

20131/A

FESTIVAL DE "L'UNITA'" - 196

Festival of "l'Unità"

September 1965. Also this year the I.C.P. has asked to workers 1.500.000.000 Italian lire of subscription for "l'Unità" and the other journals of the party. All over Italy democratic organizations have mobilised to reply to the call of I.C.P.

The most important moment of this large campaign has been the national Festival of "l'Unità". It has taken place in Genova, city of great democratic and popular traditions. The cycle of the events, that lasted four days was open with a manifestation of solidarity towards the people that fight for peace and national independence.

The comrade Nilda Jotti, member of the direction of I.C.P., has presided the manifestation. Some foreign representatives have testified about the fights of their peoples. Miki Teodorakis has spoken for the young Greek people.

An exhibition of satirical drawings of Italian painter Scalarini, known antifascist and socialist supporter, has attracted the interest and the attention of the visitors.

Political, cultural and recreative manifestations have lived parallelly on the heart of the International Fair in Genova.

Among all the singers there was also Ciccio Modugno, while the group of the "Nuove Canzoniere" played revolutionary and protest songs of Italian people.

The meeting of the Communist Youth and the National Congress of the "l'Unità" newspaper friends have been two high lights of Genovese days. Quite a few delegations of the newspapers of brothers Communist parties have been present to the Congress. Luigi Longo has awarded the best newspaper voluntary distributors.

On Sunday the twelve, closing day of the Festival, more than 100.000 workers arrived from points of Italy to listen to the address of the general secretary of I.C.P. Luigi Longo showed that the only way to be followed by the country and the people ~~xxx~~ is that of the unity and of the fight of all Italian left forces for peace, work and socialism;