# Some Day Labor, When It Strikes, Will Not Walk Out Of The Factory But Will Stay In The Factory

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## Withdraw American Troops From Russia Socialist Demand

(Special Correspondence) Chicago.-Withdrawal of all American troops from Russia and the recognition by the United States government of the Russian Soviet Republic is again demanded by the American Socialist Party in resolutions adopted by the party national executive committee in session here.

The demand is made at this time in the name of democracy, in the interest of world peace, in the interests of the Russian workers and in the name of international decency and fair

This campaign against intervention in Russia, which has been carried on more than a year by the Socialist Party until it is now being supported by many non-Socialist elements in the country, is renewed with the following declaration:

"The Socialist Party again protests against the use of troops in Russia and demands the immediate withdrawal of allied and American armies from that country. The Soviet gov-ernment of Russia is so far the greatest achievement in the establishment of working class government in the history of the world. It should not only be permitted to develop unhindered, but should receive the encouragement and support of the workers obtaining for her an unhampered and

munication with the outside world. political development and national It has been interned by a barrier of policy, and assure her of a sincere welcensorship and boycotted by nations come in the society of free nations professing to be democratic. Plots, counter-revolutions, intrigue, wholesale lying by a mercenary press, and invasion of territory have not shaken may need and may herself desi e. The the affection of the Russian masses treatment accorded Russia by her for the Soviet government. No other government in all history has sur- will be the acid test of their good will, vived such tests of stability.

report from day to day the co-operad terests, and of their intelligent and tion of allied troops with old Czarist unselfish sympathy. generals for the 'restoration of order in Russia.' The German armies invaled Russia with the same cry for their justification. Thousands of Rus-

is not at war with Russia. While this program proceeds Rus- ruling classes of Russia. generals and black reactionaries con-

"This is a reversal of all American traditions. This country has always claimed to be an asylum for the oppressed and refugees of all nations, not as a field for the activities of for-

eign reactionaries.
"Castro, the Venezuelan dictator, was not permitted to plot in this country for the return of his dictatorship. The assassin, Huerta, attempting a similar coup in Mexico from this country, died a prisoner of the United States government.

"In 1800, the masses of this country turned the Federalist Party out of office for its lack of sympathy for the French Revolution. On the other hand, Kosciusko, the polish revolutionist, and other exiles, were always welcomed in this country.

"Today, the reactionaries propose to bayonet and starve the Russian Revolution. This shameless proposal means a reversal of the historic atti-tude of the American people. It would make us the jailor of refugees, and the partners of imperialists and mercenaries.

"In January, 1918, President Wilson said, 'The evacuation of all Russian territory and such a settlement of all questions affecting Russia as will secure the best and freest co-operation of the other nations of the world in unembarrassed opportunity for the independent determination of her own political development and national of their comprehension of her needs "Despite these facts, press accounts as distinguished from their own in-

"Why should American soldiers be

we are assured that the United States their blood to restore the monarchy of the trial.

"Bombs" Prepared by Defense.

the Soviet government. Some of them lying about Russia. Refuse to co-op-frankly state that the property of the erate with the Kolchak, the Semen-that the attorneys for the defense frain from criticism which would refrankly state that the property of the ferale with the Kotlak, the Seiner former landed junkers is to be restored, thus reducing the peasants to chists of the old bloody regime. Rectheir former servitude. Monarchist generals and black reactionaries con
"We demand this in the name of degree of the defense than from the defense that from the defense duct this propaganda in the United morracy, in the interest of world States while the friends of the Russian masses and their government are workers and in the name of interna-I tional decency and fair play."

## Demand Wilson Act Denial of Passports

(Special Correspondence)

be granted. Under instructions from the Socialist Party National Executive Committee, Adolph Germer, National Sec-Germer. "I wonder if the State De-

"Socialist Party elected three delegates to International Socialist and Labor Conference. British Labor Party and French Socialist Party urge or next month, a representation of American Socialist Bern, Switzer and. Party. State Department refuses We protest against the discrimination and appeal to you to

The same cablegram was sent to J. Ramsay MacDonald of the British Independent Labor Party, and Jean Longuet, spokesman of the French Socialist Party, in addition to Camille Huysmans, secretary of the International Socialist Bureau at Brussels, Belgium, with the information that the cable had been sent to President

Wilson. These messages are, of course, subject to the American cable censorship, which may prevent even this communication with the Socialists of the

United States and those of Europe. The Socialist Party National Office received its first word that the passports had been denied in a telegram from Algernon Lee in New York city. Lee wired that he had received word from Socialist Congressman Meyer London, who had called personally at

Later.-The campaign being di-Socialist Party here took a new turn land since 1910. today when Adolph Germer, National Secretary, received a wire from Algernon Lee, of New York city, one of the delegates, to the effect that the State Department claims it has not definitely turned down the Socialist applications for passports.

Lee's telegram is based on information received from Socialist Congress-

man Meyer London at Washington Chicago.-Application direct to who has had another interview with President Woodrow Wilson has been Acting Secretary of State Polk, who made by the Socialist Party for pass- now claims that the information given ports for its delegates to the Inter- out Wednesday as to the refusal of national Socialist and Labor Con-gress to be held at Bern, Switzerland. London says he understands that This action was taken when the bureaucrats of the state department at Washington had announced that is trying to get definite information passports to the Socialist Party dele- as to whether the contemplated Intergates, Algernon Lee of New York national Socialist and Labor Confercity; James Oneal of Brooklyn, and ence will take place and that as soon John M. Work of Chicago, would not as this is known passports will be is-

retary, sent a cablegram addressed to partment was so anxious to learn President Wilson at Paris, France, as about the conference that Gompers, trial.

Spargo and Russell claimed they were going to attend. The passports should be granted irrespective of whether this conference will be held next week or next month, at Lausanne or at

## Scottish Workers to Have Daily Papers

Labor Party to Have Daily Papers. in London, and he predicted that at the next election they must have 560 instead of 360 candidates, and contest

al work had been done. rected from the National Office of the made considerable advance in Scot- over Japan.

> PLIGHT OF THE AMERICAN WORKING MAN

We struggle all day today-so we can live long enough to struggle all

Galion, O.

## for Five Chicago **Socialists Continued**

(Special Correspondence) Chicago, Jan. 23.-Judge Landis today continued the hearing on the motion for a new trial for the five National Socialist Party officials, Congressman-elect Victor L. Berger, Adolph Germer, J. Louis Engdahl, Irwin St. John Tücker and William F. Kruse, until Saturday morning at 10

All indications up to the present have been that the motion for a new trial would be turned down without question, and that sentences upon the five Socialists would be immediately This had resulted in the imposed. stage again being set in Judge Landis' big court room, with an army of newspaper men present, and crowds of Socialists being turned away for lack of accommodations

The continuance of the arguments would now indicate, however, that there will be a real struggle for a new trial, and that the added time s being used for preparation. The attorneys for the Socialists are making good use of the time allowed to prepare the case for appeal to the nigher courts.

## Landis Calls Berger Jury to Sift Scandal

Chicago, Jan. 25.—A sweeping investigation of alleged irregularities in the jury deliberations in the recent trial of Victor L. Berger, Adolph Gerner, Wm. Kruse, J. and Irwin Tucker, who were con-victed on charges of violating the esby Federal Judge Landis. Subpoenas have been served on the

twelve members of the jury which heard the case, and they will appear before Judge Landis at 10 a. m. The hearing was ordered on the plea of the defense, which claims to have in its possession an affidavit sworn to by Thomas C. Nixon, an inventor, 4858 North Monticello avenue, who was a member of the jury, and sian workers and peasants killed in men?

this enterprise at the same time that "Why should American bays shed a deputy marshal during the progress"

Rumors concerning a sensational de-

Irwin St. John Tucker, William F. rule us.

Wasse Adolph Germer and J. Louis "Middle and West Europe is ablaze Kruse, Adolph Germer and J. Louis Engdahl, appeared before Judge Lan-

the coming inquiry beyond admitting the truth of the report. "I am sorry the investigation be-

Deputy Marshal Involved.

Juron Nixon, in his affidavit, is said to have charged that certain other the workers." made derogatory remarks against the defense during the course of the trial, and that a deputy marshal who had access to the jury was outspoken in his prejudice against the Socialists. Other jurists refused discuss the case. Some charged they had been "hounded" by agents of the defense since the close of the

## Japan Socialists Issue Manifesto

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## With Common Sense

By J. LOUIS ENGDAHL.

Chicago. Pointing out that Labor Party movements springing up in dif-ferent parts of the country are merely expressions of the radicalism of the times, the Socialist Party National Executive Committee, in session here, urges all Socialists everywhere to use common sense instead of prejudice in meeting this new development.

The statement issued by the Socialist Party Executive Committee on this question in full is as follows: "The formation of labor parties in everal of the larger cities has aroused the interest of members of the Socialist Party. This new political party, an expression of the radicalism of the times as well as a protest against the conscrvatism of the American Federation of Labor, may spread to other industrial centers. In view of this possibility, we, the National Executive Committee of the Socialist Party remind every Socialist Party member.

"1. That State and National Constitutions of the Socialist Party forbids members from joining any other political organization.

"2. That endorsement of any

"2. That endorsement of any other political organization by any member or sub division of the Socialist Party is equally prohibited.

"3. That even though the new labor party may proclaim in favor of industrial democracy, may ennunciate the fact of the class struggle and may profess internationalism, the history of all such organizations has shown that they must be judged by their deeds rather than their prom-

their deeds rather than their promises.

"Socialist Party members are asked to view this new political venture in the light of these facts. They should understand that it is the persistent and uncompromising attitude of the Socialist Party, together with the sweep of late events, which accounts for the radical expressions in Labor Party platforms. It is only by con-Party platforms. It is only by continuing our position and economic interpretation of events that we can hope to obtain the workers so they will not only declare for industrial democracy, but will act through the Socialist Posts to can this seed.

who is said to have alleged that prejudicial remarks against the defendants were made by certain jurors and activities a deputy marshal during the progress of the trial.

