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Dear Brothers:

"What was good enough for our grandfathers is good enough for us" - so say the ignorant.

Years ago, workers were chattel slaves; is chattel slavery good enough for us now? Years ago, workers were feudal slaves; is feudal slavery good enough for us now? Now in the twentieth century, workers are wage slaves; is wage slavery good enough to continue? If it is not, then what should take the place of wage slavery?

The educational organization discusses the above questions intelligently. Do you care to take part in or listen to such discussion?

On Sunday, April 27, at 2 P.M., at our headquarters, 409 S. Halsted St., a meeting of the educational organization will be held.

Every member of local 61, is invited, and requested to attend.

Fraternally,

Educational committee.

PLEASE pass this letter along.

COMMITTEE X, A SYSTEM OF DELEGATE REPRESENTATION.—For discussion by local branches the chairman of the Committee on Delegate Representation has drawn up the following brief summary of the situation based on the communications from members of the committee so far received:

1. There seems to be pretty general agreement that each local institution should have the privilege of sending one delegate to the annual meeting, quite regardless of the size of the membership in a given institution.

2. Granting this, there remains the question whether such a delegate should have a single vote, or a number of votes proportionate to the membership which he represents; if the latter alternative is chosen, the unit for voting purposes should be ten, or a majority fraction thereof, so that, for example, a delegate representing 100 members would have ten votes.

3. Broadly speaking, the committee seems to favor disregarding the possibility of the smaller institutions' controlling an undue proportion of the votes. Certainly the smaller institutions should be encouraged to send delegates; and any attempt to equalize the voting power of delegates with reference to the membership represented involves undesirable complications in the method of voting.

4. Although there is some slight variation of opinion regarding votes by mail or proxy, the general drift is against such methods of voting except in so far as a ballot by mail from all individual members of the Association should be encouraged whenever the annual meeting of the Council sees fit to order such a vote.

5. The committee is inclined to think that the question of expenses of the delegate must be left to the local institution, with the understanding that the financial adjustment will vary in different institutions according to circumstances.