
Circular Letter Mailed to Over 1,000 “Live-Wire Trade Unionists” on Behalf of the Trade Union Educational League from William Z. Foster in Chicago, Feb. 10, 1922

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Brother Unionist:

The Trade Union Educational League is here-with launching its big nationwide campaign to amalgamate the many trade unions into powerful industrial organizations and to infuse them with the true fighting spirit. Only through such combination of organized labor's forces can the workers hope to successfully resist the terrific onslaughts now being made upon them by the employers. With this all intelligent and progressive unionists are in agreement. Enclosed you will find a statement of the league's program, reprinted from *The Labor Herald*. Kindly give it your closest attention. As a live-wire trade unionist you will be vitally interested.

The league is beginning immediately its active work of militant education and consolidation of the trade unions. For that purpose it is establishing contact all over the country with the very best and liveliest elements in the labor movement. This letter is being sent to a selected list of over 1,000 militants in that

many towns. These are earnest, forward-striving workers, the salt of the labor movement, who may be depended upon to give the league's vital proposition the utmost consideration. You are the only one in your town, no matter how small or large it may be, who will get this letter. That is because you have been highly recommended to us as a serious-minded and actively progressive militant, as one who will respond aggressively to a real proposition of organization.

Again we say, read the enclosed statement of the league's aims and give it your best thought. Next week we will write you further upon the subject, outlining in detail just how the league is going ahead with its work. Please save this letter and the enclosed printed matter for future reference.

Trusting that you will realize the vital importance of the work of solidarity now being started by the league and with kindest wishes,

Fraternally yours,

**Trade Union Educational League,
William Z. Foster, Secretary-Treasurer.**

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