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Left Wing Notes

THE Left Wing organization has decided to support the following nominees and ask all revolutionary Socialists to do likewise:

For the National Executive Committee, 1st District: N. I. Hourwich, N. Y., Edward Lindgren, Brooklyn, N. Y., Louis C. Fraina, Boston, Mass. For International Delegates: I. E. Ferguson, Chicago, Ill., John Reed, N. Y., Louis C. Frania, Boston, Mass., C. E. Ruthenberg, Cleveland, O.

In view of the referendum on the State Executive Committee resolution to expel all branches and locals that have joined the Left Wing Section all the branches and locals throughout the State should make arrangements to have Left Wing speakers state our case.

Left Wing speakers can be secured by communicating with Maximilian Cohen, Secretary of the Left Wing Section, 43 West 29th Street, New York City.

All Left Wing communications for this column should be addressed to Maximilian Cohen, 43 West 29th Street, and should reach him not later than Tuesday morning for insertion the same week.

The City Committe of Greater New York passed the following motions at its last meeting, May 5, 1919:

- (1) That a general convention be held for the purpose of amalgamating the six Locals of Greater New York.
- (2) That the representation to this convention shall be direct from the branches of each local, each branch shall have one delegate and an additional delegate for every 50 members in good standing, and that each local and each branch of the six locals shall be notified to this effect.
- (3) That the convention be held not earlier than six or later than eight weeks from May 6, 1919.

The following letter was received from the 2nd A. D. Branch, New York: "Comrades—At a well-attended special meeting of the 2nd A. D., Socialist Party, called for the purpose of discussing the Left Wing Manifesto and Program and the advisibility of affiliating ourselves as a branch officially with the Left Wing, it was decided by a roll call vote after a long and deliberate discussion by the members, that we officially so affiliate ourselves and elect two delegates to the City Committee of the Left Wing.

"Elections for two delegates will be held this coming Friday evening, May 9, at our regular meeting.

"Congratulating you upon our victory, I am "Fraternally yours,

"ELIAS MARKS, Organizer."

Local Washington, D. C., has adopted the Manifesto and Program of the Left Wing.

Rose Pastor Stokes will speak at the weekly meeting of the 17th A. D. (unreorganized) to be held in the headquarters, 1538 Madison Avenue, near 104th Street, on Friday, May 9.

On Monday, May 12, the Branch will hold a mass meeting at the Royal Lyceum, 10 West 114th Street.

We have received the following letter from Emanuel Blumstein, our informants insist that he was correctly quoted. We suggest that he take the matter up with the 17th A. D. which, in spits of his valiant efforts to the contrary, still remains very much alive. We will be glad to publish the result.

"Editor of The Communist: In your article entitled 'Pink Terror' in connection with the re-organization of the 17th A. D., you have blackmailed
me, saying that I have told the policeman in the
front of Juliette Hall about the disrupters of the
old 17th, that they are anarchists and do not believe in the constitution and they should be deported. I therefore demand conclusive proofs for this
statement or an apology on your part for misstatement of fact. I only recollect of one instance
when I was forced to leave the hall to help to prevent one of the members breaking the glass in the
front door. The name of the member who tried to
break the glass is Novick.

"Hoping that you will give space in your next issue to this correction.

"EMANUEL BLUMSTEIN."

RESOLUTION adopted by the Young People's Socialist League of Manhattan to be proposed by their delegate to the National Convention of the Young People's Socialist League of the United States.

Whereas: The Young People's Socialist League of the United States is avowedly an organization for the purpose of preparing the youth of the working class for the struggle of the workers with their oppressors and for the final conquest of power by the working class; and to aid all other organizations whose purpose is the emancipation of the workers; and

Whereas: The Young People's Socialist League of the various European countries now in revolution have been the militant expression of the revolutionary proletariat there, and

Whereas: Revolutionary Socialism in practice has not only demonstrated the futility of social reform to strengthen the power of the workers, but has shown also that it is counter-revolutionary, and tends to bolster up the power of the master class,

Whereas: The Socialist Party of the United States, whose declared intention is the emancipation of the working class, has in the past, and is still pursuing a program of social reform, and

Whereas: The Socialist Party of the United States has never given full recognition to the economic power of the workers as a means to their conquest of the political state, and

Whereas: Revolutionary Socialism in practice has demonstrated that it is through the spontaneous

mass action of the workers on both the economic and political fields, that the final struggle for political control is won, and

Whereas: Revolutionary Socialism in practice has demonstrated that the workers can not use the machinery of the capitalist state to establish the cooperative commonwealth, and

Whereas: Groups within the Socialist Party haveorganized for the purpose of forcing the Socialist Party to take a stand in conformity with the teachings of Revolutionary Socialism in practice,

Therefore: Be it resolved that we the Young People's Socialist League of the United States in convention assembled do urge upon the Socialist Party of the United States the acceptance of the following principles:

- (1) Elimination of social reform planks from their platform.
- (2) a. A recognition of revolutionary industrial unionism, not merely as a mean of benefitting the immediate, economic conditions of the workers, but as a weapon in their conquest of political power.
- b. A general propaganda among the workesr for the above purpose.
- (3) a. A recognition of the general mass action of the workers on all fronts as their final method of seizing the political state.
- b. An educational propaganda for the purpose of guiding spontaneous mass action into revolutionary channels.
- (4) A recognition of the "Dictatorship of the Proletariat" as the only form of state through which the workers can function as a dominating class and establish the cooperative commonwealth upon the ruins of capitalism, and

Be it further resolved that we shall aid with every means in our power the "Left Wing" groups within the Socialist Party in their work of capturing the party for Revolutionary Socialism, and

Be it further resolved, that we shall aid of education among the working class youth shall be based upon the recognised works of scientific Socialism in theory, coupled with an interpretation of Revolutionary Socialism in practice as expressed by the principles and tactics of the Communist Party (Bolsheviki) of Russia, and the Spartacus Groups in Germany, and all other parties with identical principles which the Revolution from time to time developes.

DEAR JOHN REED: The Scandinavian Local, Duluth (400 members) and the Duluth English Branch (45 members) have indorsed the manifesto of the Left Wing and will give them much support.

We welcome the Communist and trust that every local will order copies of same. We need the Communist and it must be backed up. The workers are tired of opportunism and want action. Must we stand idly by and allow them to be kept dis reganized or must we get busy and do something?

Sure see you and so say all of us.

More power to the Left Wing.

The justification of the Left Wing being formed is seen in the tactics of its opponents. They belong to the Right Wing, you say? About the only time they were Right.

Fraternally yours,

JACK CARNEY.

P. S.—Send to Jack Carney—Rex Hotel, Duluth, Minn., 100 copies weekly.

A CORRECTION.

We regret that in our last issue the posts "In Time of War" was erroneously credited to Louise Bryant, instead of to Marguerite Vorsch. We tender our apologies herewith.

LEFT WINGERS!

HELP THE 17th A. D. REFURNISH ITS HEADQUARTERS

WHEN the furniture was stolen from the headquarters of the 17 A. D. the members found themselves confronted with the task of rebuilding, reorganizing and at the same time continuing their propaganda. They refused an offer to return the furniture and set themselves to their task. They have worked untiringly and spent their money unsparingly, but without outside help, they may fail.

Will five hundred Comrades donate One Dollar each to help maintain this vitally necessary organization?

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