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LIGHTENING THE YOUNG WORKERS' BURDENS

We've been talking about "Lightening the young workers' burdens."

But what have we DONE about it?

We've also talked about "turning our faces to the factories," and we've said we must work in the trade unions.

But again, what have we DONE?

The League membership is not yet really convinced of the importance of these tasks, of the truth of the quotation we gave in last month's editorial, from the Ninth Plenum Y.C.L. Resolution.

We give it again:—

"Only in the persistent struggle for the economic interests of the youth, against their poverty and for their rights in the factories, mills, estates, farms, labor exchanges, and in the forced labor camps, the Y.C.L. can and must win the authority of the broad mass of the toiling youth, and be at the head of their revolutionary activity."

We quote this again because of its tremendous importance to the League.

Since the last issue of the "Y.W.," we have had one success which shows what can be done. We refer to Dawson's Cannister workers (Sydney), where two issues of a bulletin won three demands for the young workers.

The young workers have burdens enough to be lightened. Apprentices working anything up to twelve hours a day (including study time), textile workers getting wage cuts of 5% to 23% a week, shop assistants finding it hard atmosphere, newshapers working sixty hours a week for 25/-, these are only a few of the many examples that can be taken.

As we said last month, it is high time the working youth said "stop" to the attacks on their conditions, and demanded further improvements in their lot. And it is our job to show them how!

This, the Y.C.L. has to take up. District committees and units must discuss concretely how to apply the slogan, "LIGHTEN THE YOUNG WORKERS' BURDENS," on the job in their locality, trade union, and unemployed organisation.

Organise for the six-hour day, £5 a week basic wage, and double dole, for all young workers.

COLOUR LINE IS CHAUVINISM

Drive it Out of the League!

The average Australian worker does not think much of the "color question" as a matter affecting us. The Scottsboro case (see article elsewhere), and the recent wave of lynchings in the U.S., raise the question, but the Australian worker thinks, "That does not concern me much."

However, the "color question" does concern the workers of Australia, and an important task facing the Y.C.L. is the organising the colored workers, no matter to what nation or race they belong. In North Australia, in particular, the color line comes up very sharply, and, in the case of the Aborigines, is seen in all its barbarity. Here, the original inhabitants of Australia, are treated completely as sub-humans. They are not even counted as part of the population, when the census is taken. They have no vote, may not own property, etc.

their conditions, and draw them into the fight for a socialist Australia, which alone will give them real freedom.

This matter is being taken up by the National Committee, and further material will appear each month in the "Young Worker," and in the other working class papers of Sydney.

Meanwhile, a campaign must be carried through the League against any signs of chauvinism—race prejudice—which does show itself here and there in the League. This petty-bourgeois hang-over has to be completely destroyed, and dealt with severely whenever it shows itself.

The habit of referring to workers of other races and nationalities as "niggers," "Chows," "Dagoes," "Pommes," etc., is a sign of chauvinism; it shows that those who do it are still

Many organs but, in our present shortcomings, give special attention. Our isolation of our main job how to work. In this article next month we

This question one which must unit meetings.

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