

ADVICE BUREAU OPENS ITS OFFICE

After six ~~months~~, the WP Workers Advice Bureau has re-opened its office in Athlone. This means workers will once again be helped with their complaints and in their trying to form factory committees.

Workers will have heard that the Advice Bureau was closed when its organizers were refused registration at Langa. For this reason they were unable to continue the valuable work of the Advice Bureau.

But while the office has been closed, the work of organizing has not been stopped. A successful workers' movement does not depend upon an office or on paid organizers, but on the spirit of the workers themselves. Workers now have an office to assist them - but the main work of organizing can be done by no-one but themselves.

On Monday the Advice Bureau was re-opened and Mr Steven Lewis (a former member of the Wages Commission) is being employed by the Advice Bureau to take down complaints from workers.

Mr Lewis is not a worker and will be doing no organizing, since this is the job of the workers themselves. But he will help to bring the needs of the workers from you to the Executive Committee of the Advice Bureau. The Executive Committee is elected by the workers and they will be doing all the organizing work in the future.

The Executive will also solve the complaints brought to them by workers through Mr Lewis.

Workers can now go to the Advice Bureau from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., from Monday to Friday. Here is a map of how to get there :-

Workers can use the Advice Bureau to get help on complaints concerning:

- unemployment insurance
- workmen's compensation
- under pay
- wrongful dismissal
- etc

HERE IS A MESSAGE FROM THE ADVICE BUREAU:

Worker must come to join the Advice Bureau and join the thousands of workers who are already members. By paying a membership fee, workers are helping to pay for the office, wages for the organizers

