

ON TASKS OF THE REVOLUTIONARY TRADE UNION ORGANIZATIONS IN WORK AT THE FACTORIES

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(Continued from Saturday's issue)

DIVISION OF WORK

A division of labor, ensuring the drawing into the work of all the members of the revolutionary trade union must be arranged within the general factory group and within its shop, brigade and shifts. In the initial stages of the activity of the revolutionary trade union factory group, when it still consists of but a few comrades, this division of labor should bear only the most primitive character (organizer, treasurer, etc.). Later on, every factory group should build up its elective and collectively working bureau, which will lead the day to day work of the group and which will control the fulfillment of the decisions adopted and the directives of the higher organs. As the factory group becomes consolidated and widened organizationally, the following most important branches of factory trade union work which should be divided among the members of the Bureau and the best militants, must be provided for: 1) connection with the respective organs of leadership—local (dis-

trict) and connection with the shop, shift and brigade groups—as a rule, these duties must be laid upon the leaders of the factory groups and the shift, shop and brigade links; 2) a factory trade union newspaper; 3) the spreading of literature; 4) a treasurer who should also direct the collection of membership and other dues and subscriptions; 5) leaders of corresponding auxiliary factory organizations formed by the revolutionary trade union group; 6) leaders of the revolutionary trade union oppositions and the factory organizations of the reformist, Christian unions.

The leaders of every one of these branches of work must organize temporary and permanent commissions and brigades for the fulfillment of their tasks, drawing into them both the members of the groups and those in sympathy with the revolutionary trade union movement. The most important day to day duty of every member of a factory revolutionary trade union group is the constant and persistent recruiting of workers in the ranks of our union. In waging mass recruiting campaigns, and applying the methods of persistent and individual education of separate workers, the factory shop groups and sections must continuously widen their ranks both from among the unorganized workers and from the members of the reformist, Christian, and other reactionary trade unions. It is of particular importance to win to the side of the revolutionary trade union movement popular leaders of the workers and first of all the organizers and leaders of strikes and other mass revolutionary action of the workers. Trade union democracy and self-criticism in the activity of the factory groups of the revolutionary trade union organizations must be applied most widely and consistently.

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