

THE COMMUNIST INTERNATIONAL, THE EMANCIPATOR OF THE WHOLE PEOPLE

Workers Party Is Praised for Its Initiative and Work Since the Fourth Congress

NOTE.—In this space each week "THE WORKER" will publish, in instalment form, a report of the recent Enlarged Executive Committee Meeting of the Communist International. Each installment will take up a separate question treated by the world gathering of Communists at Moscow, a gathering that received but scant attention in the daily press. The first installment follows:

The Enlarged Executive Committee Meeting of the Communist International was a Congress in the real sense of the word, and accomplished work that will be of great significance to the Communist Movement of the

whole world. Issuing the slogan of the United Front on a more extended scale, and proclaiming the Communist International as the "leader not only of the manual workers, not only of the brain workers, but of all strata exploited and crushed by the bourgeoisie—the Communist International, the EMANCIPATOR OF THE WHOLE PEOPLE"—Zinoviev suggested the direction that the Conference would take—and the direction that it did take.

The report of the Presidium showed the splendid work that the Communist International has performed in the six months since the Fourth Congress.

At the Fourth Congress and later at the Leipzig Congress of the German Party, there was a wing, of the Party, that did not agree with the policy of the Workers' Government and the tactics in the Ruhr. The matter was reaching an acute stage at the time of the crisis in Saxony and the Ruhr, when the whole energy of the Party was required for work, and it threatened to cause disaster. The Communist International intervened and brought the controversy to a successful issue. Today the German Party is the best fighter among the parties outside of Soviet Russia. It is a living, pulsating, virile unit and is gaining increasing influence and

control over the German masses. The Social-Democracy is slowly losing its hold, while even the Nationalists of Germany admit that the Communists stand not for the workers alone but have a program for the whole people. The intervention of the Communist International was timely and fruitful.

The solution of the French question did not produce the results that Frossard, who later left the Party, expected. On the contrary: the Party is stronger, more active than ever. With the exit of Frossard and his small group of trouble-makers, there entered two men, representative of groups of great value and importance to the Communist movement: Bar-

busse and Monatte. Especially Monatte, former anarchist and syndicalist leader, will add strength to the Party. Already the Party has done good work in the Ruhr crisis—and the coming months will reveal even greater initiative.

Italy has still needed the attention of the Communist International. The decisions of the Fourth Congress were not faithfully carried out. On the contrary, the Party did not help to bring over the Socialist Party to the Communist position—to fusion with the Communist Party, despite the fact that the Rome Congress of the Socialist Party declared for affiliation with the Communist Inter-

national. Still harboring sectarian views, refusing to be "contaminated" with opportunistic tendencies, the Communist Party of Italy did not grasp the opportunity to create a solid front with the Socialists, thereby playing into the hands both of the right-wingers, the traitors to the workers, and of Mussolini. These right-wingers split the Party; they refused to accept the Rome decision. The ranks were broken and Mussolini with his black-shirts massacred and crushed the Communists and the militant workers, who, by the treachery of the right-wingers, were left without leadership. By the reorganization of the Executive Committee

of the Communist Party, by inviting the Socialist Party of Italy to send a delegation to the Comintern to discuss the question of affiliation of the Socialist Party and of fusion with the Communist Party, and by sending an appeal to the workers of Italy to stand together against the reaction that rules Italy today, the Communist International has established the basis for the strengthening of the Communist Party and for the unity of all revolutionary forces in Italy.

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