"Romba" Prepared by Defense by old party politicians and corrupt by old party politicians and corrupt influence, there we must oppose the sian representatives of the old czarist regime carry on their reactionary propaganda here for the overthrow of real news and encourages wholesale residually and file movement, declaring for inserting the Cariet content of the conte Yesterday Attorneys William A. these a measure of common sense in-Cunnea and Henry Cochems, representing Berger and his co-defendants, tition in the political field, should

with revolution; Great Britain is makdis and offered a copy of Nixon's af- ing strides toward Socialism; unrest on fidavit. An inquiry was ordered immediately by the judge. the orient; Russia is living through the Judge Landis, District Attorney labor pains of an industrial democ-Charles F. Clyne and Attorneys Cun-nea and Cochems refused to discuss rise to a new party in this country. Socialist in all but name; but unless such a party should manifest its character by proof in action, all Socame known before it had actually cialists must maintain their position begun," said Judge Landis. "I had of advance guards of labor's forces hoped for little publicity on the mat- upon the political field. Only by this ter. There may be nothing to the method can we hope to educate all charges and there may be a great workers in the fundamental principles as ennunciated and practiced by our

## Gov't. Ownership Success in Queensland

Queensland, Australia, has tried

government ownership of public utilities, and finds it an unqualified success. The Queensland Minister for Railways is now in the United States on a tour of inspection of the American Railway System. "My mission to the United States is primarily to The Socialist Party of Japan, acinquire into your methods of man-cording to "Le Populaire," has issued agement of railroads under governdress to the Council of Soviets in Russia. In the course of this manifesto the Executive Committee makes in the course of this manifesto itor. "The policy of the course o the Executive Committee makes the of which I am a member is the na-following statement: tionalization of all public utilities, and following statement:

"All of our attention is given to although the war with all its manifold The Scottish Conference of the In"All of our attention is given to dependent Labor Party, held during the progress of the Russian Revolutionship problems has diverted us somewhat the first week in January, decided to tion and it is with profound sympathy from our activities, we are yet movtion and it is with profound sympathy from our activities, we are yet movtion and it is with profound sympathy from our activities, we are yet movorganize a daily press of its own that we observe the vigorous advance in gradually toward our objective."

Science Monitor reports J. Ramsay MacDonald as saying: "The Labor Party must have a daily press of their own in London, Glasgow and elsewhere." He said that before many weeks they would have a daily paper in London, and he predicted that at the methods of the Japanese government, which, under one unimportant in London, and he predicted that at the methods of the Japanese government, which, under one unimportant in London, and he predicted that at the methods of the Japanese government, which, under one unimportant in London, and he predicted that at the methods of the Japanese government, which, under one unimportant in London, and he predicted that at the government in London. pretext or another, sends its troops ance is a government monopoly. The into Siberia in order to check the government also has purchased sevfree development of the Russian Rev-cral cattle stations. In the centers of are repealed. The convention was practically every seat in the country.

Mr. MacDonald stated that there

having enough organization to ward large number of retail butcher shops

The development of the Russian Reversal Country and the country of the Russian Reversal Country and the content of the Russian Reversal Country of the Russian Reversal Coun London, who had caused personally at the State Department that the work had been donc.

The Independent Labor Party has as we are today by the government, stabilize the industry, and to prevent to secure the release of several of lution also asks that those disabled in the flag of liberty will float some day the introduction of cheap labor. The over Japan."

"Le Populaire" notes that Socialist groups have difficulties in Japan where the legislation against them prospecting for oil. The government with not some day over cleap labor. The state is opening an iron producing ed and sentenced, in one case to three years in the penitentiary, for having some day be substituted for the legislation against them prospecting for oil. The government sion. is very oppressive. It is, therefore, operates a steamship line that has its difficult to keep in touch with the own coal mines, its own saw mills and activities of the Japanese Socialists. perform all of its own public work. The above document, however, throws an interesting sidelight upon some returned a profit of \$30,000 last year, of the things that they are trying filet steak is 18c a lb., and sirloin men and one school trustee, by large

## Fight for New Trial | Meet Labor Party | Socialist Party Backs Fight Debs at to Free Mooney

(Special Correspondence)

tion with the aims of the recent Na- ments for these alleged offenses in tional Mooney Labor Congress held the late autocracy of Germany, the in this city has been voted today by practice in this country has been fero-the Socialist Party National Execu-

eration from prison.

for the calling of an Amnesty Congress to be held in Chicago, May 1, with delegates present from all organizations interested in securing ampairs for all three lengths and the control of the plans provides of the control of the plans provides of the control of the control of the plans provides of the control of the cont of their political, industrial, and re-other title.

ligious views. The National Office of the Socialganizations that can be interested in this great campaign, when a general call will be issued on behalf of all of them. The National Executive Committee of the Socialist Party feels assured that such a congress will call together from 2,000 to 3,000 delegates from every section of the land.
The National Executive Committee adopted a resolution demanding amnesty for political prisoners as fol-Resolution Demanding Amnesty

Chicago, Jan. 22.—Hearty co-opera- "In comparison with the punisheven minority political opinions that tive Committee.
This puts the Socialist movement were freely permitted in France and

struggling to secure justice for Mooney, even to the calling of a general strike on July 4, to force his liberation from prison.

twenty years.

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"In view of the workers republics rising in Europe and the decline of autocracy in other parts of the world, pectant crowd. Hundreds were turned autocracy in other parts of the world, Immediate steps will be taken by the Socialist Party demands complete away unable to get inside the build-Immediate steps will be taken by the Socialist Party to launch a national movement for the unconditional liberation of all war prisoners gardless of their political, religious or conomic views, whether they be at once. One of the plans provides or economic views, whether they be diers in uniform were scattered

The Socialist Party, as the political The National Office of the Social-representative of labor in this counist Party will get in touch with all or-try, demands the release of all such prisoners and their return to the society of their fellows not only as a measure of justice to them, but as a partial atonement for the violation of ence as it gazed with tear-dimmed fundamental constitutional guaran- eyes upon the picture of the chamtecs. The suppression of these minority opinions by unconstitutional means, mob violence and war hysteria, is a disgrace to all our professions of

"democracy" and will ever remain such in view of enlightened mankind. Amnesty for these victims is one of the supreme issues of the present and the United States cannot be considered Political Prisoners. the United States cannot be considered "The Socialist Party calls attention as again a member of the progressive to the atrocious sentences given to the war dissenters and those representing minority opinions in this country.

nations of the world until this measure of tardy justice has been accomplished.

## Babson's Warning to Bosses Stir Up Strikes Here I met your Golden Rule Mayor and at other times many others—but Big Business

Roger W. Babson, head of Babson' Statistical Organization, Inc., which furnishes reports to merchants, bankers and investors, has sent out a "Barometer Letter," in which the lessons of the war are discussed. This letter raises the question, "Shall we all voluntarily give up something, or shall we all run the risk of losing everything?" The answer, Babson tells his business clientele, depends upon whether or not we are willing to profit by the real lesson of the war. If we are willing to let the bulk of manual workers of this country privileges which the war has given them—if we are willing to run the country in the interest of the pro-

Basil M. Manly, Joint Chairman of the National War Labor Board, has issued a public statement in which he accusses the American bosses of using detective agencies for the purpose of fomenting strikes and breaking labor unions. Manly cites two specific instances in which supposed union men were urging unjustifiable strikes, and declares that many similar cases had been found. Manly continued: "Such employers as these, who deliberately stir up industrial strife in order to discredit unionism, are the greatest menace to American institutions existing in the country today."

### Marine Council Formed in Gulf State

ducers of property rather than the inheritors of property, then we can head off disaster. If, however, the to form a Gulf District Marine Counfinancial and business interests of the cil of the various organized crafts United States and Allied nations attempt to return to pre-war economic mately one hundred delegates rep-conditions then there surely will fol-

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International Labor News

## ENGLAND

Labor Party Urges Government to Keep Factories. The British Labor Party has taken a vigorous stand in favor of having the factories and other works built by the government during the war, retained under national control. The 'London Times" in an effort to discredit this move has been urging the government to permit the trade unions to make an experiment in guild Socialism by taking over some of these factories and managing them

in competition with private industries. The "London Nation" in commenting on the situation calls attention to the fact that even should the trade unions make an effort to take over the factories and manage them, they would very easily be discredited by and to obtain markets. Workshop control is only a small part of modern business. The trade unions controling the shops would be helpless in the hands of the bankers, producers of raw material and marketers of the product they created. "The Nation" warms the unions that any attempt to follow the suggestion of the "Times" is bound to fail. It further suggests that the "Times" desires this failure in order to discredit the work of the Labor Party.

CANADA Labor Protests Censorship. its recent convention, decided that it and other states. would call for a general strike within 60 days unless all censorship laws

Labor Wins Political Victory. The Hamilton Independent Labor majorities. The Labor Party lost only two candidates in the election; an aldermanic candidate and a school board candidate.

## ARGINTINA

Strikers Win Great Victory. The labor unions of Argentina have won a sweeping victory, as a result of the nation-wide strikes that have spread over the country during the past month. The dispatches indicate that all except the harbor workers have gone back to their jobs. President Irigoyen has made important concessions to the labor unions. The reports from other South American states indicate victory for the striking workers. A new spirit aggressive class-conscious unionism taken possession of the important dustrial centers of South America.

### MEXICO Labor Laws Enacted

Mexico has secured a number of mportant labor laws, according to "The Carpenter." Wages and working conditions were extremely bad at the beginning of the present Mexican administration. The situation has been remedied by the enactment of a code of labor laws which at first seemed drastic, but which are now proving highly satisfactory. At present, workmen take so much interest governmental affairs, that much of the legislation proposed is suggested by the labor organizations of Sonora, Vera Cruz, Pueblo, Yucatan,

Miners Demand Six-Hour Day. A report from London announces that the Southport Miners' Federation the war receive the wages which they a six-hour day be substituted for the present eight-hour day.

> THEY'LL GO FAST YOU'LL WANT ONE INDUSTRIAL FREEDOM CERTIFICATE

## Toledo By THOS. C. DEVINE

was experienced by the audience that This puts the Socialist movement were freely permitted in France and doors, Jan. 2, to hear Eugene V. Debs, the Socialist leader. Heurs before labor movement that is actively of imprisonment varying from five to of imprisonment to some the meeting opened the hall was filled and a second hall in the same Democrat, So-diers in uniform were scattered Non-Partisan throughout the hall and helped girl

ganizations interested in securing ammesty for all those imprisoned because
of their political, industrial and reother title.

League, Hudistrial Worlds World, Pacifist, Christian Pacifist,
by any

As Comrade Debs stepped upon the
platform a beautiful girl, carrying red
carnations, accompanied by her sweetheart in uniform walked to the p'at-form. The soldier stood at attention while the flowers were presented

to the beloved Debs. A dramatic moment ensued. An intense silence seized the great audipion of the working class receiving this tender homage. One seemed to hold all minds—that the things which the capitalist class and its hireling press has told of Debs' utterances and purposes were blackest Tears dimmed the eyes of the audience while Debs' own eyes were notice to weep with affection, and

with the other upon the shoulder of the soldier, Debs said: "I have stood ly as this. I know what you boys have suffered. Something of how your mothers have waited patiently and longed for a word from over there. This is a beautiful thing, to meet you here tonight, and of all the pleasant memories of my life this mo-ment I believe will live the longest and remain as fresh as these beautiful flowers, and not only while I live, but at my death and after-yes, after -their fragrance will remain.

The applause was spontaneous and prolonged. The audience seemed to take relief in giving vent to its heartiest approval in cheer after

One of the Toledo daily papers reported the meeting as follows: Lauds Lenine.

After acknowledging that he was a Bolshevik "from the crown of his head to the soles of his feet," Debs protested against Postmaster General Burleson's action in barring from the mails literature written by Nicholai Lenine, Bolshevik leader in Russia, whom Debs termed "the greatest of European statesmen."

"In the name of the Socialist Party as I stand here on parole I protest against the suppression of free speech, free assembly and free press," Debs shouted.

