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The Communist Party, U.S.A. opened its New York Workers School at 48-50 East 13th St. in October 1923. Students were
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affiliated organizations involved in the American communist movement. By 1927, the School offered a wide array of
courses such as "History of the American working class," "Fundamentals of communism," and "Labor journalism," taught by
David Saposs, Floyd Dell, Arthur C. Calhoun, John Dos Passos, and others. In 1944 the School was incorporated into the
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