

# The Party Organization

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## Organization and Defense

**T**HE recent attack on the party organization through arrests and deportation proceedings threatens to make a heavy drain on the treasury of the party. The comrades who are the victims of the ruling class must be defended to the extent of our ability. They have the right to expect that the organization they served will stand behind them.

To meet the situation the Executive Council has decided to combine the Organization Fund with the Defense Fund and issue a call for contributions for these two purposes.

Many branches have already responded to the call for contributions for the Organization Fund. Other have not yet contributed. Whether branches have or have not contributed it is their duty to answer the call that is now being made.

Every comrade will contribute something to the Defense Fund if called upon. Where branches have funds in their treasury and they themselves have escaped the attack of the ruling class, they are urged to make contributions from these funds.

Subscription lists will be mailed to all party units within a few days. Place these in circulation in the branch and also secure the contributions of as many other workers as possible.

We started to raise an Organization Fund of \$25,000. Several thousand dollars have already been contributed for this purpose. For the combined purpose we should be able to raise the entire sum in a short time.

Let us show by our action that we can defend our own.

## Organization News.

The English Branch of Williamsburg, N. Y. has applied for a charter.

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The Dorchester, Mass. Scandinavian Branch has joined the party.

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An Italian working class organization at Jersey City, N. J., which for many years maintained an independent position because there was no organization it could consistently join, has found in the Communist Party the organization which expresses its principles and has applied for a charter.

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An Italian branch of the Communist Party has been organized in Chicago and has been granted a charter.

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A Greek Communist branch is also being formed, made up of the most active members of the former S. P. branch.

In this connection it is amusing to note the claim of the C. L. P. that the Greek comrades chose the C. L. P. after a debate between Katterfeld and Ferguson. When the discussion at this particular meeting was over, the chairman asked those who understood English to raise their hands. Five members responded, the meeting consisting of less than twenty. Evidently at a subsequent meeting, Comrade Hassan, organizer of the branch and a C. L. P.ite, obtained a majority of one, whereupon the Communist members proceeded to the organization of a new Greek branch.

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Charter applications from Federation branches are still coming into the party headquarters in bunches. The thousand mark in the number of charters issued will soon be in sight.

## Another S. L. P. Branch Joins.

The Lettish Socialist Labor Party Branch of Philadelphia, at a meeting held Nov. 13, voted to sever its connections with that party and to join the Philadelphia Lettish Communist Branch in a body.

This is the second S. L. P. branch which has broken away from that organization to join the Communist Party, the first being the Mount Olive, Ill., South Slavic Branch.

The Philadelphia Lettish Branch at the same time that the vote was taken appropriated \$50.00 of its funds as a contribution to the Organization Fund of the Communist Party.

## Pamphlet No. 3.

Pamphlet No. 3 issued by the Communist Party is now on the press. It contains the report of a debate between I. E. Ferguson and Harold Lord Varney on the subject: Resolved, That the Communist Party offers a more complete program for the emancipation of the working class than the I. W. W. The debate was conducted in a spirit of friendship and effort to develop the position which the I. W. W. and Communist Party occupy in the struggle for the emancipation of the workers. This pamphlet will undoubtedly

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have a large circulation as it covers a subject in regard to which there is a great deal of interest. Prices will be announced next week.

## Literature Bulletin No. 1.

The party has issued a literature bulletin in which is listed the literature which the organization is handling at the present time. In addition to this information there is a suggestion how to organize a branch for the work of selling literature. If you do not receive a copy write for it.

## Proclamation of C. E. C.

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to the Hungarian, Lettish, Lithuanian, Polish, Russian, South Slavic, Estonian and Ukrainian Federations, strong Jewish and German Federations have been created. A nucleus of Italian and Scandinavian branches are already in the party. The work of organizing the Finnish Communist elements is just beginning. The American branches in all the large industrial centres of the country have joined our organization, and as the test of action is disclosing the character of our organization, smaller branches throughout the country are gradually coming into the organization.

The organization has proven by its actions that it not only has power, but that it is ready to use its power by intervening in the struggles of the workers and giving them Communist meaning and purpose. Our organization is not a mutual admiration society of hair-splitting theoreticians, but a militant fighting organization that finds its place and work in the heart of the everyday struggles of the workers. We have laid a sound theoretical basis for our party. Now we carry out the theories into action.

Let us fulfill the promise of this beginning.

Let us each give the best we have to give to the building of our unit of the Communist International!

On with the struggle! ON TO VICTORY!

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