Scorns His Sentence. Debs spoke with scorn of the tenyear sentence hanging over his head. "I hate and abhor the capitalistic system, but I don't hate its victims.' Debs said. "I went to Cleveland the other day and took by the hand the man who sent me to jail, and I felt sorry for him. He didn't know; it was

his misfortune. "I got my ten years for telling them they would rather have the kaiser than see the working class rule.

"I am liable to be accused of stirring up class hatred, and get ten years more for my words tonight. My little liberty—what does that matter? A sentence to the pen for ten years doesn't thwart me. I can go there and be perfectly screne, but I couldn't go if I couldn't look myself in the face for being too cowardly for inviting the sentence.

Love for Lincoln. He likened himself to Lincoln, pointing out that both the martyred president and himself loved the com-

mon people.
"They murdered Lincoln," said
Debs. "I got only ten years. I don't look up to king, politician, priest or preacher; I look up to the working class—that beautiful class in which l was born. A class with dirty faces but clean hearts, rough hands but tender souls—the class that has fed and sheltered the race through all

"You working people haven't lived; you know not love, sunshine, song, laughter. Your life is work, the shop bell, black faces, a boss.

Easy for Master. "Your wages go up, then they go down, then you are out of a job. Your master is away; he owns the tools that you work with, but he is not at work.

"You build a mansion for him, but you cannot enter; you fashion a li-mousine for him, but you cannot ride in it. He has nothing but contempt for you.
"Still he rides you to the polls on

election day, and you vote his ticket. Rich Are Poorest. "The poorest man I know is Rockedrew Carnegie, who has lost his mind jingling the coins you made for him,

and fearing that they would be taken away from him and he would die a pauper. "Čan you imagine how poor Rockefeller feels without one comrade-not one? That is poverty." "We know so little about exist-ence. So little about life. We are so used to struggle, treachery, dis-honesty. It is bred by the system under which we now live. You, I, all

of us, are pitted against each other in (Continued on page 2)

## The Woman's Cause

A DEPARTMENT FOR WOMEN WHO THINK.

## The Mother of Humanity

By LAURA JIM REYNOLDS (Written for The Ohio Socialist)

don convention they were joined by the sister of Lucretia, Martha C. Wright, attired in the unassuming, wet characteristic construct of the convention they were joined by rance, by asserting that they have all the rights they want," and, therefore, "it is the duty of the women of this characteristic constructs of the convention to the convention of the Quaker, and Mary McClintock, an em- sacred right to the elective franbryo modern woman suffragist and chise. early advocate that colleges admit women students. These four audacious spirits were even now
astounded at their daring in issuing heralded accounts of the convention tain remuneration for losses susastounded at their daring in issuing heralded accounts of the convention

The social forces of history had reached a stage of development which necessitated a break with the narrow ideas prevalent at that day and it is to the glory and credit of this quar-tette that they were the first to feel this need and act upon it.

Eight years after the meeting in London Lucretia Mott again saw her young friend Elizabeth. Gathering around the tea table with Mrs. Wright and Mrs. McClintock, they energetically returned to the topic of "the propriety of holding a woman's conven-lost vixens forevermore. tions." Never realizing the gigantic task they were undertaking, unaware that from the political field this movement must invade the industrial lives of women, the quartette naively announced to an unsuspecting world that fore you had done this foolish thing." civil and religious conditions and don't you remember how you used to

cating cake, not only created a temp- ing those laws books that I found out est of wrath that was to whirl around the injustice of our American laws them, but set in motion a movement toward women. I might never have that was destined to sweep to the out-known anything on the subject except

their brutal mark on them. They progressive idea. Besides, the old knew that woman's lot was not what world needed its ears "set by" if it it should be. There were grievances was ever to notice women.

much spirit and emphasis, and it was at the novelty and presumption of the at once decided to adopt the historic demand." Her serious minded Quaker such as substituting "all men" for "King George." Knowing that women must have more to complain of to her. She had taken part in the than men under any circumstances temperance cause by speaking pubpossibly could have and seeing the licly for it, and, now as her folks ex fathers had eighteen grievances, a pounded the woman's rights doctrine protracted search was made through she became a convert to "Votes for statute books, church usages and the Women." This Unseen Worker was customs of society to find the exact Susan B. Anthony. number. Several well disposed men (yes, they accepted men's help) assisted in collecting the grievances until with the announcement of the eighteenth, the women felt they had enough to go before the world with a good case. One youthful lord re-marked, "Your grievances must be grievous indeed, when you are obliged to go to books in order to find them

Thus was woman's declaration of woman's rebellion against old usages and customs framed. They declared. woman is man's equal-was intended to be so by the Creater, and the highest good of the race demands that she should be recognized as such," and. "that the women of this country ought to be enlightened in regard to the laws will save us much work if you will always do as we here ask under which they live, that they may no longer publish their degradation

As Lucretia Mott and Elizabeth by declaring themselves satisfied with Cady Stanton were recalling the Lon- their present position, nor their ignoyet characteristic costume of the country to secure to themselves their

The convention was a big success a call for a woman's convention to a storm of ridicule and abuse dediscuss woman's problems. scended upon the signers. The same employees to be duly careful. old tirades that we now hear against the Socialists, I. W. W. and the Bolsheviki were hurled at this courage-ous little band of determined women. "Visionary!" "Impossible!" "Long

haired agitators!" "Short haired women seeking notoriety!" "Women out of their latitude!" "Reign of petticoats!" "Men would have to wash the dishes!" "Blue stocking effuthe dishes!" sion!" Such w Such were the dignified comments of the brainy class then in power. The church denounced them as

Mrs. Stanton's father, Judge Cady, journeyed hastily to his daughter, thinking she had gone insane, and the judge exclaimed, "I wish you had waited until I was under the sod be-'a convention to discuss the social, The daughter cooly replied, "Ah, sir rights of women, was to be held within give me law books to read in order that I might have something sensible Four little women, sipping tea and to say to your friends? It was readknown anything on the subject except for yourself."

that was destined to sweep to the outermost ends of the earth.

The call was issued. The four had a declaration of rights to draft and must find some grievance. Having good, kind, broadminded husbands, they had no personal grievances. The unjust man-made laws had not left their bants mark on them. They progressive idea. Besides, the old

that were being endured by many of their less fortunately situated sisters.

After much delay one of the circle took up the Declaration of Independence and read it aloud with a musch dependence and content of the larger groups and smilingly confessed that when she read of the convention it had "startled and dependence and read it aloud with a musch entire and employed and it was a musch her and she laughed heartily at the nevel to notice women. document, with some slight changes family had attended the convention

(Chapter V continued next week)

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## French Workers Restless

The working people of France are its most moderate demands, French aroused as they have not been for many years over the problems that are confronting them as a result of idle labor, and tanks and ten-inch the world war. A special mail despatch recently received in the United neusly. The government fears to destates indicates that French labor is mobilize the army, uncertain of its trifling. The des- temper, certain only of its own in patch states: "Forced into extremist capacity to re-establish peace-time in-nesitions by the angry rejection of dustry."

## JUST OUT

"The Trial of Eugene V. Debs"

WRITTEN BY MAX EASTMAN

Max Eastman was present at the Debs' trial and saw many things that even you and I would overlook had we been present. His is an interesting and lucid discription of both the prosecution, the defendants and the judge. You will feel yourself "right there" while reading this new pamphlet, just off the press. It also includes Debs' address to the court upon receiving sentence.

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Child Labor Permits Increase
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## Damages

Attorneys and officials of an American railroad have discovered a new and very promising method of covering up losses and adding to profits They have sued one of their work men to recover damages for a railroad wreck in which he was involved. The Pittsburgh and Lake Eric Railroad Company has brought suit against one of its locomotive engineers, Kleitz by name, to recover \$30, 585.14. The railroad alleges that Kleitz was negligent in that he ran at high speed past a "caution" block signal, crashed into the train ahead of him and killed two mem.

The incident is reported in "Bradstreet's" for December 28, with this comment:

"The new line of conduct presented tained and in order to teach other

## Rent Interest and Profit

More than three-quarters of the in-come which goes to the rich people of the United States is in the form of rent, interest and profits. The United States Department of Internal Revenue has just published a súmmary of Statistics of Income based on the income figures for 1916. At that time there were 429,401 people who received "taxable" incomes. That is, incomes in excess of \$3,000 for single persons and \$4,000 for married persons. The total amount of "gross" income received by these people was \$8,350,000.00. One-fifth of this total was income from personal services, either in the form of salaries or of professional fees. Three-tenths was income from business in the form of profits. The remainder (46%) was "income from property," divided as follows:-Rents \$602,000,000; Interest \$668,000,000; Dividends \$2,136,000,-000. These three items with certain miscellaneous incomes from property brought the total in this class up to \$3.861,000,000.

People with the smaller incomes received three-quarters of their income from personal services and from business profits. People with the higher incomes received one-third of their income from persoanl service from property. In the case of those individuals having incomes between \$500,000 and \$1,000,000 a year (there were 376 of them) the division was as follows: \$11,500,000 in salaries and \$94,000.000 in business profits; \$8,000,000 in rents: \$23,000,000 as interest and \$136,000,000 as dividends. The total income from property of these 376 persons v.as \$200,000,000.

## It Costs \$1,800 Year to Live

Recent investigations by the War. Labor Board and by the United States Department of Labor point to the conclusion that a workers family of five consisting of a man, his

would provide decent living. in an address before the recent Public Health Conference. Dr. Meeker stated that investigations clearly showed that a really decent standard of living for a family of five cannot be maintained on less than \$1687 a year and perhaps it cannot be maintained on less than \$1800. Dr. Meeker claimed, however, that the ordinary working family in a large maiority of cases falls very far below this standard and as a result is compelled to adopt a standard of living which threatens the health of individ-ual members of the family.

26, 27, as days of protest against the evolutionary process, which delings in you have a job; go on and keep work-existence of Child Labor. Franklin mands organization of the forces and ing, so the boss can continue to rob. D. Lane, Secretary of the Interior, is urging the observance of these Child their material interest, since the close can they? Troubles never come single. How Labor days. Recent investigations of the national war. The class war is have shown a greatly increased number of child workers in the factories all other battles, so from now on there their names are legion? has been particularly true since the Child Labor Law was declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court.

## Very Neat Indeed!

To avoid widespread industrial disaster, payment of \$1,650,000,000 is asked of congress, this money to be paid to war profiteers in settlement as the Trades Union Savings and

in congress to give the soldiers, the many young men who staked their is not a novelty. The Finnish work-lives, a pittance of six months addi-ers in America, for instance, have for

Minimum Wage for Women \$13.20 The Washington Industrial fare Commission has fixed \$13.20 as the minimum wage for any woman over 18 years of age who is engaged Fertilizer From "in any occupation, trade or industry throughout the state during the period of the war." This order is based upon recommendations made by a War Emergency Conference held in August, 1918, and became effective in November. The working women of Washington are asking whether they will now be expected to live on less of the food-control act and subsequent than \$13.20. The war is ended but the

cost of living is higher than ever. Child Labor Permits Increase

### Workers Will Pay BAKER SAYS "GET BUSY"

have ever had before?



