

Unity of Communists, Socialists Asked By Spanish Youth Head

**Carillo Says That International Cooperation
Of Young People Is Indispensable for
Aid to Spain Against Fascism**

The following is the third and last of a series of articles by Angelo Herndon on the recently-formed International Youth Commission.

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Carillo placed before the meeting, in the name of the United Youth of Spain, a series of proposals for the increasing and organization of aid for Spain. He emphasized the keen desire of the youth of Spain to see organized by the two internationals some common action in their support.

Carillo, while pointing out the obstacles which have prevented unity of action between Socialists and Communists, urged both groups to abandon all petty differences and exert their energies in defense of the heroic Spanish people who are today carrying the burden of all mankind. He advised against any division in the fight against fascism. He said:

"I know that there are national problems which stand in the way of unity. But I ask the comrades of the Young Socialist International: you who have visited our country, you who have already seen at first hand our struggle, you who have visited our trenches and our factories, you who have known a people fighting and dying for their liberties, you who have seen the magnificent self-sacrifices of our youth, can you, in spite of this heroic devotion and sacrifice, in spite of the example of the youth of Spain and of the youth of the international brigades who fight with us, can you continue to maintain the suicidal position of the division of the forces of youth which can only give the victory to fascism?"

"I think that the fact that you have been among us, the fact that the spirit of our heroic people of Madrid has passed over you, will weigh heavy on your consciences, and make you understand that above all the petty problems which may stand in the way of unity in certain countries, above all the little difficulties, above all that has separated us up to the present, there is still the vital necessity to fight and to conquer fascism.

"Comrade Ollenhauer is a member of the Socialist delegation. He belongs to the Socialist Youth of Germany. He certainly must feel the absolute necessity of putting an end to the Hitler regime which day by day is killing thousands of anti-fascists in Germany. Another member of the delegation is Comrade Kern, the representative of the Socialist Youth in Czechoslovakia, and I am sure that the great mass

of the youth of his country sees clearly that German fascism is stretching out its claws to destroy their country. They, too, must realize the necessity of building up a solid youth front, and hence a single youth front.

"And similarly Comrade Hansen, Nilssen and Thomassen. They, too, must understand that now, when fascism, taking the offensive, stirs up war against all democracies, it would be suicide, it would be accepting defeat to refuse to enter into negotiations with a view to helping the youth of Spain.

INTERNATIONAL UNITY

"We are convinced that our comrades of the Young Socialist International will carry back with them the conviction that international unity in aid of Spain is absolutely indispensable, for thanks to such unity, we shall defend and help not only the youth of Spain, but the youth of the whole world. In this manner international fascism will be crushed."

After discussing Carillo's proposals, the representatives of both internationals reported on the work so far accomplished and gave their opinion of the proposals submitted by Carillo. It was unanimously agreed that the proposals of Carillo would be accepted and that necessary steps taken to render more effective assistance to the youth of Spain.

The United Socialist Youth Movements of Spain and the two internationals pledged to convey to youth of all countries the importance of the Spanish struggle for liberty and peace of the world. The support and assistance given Spain are the best guarantees of the future of youth.

To that end the two internationals resolved to increase their participation within the International Propaganda Committee for Spanish Youth. Every effort will be made to get the cooperation of national organizations wherever possible. The two Internationals consider themselves bound to unite their forces completely in support of the struggle for a free and democratic Spain.