

Briggs, Liberator Editor, Attacked

Worker Who Stole Funds Guilty of Attack

NEW YORK.—Cyril Briggs, editor of the Harlem "Liberator," was attacked Sunday noon by Alexander Mooney, whose petty thievery of money contributed to the Liberator was exposed in last week's issue. Briggs narrowly escaped serious injury. Because of the militant policy of the paper, Briggs has twice before been the object of attack by Tammany thugs.

As Briggs entered the doorway of the Liberator office at 2162 Seventh Avenue, a loaded beer bottle was thrown at his head. He dodged and avoided the missile. Had it struck him, it would have inflicted a dangerous wound.

Mooney then attacked Briggs, breaking his glasses and biting and kicking him. Negro workers immediately rushed to Briggs' rescue and drove Mooney and his wife, who accompanied him, out of the neighborhood.

Harlem workers are planning a bodyguard for the office of the Liberator and its editor.

Two weeks ago Mooney walked out of the Liberator office, where he was employed, with money entrusted to him to buy stamps for the mailing of the paper. The Liberator, in commenting on this, said, "It is against the policy of the Harlem Liberator to use the bosses' courts and police against any worker. We are confident that the workers whose pennies contribute to the publishing of the Liberator will deal in their own way with Mr. Mooney."