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LABOR FRATERNITY ENDORSES  
VICTORY CLOTHING DRIVE

The International Workers Order, a labor fraternity with 181,000 members in 17 states and the District of Columbia, has endorsed the UNRRA Victory Clothing Collection campaign which is gathering clothing, shoes and bedding for people in China, the Philippines and Europe who <sup>IN WAR-DEVASTATED COUNTRIES</sup> are ~~now~~ suffering from the devastating effects of wartime ravages. Among the IWO nationality societies which will participate in the clothing collection drive from January 7 to 31, 1946, are the following:

(list one after the other)

The text of the endorsement issued by the IWO General Council and signed by Max Bedacht, General Secretary, follows:

" The deperate plight of the war-stricken ~~peoples~~ peoples of China, the Philippines and Europe, now suffering <sup>additional</sup> ~~the~~ severe winter hardships, <sup>is</sup> ~~is~~ a problem of deep concern to the American people, ~~It is~~ <sup>of concern</sup> It is particularly to American fraternalists who are dedicated to the fraternal duty of helping their brothers and sisters in other lands who made ~~their~~ <sup>great</sup> sacrifices for freedom and democracy in World War II.

" Recognizing the fact that the continuation of misery and suffering of the hundreds of millions of people in these lands represents a real danger to ~~the~~ democracy in those countries, it is our task to strengthen those democracies by aiding the ~~homeless~~ homeless, ragged millions of the world. By doing this, we also safeguard our own democracy which exists indivisibly from the rest of the nations, as the war has taught us.

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" Therefore, the International Workers Order, as a labor fraternal organization ~~composed~~ of nationality group societies , endorses the Victory Clothing Collection from January 7 to 31, 1946 for the purpose of collecting 100,000,000 serviceable garments, shoes and bedding for the relief of war victims overseas.

" The General Council calls upon the lodges and membership of the Order, through their respective nationality societies and General Lodges, to support the clothing collection and participate in the campaign. "

