## REPORT ON THE RUSSIANS.........

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 the All-Union Trades Congress. This
meets every year or so but hasn
since the war. This corresponds to
our AFL and CIO national conven
tions labor-no soldiers or farmers ar
in it. This big Congress elects fift
five members to something they ca
the Plenum. These fifty-five ele
 workers belonged to trade union


Stalin stayed in Moseow when Ger-
mainy advaneed on eity. "Well," he said, wome poppentioe occupied regions, it takes a little
time to convince all workers they
should belong." He said the dues erre. There is no initiation fee, but
they sel you a book costing only
one rouble. "Now, is this a perfectly free
unlon movement," we asked him,
"or is it directed by your governIt was perfectly free, he assured approved by the government.
He said, "in 1919 a strike in one
steel mill lasted two days. And in
1923 the steel mill lasted two days. And in
1932 there was another litte strike
In western Russia. We were chang to Soviet roubles, and it took time
to get it all printed and out to the workers, As soon as the situation
was explained to them, they went
back to werk. There have been no Won't be any because our workere
understand they are all working for gets discharged for any reason,
would it be difficult for him to get " "Very, very difficult," said Kuz-
netsov.
"Do you have any absenteetsm?" "Wo you have any absenteelsm?"
seasonply don't have it without
"But aren't workers sometimes a
iittle late" "Occasionally," he said. "The
first time he is, warned. The second
time he may be fined. If it happens time he may be fined. If it happens
again, he is discharged. If a work-
er fails to cooperate, damages too
much material or does anything else be arrested and tried before a judge,
and it he is unable to prove his innocence, sentenced to a number of
years' penal labor. The rules in the
factories are very strict and rigidily enforced." And the union officials
encourage the workers to testify
against a man guilty of these of fenses - maybe they themselves
bring charges against him. -Joining the trade union in any
plant is completely voluntary," Kuz-
netsov said. "How do you account then, for the
fact that practically everyone who
is eligible joins?" It is to their advantage in any
country, and particularly in the So
viet Union, where the Tride vet Union, where the Trade Union
Movement offers many benefits.
Here a union member received greater sick benefits than a non-
union member. There is a housing
thortage here and most factories own apartment houses which they
rent to the workers. Union members
receive first rensidention "All workers are entitled to vacabezs cannot spend their vacations in
the rest centers maintained for
workers. If a worker is sick the workers. If a worker is sick,
physician may
recommend an

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