

WITH THE YOUNG WORKERS

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HOW A TRADE UNION FRACTION WORKS

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1. The fraction must meet before every meeting of the union local, discuss the line of action to be followed and decide in greatest detail as to who should make the motions, speak, etc.

2. The fraction should choose a steering committee of about three of the most experienced fighters who should have absolute authority in case of emergency. If there are any differences with the steering committee they should be settled at the next fraction meeting and not on the floor of the union.

3. The fraction must work in closest co-operation with the industrial department of the district. If there are any exceptionally important matters to be taken up at the union, the district industrial organizer should be present at the fraction meeting before.

4. The league fraction is entirely separate from the party fraction but must work very closely with it. Mutual representation at the meetings of both fractions is imperative. Sometimes this gives our comrades too many meetings but this is imperative because our trade union work is so very important.

5. The fraction should in addition strive to get the non-Communist young workers to attend the union meetings so as to rally greater strength for the youth program.

6. The fraction must at all times distribute leaflets, shop bulletins of



the industry, Young Workers, etc. It must never fail to recruit for the league.

7. Broad left wing youth fractions should be build upon special youth issues. Great care must be taken in this work and no steps completed without the closest direction of the district industrial department. Attempts should always be made to get connections with other fractions in the same industry in other cities thru the national office of the league.