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HAIL MAY DAY!

BETRAYAL CAN'T STOP CHINESE REVOLUTION

The United States government, following the orders of the Wall Street bankers, is making war upon the Chinese people. This is being done in spite of the fact that no war was ever declared and that congress never decided that we are in a state of war with China.

The U. S. government and the capitalist papers holler that they have to send battleships and marines to China to protect "lives and property." Whose property? The workers' property? No! It's the property of the rich bankers of America who are enslaving the Chinese people to make profits for them.

American Government Fights Chinese People.

And whose lives is the American government protecting? The Chinese workers and farmers don't want to kill anybody. But what about the hundreds of Chinese who were killed when the foreign battleships opened fire in Nanking. The excuse of the American government is that

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Int'l Children's Week Coming!

The time has come for us to show everybody that we, workers' and farmers' children, are not just kids who don't know anything. We are part of the working class. We fight for everything that is good for the workers. And we also have our own problems, in school, in the factory, in the streets, everywhere, just because we are poor kids and haven't got all the fine things and aren't treated as well as the rich children.

We think that we workers' children should know that we mean something in the world, that we are of importance in the workers' struggle. That's what we are going to show during International Children's Week—May 14 to May 22. This International Children's Week is going to be celebrated at this same time by the workers' children in every country of the world. During this week the workers' and farmers' children must come out and demonstrate for their demands and show that they mean to fight for them. During this week we must show that we really are a part of the big international army of the workers, the youngest section of this army.

The Pioneers, in cooperation with other workers' children organizations, are arranging big things for International Children's Week. Open air meetings, demonstrations, parties, parents' evenings, and a lot more. On another page in this issue we are printing a list of the children's demands, the demands of the workers' and farmers' children of America. Are you for these demands? Do you want to show that you are ready to come out and fight for your rights? Then join in with us in International Children's Week!

Here's an Example!

By Young Comrade Correspondent.

AKRON, Ohio.— Because a detective told on him, Walter Karniewsky, a Pioneer of Akron, age 13, was arrested by several policemen for distributing the "Red Wing", the workers paper of the Goodyear Rubber factory. He was taken to the police station in a patrol wagon but he stoutly refused to be frightened by the policemen at the station.

In answer to all questions, he said he had a right as a workers' child to help organize the workers. He was released without any charges being made against him. Even the policemen had to admire his pluck.

Workers' Children in United Front to Celebrate May Day

The workers' and farmers' children to the front!

In a great many cities on May 1st the children of the workers will demonstrate unitedly to show that they too are a part of the great army of the working class and that May Day is their holiday too.

The Children's Demonstrations have been arranged in the various cities by united fronts of many workers' children's organizations, with the Pioneers, of course, taking the leading part. In Detroit the Conference for the Children's May Day Demonstration includes representatives from a number of Workers' Schools for children; in Chicago

Workers' Schools, children's clubs, a workers' children singing society, etc., will take part. In New York, Philadelphia, Boston and other cities there is the same kind of united action of working class children's organizations for May Day. This year's May Day will certainly be a step forward in rallying the masses of the children to the working class and its struggle.

The Children's May Day Demonstrations will be in all kinds of forms. In some places there will be parades; in others meetings; in others picnics and so on. Every worker's child should come to these demonstrations, show that they are for the workers and also have a good time and learn a lot.

Besides their own demonstrations the workers' children in dozens of cities in this country will take part in the May Day demonstrations arranged by the grown-up workers. Wherever there will be any kind of meeting the Pioneers are sure to be on the program and to have a Pioneer speaker. Workers' children are sure to be in the audience.

One solid front of the working class—grown-up workers, young workers, and workers' children.

Miners on Strike; Children Must Help.

Over 150,000 coal miners are out on strike to keep up their standards and to prevent a wage cut of \$2.00 a day.

When the agreement between the soft coal miners and the bosses came to an end on March 31, the bosses refused to make a new agreement at the same wages; they wanted that the small wages of the miners should be still more reduced by \$2.00 a day.

