The city chapters of the respective cities are co-operating. The Chicago conference theme will be announced shortly; the New York conference will be devoted to a searching study of the textile industry and its labor problems.

It is hoped that an understanding of our whole American Society can be gained by studying one of its most important and chaotic industries. An analysis of the textile industry and its relation to the economic structure of American society is the beginning of an analysis of that society. The story of the workers in that industry, of their struggle to organize, now in one center and now in another, is the story of the fight of all workers to secure for themselves a decent return for their labor. What shall we do with this suffering industry? What can the worker do? How can the student get first-hand knowledge of what is going on in the factory and mill?

Among those who have been invited to speak are Thomas McMahon of the United Textile Workers; Dr. George Mitchell of Columbia University; A. J. Muste of Brookwood Labor College; Roger N. Baldwin of the Civil Liberties Union; Walter Ludwig, active in the organization of seminars for students in industry; Professor Seager of Columbia; Harold Hatch,

a manufacturer who is a friend of labor; Sara Bernheim of the Labor Bureau; Paul Blanshard of *The Nation*; Albert Weisbord, the Communist who tried so valiantly to organize the workers in Passaic; Tom Tippet of Brookwood Labor College; and a number of others. The knowledge and experience of these speakers, brought to the consideration of the various problems of this industry, should contribute a new approach to the whole subject.

A tentative outline of the program follows:
Thursday, December 26.

3 P.M. Registration at L.I.D. office, 112 East 19th Street.

4 P.M. Meeting at the home of Norman Thomas.

At this meeting several college students who have actually worked in the textile industry both in the North and South, will tell of their experiences, and of opportunities for students who wish to have industrial experience during this summer.

6:30 P.M. Buffet Supper, at the home of Norman Thomas.

Friday, December 27, at Union Theological Seminary.

10 A.M. Subject: History of the textile industry in the United States, and of labor organization in the industry.

2 P.M. Subject: An economic analysis of the textile industry at the present time and possibilities of its organization.

4:30 P.M. A business meeting of delegates to the Conference.

Saturday, December 28 at Union Theological Seminary.

10 A.M. Subject: How can labor in the textile industry be effectively organized?

12:30 P.M. at the Hotel Woodstock, fifth Saturday luncheon of the New York Chapter of the League for Industrial Democracy.

If you can't come to either conference yourself won't you lay your plans now to see that your college is represented?

We are very grateful to our kind friends for their good word about our book "Socialism of our Times" and for the surprisingly large number of dollar contributions to help us put the book in public and college libraries. The total of contributions for this is now \$185.

The L. I. D. regrets to report that slow recovery from an operation has kept Miss Bertha Dubrow out of the office for many weeks. Her friends will be glad to know that her recovery though slow will be sure.

Among the Colleges

THE college liberal clubs are now striking their full swing. The well-established liberal groups like those in Vassar, Smith, Harvard, Swarthmore, Dartmouth, Michigan, and Wisconsin, seem to be more active this year than ever. Even in some of the colleges where organized liberalism enjoys a precarious footing students are daring to face and discuss frankly touchy social issues.

Noteworthy in the programs of a number of college L. I. D. chapters, particularly the New York colleges and Vassar, has been the immensely practical job of raising money and old clothing for the relief of the destitute textile strikers in Marion, N. C. Discussion groups are concerning themselves less with abstractions about an academic liberalism and more with the immediate though far-reaching questions of social reconstruction.

The now-famous campaign waged by Norman Thomas for Mayor of New York on the Socialist ticket resulted in the formation of large and energetic Thomas-for-Mayor clubs in the New York colleges, which in the case of Students of Columbia, Barnard, C. C. N. Y. and Union Seminary became University branches of the Socialist Party.

New York City groups have banded together in a loose federation called the New York Intercollegiate Council. Nathaniel Weyl, of Columbia, is chairman of the Council. Other colleges included in the federation are C. C. N. Y., New York University, Barnard, Hunter, Adelphi, Union Seminary and General Theological Seminary.

The Council, which may well serve as a model for other cities which harbor several colleges, plans for united action in assisting the L. I. D. with the New York winter conference, in picketing and protecting civil liberties in strikes, and in doing volunteer organizing for the International Ladies Garment Workers Union and other labor groups.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY

The Harvard Socialist Club has a stormy career. Probably no college liberal group has had so much front-page publicity during the past year as this small band of non-conformists. Laurence Cohen, the president, was arrested and fined for passing out leaflets in Cambridge welcoming Ramsay MacDonald on the day of his arrival in the United States. Official pressure has been used, Mr. Cohen reports, to keep newsboys from selling *The Harvard Progressive*, published by the club. *The Harvard Crimson* has twice urged that the entire membership be ducked in the Charles River.

Mr. Cohen writes that the club is arranging to have a picket line on Armistice Day of students parading on Boston Common "as an antidote to the American Legion parade, which is planned for the same day."