CHAS. BAKER.

who never were troubled with a thought before already, among them the worst one of are now thinking hard," writes Chas. Baker. "All that locals need to do is to advertise a meeting and advertise it thoroughly. Crowds will flock to it for everybody

We ask, are there locals so out of touch with

Every local in the state that has braved the

transpiring events that they fail to see the op-

portunities which are at hand for organizations

more virile and numerically stronger than we

persecution of the opposition has come out of

the war with colors flying. These locals have

to as leaders in revolutionary thought and action.

could not be packed into two halls, and thou-

and Socialist victories this fall. The field is ready

"I find, since I have been on tour, that every-

sands have been turned away.

Reports come into the state office day after

"The Lorain Socialists have decided to arrange a meeting for Debs. These comrades have been inactive for a long time but now see that the time has come for propaganda work. The movement in Lorain is ready to boom.

"In Steubenville I had a fine meeting. The attendance was small, for it was called mainly for reorganization purposes. The Steubenville Socialists decided to have another meeting within a month and until then will get subscriptions and reinstate members. At Niles I had two good meetings, one in the afternoon and one in the early evening. The comrades at Viles know how and have had, in the last two months, the largest meetings ever held in the city.

In a more tremendous struggle be this world here and now, a world tween the master and slave classes about which everybody knows much—which will fill the whole world with Jesus promised it for another world

"Was called to Youngstown the same evening I spoke in Niles and there addressed a packed hall until 10.20. At Bellaire the meeting more than paid for itself, several applications for membership were received and subscription cards sold. There are some extra good rebels here and the movement will hear from them.

"The audience at Byesville numbered about a hundred. This was the

first meeting in over a year. The Byesville Socialists realize that our hour has arrived.

"Right now is the opportune time to gather the many Socialists capitalism has made into the fold. Locals that are inactive are missing the chance of that a way duties! Cet into harmage!"

So read the headlines in a recent issue beaness were tound carring a meeting of the Martins Ferry Times. "De-"by a society." The speakers were spite his incendiary language he was heartly applauded," this paper goes on to day. Now what do you think of that? What hurts this daily most increased and further, similar meeting that a way are reported to be advertised. of their lives. Awaken to your duties! Get into harness!'

## Meetings In Ohio

Overflow meetings are reported from all quarters. Locals that have called the bluff of the jingoes and laughed at the ravings of the capitalist and business profits and two-thirds press; locals that have kept up a steady propaganda campaign, are now reaping their just reward.

Meetings scheduled for the next few weeks follows:

CHAS. BAKER.

Charles Baker, state organizer, is billed to speak in the following cities:
Ravenna, Feb. 3; Cleveland, Feb. 4; Sandusky, Feb. 5; Toledo, Feb. 6; Lima, Feb. 7; Piqua, Feb. 8; Columbus, Feb. 9; Xenia, Feb. 10; Alpha, Feb. 11; Miamisburg, Feb. 12; Middletown, Feb. 13; New Bremen, Feb. 14; Convoy, Feb. 15; Indianapolis and Anderson, Ind., Feb. 16. derson, Ind., Feb. 16.

C. E. RUTHENBERG.

C. E. Ruthenberg is scheduled to speak in Toledo, Feb. 9, and in Columbus, Feb. 13. SCOTT . willing.

minimum unskilled labor wage which Feb. 14; Cleveland, Feb. 16, afternoon; gaged to supply the increasing de-

GEO. R. KIRKPATRICK. The State Office is in communica-

L. E. Katterfeld, member of the National Executive Committee and experienced organizer, will give ten days to intensive organization work in this state. He will work in the following places: Belmont county, Feb. 5, 6 and 7; Guernsey county, Feb. 8 and 9; Miami county, Feb. 10, 11, 12,

13 and 14. ily of five. consisting of a man, his wife and three children, needs in the neighborhood of \$1800 to maintain a decent standard of living.

Frank P. Walsh in a speech made in New York City recently stated that the War Labor Board has reached the conclusion that \$34.80 a week was the state are: Canton, Feb. 13; Dayton, Feb. 14. Claret of Feb. 14. Claret of Feb. 14. Claret of Feb. 14. Claret of Feb. 15.

### Royal Mecker, head of the Bureau of Statistics. U. S. Department of Labor, **BRAIN TEASERS**

By TOM J. LEWIS.

The bullets that ended the careers will be but two nations. The workers of our two comrades, Liebknecht and and the shirkers, Capitalism and So-Rosa Luxembourg, are but messages cialism at grips. to the rising proletariat to beware of all compromisers, reactionaries and all compromisers, reactionaries and advocates of capitalist law and order.

The workers are to reap again as the result of promises. A stricken world loaded down with misery and

The struggle for supremacy between the two world forces, "Capitalism and Socialism," is on. The advocates and apologists for capitalism are Protest Against Child peoples on national lines, also religious and political. But the class struggle looms greater each day with the trying to retain the old subdivision of The National Child Labor Commit-an international body, thereby elimitee has issued an appeal to the Amer- nating race, creed or color divisions can people to set aside January 25, and exposing the nature of things in tagonistic to each other determined by

Workingmen compete for jobs. Business men compete for trade. Capitalists compete for markets.

Just an economic reflection, that's al "Work for the night is coming"

God and the devil compete for souls

now in its ascendancy, overshadowing married and have a large family ,and

## Seattle Laborites Debs at Toledo Propose Labor Bank

of obligations entered into with the government in "good faith." War contracts had to be cancelled because ber of each of the unions holding you ever felt yourself impeached for being the contracts and to be cancelled because ber of each of the unions holding you ever felt yourself impeached for the unions holding the contracts and to be cancelled because ber of each of the unions holding the contract of the unions holding the unions had the the war ended, unfortunately, and stock. An effort is being made to being decently dressed? Have you now the profiteers are arguing against losing this sum.

In the war ended, unfortunately, and stock. An effort is being made to being decently dressed? Have you ever felt ashamed for having had your breakfast when so many children are staying? In the meantime, a bill is pending the new venture.

The Finnish work-

tional wages—\$180 each. Draw your years maintained a bank at Fitch-own conclusion. years maintained a bank at Fitch-burg, Mass., which successfully finances all enterprises of the Finnish

## Government at Cost

The Secretary of Agriculture has announced, that under the authority legislation, the Department of Agri-

## (Continued from page one)

a remorseless struggle for existence

We are strangers to our neighbors. "Have you ever paused in a crowd-The Central Labor Council of ed thoroughface, where humanity was sweeping toward you? Have you peered into the faces of the young— old before they were born? Have you seen the tragedy of ages written being decently dressed? Have you starving?

A Contrast.

"Capitalism is the thing you vote for every time you vote the Republican or Democratic ticket; every time you vote against the Socialist ticket.
"I recently picked up a paper and read two items.

"The first told of an impoverished mother, who had borne seven children, who choked her last-born to death so that it would not starve. "The second told of a capitalist who had just bought a \$75,000 sable coat for his wife, a former actress. am not telling you this to ap-

peal to your emotions; rather would I reach your intelligence."

Meeting Record Breaker.

## Socialism's Superiority

International throughout the world, could and would earth and probably there has never regularly read and lend Socialist pub-lications, the result would be the one anywhere else in the universe. On ringing out of hell from the earth its account the year 1919 will be the and the ringing in of heaven upon it most momentous and memorable of through supplanting the competitive all years. established themselves in the hearts and minds system by the co-operative one for the production and distribution of the of the workers of the cities and are looked up necessities of life.

Then would the peace on earth and the good will among men, of day, which state that meetings held lately have which angels in the sky have sung been surprisingly large. In many instances they have experienced so little, cover the world as the waters do the sea.

Within the nineteenth century there were forty conflicts between nations, thing is ripe for successful organization work and there will be more of them and worse ones in the course of the twenand Socialist victories this fall. The field is ready tieth century, if capitalism stands for dozens of speakers and organizers. People through it. There have been several all history.

wants to know more about Socialism and everybody is talking about this and ill will arising from the univerand ill will arising from the univer-sal and perpetual conflict between the classes—the class of surfaiting mass. classes—the class of surfeiting masters, who live by owning, and the
class of starving slaves, who live by

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Fortunately the tremendous strug- class above the master class. gle between the English and German nations with their allies, which has filled a large part of the world with taught it to look to a God for this. death, hatred and sorrow, has issued 3. Marx promises salvation for

"Socialist Stirs Ire By Talk in Bellaire." "Speaking in hall directly has been uncovered. This time by over police station, Charles Baker, the wide awake Martins Ferry police. So read the headlines in a recent issue Leaflets were found calling a meeting however, is that a good, Red Social-lings were reported to be advertised ist speech was given "right over the in Cleveland and other places. Well, police station." And that is just we confess. They are being held all about bearding the lion in his den, we over the country. Now that the plot

If during the year 1919, all adher-making, certainly the greatest among Socialism all events which have occurred on the

"We are living, we are dwelling In a grand and glorious time; In an age or ages telling

To be living in sublime."
The world has never had a gospel which is at all comparable in its excellency to that of Marxian Socialism, according to the Bolsheviki in-terpretation of it. The gospel of Jesuine Christianism, according to the orthodox interpretation of it is no exception; for, granting it to be superior to the Mosaic, Buddhistic, Mohammedan and other gospels, it is nevertheless almost infinitely inferior to the Marxian gospel.

Gospels are for the purpose of saving the world from its suffering. The Nor is the suffering by capitalism resulting from such conflicts all or even half of it; for there is the strife of the proletarian world. The supering the world from its suffering. The Jesuine and Marxian gospels are alike in having for their object the salvation of the proletarian world. The supering the world from its suffering.

classes—Jesus by exalting the slave

life, love and joy.

This war is now an event in the which nobody knows anything. elsewhere and elsewhen, a world about

Another nation-wide Bolshevik plot

### GERMAN SOCIALISTS IN WAR-TIME By ANISE, Union Record.

(Facts taken from Labor Year Book, issued by Rand School; and "German Social Democracy During the War," by Edwin Bevan, published by George Allen and Unwin Co., London).

### VI—PARTY SPLITS

openly in its vote on war credits in December, 1915, the local organiza tions all over the empire began to pass resolutions, approving or con demning the action of the small grouwhich voted against the war. It wa pointed out in Vorwarts, which at this time stood for the minority, that th actual number of votes represented b the minority was larger than thos

represented by the majority. Still, however, no one could tell, i the absence of a party congress, how the rank and file throughout German would vote. Liebknecht's own con stituency later voted against him and, on the other hand, so did Scheide

Opposition to War Strong in Berlin Berlin was one of the places where the minority was strongest. The cen tral body there passed a vote approv ing the minority by 41 to 17. On the other hand, the party in Hamburg where hatred of England was es pecially bitter, were strong for the majority and vetoed a proposal to al low Haase to address them.