The miners are showing fine spirit in their fighting. But the "leaders" of the miners' union, like Lewis and others, are not doing the things that will help the miners win. These leaders hate the real fighters in the union, the Left Wingers, more than they hate the bosses.

The miners, the young miners, and the miners' children must depend on themselves to win the fight. The miners' children and all working class children in the country must back up the striking miners with all their might. One solid front—the workers, the young workers, and the workers' children.

**PUSH THE
YOUNG COMRADE
SUB DRIVE!**

MAY DAY!

The first of May is known all over the world as the great Day of Labor. On this day the workers and farmers of all countries demonstrate that all who work are brothers and fellow fighters in the struggle against all masters and oppressors. May First is the day of the Brotherhood of Labor, the day of the struggle for freedom.



We, the children of the workers and farmers, are also a part of the working class, the youngest part. Therefore, May Day is the great holiday of us working class children as well.

But we also have our own battles against the bosses and their servants, the school authorities. We have to fight against child labor, against the bosses' teachings in the schools, against bad school conditions for us workers' children, and against many other things. This fight of ours is a part of the big fight of the workers against the bosses. For us May Day means that all workers' children must stick together to fight for their interests, side by side with the grown-up and young workers.

On May Day, 1927, especially we must realize that the working people of all countries are brothers. Today the American government has sent thirty battleships and about nine thousand armed men to China to try to crush the Chinese people fighting for freedom. The American government is doing the dirty work of the

rich American bankers who are afraid that if the Chinese people win their freedom they will refuse to slave for them any longer. So, to keep the Chinese people slaves of the American bankers, the U. S. government has sent battleships and marines, has bombarded Chinese cities, and killed hundreds of Chinese men, women and children. The American soldiers in China are acting like the Hessians in the Revolutionary War, trying to keep a people in slavery.

On May First we must show the Chinese workers and farmers that we are with them and against the despotic and murderous American government and bosses. The Chinese workers and farmers are our brothers. The American bosses and bankers are our worst and most hated enemies.

Hands off China! All of us together in support of the Chinese people fighting for freedom!

Celebrate May Day, the Day of Labor!

A solid front of the whole working class—grown-up workers, young workers and workers' children! One army in the fight for freedom!

MAY DAY 1927

MAY DAY, 1918

It was in the city of Cleveland, in 1918, Cleveland was practically the only place in the country where there was any real workers' struggle against the bloody World War that was going ahead at full speed at that time. This was because in most every place the leaders of the workers—at that time the Socialist leaders—had turned traitor to the workers and supported the war or at least didn't fight it.

Ruthenberg Leads Fight on War.

At that time Comrade Ruthenberg was the head of the Socialist Party in Cleveland. But the Socialist Party in Cleveland was a real workers' organization just as the Communist Party is now. It conducted a big struggle against the war. And the leader of this struggle was C. E. Ruthenberg.

The Big May Day Demonstration.

May Day, 1918, found the workers of Cleveland ready to take real action against the war. A monster demonstration was organized with Ruthenberg at the head of it. Fifty thousand workers were in this giant demonstration. The long columns proceeded to City Hall, gathering more and more workers as it proceeded. High above floated many Red Banners. The militant spirit of the workers ran high but they kept themselves well in restraint and everything was peaceful.

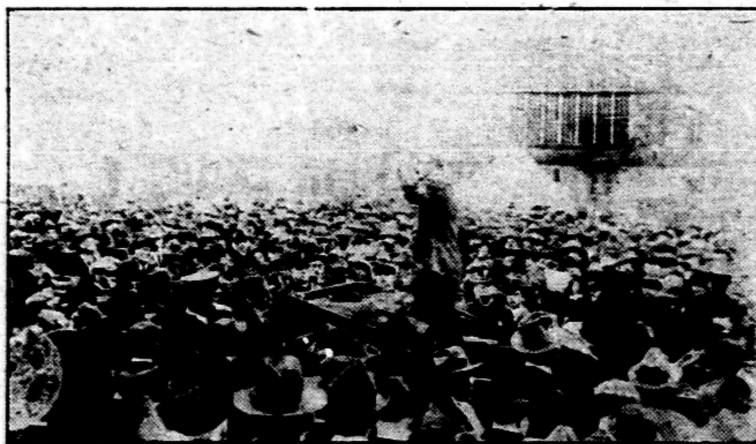
The Police Attack the Demonstration.

