

REPORT SHOWS WORKERS PARTY OF CHICAGO WORKING HARD IN IMPORTANT FIELDS OF ACTIVITY

THE matter of reorganizing the party in Chicago on the basis of Shop Nuclei and the progress of the campaign to obtain signatures to place Workers Party candidates on the ballot in the congressional districts in Chicago, formed the main topics of discussion at the city central committee meeting, Local Chicago, Tuesday, Sept. 16.

The industrial registration taken thus far indicates excellent possibilities for shop nuclei reorganization. Both the district organization and the local have gone on record to proceed with the work.

Discuss Nuclei.

In order to clarify the Party membership more on the shop nuclei, an attempt will be made to set aside meetings for discussion of shop nuclei in the branches. A special C. C. C. meeting will be devoted to the shop nuclei question. The C. C. C. delegates are enthusiastic for the change, recognizing in it the best means of furthering and intensifying political activity.

Delegates reported comrades working in a number of places in the same shop where the matter of reorganization on the shop basis can be taken up.

Must Get All Congressional Candidates on the Ballot.

In the DAILY WORKER can be read sufficient on the progress of the campaign to obtain signatures. The presidential and state candidates will go on the ballot, over three times the number required being on hand. Without detailing further we expect the branches to make a special effort to get their members out this Sunday. If done, we will get every candidate on the ballot.

Reports of the straw vote being taken in the factories also being given elsewhere in the DAILY WORKER. This straw vote is proving of excellent value in getting the election campaign of the Party outside of the Party among the masses. A great deal of discussion is aroused at the factory when the ballots are taken. The DAILY WORKER is getting extensive advertising with good possibilities for circulation.

The Jewish comrades have been especially active in organizing Foster for President Clubs among the Workmen Circle and left wing trade unions, particularly among the needle trades. Good results can be expected. Meetings will be held under the auspices of these left wing clubs and also special literature issued. A thousand tickets for Foster-Gitlow meeting on Oct. 12 have been taken for circulation among the Workmen Circles.

45,000 Platforms Out.

To date 45,000 election campaign platforms have been distributed as well as a few thousand of Mobilization Day leaflets.

The congressional Districts are already preparing for special meetings in their districts. District 9 and District 4 have already scheduled meetings. See other columns.

The work among the T. U. E. L. groups is picking up in virtually all the departments, especially, however, in the Amalgamated Clothing Workers group. Comrade Tom Bell is now the local secretary of the T. U. E. L.

Membership Increasing Swiftly.

Applications were accepted from the following branches: Czecho-Slovak No. 1-2; Czecho-Slovak No. 3-1; Czecho-Slovak Cicero-Berwyn-5; Lithuanian No. 5-1; Northwest Jewish-2; Italian 31st Ward-1; Rumanian-4; Douglas Park Jewish-2; South Side English-1; Northwest English 5; North Side English 2; Lettish-1; making a total of 27 new members.

Among these applicants were members of Horseshoers, International Ladies' Garment workers, Amalgama-

ated Clothing Workers, Food Workers, Wood Turners and Barbers' Union.

The Czecho-Slovaks are doing excellent work in organizing and reorganizing their branches, other branches being organized in Berwyn and also a woman's branch in Cicero. This membership increase, however, is not sufficient and our efforts must be more than redoubled. Remember to get your Communist merit stamps for getting new members or securing a new subscriber to the DAILY WORKER.

Educational Bulletin Distributed.

Educational Director reported on classes being conducted and to be started. A resolution from the South Slav branch to discontinue the weekly educational bulletin sent out for the use of street speakers and for discussion in branches was turned down. The City Central Committee unanimously endorsed its issuance and asked, further, that its scope be extended as much as possible. Further development of educational activity for branches being considered by City Executive Committee.

The auditing committee on July 4th picnic reported all O. K.

In connection with financial accounts, however, the city office urges a speedy settlement of the debts of the various branches and federations, especially on July 4th picnic, Foster meeting and Press picnic tickets, since funds are greatly needed in the campaign, which as it progresses, naturally requires more and more finances.

Street meetings are still being conducted very successfully, about 25 being held weekly.

The next meeting of the city central committee will be held at the new hall, 722 Blue Island Ave. (Greek headquarters), Tuesday, October 7.

Young Workers League.

Following up factory campaigns started. Laying plans for conducting factory campaigns in mail order houses in the city of Chicago. Each branch to "adopt" a factory, to be responsible for carrying on propaganda and agitation at a factory employing youth labor nearest to that branch or where some of its members work. Giving good help to taking straw vote at factories. Jewish League branches have an English speaker regularly every month. Jewish speakers supplied to our branches by Jewish C. C.

Branches are urged to order the excellent pamphlets issued by the national office, especially for campaign purposes. One is the pamphlet on the campaign in the form of questions and answers by Alexander Bittelman and is sold at 10c. It is particularly valuable for street meetings sales as well as generally. Another is the pamphlet on unemployment by Comrade Browder at 5c and the Lovestone pamphlet on LaFollette at 15c.

The DAILY WORKER-Labor Defense Council bazaar still requires a number of comrades for special work. Call the local office for any aid you can give.

Tickets are out to all the branches for the big demonstration and meeting for Foster and Gitlow at the Ashland Auditorium, 2:30 Sunday, October 12. In addition to the speakers, The Young Workers League Orchestra will be on hand and it is almost certain the Freiheit Singing Society. It should be possible to dispose of all these tickets easily among outsiders. We also call upon comrades to help in the distribution of the DAILY WORKER. Special edition to be printed for this meeting as well as the leaflets.

Local Chicago is in the midst of many activities and work is going on well. With the election campaign and with the beginning of work for shop nuclei organization, we can expect to go forward even more swiftly in every field. Every branch should make an effort to give every member something to do in the branch.

Put every member on a committee and make him work.

Every member an active agitator and worker for Communism!

Fraternally yours,

WORKERS PARTY—Local Chicago
Martin Abern, Secretary.

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