In January the reichstag group clected Ebert as its president in place of Haase, who had resigned to go with the minority. Friedrich Ebere man from the working class, a Heidel berg tailor, of solid, healthy bodily frame, an honest commonsense bu reaucrat who might be trusted to dis charge the business of the party con scientiously and efficiently. The reichstag committee, which nov

consisted of mapority members only passed a resolution expelling Lieb knecht from membership in the group A lively controversy arose. Vorwarts declared that expulsion could not be done by any committee, but only by the party at its annual congress. Otto Ruhle voluntarily took his stand with

nized "minority. Introducing the Spartacus Section its appearance at about this time. The extreme group, followers of Lieb-knecht, thoroughly international and reichstag member? The matter came

times printed, but more often type- abandon him to his fate. He was written. Those which attracted the condemned to two years, six months most attention were known as the and three days penal servitude, and Spartacus letters, and were circulated removal from the army "for attemptamong confidential correspondents. It ed treason in war. was known that there was more than one author and that Liebknecht himself had a hand in their composition. These letters consisted largely of majority attempted to secure control mocking, bitter attacks on the sec- of Vorwarts, the party organ, and tions of the minority which followed succeeded to the extent of having a Haase, ridiculing them as timorous "censor" appointed. But greater and half-hearted. It seems to be a Berlin openly revolted against their characteristic of radical groups in all control. And Vorwarts was the organ countries that more intense bitterness for both the Berlin central directorate is displayed towards those who are and the whole Socialist party, and was nearest to them in sympathies and thus in an increasingly awkward po-who yet do not follow them complete-sition. ly, than against the even more diver-

by the Spartacus group against the reichstag. The party as a whole had German government were sufficiently not spoken. A complete congress was thoroughgoing. According to them impossible until the soldiers should thoroughgoing. According to them the German and Austrian governments had "deliberately contrived the murder at Sarajevo"—an accusation which, as far as I know, was not even made in the allied countries.

The Minority Organizes

Great bitterness was added to the More than 3,000 people attended fight between the two sections of the to be about equal. On the whole, the the Toledo Debs' meeting. Between party by the Spartacus accusations, cause of the minority was advanced. culture during the coming season, will 600 and 1,000 were turned away, un-offer nitrate of soda for sale to farm-able to find standing room. Police war credits vote bobbed up again, and large a part they really formed of ers for fertilizer use. The nitrate will were kept busy clearing the aisles in the sold for each at cost. The nitrate will be sold for each at cost. The nitrate will be sold for each at cost. The nitrate will be sold for each at cost. The nitrate will be sold for each at cost. The nitrate will be sold for each at cost. The nitrate will be sold for each at cost. The nitrate will be sold for each at cost. The nitrate will be sold for each at cost. The nitrate will be sold for each at cost. The nitrate will be sold for each at cost. The nitrate will be sold for each at cost. The nitrate will be sold for each at cost. The nitrate will be sold for each at cost. The nitrate will be sold for each at cost.

pocratic Group." Protesting against he right of the directorate to deprive hem of their rights as members of he Social Democratic party, the minority nevertheless proceeded to organ-ze a new group, known as the Social Democratic Labor Fellowship. Haase und Ledebour were its two chairmen, and Dittman, who is another man reently prominent as a member of the Socialist cabinet in Berlin, was secreary. He is a cabinet maker by trade

rom the Lubeck district and at that ime 41 years of age.
Throughout all the accounts of Gernan Socialists, the age of the promi ient men is a matter for comment The Russian revolutionary figures, with some exceptions, seem to have been young'men; the revolution there vas full of the fire of youth. Possioly the German revolution, as it wings to the left, may come under the control of the younger group; or possibly the greater age and solidity of Socialism in Germany may keep a less fiery but more careful group in

control. Liebknecht Arrested The second May day of the war found the relations between the govrnment and the radical Socialists nore strained than ever. Wherever the comrades assembled the secret poice followed. And on that May day Liebknecht was arrested for inciting a arge crowd in Berlin with the cries: Down with the war! Down with the government!" A pamphlet written by himself, of which over 1,000 copies were found in his possession, called the workers to "a class war against the government," and said that "the government's lust for dominion was responsible for the war. The workers must tolerate the slaughter no

The violence of Liebknecht's words. as compared with any of the speeches Liebknecht, as outside even the recog ever imagined possible in our country, are very startling. Even before May day he had made a speech in which We have heard much lately of the Spartacus section. This group made swindle." He was a soldier, subject

opposed to all national distinctions of up for discussion. The Haase group any kind, carried on an active propa- defended him against the charge of ganda by means of pamphlets, some- treason, but the house decided to

> The Fight Grows More Open The fight between the two factions of Socialists grew more open. The

All this time the terms "majority" gent groups farther away.

However, the accusations brought tive strength of two groups in the return to vote. As a substitute for this a conference of delegates was at last callen in September, 1916. It went off more quietly than expected. The "majority" obtained, indeed, a majority of the delegates, but the constituencies represented were found

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## WITH OUR EDITORS

### "AMERICANS KILLED IN MEXICO"

A war with Mexico is in the making.

And the devils implicated in this hellish brew-well, you only need one guess to guess rightly.

How else could these vendors of poison exist? How else could they earn their master's gratitude? How else could they protect the interests of the try to sell too many different kinds must have the paper while locked up industrial lords by whom they are paid, and richly, too, for manufacturing of books. Have some comrade read if permitted to do so. public sentiment to order?

A war with Mexico is in the making. Our manuscrim making a good country covers.

efforts the Mexican government is making to make Mexico a good country covers.

We also suggest that the financial was a suggest that the financial covers. A war with Mexico is in the making. Our industrial kaisers resent all that country a bad country for profits and dividends.

Our industrial kaisers must have profits and dividends. Life? Whylet life go hang, it's dollars they want. And if dollars, in absolutely correct pay dues can pay them to the financial ratio to investments, do not roll into their coffers, then a hint to the daily secretary. capitalist press is sufficient.

"Americans killed in Mexico" was blazoned across seven or eight columns of space in one of Chicago's dailies about ten days ago.

The day after this, the National Executive Committee of the Socialist ranged in advance. Party was addressed by a native of Mexico, whose forefathers had fought to make Mexico free for its workers.

When asked for information about this latest "news," the Socialist Party ature this month. Nearly 2,000 10-Executive Committee learned that the "killing" referred to occurred in the year 1913.. "And further," said the Mexican, "you hear much about Americans being killed in Mexico, but how about the many Mexicans killed by

Surprising, isn't it? And yet it's not. Nothing will be left undone to ber for Local Hamilton. protect the profits of the profiteers. And, as Mexicans have committed no "overt act" in recent months, therefore, at a loss for "news" of the right kind, the kept press trots out a 1913 "killing."

We are at the cross roads again!

Will we permit ourselves to be led into a war with Mexico for the sake

Again we have a tale to tell about
Local Youngstown. This local buys
more copies of the Ohio Socialist than
protecting profits. On will we translate the control of the sake of the Ohio Socialist than of protecting profits. Or will we travel the road, the sign post upon which reads-TO INDUSTRIAL FREEDOM AND THE NEW DAY.

### LEADING THE PARADE

In thought and in action there seems to be a rush toward the "left" these days. The march toward Industrial Freedom is now along a road which is admitted by many to be a short cut.

The "right" of Labor's Army, which has plodded the furrow of conservatism these many years, is gradually being depleted in numbers and it will age county recently. The losers paid soon be but a corporal's guard showing it's usual "don't" the bill. "We start another membersoon be but a corporal's guard, shouting it's usual "don't."

The "left," or radical wing gathers strength day by day. It understands the months of February, March and its mission, knows its aims, is courageous and determined in its demands. It fears not, neither does it hesitate.

Workers' Councils, composed of Socialists, trade unionists and industrial unionists have been formed in Butte, Duluth and many other cities. A Soldiers' and Workers' Council has been organized by the Metal Trades Section ish." of Seattle unionists. Socialist Party locals are voicing their support of the Russian Socialist Soviet Republic by speech and pamphlet. Overflow meetings are being held in all large cities at which demands are make for amnesty for all political prisoners and for withdrawal of troops from Russia,

In all this thought and action the "left" leads.

The "right" may think it is leading, but it's going to wake up some fine morning only to discover that a parade can't be led from the rear end.

Those Bolsheviks are strange people. In one column of the kept press Those Bolsheviks are strange people. In one column of the kept press hindsight the loser. By which we we read that they are responsible for strikes in Argentina and in the United mean that if you want a bundle of the States; that with the employment of millions upon millions of rubles they are fomenting revolutions in a half dozen different countries at once; that they are secretly implicated in every riot and killing of any account. And right in a neighboring column we are told that they are hopelessly bankrupt; of it or not until I see it." And uttarly disorganized apposed by a majority of Russians and violently at odds neither do we, comrade. We can't tell utterly disorganized; opposed by a majority of Russians and violently at odds with themselves. Indeed, strange people!

## OTHER EDITORS SAY—

We should be charitable with the papers these days, for they have a lot of bard work to do. They must convince us that Liebknecht, who fought the do is to order a hundle regularly. We German government throughout the war, is our enemy, and the majority get orders for hundreds of copies of Socialists who went fifty fifty with the kaiser in all his crimes, are our real the Ohio Socialist after the edition is Socialists who went fifty-fifty with the kaiser in all his crimes, are our real friends.—Liberator.

M. Pichon, the French Foreign Minister, is reported as saying that the after the issue wanted is off the press czar and his family were put in a small room and jabbed with bayonets all night long and then shot in the morning. Which merely goes to show that royalties are like cats—they have many lives. M. Pichon's informant is Prince Lvoff, which, doubtless, accounts for the fact that the late ezar's family is still alive, and although in reduced circumstances, from a financial brigade. A hundred a week is its orand social standpoint, yet in good health.—Revolutionary Age.

The date hasn't been set yet, but along about the middle of next month we may confidently expect that the Spartacus group will announce the wholesale slaughter of everybody in Germany able to count four and possessing a handkerchief. It makes interesting reading, and it harms nobody.-New

Some people may mistake a plausible flunky of the special interests for a real reformer. Some people buy paste diamonds for the real thing, too. But the special interests never make a mistake. Their abuse or praise shows whether the specimen is genuine. This is one cue we can practically always members feel much encouraged. rely on from the kept press .- Union Record.

Italy has freed all political prisoners.

Germany has done so; Austria, Hungaria, Bulgaria, Russia, have done and we are anxiously awaiting the coming of L. E. Katterfeld, who is likewise. France and Canada have promised to take the same course.

Will America lag behind? The kaiser, before his abdication, released Karl Liebknecht.

Will democratic America be less magnanimous than the Beast of Berlin? —American Bolshevik.

New York having protested against Jewish progroms in Poland, it is now up to Warsaw to object against Negro pogroms in America. One lawless murder of a Negro every four days is our proud record.—New York Call.

Experts have given up the idea of making a monkey talk. Well, we expect to hear from me again. Inwould like to have experts find a way to prevent men in public places from terest in the movement in this valley is at fever heat. Debs has stirred talking like monkeys .- Chicago Socialist.

## in Lima

ganization and increasing the circu- had been taken in court and a favor-

lation of the Ohio Socialist.