As the tremendous demonstration approached the city hall it was attacked by a mob of "patriots" supported and helped by soldiers, sailors and policemen. A rush was made to tear down the Red Flags. But the workers rallied around their flag to defend it. In the fight that followed two men were killed and over 200

were injured. But the Red Flag was kept flying.

The Police Try to Frame-up Ruthenberg.

Ruthenberg was arrested and charged with murder. Everything was set to frame him up and send him to jail, probably to the electric chair, just as Sacco and Vanzetti are being sent to the electric chair now. But fortunately a newspaper reporter came forward and told of the preparations of the police and the city officials to attack the parade and so it became clear that the city officials



Ruthenberg Addressing Anti-War Meeting in Cleveland.

and the police were really responsible for the deaths at the demonstration. Of course when this became known Ruthenberg could not be convicted and he was soon declared not guilty.

And so, C. E. Ruthenberg, who later became the great leader of the American working class movement, held aloft the Red Banner of struggle against the war on that glorious May Day, 1918.

In the '80's of the last century a big wave swept the labor movement of America in favor of an eight-hour day. Everywhere the workers demanded and demonstrated for it. And when American workers really fight for a thing there are no better fighters in the world.

It was in Chicago that the movement reached its highest point. Among the leaders of this movement were Parsons, Spies, Fielden, Schwab and others who were good speakers and organizers and splendid fighters.

—“to brand the murder of our fellow-workers.” Over two thousand workers answered the call. The well-known working class leaders, Parsons, Fielden, Spies, and others spoke.

The meeting was a quiet one for altho the workers were boiling with anger they knew how to control them selves. And the mayor of Chicago himself admitted that there was nothing illegal about the meeting.

Police Attack Meeting.

Just about when the meeting was nearing its end 176 policemen came upon the scene under Capt. Ward. Capt. Ward ordered the workers to break up the meeting but the workers refused. And the policemen were just getting ready to fire into the crowd.

Suddenly from a nearby street a bomb was thrown into the crowd. Bang! A tremendous crash! One dead—several wounded. The police immediately fired into the crowd although everybody could see that the bomb hadn't come from there. After the smoke cleared away it was found that one worker had been killed and over fifty wounded.

Who had thrown the bomb nobody could tell. It was not any worker at the meeting and it certainly was not any speaker. And yet Parsons, Spies, Fielden and the other leaders were arrested and charged with murder.

Honor the Haymarket Martyrs.

The trial was a terrible example of capitalist justice. The judge and attorney were openly on the side of the bosses. All kinds of crooked methods were used to frame up the workers on trial. Finally the verdict came. The seven working class leaders were condemned to death. One committed suicide in prison; two had their sentences changed to 15 years hard labor. The other four were hanged. Among them was Albert Parsons whose name has become famous the world over.

So died these brave heroes of the working class and May Day is drenched in their blood. On May, 1927 we recall the bloody May, 1886, and we remember the Haymarket martyrs.

FIGHT FOR THE LIVES OF SACCO AND VANZETTI!

For seven years Sacco and Vanzetti have been suffering in prison and now the Supreme Court of the State of Massachusetts has decided that they must die. Unless the governor of Massachusetts pardons them or changes their sentence they will soon die.

Is there one single worker or workers' child in this country who does not know that Sacco and Vanzetti are absolutely innocent of the crime charged against them or of any other crime? Is there any one who does not know that the only reason these workers are now facing the electric chair is because they are so faithful to the interests of labor and such good fighters for their class? Sacco and Vanzetti are victims of the hatred of the bosses against the workers.

