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OKLAHOMA DEFENDANTS THANK FRIENDS FOR SUPPORT

Alan Shaw to Speak in New York on January 12

Three of the 12 men and women facing possible 20-year prison terms under the Oklahoma criminal syndicalism law, who are at the present time in the East having secured special permission to leave the State of Oklahoma though they are under bail bonds ranging from \$5,000 to \$20,000 have asked the International Labor Defense to communicate their thanks to all those who have thus far assisted in their defense, it was announced by the I. L. D. last week.

"We wish to express the appreciation and the thanks of all the defendants in the Oklahoma cases to all these persons who have so generously assisted the International Labor Defense in fighting for our freedom," the defendants Alan Shaw, Elizabeth Green and Mrs. Ina Wood stated. "We know that the support that the International Labor Defense has given us in the legal defense, in bringing the facts of our case before the American people, in raising the bail, in assisting us while in jail with prisoners relief was made possible by the support of the people in every part of the country. In the words of our co-defendants Herbert Brausch, 'We only hope that through acts and deeds we might prove worthy of all the I. L. D. has done for us.' "

Badly in need of rest and medical treatment, Alan Shaw, Elizabeth Green and Mrs. Wood are at present visiting with friends.

Alan Shaw will speak in New York City on January 12, at Mecca Temple at a performance of Marc Blitzstein's "No For An Answer." The Oklahoma defense will receive a share of the proceeds of that evening's performance. Friends of the Oklahoma defense will have their first opportunity to hear a first hand account on the Oklahoma cases at that time.

The International Labor Defense in releasing the statement of the Oklahoma defendants urged all those interested in further assisting in the battle to win their freedom, to give every possible support to the January 12 performance of "No For An Answer" as one of the most immediate means of giving direct assistance to the Oklahoma defense. Those purchasing tickets directly from the box office are urged to ask for I. L. D. Tickets.

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