

Y.C.L. Conference Outlines Plans

Summarizing the discussion at the three day National Conference of the Young Communist League, Gil Green, Secretary of the League called for an intensive campaign on a number of issues of immediate importance for the young people of America:

1—For the passage of the American Youth Act, now a bill in the Senate and the House of Representatives.

2—For Peace, in which campaign Gil Green stressed the importance of arousing a national protest against J. P. Morgan.

3—For the preservation of the Olympic Ideal, by preventing the sending of a team to the Nazi games.

4—Intensified efforts for the freedom of the Scottsboro boys.

5—For the Child Labor Amendment, and in all these activities for active work to build the Farmer-Labor Party.

In connection with the struggle for the defense of peace John Little, who reported on the question, called for preparations now, to insure the widest united front character for the Peace Parades on May 30, and the student strike against war, April 12.

In the reports of Green on the reconstruction of the Young Communist League, Mac Weiss on the tasks facing us in building the front of the young generation, and the report of John Little, as well as in the discussion of dozens of delegates two major tasks were stressed. These were first, aid in bringing about the cooperation and collaboration of all non-fascist youth organizations, particularly broadening the American Youth Congress. Second, is the job broadening the Young Communist League, intensifying its class struggle activities, and working to establish united action with the Young Peoples Socialist League as a step in the direction of building a non-party, united youth league which will fight for socialism in the U. S. A.

Over 300 delegates attended.

DRESSMAKERS STRIKE READY

NEW YORK, N. Y.—With only two weeks left to the end of the present agreement in the dress industry, the Dressmakers Union is making intensive preparations to mobilize its vast membership for strike activity. According to the preliminaries, it certainly looks as if the final showdown will go hard on the bosses.

Last Wednesday at the Manhattan Opera House where Julius Hochman, general manager of the Dress Joint Board, outlined to the active dressmakers, general strike duties and special assignments, strike spirit was high. The main hall was packed to overflowing with thousands of dressmakers outside clamoring for admittance.

"A strike in the dress industry is inevitable," Julius Hochman stated, "unless the representatives of the employers' association develop a better brand of industrial statesmanship in the crucial few weeks ahead of us. We shall leave nothing undone to write a satisfactory contract, but two decades in the industry have shown me that our employers never seem able to solve industry's problems without forcing us to resort to strikes."

Aside from this effective rally, concrete steps were taken in the last two weeks by the Dress Joint Board to set up the backbone of strike machinery namely, "Building Committees." Every night after working hours, meetings of active dressmakers in each building were called to acquaint them with the great responsibility that is placed on them in arousing the masses of dressmakers and leading them in action.

These committees were established for the purpose of becoming the watchful eye of the union and the head of the army of dressmakers in the coming general strike.

The American Youth Bill is Number 10189 in the House of Representatives. All youth organizations should send telegrams, letters and resolutions calling for the passage of the Bill. Address, Vincent L. Palminsono, Committee on Education, Washington, D. C.

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