Sacco and Vanzetti are accused of having robbed and murdered someone. But a man has already confessed to this crime and sworn that Sacco and Vanzetti had absolutely nothing to do with it. And yet the Supreme Court has refused to let Sacco and Vanzetti have a new trial where the truth could be brought out. This is capitalist "justice!" Two workers are doomed to death for a crime of which the real doer has confessed!

The capitalists want to murder Sacco and Vanzetti! Only the workers can prevent this terrible thing! Only the workers in a solid front can save the two heroes of labor from death! Workers' children! Side by side with the grown-up workers and the young workers we must fight for the freedom of Sacco and Vanzetti!

May Day in Workers' Russia

May Day in Soviet Russia! How different it is!

All over the world May Day is a demonstration against the bosses and their government. But in Russia this is just the opposite. There are no bosses in Russia to hold the workers in slavery. And in Russia the government itself leads in the celebration of May Day.

How is that?

It is because everywhere in the world—except in Russia—the bosses rule and steal from the workers most of what the workers produce and the bosses have the government and the police and the courts which they use against the workers as in the Pascale strike.

But in Russia this is not so. In Russia the workers own the factories and the farmers own the land and there are no bosses to rob and oppress them. The government is a Workers' government, the army and courts are a Workers' army and workers' courts—everything belong to and is July is in this country.

That's why May Day is an official holiday in Soviet Russia like fourth of controlled by the workers.

We will never stop fighting until May Day is an official holiday in this country too, until we have kicked out the bosses from America, until we have a Workers' government in America.

The workers greatly respected and trusted them but the bosses and the government hated them.

The Great Harvester Strike.

It was just about this time (spring, 1886) that the workers of the great McCormick Harvester factory went on strike. The fight between the workers and the bosses was very bitter.

On May 3, the union called a big mass meeting in front of the McCormick works. The police attacked this meeting and killed some and wounded many more workers. The workers were infuriated at this brutality and a protest meeting was called.

The next evening another mass meeting was called at the Haymarket—Randolph and Halsted Sts., Chicago

Forward to Int'l Children's Week!

The week of May 14 to May 22, has been set aside as International Children's Week, a week in which the workers' and farmers' children of every country of the world will get together in big meetings and demonstrations and show that they are also a part of the working class and are ready to put up a fight for their demands. We working class children of America must get together in masses during this week, must discuss our

conditions, decide upon our demands, and resolve unitedly to fight for them.

The Pioneers and other working class children's organizations are arranging big demonstrations and meetings all thru International Children's Week. Take part in these demonstrations! Bring all your friends to these meetings.

Workers' and farmers' children! Wake up! Show that you mean it! Into the fight for the Children's Demands.

THE CHILDREN'S DEMANDS

1. Against child labor and child misery!
2. Out with anti-strike and anti-labor teachings from the schools! Out with religion from the schools! Out with war teachings from the schools!
3. No persecutions against honest teachers who favor the workers! Support teachers who favor the working class!
4. Better conditions for working class children in the schools! Better sanitary and safety conditions! No corporal punishment! No teachers' despotism! We want the children to help rule themselves!
5. Free lunches and free school supplies for workers' children! Free meals and free clothing to be given by the schools to children of unemployed or striking workers!
6. Fight against the preparations for new wars! Hands off China! Support the Chinese workers and farmers fighting for freedom against the American bosses and bankers! Against all forms of military training in the schools! Fight against the Boy Scouts which trains the workers' children to be against the workers and to fight for the rich! Workers' children! Leave the Boy Scouts!
7. Subscribe to the YOUNG COMRADE, the only children's paper that tells the truth about the workers' children and fights for their interests!
8. Join the YOUNG PIONEERS OF AMERICA, the fighting organization of workers' children!
9. A solid front—workers, young workers, and working class children!

ON MAY DAY—

Remember Your Ruthenberg Tasks!

A New Kind of Puzzle

Here's a new kind of puzzle. How many of you can solve it? Bet there won't be so many!

Put the proper words for the dashes so that it makes a complete sentence.

The _____ children should remember that _____ are a part of the working _____ and that the struggles of the _____ are their _____ also.