They're Doing This this idea out in your local. It will like a charm, we are sure. Try it. The comrades of Lima are up to their ears in organization activities.

The Debs' meeting in Lima had to Comrade Edwin Blank of Lima informs us of a plan that Local Lima is executing in its campaign of or
could not be obtained. The matter mont County, applies for an organable ruling obtained for the Socialists At the last business meeting each but upon application for its use they member volunteered to take three to were again refused and had to again five subscription cards and to sell them take the case to court. The case will during the week. Nothing wrong with not be settled in time for the meetthat plan, comrades. The one great ing to be had. Comrade Blank will

# OUR PARTY PAGE

Live News of Interest to all Party Members

Locals, when holding propaganda, Dear Comrades of Ohio; should do three things at all meetings I have just been convic

through the audience.

person present that one book. Do not Deming; N. M., care county fail. the book you intend selling and then have him introduce it to the audience, teuching upon the points the book remorse or shame, I am,

secretary occupy a table in the rear of the hall and that the chanrman announce that all members who desire to

Meetings locals arrange must be made as useful to the party as possible and programs including the above items, should be carefully ar-

Local Youngstown has enjoyed an unprecedented sale of Socialist literent pamphlets were disposed of by

this local at its meetings.

### TAKES FIRST PLACE

any other local in the state. Orders for 500 copies, 700 copies, 1,000 copies have become a once a week habit with

### LOOSERS FEAST THE WINNERS

An oyster supper was enjoyed by both losers and winners as a result of that he could live to see the great the membership contest held in Portthe membership contest held in Port-April, with the same captains and teams will wind up with a supper and dance, the losers again paying the Watch the indicator in this county. -We will be there at the fin-So writes C. G. McVay.

Frank Stidd reports a good meetng held at Bellaire with Chas. Baker Many subscription cards sold, new members secured and much literature disposed on.

## AGAIN WE TELL YOU-

Foresight is still the winner and Ohio Socialist you will have to order is off the press. "But," you'll say, "I do not know whether I want a bundle whether we are going to receive your order for several thousand copies of an issue after it is off the press of not. And we can't afford to print thousands of extra copies every week and then not sell them.

Consequently, the very best thing to

to disappoint so many of our supporters by our inability to fill orders The only way out is to place yourself upon our mailing list for a bundle every week.

Local Massillon joins the bundle They will be used for free dis tribution at the shops.

Local Lorain applies for a Debs

The meeting addressed by Chas. Baker at Steubenville, though attended mostly by party members, resulted n much good to the organization. Three new applications for membership were secured and many Ohio So cialist subscription cards were sold E. P. McDevitt writes that the loca!

## PIQUA WARMING UP

"Things are warming up for us to be with us for organization work for a week. We feel that with his assistance we shall create enough enthusiasm to add greatly to our active membership." J. H. Denman.

### LOCAL GIRARD WAKING UP

"I shall make an effort to get the comrades together at once. You can them up and has spurred the comrades on to greater efforts. Long may he live." Fred Wilson.

Local Canton is arranging a meeting for Scott Nearing on Feb. 13. This local also applies for a speaker once a week for a series of Sunday after-

izer to work a week in the county. Local North Star applies for a

Baker meeting. Local Montpelier sends in a call for

Tom Lewis. The local desires his-asbeauty of it is that every local in soon have a story of the fight for Me- sistance for a whole week in organ-Ohio can do the same. Why not try morial hall in the Ohio Socialist.

## The Best of Advice A Voice From Jail Hamilton Nominates County Jail, Albuquerque, N. M. January 18, 1919.

should do three things at all meetings before the speakers of the evening of law, of disloyalty to capitalism. The arc introduced. 1. Ask all Socialists in the audi-ence who are not yet dues paying jail. As I have no funds and our members to join our party. Have state and national treasuries seem to members to join our party. Have state and national treasuries seem to plenty of application cards on hand and have ushers pass them out.

2. Solicit subscriptions for the so doing I am only suffering for and solving the workers and that too. 2. Solicit subscriptions for the so doing I am only suffering for and Ohio Socialist. Have plenty subscription cards on hand and sell them much less than thousands of others

have done and are doing. Please change the address of the 3. Sell literature to the audience. Please change the address of the Buy a new pamphlet for each meeting Ohio Socialist from address of Bos-Buy a new pamphlet for each meeting unto socialist from authors and make special effort to sell every well. New Mexico, to new address,

> With confidence that the day of the workers is near at hand and without Fratemally, T. E. PENDERGRASS,

## County Jail, Deming, N. M.

HERBERT KNECHT SAYS "One thousand paid up members for Guernsey is our slogan. We can do it. We intend trying. We shall make all arrangements for our two Katterfeld meetings."

"Thurber Lewis' address pleased all reiss, Joseph Felblinger, Seth Felwho heard it except the reporter for the Daily Register, who devoted nearly a column of space to ravings against Bolshevism. He later threatened that the minions of law and order would proceed against the young crator for his seditious remarks, but Another hundred press stamps for we have not heard anything further Local Cincinnati. And an equal num-

Local Dayton remits \$35 for the

Send in all Debs' Defense Fund lists right away.

## SHERMAN VAUGHN

Sherman Vaughn, an ardent and be-In the cause of Socialism. Before passing away he sent for the secretary of Local Mt. Vernon and paid his dues and while tears dropped upon the little red card, expressed the wish

Local Kenmore will sell tickets in advance for a Tom Lewis meeting on

their ways.

cal's propaganda meeting at the us test the esteem in which the Ohio Soval place, Sunday afternoon, Feb. 9. cialist is held by the comrades in all Financial Secretary Wiechers re-ports press stamp sales increasing in Below are listed nu

We will have a better local as soon Army. as every member is a reader of the listed. Do something for Secialism today.

### LOCAL CUYAHOGA FALLS REVIVES

"We have finally come to the conlusion to reorganize our local. Most of the old members are going to pay us agoing. We say, more power to Do something for Socialism today.

W. J. Doran. Local Akron orders 100 Ohio Soialists a week and will order special editions of the paper during the com- worthy example to other locals. ing municipal campaign.

'Read the New Appeal and get more

### A BIG DAY AT NILES

Local Niles made a big day of it Sunday, Jan. 19. Entertainment, supper and two speeches by Charles Baker gave Niles Socialists and their number of subscriptions friends and reddest day, socially, that they ever enjoyed. The program began in the afternoon and there was no let-up in the merrymaking and education until nearly midnight.

"The Ohio Socialist is one of the veribest' papers I get." J. F. Denison, Warren.

"Things are moving and Tiffin hopes to keep abreast of the procession." A. W. F. Steckel.

Will Celebrate a Full Week.

"We expect to celebrate May Day all over the country this year and we want a speaker for one full week of seven days, beginning April 28, and ending May 4. The county executive committee will make all plans, will do the routing and is to have full charge. We prefer Charles Baker." This is part of a letter from W. A. Jenkins, secretary of Columbiana county. And it's looking ahead that counts. Arranging for May Day celebrations now means that success is bound to attend efforts made to interest the workers generally in this international holiday.

Local Canton intends holding educational meetings every Sunday aft-

Please accept the congratulations

### FROM A VETRAN Dear Comrades:

and good wishes not only for the Ohio Socialist, but for every other Socialist aircraft sailing aloft. And the same hand of good fellowship to every sister and brother that the sun shines on or the rain or snow falls upon. Especially do I send the soul's greeting to that "noblest Roman of them Eugene V. Debs. Although an entire stranger, I extend a brother's

## Ticket

With some other comrades in the state the comrades of Hamilton have seen the wisdom of nominating their city ticket early. This method more time to get the candidates' names before the voters, and also has the effect of spurring the comrades on o starting the campaign at an earlier date than usual.

The Socialists of Dayton have also cominated their city ticket. Other Ohio locals are expected to follow this method of holding their city convention early this year. Ohio city elections occur in November next. Following is a report of the conention held by Local Hamilton on

Jan. 12: Meeting opened promptly at 9 a. m. with Comrade Kopp in the chair. The following nominations were made and concurred in by the convention as the candidates of the So-cialist Party of Hamilton in the next

city election: For mayor-John M. Cahalane. For city solicitor-Horace J Shank.

For auditor-Ernst Sheafor. For president of council-Arthur council-at-large-John Bau-

blinger For board of education (two to be elected)—Mrs. Bonnie Shank, W. W. Vinnedge. Ward councilmen as follows:

First Ward—Otto Graf. Second—Harry Bacon. Third-Walter Baureiss. Fourth—Ormsby Gray. Fifth—Harry Fronk. Sixth-Harry Berry. Assessors as follows: First Ward—Dan Lauderman. Second—Ed Dulli. Third—John Rochelle. Fourth---Charles Evans. Fifth—Aaron Klein.

Sixth-Alvie Jones. We have a ticket in the field of which Local Hamilton may well be

## Red Army Smashes All Records

For lack of space in last week's issue this column was delayed until this number.--Ed. All former records of the Red Army were smashed last week when a total

COLUMBUS NOTES

Roy Gorham 1 1 new dues collector for our 10 10 He has chosen reveral as istants. Those who are not in good standing in the local are to be visited and shown the eror of of 400 subscriptions were rolled up ever, their words are more than ap-Charles Baker will address the lo-preciated, they are inspiring and at-

Below are listed numerically the results of one week's work of the Red Many renewals are not here

Get a member. Get a subscriber. Sell a pamphlet. Say a word in its favor.

E. B. EUBANKS.

Comrade John Rehm of Springfield is next highest on the list as above noted.

Local Hamilton is the only local hitting this mark this week.

Local Columbus sends in an even ten, four of which the local sends the paper to as a means of inducing their further education in Socialism. is good constructive work and is a

Says W. N. Patterson of Zanesville, with a total of nine new ones.

Here is where we begin to double up. Comrade Edwin Blank, one of the live wires of Lima, and Comrade Jos. Bower of Creston, hit the bullseye at the same time with the above

Still more doubling up. The above number of subscriptions were received from the following locals: Dayton and Wadsworth

Comrade Wm. G. Schultz of Napoleon sends six subs and an order for five sub cards. Thomas Adams, Middleton, sent in six.

Now we are in the average class. Wonder if it is not possible to raise the average. We believe it is, what do you think? Those sending in five over, no menace from invasion by is now filling speaking engagements. subscriptions this week are Clarence R. Lortes, St. Marys; Chas. D. Hirst, Salineville; T. H. Davies, Hubbard, tins Ferry, all yearlies. A. W. F. Steckel, Tiffin.

In this paragraph are entitled to appear the names of Comrades Richard Haase, Akron; L. G. Kemmer, Ashtabula, and Comrade Carl Guillod, Canton. And here are two comrades who

held the fort for real democracy this week. Comrades O. Ruchtaeschel, Cincinnati, and Thos. Adams of Middletown.

And here are the names of some comrades who are on the job every day.
They are: Anton Soukup, Neffs;

E. C. Wolf, Mt. Vernon; Walter Conradi, Scott Wilkins, Ada; J. H. Sims, Bethel; Mrs. A. L. Hitchock, Cleveland; Walter Dearolf, Rittman; Lyle E. Gardiner, Akron; Allen Cook, Canton; Fred W. Seibert, Lawndale; Clarence Case, Hamilton.