"Other plans for the near future provide for a campaign to let the world know that Harvard runs an open-shop printing plant and is constantly employing several hundred non-union carpenters and electricians. The club plans to use the slogan: 'Can't Harvard afford the union scale or is it opposed to trade unionism?'" He also reports that the club has stimulated a great deal of interest in the Mooney-Billings case, that one of the members, Abraham Kalish, is a Socialist candidate for

city council of Boston, and is the New Organizer for the Young Peoples Socialist League; and that another member, Donald Thompson has recently become the Socialist Party organizer for Buffalo.

SMITH COLLEGE

The "Why Club" is beginning a series of critical discussions of capitalism with a talk by Paul Porter on "Is Capitalism Efficient?" on November 8th. Leonora D. Cohen is president.

SWARTHMORE COLLEGE

Swarthmore liberals representing the L. I. D. chapter, the Foreign Policy Association chapter, and other groups, have banded together to form an amalgamated liberal club of about 200 members. Dr. Alexander Meiklejohn, Chairman of the Wisconsin University Experimental College and a vice-president of the L. I. D., who speak before the club on November 2nd, is the first of a list of distinguished men that will enlighten the Swarthmore program.

VASSAR COLLEGE

Vassar, as usual, sets the pace for college liberals. The L. I. D. chapter of about 40 members is a part of the Political Association which includes about 200 members, and is arranging a luncheon in February for Norman Thomas. The L. I. D. chapter has collected clothing for the Marion strikers, has distributed a number of pamphlets on the Southern textile strikes, is sending a large delegation to the L. I. D. winter conference in New York, is organizing a trip to Brookwood Labor College and plans to send several students to the Southern textile areas next summer to assist in organization and educational activities among the mill workers. Several of the Vassar girls worked in factories in Chicago and Los Angeles last summer.

UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA

A splendid L. I. D. chapter has recently been organized on the University of Pennsylvania campus. An executive committee consisting of Charles P. Kindleberger, Arthur Fletcher, Victor Gilbert, Sydney Suffrin, and Joseph Lawler will govern the chapter. Professor Andrew Biemiller and Professor Maynard Kreeger are advisers for the chapter. About thirty students have joined.

JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY

Joel Seidman, chairman of the Liberal Club, writes "Our prospects are excellent for the year, even more interesting and active than the last. We have already begun our series of original reports prepared by our own members, which form the most important portion of our program. We are also planning a series of big public meetings with prominent outside speakers, to be held about once a month. We are almost cer-

tain to repeat last year's Conference for students in Maryland, the District of Columbia, and the vicinity.

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

The Princeton liberal club which originated, as far as we know, the first Alumni liberal conference, held on Alumni Day, plans to affiliate this year with the L. I. D. H. S. Warwick, II, is president and George Chaikin is secretary.

CHICAGO UNIVERSITY

A Socialist club is in the process of organization at the University of Chicago. Charles D. Madsen writes that the club expects to affiliate with both the L. I. D. and the Socialist Party.

CITY COLLEGE OF NEW YORK

City College students are always in the forefront of liberal activities in New York. The student forum sent a delegation to greet Ramsay MacDonald and has done volunteer work in the organization campaign of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union. Morris Cohen is president and Lewis Feuer is secretary.

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

The Social Problems Club has held meetings on the Marion textile strike with Paul Blanshard, Tom Tippet and one of the strikers—an eye witness to the tragic massacre,—as speakers. The Thomas for Mayor Club meeting drew over a thousand students and faculty members to hear Norman Thomas, Socialist candidate for Mayor of New York, Professor John Dewey, and Professor Raymond Moley on October 24.

CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Albert Arent reports that the Cornell Liberal Club opened its season with a discussion of "Liberal Trends in Education", by Professor M. A. Copeland, of the Wisconsin Experimental College.

DUKE UNIVERSITY

The newly formed Duke Liberal Club began its year with a forum on the Gastonia textile strike and trial. The officers of the club are Harry Douty, Esther Morris, Kenneth McDougall, Murray Miller and May Bess Redford.

NORTH CAROLINA STATE COLLEGE

A forum on labor conditions in the Southern textile industry was sponsored by the State College Democratic Club. Milton Abernethy is the energetic L. I. D. representative.

ADELPHI COLLEGE

Ida Ostreich reports that the Adelphi chapter of the L. I. D. sent a delegation of students to join the throng greeting Ramsay MacDonald upon his arrival in the United States. An active program is planned for the year.

OTHER COLLEGES

A complete list of the colleges in which we have organized groups and our student representatives will be given in the December issue of the *Monthly*, which will also contain much more extensive reports of college activities. Among the newly formed chapters or chapters in the process of organization may be mentioned those of Bryn Mawr, of which Hazel Seligman is president; Brown University, Meyer Brown, president; Nebraska University, Evelyn Adler, chairman; University of Iowa, Donald Harter, chairman; Agnes Scott College, Peggy Lou Armstrong, organizer; Cincinnati University, Julius Schreiber, chairman.