Now who can do it? Rush in your answers to: Young Comrade, 1113 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill.

Place Puzzle No. 1

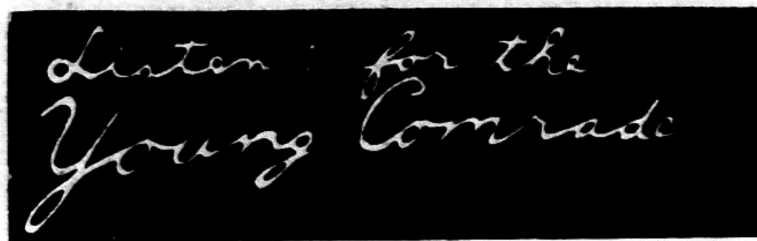
Do you know where the following places are:

1. A city in China recently bombarded by American battleships which resulted in the death in the death of hundreds of Chinese people.

2. A state of the United States where two brave workers are now in danger of being murdered by the capitalist courts because of their services to labor.

3. The place where C. E. Ruthenberg, the great leader of the American workers who just died, was born.

Do you know where these places are? Rush in your answers to Young Comrade, 1113 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill.



Wake Up!

Pioneer units, district and city buros will have to speed up and speed up mighty fast if they don't want the Young Comrade Sub Drive to be a flop. No district is doing any too good, but most districts are just terrible!

What's the matter, Pioneers? Haven't you taken hold of the Sub Drive yet? Didn't we all decide it was going to be the most important work of the Pioneers while it was going on? Didn't we all decide that we were going to throw every bit of our energy into the drive? Sure! So what's the matter?

Remember, now! Only a few weeks are left. Get busy this very minute! Pioneers have already taken up the drive in their groups and know what to do. Children who are not Pioneers but who want to help build the Young Comrade should write to the Young Comrade, 1113 West Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill., and they will get a beautiful little book telling them what to do.

Come on! All together—put it over!

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?



Do you know what this picture means? Send in your idea of what it means to the Young Comrade, 1113 W. Washington, Chicago, Ill. The best answers will be published.

Answers to April's Puzzles.

The answer to Number Puzzle No. 1 is:

The workers hate the rich bosses because the bosses grab all the workers produce.

The answer to the "Who is This?" Puzzle, is: C. E. Ruthenberg.

The answer to Rhyme Puzzle No. 1, is: Pioneers.

The following comrades solved one or more of these puzzles correctly:

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IT CAN BE DONE!

Many comrades say: "Oh, it's too hard to get subs for the Young Comrade. It can't be done."

This is nonsense. And there are dozens of readers of the Young Comrade to prove it is nonsense because they have gotten many subs themselves. We will just take one case—Vetold Laemont, a Chicago Pioneer. Vetold has gotten nearly twenty subs already all by himself. Last month Vetold gave us a little idea how he does it; here are some more hints:

- 1. Whenever Vetold hears of an affair or a meeting of any working class organization, he and some more Pioneers go down to that meeting, tell them about the Young Comrade and ask them to subscribe.
- 2. Vetold tries to get all his friends in school and on the street to subscribe. He tells them how good the Young Comrade is and why they should read it.
- 3. Vetold knows some children who belong to the Lithuanian working class children's organization, "The Future Blossoms". He tells them about the Young Comrade and gets subscriptions.

These are some of the ways in which Vetold gets subs. You can do the same. But—are you doing the same? Will you do the same?

TRY THIS!

Here's something the Chicago Pioneers tried which worked pretty well.

It is called the Red Sunday. The pioneers set aside a certain Sunday which they are going to give over to the Young Comrade Sub Drive entirely. Early Sunday morning they came to the headquarters and then they divided up the neighborhood among themselves. Each two comrades get a certain block or number of blocks. They are supposed to go into every house on their block or blocks and ask the people to subscribe for the Young Comrade for their children. Tell them how good the Young Comrade is and why their children should read it. Tell them how cheap it is—50c for a whole year, 25c for a half year. Tell them that if they are workers then the Young Comrade is the paper for their children and show them how the capitalist papers are so harmful. If anybody says: "All right, I'll see about it," or "All right, leave me a copy and I'll show it to my son and if he likes it I'll subscribe" or any such thing, do as he says, but take down his name and address and visit him again in a few days to get his sub.