The following comrades sent in one subscription each: Robert E. Black-stone, Cleveland; Robert Green, Martins Ferry; Stephen Pogledich, Youngstown; Frank Baker, Canton; hand to A. L. Hitchcock, and to all Roy Hall, Coshocton; F. Sluster, Cinothers languishing in capitalistic cells. cinnati; Fred Lotz, Piqua; Wm. J. ROBERT HENKLE, Ake, Cincinnati; Geo, Vasich, Youngs-

## Your Local—Where and

Your Local's Advertisement Will be Inserted Under This Heading at the

LOCAL AKRON

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Socialist Party of Ohio Meets Every Thursday Evening at 8 p. m., 501-2 W. Gay St.

LOCAL CINCINNATI. Meets Every Thursday, 8 P.M. Lectures Every Sunday, 8 P.M. SOCIALIST HALL, 1314 Vine St.

6 more. Single subscriptions were received from Wm. Reider, Niles; Rener

Dyk, West Oline; Comrade John Ku-

skila of Hancock, besides a bundle of

West Virginia, Too
That the comrades of West Virginia
intend to support the Ohio Socialist

and to get all the benefits it can give

toward the upbuilding of the party in

city shows there is more than one live wire there. From Fairmont,

live wire there. From Fairmont, W. Va., comes a list of 6 from Com-

rade Jesse Bird. Comrade H. F. Oberholtzer of Huntington also sends

in two. One each are received from

Comrades S. Robef of Ethel and James M. Holt, Weston, and Luther M. McIntyre. Comrade James W. Fo-

New Mexico State Secretary W. B. Dillon sends in a list of 7. Eight were received from

Kentucky

A list of six are to hand from Com-

S. P. Allen of Guston sends a list of

tribution of literature at any time.

Thanks comrade. We shall have a

job for you. A renewal is received from Comrade Jno. H. Grigsby of

Virginia.

Comrade Otto Adams mails a list of five, together with \$5 for a year each. Comrade Perry H. Shipman

of Rock Island sends a list of five

and orders a bundle of 25 a week.
Comrade L. K. England of Moline

Pennsylvania

sends us a list of eleven yearlies.

Comrade E. E. Swanson sends in two

Tennessee

Three from Comrade Curtis Cannon

of Huntingdon and once from Comrade

Hugo Gernt of Glenmary adds to the list of readers in sunny Tennessee.

Oklahoma

in far away Oklahoma too. Sub-

scriptions from the following com-

cialism has done the very thing in

Indiana

Europe to hasten its coming.

We have a growing list of readers

mails in a list of nine.

yearlies from Freedom.

Roanoke, sends in a list of six.

J. W. Cassell, Secretary of Local

ten and offers his services in the dis-

Comrade

Comrade W. P. Calkins of Weed.

Louisville send one each.

Louisville.

ley of Sutton sends two yearlies.

town; Ben Licberman, Warren; C. A. Hudbeck, Struthers; W. D. Marshall, Leetonia; Ward Lowery, Canton; A. C. Holloway, Akron; H. E. Egger, Byesville; Carl W. Fry, Akron; N. Weltlich, Massillon; G. F. Schnauffer, Piqua; F. Rogers, Akron. Arkansas rade B. W. Tuche of Pine Bluff. Rades C. O. White, Lusk, Wyo.; Bert B. Busick, Puyallup, Wash. (formerly of Ohio); Riverton G. Reed, Exeter, Mo., and Fred C. Haacker, Trenton, N. J.

## From Other States Piqua Passes Local Battle Creek, Mich., walks away with the belt with a total of 51 subscriptions. What do you think of that, Ohio Locals? On top of that comes a supplementary list from Comrade W. E. Reynolds containing

In as much as we have just emerged from a great world war, in which the main issue was, Democracy vs. Autoc-

nations; and, Whereas, our boys (who took an active part in the conflict) were prom-

has not been fulfilled in many instances, thereby leaving these soldiers to beg for a job elsewhere, or tramp the long lane of the unemployed.

that state was again made manifest when a list of 31 subscriptions were received from Comrade R. M. Goodall of Ronceverte. Another list of four from Comrade H. F. Link of the same ized state of society renders a mem-ber of the unemployed a beggar in his own domain, since wages are necessary to the sustenance of life. Realizing that the conditions are

Therefore, be it resolved that any job held by one of our boys before entering service and now being held by one of us shall upon the return of such soldier be offered and surrendered to him, and that we will strive to influence others to the same end, and that we will take such soldier into our confidence, co-operating rade Louis Scharstein of Newport, with him, in an organized effort to es-Comrade Stark and Comrade Bell of tablish democracy and to abolish tablish democracy and to abolish wage-slavery, thereby ushering in a

Whoop-ee! Hurrah, Hurrah for American democracy! A \$75,000 fur coat for the bosses wife. If they can have the Socialists all put in prison

Comrade Pearl E. Playfair of Irwin coat. Wouldn't you feel happy marching around with your wife with a \$75,000 fur coat on even if you had on only a pair of overalls and a shoddy wool cap. Go to it, you wage slaves, and be happy. Nothing like it in this world or the world hereafter.

ENGINEER

Applications for position as civil

called League for Democracy has not made a dent. The YELLOW sheet known as the New Appeal to Treason Kate Richards O'Hare reports over-

torially, that the Bolshevik program would terminate our civilization. Right One each was received from Com-rades C. H. Pickwood of Paoli and Jno. E. Brosher, Lebanon. wants to con-tinue the kind of civilization we have had these last few years?

I have been reading papers every day, And used to believe anything they would say, Until about twelve years ago I found out something I did not know. At that time good papers were not many And very few boosters to supply you with any, But today we have the OHIO SOCIALIST grand And boosters pushing to beat the band. So today if a working man has a dollar And you ask him to subscribe and he starts to hollow, Just mark him down as a capitalist goat, Who will never learn till he begins to croak, That the capitalist press is all out of date He'll not find out until too late. So take that dollar you have in your pocket, Let the Ohio Socialist put your name on the docket, Feed your brains with something really worth while, So when the revolution comes you will be in style.

## When it Meets

Rate of \$2.50 for Six Months.

Three yearlies were sent in by Com-One each was received from Comrades C. O. White, Lusk, Wyo.; Bert

# Resolutions

racy, which has terminated satisfactorily to the workers of the several

ised that the jobs which they held before entering the service would be open for them upon their return to citizen life, and,
Whereas, we find that this promise

And, whereas, the present disorgan-

not in harmony with the issue of democracy which has so indelibly been stamped upon our minds;

rejoice to behold. Piqua Local Socialist Party of Ohio, J. H. Denman, secretary; Frank Hamilton, chairman.

democracy, which all

## A Breeze From Oklahoma

and have their papers suppressed so and have their papers suppressed by you can't learn anything and then you get yourself a job at \$5 per day and will not eat anything nor wear any clothes and will work 365 days each year for 41 years and 35 days you can buy your wife a \$75,000 fur

Hurrah for American Democracy! ALEX VAN GUNDY.

## WANTED CIVIL

rades were received this week: U. P. Pace, Loveland, 2; State Secretary Clara Smith, Oklahoma City, 1; G. A.
Lighter, Olustee, 2. Among other things, Comrade Lighter writes: "We ville, Ohio. Applicants must be party wish to inform you that every Social- members. Position is under Socialist ist in this neck of the woods is stand-city administration. Pays \$110 a ing by the Socialist Party. The someonth. Work is light and plenty of

Germany, yet the lid is on tighter G. J. Peek of Davenport, writes that than ever. We ask that all Socialists the O'Hare meeting in that city was stand firm and hold out for the truth so large, hundreds were turned away. and C. G. McVay, Ravenna; J. Gartlefor our time is coming and with a
As usual, the pushers of the poison
man, Cincinnati; Fred White, Margallop. The class that hates Sopen lied about the meeting. The Ohio State Journal says, edi-

## H. L. RICKER SAYS-

# The Bolshevists: Grave-Diggers of Capitalism

By C. E. Ruthenberg

Bolshevism—what fear and anger the word arouses in the minds of the rulers of society!

Daily the press pours out its denunciation and men in high places issue their warnings and threats against it. Bolshevism is anarchy, it means rioting and bloodshed, wholesale murder and destruction. It means the collapse of orderly society, the breakdown of production and consequent misery and poverty.

Thus speak those whom Bolshevism threatens with the loss of their privilege to amass wealth at the expense of the misery and poverty of the masses, and with this lurid version of what they term a new movement of the dregs of society they desperately seek to inspire the masses of the peo-

Why does Bolshevism arouse such dread and anger among the exploiters of the workers? Why do they fear it so and why these threats of merciless suppression?

Is Bolshevism really something new? Is it something that the working people of Europe have just discovered,—something to which they were driven, perhaps, by the suffering and misery resulting from the world war?

### MARX AND ENGELS FURNISH ANSWER

The answer to these questions are to be found in the writtings of Karl Marx and Frederick Engels,—who first formulated the scientific principles underlying the modern Socialist movement. By examing these principles, as stated in their writings, particularly in the first workingclass platform based on the development of capitalist industry,—the Communist Manifesto,—we can find out whether Bolshevism is merely the bursting forth of too long suppressed popular unrest, or whether it is the culmination of a workingclass movement, guided by sound, scientific principles.

Marx and Engels said that the history of the past was the history of a class struggle. They said that in each period of the past there appeared a ruling clss,-rich, powerful, living in luxury and splendor—and an exploited class which worked hard and long but enjoyed little of the wealth it brought into existence. They said that in the past the struggle between these classes had resulted either "in the revolutionary reconstruction of society or the common ruin of the contending classes."

rn society this struggle presents itself, they said, in a conflict between the capitalists who own the fáctories, mines and mills and the means of production generally, and the workers who have to sell their labor power to these capitalists in order to earn a living.

## HOW THE WORKERS ARE ROBBED

They said that since the capitalists own the things that the workers must use in order to earn a living the capitalists have the whip-hand and that they compel workers to sell their labor power for much less than the value of what they produce. In fact they argued, that the workers usually receive in the wages paid them

only just enough to buy the necessities for a poor sort of living for themselves and to provide for the raising of children so that the line of workers might not be exhausted. The workers produce the amount of wealth they receive in wages in two, three or four hours, depending upon the technical development of industry, but they are compelled to keep on working up to eight, ten or twelve hours and during the hours they work over and above the time required to produce their wages they produce "surplus value" for the boss.

They said that naturally the workers attempted to improve their standard of living by an effort to secure more of the wealth they produced and that the capitalists resisted this effort of the workers in order to keep as much as possible of the product of industry for themselves as profits, and that, consequently, there was a class struggle between the workers and capitalists.

That Marx and Engels were right any workingman who thinks at all about the facts of how he gains his living must admit. That he must secure the consent of the capitalists, or their representatives, in order to work, he knows well enough from bitter experience in hunting for a job. That he receives in wages only about amough to feed, clothe and house himself and his family,—and sometimes even has a hard struggle to get that he knows equally well. That on the other hand there is a small number of people who live in luxury and splendor without doing anl productive work, because they get the profits he produces, is equally plain. To prove that there is a class struggle he need only think about the numerous and constantly occuring strikes.