Walter C. B. Saxman is again the leader of the Albion chapter of about 40 members. Jean Weidman is our representative in the evening session of C. C. N. Y.

NEW YORK CHAPTER LUNCHEONS

Out of town members who plan to come to New York are cordially invited by the New York Chapter to its Saturday luncheons. Discussions will be held at the Hotel Woodstock, 127 West 43rd Street, New York, on the following dates: November 30; December 14 and 28; January 11 and 25; February 8; March 8 and 22; April 12 and 26.

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News from the City Chapter

THE Rochester Chapter has planned a year of activity along three lines. It has undertaken a study to discuss the need for a change from our present system. It is planning to hold a series of meetings during the winter, on the vital issues which confront us all today. The first of these meetings was addressed by Dr. David Rhys Williams. In addition to these meetings research work in local problems is to be carried on. A study is now being made of unemployment in Rochester by Miss Volpe, the Secretary of the Chapter. Groups such as these are doing real work in educating the community to look toward a society based on production for use and not for profit.

Letters from Chicago tell of a Chapter alert and anxious to use every opportunity for strengthening the work of the L. I. D. The members of the Chapter have been very busy in creating a strong and definite organization and have drafted a Constitution to define its work. They have evolved a plan which cannot yet be announced, that seems to us to mean the awakening of a large number of High School students to the issues confronting American society. The Chapter is planning to make the winter conference, to be held in Chicago, December 26 to 28, a significant one for the students of the Middle West.

During the past summer ten meetings were held. Among the Speakers were Ben F. Wilson, Paul H. Douglas and Chandler Owen.

The New York Chapter of the L. I. D. has already held two of the twelve Saturday luncheons which have been planned for the winter. These luncheons are held at the Hotel Woodstock, once or twice a month. The subject of the first luncheon was *Industrial Conflict in the South*. The speakers were Alfred Hoffmann of the United Textile Workers; Tom Tippet and A. J. Muste of Brookwood Labor College, who had just returned from delivering funeral orations at the burial of the murdered strikers in Marion, N. C., and Dr. Broadus Mitchell of Johns Hopkins University. About 150 people attended the meeting. Contrary to precedent, a plea was made for funds for relief of strikers and the sum of \$300 was raised which was forwarded to Marion by the Emergency Committee for Strikers Relief.

There was an even larger attendance at the second meeting on the issues of the Municipal campaign. Fred-

eric R. Coudert, Jr., Samuel Untermyer and Norman Thomas presented the views of the different parties toward a program for the government of New York City. The lively discussion which followed the very stimulating speeches made the audience eager to attend other luncheons of the League.

In addition to the luncheons, the Chapter is planning to hold a series of teas and evening meetings for interesting visitors to New York and for the discussion by Chapter members of important problems of the day.

A Committee of the Chapter has been effective in helping in the organization of an Intercollegiate Council in New York, which has representatives from all the city colleges. This council is not a sub-committee of the League for Industrial Democracy, but is closely affiliated with the Chapter and plans to work with it in organizing meetings in the colleges, as well as in giving college students an opportunity for participation in the radical movement. Co-operation between this Council and the L. I. D. has already effected the program for the Winter Conference.

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THE ART OF STRAIGHT THINKING. By Edwin Leavitt Clarke. N. Y.: Appleton. 1929. 470 pp. \$3.

In this age of high-power propaganda, super-publicity men and public relations councillors, when the minds of millions are daily being warped and prejudiced against particular racial, national and social reform groups — all for the glory of the Great God Profit — this volume on clear, straight thinking by the Professor of Sociology of Oberlin College and member of the National Council of the L. I. D. is indeed welcome.

Several years ago Professor Clarke began a course in methods of scientific investigation. He soon discovered the disconcerting fact that the majority of students knew little of methods of scientific thinking in the social sciences, and therefore were unequipped to take advantage even of the most excellent helps in research. The result of this observation is the present hand-book.

The volume begins with some telling chapters on the cause and cure of prejudices, followed by sections on logic, on experimental methods, on the use and misuse of analogies, on written and oral testimony, dishonest propaganda and a co-operative technique for solving social problems. Throughout it is illuminated by quotations dealing with modern industrial and international struggles, which give it life and vitality. It should prove an invaluable aid to all engaged in conducting discussion courses on the social science whether within or without our colleges and indeed to all of those desirous of grappling fearlessly and fundamentally with the social problems, and of assisting others to see with a clear eye the real issues at stake.

HARRY W. LAIDLER.

L. I. D. MEMBERSHIP

More and more demands for our speakers and literature are received daily by the National office. We hear constantly of the work of local groups in organizing chapters, arranging meetings for L. I. D. speakers, carrying on study and investigation of local needs. We are happy to know that our members are active and alert and that the effectiveness of the League is growing.

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