Try this scheme, Pioneers. You will surely have good results.

JOHNNY RED GETS SEVEN SUBS.

One day Johnny Red saw his father putting on his hat and coat after supper. He got curious immediately.

"Aw, gee, Pop," he questioned, "where you goin'? I wanna go too."

"You do, do you, Johnny?" his father answered, "what will you do there? I'm going to my union meeting."

"Sure, I wanna go," explained Johnny, "and I can do a whole lot. Ain't the people who are gonna be there workers and ain't they got kids and I'm gonna ask them to subscribe for the Young Comrade for their kids. Holy cats, pop, I must go. Didn't we decide that at our group?"

"Oh, all right, come along and let's see what you can do."

Joyfully Johnny grabbed his hat and coat and off he was.

The yarrived at the Union Hall rather early and there were only about twenty men present. You can bet Johnny got to work immediately. His father introduced him to one man after another and Johnny's first question was: "Got any kids?" The men usually answered with a smile: "Yes". Then Johnny went on: "You sure want your kinds to read workers' stuff, don't you, and not the bosses' stuff they get in the books and the papers? Well, then, why don't you get a workers' children's paper for them?" And Johnny triumphantly showed a copy of the Young Comrade. Of course, he said different things to the different people and many people refused to subscribe saying that they would see, that they had no money, that they wanted to ask their kids, and so on. Anyway, Johnny took their names and addresses and said he would visit them to get the subs. But out of the twenty people who were there he managed to get five year subs and two half-year subs. Which wasn't so bad, was it? At least the other Pioneers didn't think so when he reported at the next meeting.

CHINA

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one American was accidentally killed in the fighting when the Chinese people entered the city. And so to make up for the accidental death of one American the American battleships opened fire on the defenseless city and murdered hundreds of innocent people.

Chiang-kai-shek Turns Traitor.

The foreign bankers who are trying to keep the Chinese in slavery have just had a "victory." Chiang-kai-shek, former general of the Revolutionary armies, has turned traitor to the people and has gone over to the enemy. Chiang-kai-shek always stood for the richer merchants and bosses who, for a time, were with the workers and farmers against the foreign imperialists. But with the victory of the Revolution when it became clear that this was going to be a workers' and farmers' revolution

and not a bosses' revolution, these richer people decided to betray the revolution and line up with the reactionaries. That is why Chiang-kai-shek betrayed the Revolution.

But the People's Government is going ahead anyway with the support of the big majority of the workers and farmers of China. Chiang-kai-shek's treason will only rally the masses of the Chinese people solidly behind the Kuo-min-tang (the people's party) and the People's Government fighting for freedom.

The fight of the Chinese people is the fight of every worker and farmer, of every workers' and farmers' child in the world. We, working class children of America, are with our Chinese brothers. We say to the American government: Hands off China! The Chinese are fighting for freedom just as the Americans did in 1776, and we are with them!

Number Puzzle No. 2

Here is the second number puzzle of the series and it tells something very important that's happening today.

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It's a long hard puzzle. Can you solve it? Rush all answers to Young Comrade, 1113 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill.

