

ENLARGED EXECUTIVE OF COMINTERN MAKES FINAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR FIFTH WORLD COMMUNIST MEET

This is the first of a series of articles from our Moscow correspondent, which will give a more complete report of the proceedings of the Fifth World Congress of the Communist International than the short cable dispatches already published in the DAILY WORKER. The second article will appear in our next issue.

(Special to The Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, June 14.—(By Mail.)—Most of the preliminary work incidental to the holding of the Fifth World Congress of the Communist International is now accomplished and July 17 has definitely been set as the opening date of the great gathering.

The meeting of the enlarged executive opened in the Andreevsky Hall, at 9 P. M., on Thursday. Black draperies reminded the delegates of the loss the International suffered in the death of Comrade Lenin.

Comrade Zinoviev took the chair and announced the opening of the meeting. The old Presidium was directed to take charge of the meetings. The executive was represented by 24 comrades: Russia by 8, Germany 3, Czechoslovakia 3, Italy 3, the Y. C. I. 3, France 3, Poland 2, Norway 2, England 2 and America 2. Smaller countries were represented by one delegate each.

Altogether 72 delegates, comprising 24 from the executive and 49 from 31 countries were present.

Agenda Submitted.

The executive committee submitted the following agenda to the meeting:

I. The Fifth Congress.

- a) Draft of the agenda for the Congress and nomination of reporters for various subjects on the agenda.
- b) Nomination for the presidium of the Congress.
- c) Nomination for the secretariat of the Congress.
- d) Nominations for the various commissions at the Congress.
- e) Drafts for manifestos.

I. To the Red Army, Fleet and Air Forces.

2. Against the White Terror, and the imprisonment of comrades in various countries.

3. Against persecutions carried out in colonial lands by imperial powers.

II. International demonstration on the occasion of 10th anniversary of the beginning of the world war.

III. Opening day of the Congress.

This agenda was unanimously adopted.

French Make Declaration.

The French delegation made a declaration to the Executive, charging that comrade Souvarine, a member of the presidium elected by the Fourth World Congress, in no way represents the opinion of the French Party and with being guilty of several breaches of discipline both against the French party and against the International.

Refusing to follow the political direction of the party, he was removed from his post as editor of the "Bulletin Communiste" and after his removal wrote to the subscribers seeking to discredit the party executive and trying to gain subscribers for a new political review. He also was accused of making speeches attacking the party and the International.

There the French delegation requested that he be allowed to take part in the proceedings of the Enlarged Executive only in an advisory capacity. The French delegates further stated that but for consideration for the International more severe measures would have been already taken against comrade Souvarine.

Comrade Souvarine requested that he be given half an hour in which to reply to the charges made against him.

Comrade Radek opposed the adoption of the French proposal and suggested that Souvarine make his explanation in writing.

Zinoviev supported the proposal to set up a commission to try Souvarine for violation of party discipline. He could not be deprived of his vote, however, declared Zinoviev.

After considerable discussion in which comrades Freimuth, Germany, Radek and Bukharin participated, Souvarine was given the floor to reply. He claimed that there were no specific charges of breach of discipline made against him. He discussed various forms of discipline and suggested that there were occasions when violations were to be condoned. He referred to what he styled with apparent sarcasm to the need for "achieving

that 100 per cent unanimity which at present is the fashion in the organizations of the Communist International." He promised to give the International the necessary information as to the charges brought against him.

Commission Appointed.

Comrade Zinoviev criticised Souvarine for misusing the time allowed him to make a political declaration of a quite definite character. "We do not take ill," said Zinoviev, "when he uses sharp words but many passages of his speech sounded quite un-communistic." The proposal to set up a commission to discuss the Souvarine case was unanimously adopted.

The proposed agenda (already published in the Daily Worker.—Ed.) was unanimously adopted and the following nominations for the presidium and secretariat of the Congress were accepted.

Presidium:

Chairman: Zinoviev.

Personally: Clara Zetkin, of Germany.

Russia: Stalin, Bukharin, Trotsky.

Germany: Braun, Gebhardt.

France: Treint, Sellier.

Italy: Bordiga.

Czechoslovakia: Smeral, Muna.

Scandinavia: Scheffo.

The Balkans: Kolarov.

Poland: Krejevsky.

Japan: Katayama.

India: Roy.

Great Britain: Stewart.

America: Dunne.

Secretariat.

Piatnitsky, MacManus, Neurath, Doriot, Stirner.

The members of the several commissions were announced and Zinoviev sent the following telegram to the Central Executive Committee of the Communist Party of Germany: "In the name of the Fifth Congress, I request you to lay wreaths on the graves of Karl Liebknecht and Rosa Luxemburg, of eternal memory, when their monuments are unveiled on June 15."

Erie Newsie Fights Steel Trust Aides to Sell Daily Worker

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ERIE, Pa., July 6.—The Erie Board of Commerce is of course, quite in line with the steel trust policy for this state of calling all Workers Party literature and activities "seditious," as is evident in the latest exploit of the big business men. The young man, A. N. Beldean, who undertook to sell the DAILY WORKER and other publications of the Workers Party in Erie, was accosted by a chamber of commerce man who took a paper and then, on the pretense that he had "no change," asked the newsboy to step into his office.

Inside the board of commerce office, two other men joined the first and began to question the newsie. They locked the door and called the police. A big detective came and took Meldean to the station and the chief continued the catechism.

The newsie answered truthfully that he was Roumanian and had been in Erie about eight years and that he had not been able to get work in any of the factories there. The chief told him to get some other work than selling the DAILY WORKER and threatened Beldean with trouble if he did not cease his sales.

Beldean is fighting the issue with legal aid.

Brownsville to See Famous Soviet Film With Regular Show

NEW YORK, July 6.—The film