

# The Party Organization

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## German State Organization Joins in Communist Party.

The representatives of over twelve hundred members of the German branches of Ohio met in Cleveland on Oct. 12 to decide the future affiliation of the state organization. After a thorough discussion, during which all sides were heard, a vote was taken which resulted in a unanimous decision to affiliate with the Communist Party.

Forty-six delegates voted for such affiliation, eight did not vote at all because they wished to remain neutral and two had left before the vote was taken.

With this decision of the Ohio German organization about half the former German Federation has become part of the Communist Party. The Cleveland convention also adds "The Echo" German weekly, published by the Ohio State Agitation Committee, to the list of Communist publications.

## Jewish Communist Federation Convention.

The former Left Wing Branches of the Jewish Federation held their convention in Philadelphia from Oct. 9 to 12. Forty-five branches, having 3,000 members, were represented. The convention was unanimous for the Communist Party, and the federation is now the Jewish Communist Federation.

Comrades Louis C. Fraina and Nicholas Hourwich addressed the delegates as representatives of the Central Executive Committee of the Party, and also spoke at a great mass meeting held the evening before the beginning of the convention. The convention began work to raise a fund of \$50,000 for the purpose of publishing a Communist Jewish daily. Of this amount \$2,500 was subscribed at the convention.

A central executive committee, including Comrades Loonin, Bitteiman, Hiltzik, Winick, Halpen, Plotkin, Klintz and Liphsitz, was elected.

The Jewish Communist Federation is expected to be a strong unit of the Communist Party.

## Ohio Membership in C. P.

Although the Ohio State Office is the headquarters of the Communist Labor Party, and the state secretary is executive secretary of that organization, the greater part of the Ohio membership is in the Communist Party. The decision of Local Cleveland alone carried one-third of the membership out of the state organization. The action of the German State Organization, the affiliation of the individuals and the Federation branches with the Communist Party leaves not more than a thousand members who are not affiliated with the Communist Party. Of these, some have not yet acted on their future affiliation and some have joined the Socialist Party.

## A Fine Unity.

The Lettish Branches No. 1 and No. 2 of Cleveland celebrated their unification in the Communist party the other day. The two branches had existed as separate organizations for three or four years. When the Communist Party was organized both endorsed that party and they decided to unite. The day this was accomplished the united branch voted to donate \$100.00 to the Communist Party Organization Fund. That is the kind of unity that counts.

The Russian Soviet of Cleveland gave the Organization Fund another big boost when it sent in \$200.00. Other remittances to Organization Fund are as follows:

Sangamore Russian, \$41.75; Claremont, N. H., Russian, \$9.20; St. Paul German, \$25.00; Lindora, Pa., Russian, \$18.00; Sixth Russian Branch, New York City, \$50.00; Milwaukee Russian Branch, \$7.35; Pittsburgh Russian No. 1, \$12.15; Kenosha Russian, \$3.15; Racine Russian, \$60.30; Kenosha Russian, \$96.45; Milwaukee Russian, \$79.25; Binghampton, N. Y., Branches,

\$55.50; Ukrainian No. 122, \$4.00; Binghampton Russian, \$10.00; Third Russian, Pittsburgh, \$10.00; Rockford Russian, \$9.00; Lithuanian No. 137, \$10.10; Manchester, N. Y., Russian, \$10.90; Whiting Russian, \$1.62; Lithuanian No. 50, \$7.60; E. S. Smith, Warren, \$20.00.

The way the Organization Fund is going up is a tribute to the membership of the Communist Party. The fund must reach \$25,000. That means millions of leaflets, thousands of meetings, a training school for organizers and speakers and a powerful organization.

The North Side Branch of Pittsburgh has secured a Communist Party charter.

The Erie, Pa., City Central Committee has been chartered by the C. P.

Two New Jersey County Organizations have secured charters from the C. P.

Warren, Ohio, is the latest Ohio local to secure its charter. The Cincinnati German and Jewish branches have also affiliated with the party.

Branch No. 2 of Passaic, N. J., is C. P.

Charter applications are reaching the Communist Party headquarters in bunches these days. Eighty-six in one day recently was the record.

## The Socialist Party

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"We are all Socialists", and the protestation that "the division was not brought about by differences on vital questions of principles"; that those differences which do exist "arose only over disputes on methods and tactics". (And in the previous statement Hillquit recommended a division of the party into its two fundamentally inconsistent elements, so that each could carry on its work to suit itself!... This differentiating between differences of "principles" and of "tactics", by the way, discloses the misunderstanding of the fundamental logical and vital connection between the two. This is another illustration of the wretchedness of political thought of this celebrated "leader of the American Socialists" who was bragged about as a god—in circles where least of all it might be expected.

In conclusion, to characterize this document, let us quote in full the following profound sentence: "Our newly bathed 'Communists' have not ceased to be Socialists even though in a moment of destructive enthusiasm they have chosen to discard the name that stands for so much in the history of the modern world... The bulk of their following is still good Socialist material and when the hour of the real Socialist fight strikes in this country we may find them again in our ranks."

In this quotation—every word is a chef d'oeuvre!—Take, for instance, the paternal patting on the back of the American Communists, and with them the entire Communist International, this is, if not innocent naivete, then the height of political impertinence. And about the renaming of the Socialist into the Communist International! How many pens were spoiled upon this. Such a Titan of revolutionary thought as Lenin devoted series of articles to this subject, pointing out the necessity and the scientific reason for such change of name. But,

this, according to Morris Hillquit, is nothing but an act of "destructive enthusiasts"!...

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Every Communist organization, every Communist Party member should become a unit in the organization for the distribution of party literature and increase the knowledge of the party principles by placing books and pamphlets in the hands of the workers. To publish and distribute this literature is one of the great functions of our organization, for as knowledge and understanding increases among our members and the masses, our power grows.

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