

# Forward to a Mass Communist Party!

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Not a day further should be missed to bring the Party recruiting drive into swing in the factories, in the trade unions, in the mass organizations, among the Negro people, the youth of America—these thousands and thousands of potential Communists. The readiness of these masses for Party membership is proven by the response of new and ever new masses to our election platform, by the splendid election rallies.

The problem is to organize the recruiting drive. Every Party member in the trade unions, in the factories, must understand that his duty is to bring into our ranks his fellow-workers who agree with our program.

Every shop unit, industrial unit, the branches, must have its plan of action, the aim of which must be to double their membership by developing the election campaign on the basis of the local issues, by building united fronts in the factories, in the neighborhoods, in the struggle for the daily demands.

## Leaders, Give Example!

The Recruiting Drive will be successful only to the extent that the two to three thousand comrades constituting the leading personnel of the Party stimulate the campaign by their own personal example, will help the lower organizations, the units, in their everyday activities.

Every mass meeting, every campaign, every activity must bring results in new members into our ranks. Every election speech, by radio and in meetings, must call upon the workers to join the Party. The units must have open membership meetings, at which workers are invited to discuss the plans of the Party in the election campaign, and thus draw in recruits from among the thousands of good fighters of the trade union movement into our ranks. This will not only strengthen our Party numerically, but will strengthen the ties of our Party with broad, organized masses, will strengthen the progressive movement in the A. F. of L. unions.

## We Must Double Membership

We must come out of this Recruiting Drive with our membership



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doubled, which would mean a Party more strongly entrenched among large masses. The stronger our Party, the greater our influence; the more mighty a factor it will be in bringing about the broad People's Front—a Farmer-Labor Party—a powerful force in the political life of the country. The power to double our Party membership is in our own hands. All we have to do is to perform a little work and show some real Bolshevik activity.

The Resolution on Organization, adopted at the Ninth National Convention of our Party, published in yesterday's Daily Worker, should be studied by every Party member, by every sympathizer in the trade unions and mass organizations, and should be put aggressively into effect.