

New Books for Workers to Read

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In the production of its "Labor and Industry" series of books, published by the International Publishing Co., of New York, the Labor Research Association is doing a good and necessary piece of work.

The books already cover the textile, coal, lumber, silk, and automobile industries. Others are to follow dealing with steel, transportation, etc.

The books are a mine of information on the origin and development of the respective industries, the wages, hours, and working conditions of the workers, the employers organizations, the progress of rationalization, and the profits of the bosses.

A central feature of these books is the trade union struggles of the workers. Here most useful and valuable material is at hand. The books contain an ample record of the A. F. of L. unions, the reactionary policies of their leaders, the struggles of the I. W. W. in the lumber, textile, and other industries, and the growth of the T. U. U. L. minorities and the present T. U. U. L. revolutionary

unions.

Of course, in such a mass of material there are numerous errors and shortcomings. But these are offset by the informative value of the books. Such detailed studies of the respective industries have long been needed.

One good feature of the books, which must be noted is their reasonable price—\$1.00 per volume. This brings them within the reach of the workers.

The "Labor and Industry" series can be profitably read by every worker. They should receive a wide distribution.

Lenin Pageant

The pageant to be given at the Lenin Memorial Meeting is a very colorful and gigantic spectacle. All the available forces in the movement have been mobilized for this production. The pageant portrays development of the Leninist party and theory from the 1903 split to, and including, the Five-Year Plan.