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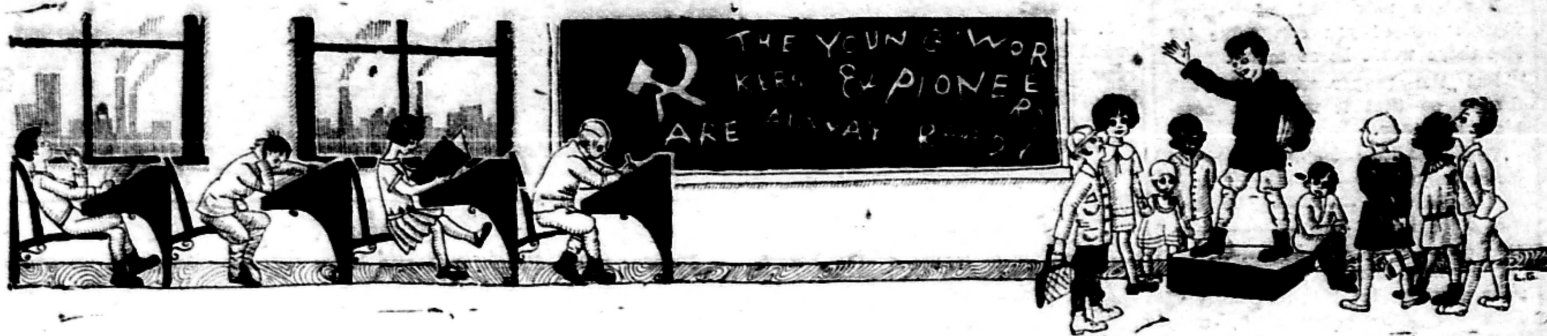
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Into the School Struggle



BOYS WEEK.

By R. L. B., New York City.

Beginning with May 9, we are going to have Boys' Week. It is going to last one week up to May 16. On May 16 there is going to be a big parade, the Boys' Week Parade.

Boys' Week is supposed to be for the benefit of the boys. But who is behind Boys' Week, who is organizing it? Some rich millionaires and bosses who make millions of dollars out of child labor and don't care if the children do grow up ignorant and crippled. Also the school authorities whose job it is to dope the minds of the workers' children with all kinds of lies that will make them obedient to the bosses. Also the government which is the worst enemy of the workers because it is always on the

side of the bosses and always against the workers. When the bosses, the Board of Education, and the government are hatching up a thing it shows that that thing is bad for the workers and workers' children.

Also what does Boys' Week do? It makes the children feel that the government and the bosses are good to them and doing them good things and so it makes them forget that the bosses and the government are their enemies. It makes the children think the bosses and the school authorities and the government are their friends. This is not true; they are their worst enemies. And that's why Boys' Week is a very bad thing for the workers.

Workers' children! Learn the truth about Boys' Week. It's all a scheme to fool you.

Our Teacher Beats Us.

By Elizabeth Kish, Akron, Ohio.

When we have arithmetic my teacher gives us about thirty problems and if you miss a problem she comes around with a yard stick and cracks us on the head as hard as she possibly can and then she calls us jack-rabbits and other crazy names. She says she is going to hit us harder yet if we don't get done quicker and she doesn't even give us enough time. Then she makes us stay after school.

When our teacher gets angry she swears like hell. In spelling she doesn't even pronounce the words right and when we can't hear them she hollers to beat the band.

The North Paynesville School.

By W. K., Bruce Crossing, Mich.

The conditions at the North Paynesville School are like those in many other schools. Our teacher is Miss Sandine. Some times Miss Sandine does not get sixth grade problems and some children do get them. So she gets mad and tries to tell us that it is wrong.

Every day she goes home for lunch and locks the doors and so the children have to eat outside.

We have "Training for Citizenship" in school. Teacher tries all she can do to make us 100 per cent Americans.

Our School Orchestra.

By B. E., Chicago, Ill.

In my school there is an orchestra and I belong to it. The teacher that leads the orchestra knows something about Pioneers and workers.

At a rehearsal a boy sat in back of me who is a snitcher and doesn't like the Pioneers. We practiced a few numbers and then the teacher told us to turn to some patriotic songs. Like a Pioneer I didn't play such songs as America, the Star Spangled Banner. When we finished the boy in back of me said out loud: "Teacher, we got a Bolshevik in our orchestra. He didn't play America." The teacher gave him a funny look and said: "Now, go right upstairs." This shows that some teachers understand and are for the workers and will be on our side. We should help and support such teachers.

You Can't Frighten Him!

By Hugo Maki, Allouez, Wis.

