

# NEGRO WORK IN SEATTLE PUSHED

## Hall Addresses Meets; Many Join Party

*(Special to the Daily Worker)*

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 15.—The entrance of Otto Hall, Negro field organizer of the Workers (Communist) Party into the Seattle district, has given great stimulus to the activities of the Negro workers here, where the best meetings in the west so far have been held, according to reports from workers in the district.

On Saturday, Hall addressed a meeting in the Negro section, attended by more than 200 Negro workers. Pointing to the conditions now existing in the United States of segregation, lynching, Jim Crowism as applied to Negroes and other oppressed races, Hall contrasted this condition with the position of Negro workers and other minority races and nationalities in the Soviet Union, "where to be a worker means freedom." Hall recently returned after a long stay in the Soviet Union, and speaks authoritatively on the conditions of the workers there.

The applications of nine Negro workers for entrance into the Workers (Communist) Party and three young Negro workers into the Young Workers (Communist) League capped the meeting.

On Sunday evening Hall addressed an overflow crowd of workers at the Seattle Workers' Forum, on "Progress in the Soviet Union." Six new members for the Workers (Communist) Party were recruited from the audience. Many workers had to be turned away for lack of room. Monday evening, at a meeting held on the "Skidroad" in Seattle, Hall repudiated the lies spread by Thompson, organizer of the I. W. W. Thompson, who is also supporting the Trotsky renegades, had charged that the trade unions of the Soviet Union were forced underground. Hall effectively answered these lies.

Other cities at which Hall will speak during the next few days are Spokane, Wash., on Jan. 17, and in the Twin Cities from Jan. 20 to 22.