In our school in the reading class the teacher took out some flash cards and one card said which was the best flag: "The Workers' Red Flag is the best flag." So they brought an American flag to the boy and told him to salute it. The boy absolutely refused so they brought him to the office of the principle and they told him why he was brought there and gave him a long scolding. But the boy could not be frightened so the principle did not dare to do anything and so the principle just gave him a pass and told him to go to his room.

The Young Comrade in School.

By Anne Aho, Mass, Mich.

One day in school I read from the Young Comrade "Was Washington Really Fighting for Freedom?" and when I got thru reading it teacher said: "You shouldn't read that stuff. The one who wrote it is lying and should be hung." But I said it was true what I read.

My mother bought me a book "Fairy Tales for Workers' Children." One day I brought it to school because we had to read stories. Two of my friends and I took a story from the book. My teacher took the book. She said that I mustn't bring this book to school because it is too hard for us to understand. But I said that I could understand it, but she said that I should take that book home and in the future take stories only from books that are in school.

Join the Pioneers!

By Mary Brown, Akron, Ohio.

All the workers' children should join the Young Pioneers so that they can understand about the struggle of the workers. The Pioneers stand for the working class and they help their parents and all workers in their daily struggles against the bosses. The Pioneers also fight for better conditions for workers' children.

The Pioneers pledge is: One aim thruout our lives—Freedom for the working class!

Clean Up Week.

By J. Eitington, Lafayette School Group, Chicago, Ill.

A few days before Clean Up Week my teacher said to us: "Children, what are you going to do to clean up?" She called on everybody and when she came to me I said: "It is not our job, it's the landlord's. Our landlord takes very high rent from us but he is too stingy to get a painter or anybody to clean up. If anything is broken he tries to fix it himself because he is so stingy and he makes it worse and we suffer. Why don't the landlord do the cleaning? Don't he get the money?"

"I am not asking you about your landlord," teacher said. "I'm asking you about what you should do."

"But, why" and she interrupted me. "That will be enough from you, young man; sit down!"

"It's" I started again. "Sit down," said the teacher. But she couldn't change it that I was right and the children saw it.

WHY SLUMS?

By Helvi Sillanpaa, North Ironwood, Mich.

One day when the sixth grade was having geography, teacher said to tell something about New York. Teacher called on me to answer. I said that many working people were so poor in New York that they had to live in crowded tenements or slums. There are many families living in two or three rooms, sometimes, one.

The teacher started explaining away these slums. She said the people living in these slums are foreigners who came to America expecting great riches and became disgusted with life and went to the slums to live. She said that they didn't even try to clean their houses which were very dirty. And she said that the government has tried to help them and build houses for them and send them kind nurses and doctors but that they still live in slums.

Isn't that ridiculous? Everybody knows that the people live in slums not because they are foreigners or because they like to but because they are poor and can't afford to live anywhere else. If the working people only were not robbed by the bosses there wouldn't be any slums.

The 'Young Comrade' is All Right!

By Evelyn Pyotsia, Cleveland, O.

There was once a boy who used to carry the "Cleveland Press" to the Workers Party office in Cleveland. Once the district organizer of the Workers Party asked him to take a copy of the Young Comrade. The boy answered that he did not want it because he thought it was entirely punk.

"Read it anyway," said Comrade Amter, the district organizer. So the boy took the paper to his home. After a few days the boy came back to the Workers Party office and asked for another Young Comrade. The district organizer said: "Why do you ask for the paper which you said was so punk?" "Listen, uncle," the boy said. "I thought it was punk but my father says it's very good. He wants to subscribe to it for at least one year."

"But what's your own opinion of the paper," asked Comrade Amter further. "Well," said the boy, "I hate to admit it but I have to say it: It certainly is all right!"

Class Clubs.

By Reuben Wolk, New York City.

In our class I started a little club. I found that one of the best ways to get Pioneers is to start clubs. Later on when we have a lot of boys in the clubs we can get the best boys for the Pioneers. I had a fight with a Boy Scout but now I made a Pioneer out of him.

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