### CLASS GOVERNMENT

Marx and Engels said, further, that the governments in all capitalistically developed countries were instruments of class rule; that they were controlled by the class which owned the machinery of production and that the power of government was used to uphold the system of exploitation and to suppress the efforts of the workers to win their freedom.

That they were right in this, also, we can easily prove by the acts of the governments of capitalist countries. Even in those countries which have the most democrratic institutions the governments are class governments,-"committees for the conduct of the common affairs of the bougeoisie." In the United States the workers have the ballot and are in a majority, but the capitalist class controls the means of information. It controls the newspapers, the schools, the colleges and the pulpits, and through this control it is able to mold the minds of the voters so that they elect to office men who will uphold their class interests. And when they are unable to control the voters they can always win over the "good men" elected to office by the pressure they can bring to bear through their economic power and promises of preferment. Consequently the government of this country, as is proven by its acts, is greatly concerned and constantly engaged in passing laws conserving the interests of the capitalists, but never legislates in the interests of the

### THE WAY TO FREEDOM

Marx and Engels pointed out, also that the development of the means of production was bringing larger and larger masses of workers together in industry and that the system of production was changing from individual production to collective production. Private ownership of industry, they said, was a fetter on the development of the highest and most efficient form of collectivism.

They meant by this what Mr. Mc-Adoo, Director-General of Railroads, pointed out in his annual report, when he said that under private ownership the railroads sent freight by round about routes and lost millions of dollars because they did not use common terminals. The coal industry furnished another example of the fetters of private ownership on

collective industry. Marx and Engels said that the way to freedom for the workers was, in harmony with the development of industry, to transfer industry from private control and ownership by the capitalists to the common ownership and democratic management by the workers.

They said that to accomplish this the workers must gain control of the state,—the government—and change it from an instrument of capitalist oppression to a means of establishing the common ownershp of industry and management by the workers.

They said that when the workers took control of the government there would come into existence a "dictatorship of the proletariat;" that such a dictatorship of the proletariat was necessary in order to break down the resistance of the capitalists to the socialization of industry, but that, as the transformation of industry from private ownership for profit to collective ownership with management by the workers in the industries proceeded, the state would lose its class character and become merely an organization for the administration of industry; that in place of being an instrument of class rule it would become a huge co-operative organization of all the workers for the common purpose of supplying themselves with food, clothing, homes to live in and education a rec-

The capture of political power by the workers might come through a mass movement revolution, as it did come in Russia and as it is now manifesting itself in Germany, for it might come as did in Finland, where the Socialists elected a majority of the Finnish parliament and where civil war exists because the propertied classes resorted to force to stop the workers from proceeding with the work of socializing indus-

### BOLSHEVISM -APPLIED MARXIAN SOCIALISM

Now we are ready to answer the question whether Bolsehvism is something new.

If we place in pararell columns the principles of Marxian Socialism and the acts of the Bolshevists we will

find that the Bolshevists are acting upon the principles that Marx and Engels laid down more than a half century ago.

They organized the workers for a class conflict.

They seized control of the power of the state and established a dictatorship of the proletariat.

They are using the power of the state to wrest control of industry 🛣 from the hands of the capitalists and to build up a democratic administration of industry by the workers.

In the period of transition the power of the state is being used to establish collectivism and democratic management. This process wipes out of existence the capitalist class, and as this class disappears, being absorbed in the ranks of the workers, and its power of resistance ends, there disappears with it the coercive power of the state and industrial democracy takes its place.

Bolshevism is not something strange and new. It is not a blind, raging force of destruction. If at present its triumph is accompanied by bloodshed and destruction it is because the bankruptcy of capitalism precipitated a cataclysm and the workers are obliged to build the new order amidst the wreckage of the old and with those who profited from their former oppression and exploitation placing every obstacle possible in their path.

Bolshevism is Marxian Socialism in action. It is the social revolution underway. It is the workers on the road to victory and a better world.

### WE ARE NOT IMMUNE

The capitalist owned newspapers are shrieking loudly against Bolshevism. They are lying about it. They are resorting to the most desperate vism. They are lying about it. They measure to poison the minds of the \$ workers against it.

The reason why they do this is

They know that the exploitation and oppression of the workers in industry exists in this country as it exdustry exists in this country as it exists in Europe. They know that the ists in Europe. They know that Socialist Movement in this country Socialist Movement on the same kind of campaign of education and organization among the workers that was \$ carried on in Russia and in Germany, and that the time is coming when the workers here will engage in the same struggle for their emancipation \$\frac{1}{3}\$ take advantage of the Gogs' love of that is now going on in Europe.

They know that this struggle will not be precipitated by the schemes of a few individuals, but that it will wonderful country and "our" marvelous resources.

It is quite amusing to near a ponywag taught first century falsehoods. The Gogs are not thinkers, but doers, yet wonderful country and "our" marvelous resources. development in industry.

evelopment in maustry.

The Bolshevists are the grave-diggers of capitalism and the builder of the new world. They are removing the wreckage and debris of a bankrupt system of production and putting in place the foundation on which will be erected the structure of the new society,—the better and

more beautiful world of the future.

It is because the grave-diggers of the system that gives them great wealth and luxury are at work that \$ the capitalists rave and are filled \$\frac{1}{3}\$ with fear and dread.

For the workers the present is the \\$ period of hope and joy in anticipation of coming happiness.

## Coming Soon—Industrial Freedom Certificate

## L E T T E R SFrom the Land of Devil-May-Care

Written for the Ohio Socialist by W. E. Reynolds.

Aislesay, Awgwan, Devil-May-Care-Land, Jan. 22. 1919. Mr. Henry B. Dubb and Family, Care of O.S. Dear Folks:

This Devil-May-Care-Land is a land of illusions. An illusion, Henry, as Democrats. you well know, is something you see that "ain't there." Everything here Everything here s something different from what it scems to be, but the Gogs who live here think it is what it seems to be.

both have a great deal of faith in the permanency of their illusions. These llusions, like everything else in Devil-May-Care-Land are for the benefit of the Magogs.

One illusion here is the equality il-The class lines are so distinct that they can be felt as well as seen, yet the illusion that there are no classes in Gogdom is almost universal. The Magogs won't see them and the Gogs have too much faith in their piffletalkers and dope sheets to question them. While no Gog ever gets to be a high mucky Magog, all Gogs think they could be if only they had had any luck!
The illusion of luck! Even the wis-

est of the Allfools are deluded by it. We know of course that this is a universe of causes and effect, but the Gogs, not knowing this great truth, ascribe their miseries to hard luck. This fatalistic reliance on luck and the general denial of the existence of classes makes it easy for the Magogs to work the life out of the Gogs without a murmur of protest.

Another illusion here is the illusion of ownership. The Magogs claim accumulate capital for their employ-ownership to all mills, mines, factories ers, the Magogs. Your laborers have and means of travel and transportation and also all the means of com-munication. The Gogs own nothing, not even their jobs or their bodies. The jobs belong to the Magogs and their bodies belong to the Magog's state. The Gogs pay rent all their lead in self-respect in the presence of lives to the Magogs for the poor privi-lege to being allowed to remain on In yo lege to being allowed to remain on the Magog's earth in order to work for the Magog to get dinero enough tions and discoveries. Here no Gog for the Magog to get dinero enough to pay the rent in order, etc., etc. Yet in spite of it all, each Gog firmly be- If you were working at digging a ditch lieves he has a country.

of saying "my country" he should say "my master's country" but being a Gog he failed to see the point. He only flew into a rage and attempted to beat me with his fists. The Gogs use then then their fiets much move than they have the country the amount of the country the same content of the country the cou use their fists much more than they job. In your country the present do their heads. The pollywags here take advantage of the Gogs' love of past dominates the present. Your nat is now going on in Europe.

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The illusion of freedom is another thinkers on earth. great illusion here. All these Gogs they are free persons and "their" country a country of freedom ters and these Gogs, instead of being illusion. free, haven't even the freedom to talk about freedom. Devil-May-Care-Land is ruled by the Mucky Magogs with a great Chief as their leader. They do not have a constitution which guaran-

have only the freedom to do what the yet thinks he is pail in full. Magogs will allow. A Gog doesn't even dare commit suicide—it is sion Land.

against the law! The Gogs have the so-called free-

> justice, Libertymobs and Penogs. You will probably remember read- they obey the autocrats. They think ing while you were attending Harvard they are prosperous, they are paupers. college (or was it Yale?) of a dis- They think their great men will do tinguished foreigner, Mr. Aristotle, for them; they "do" them. They think who believed all well regulated so-they are Christians; they are pagans. cieties had to have two sets or class- They think somebody will es of people. One class to do all the them; I think they'll have to save work and another set to do all the themselves. thinking, and that form of society was known as an aristocracy. An-

other Hunkie, named Socrates. contended for a state wherein all the people worked and each did his own thinking. This was called a democracy. History records that the aris-I wish you were with me in this tocrats made Mr. Socrates drink some wonderful country and could see poison hemlock and so set a world example of what may be expected from aristocracy in their treatment of

Aristocracy is rampant here in the Land-of-Devil-May-Care. The Gogs, however, all believe it is a democracy because they have been taught it was. The Gogs, which are working class folks, and the Magogs, which are idlers and blue blooded aristocrats, idlers and blue blooded aristocrats, in the Magogs which are in reality one long endurance test. Had they ever once realized they were The illusion of democracy! Countless but the slaves of autocracy they would have rebelled, but they only saw the illusion and were contented and faith-

> In your country, thanks to the discoveries of modern science, your people have grown too wise to be de-luded by the illusions of supernaturalism, but here great joss houses are builded and the minds and will of the populace are systematically stunt-Where you, in your wisdom, build school houses and college, these fool Gogs build massive temples of brick and stone for creedal worship of unreality. All over this land you find shacks for the Gogs to dwell within and massive temples for the dwelling places of the Gog's imaginary Gods.

> The Gogs here have the illusion that is that they live in order to labor. You in your glorious country of freedom and equality and democracy, labor as a means to an end. You seek to widen, enrich and promote a better state of well being for your people. Here the Gogs labor only to reached a position where they can command the respect and attention of kings. No Gog is of any consequence

ever benefits from any new invention and should invent a trench digger you One day I told a Gog that instead would probably light up your pipe, sit

The Magogs stole the Land-of-Devil-May-Care. They are a piratical band of liars, thieves and hypocrites, for all. Talking about freedom and yet they masquerade as "best citizens' having freedom are two different mat- and the Gogs do not see through the

tees free speech, press and assem- ten dollars less, of course, the capitalblage, like your glorious country.

The Magogs here have the freedom reward of abstainence, (from work) to speak or write or gather into what is called libertymobs, but the Gogs neros in value he only gets two and Yes. Devil-May-Care-Land is Illu-

The Gogs think they think and they do not think. They think they are dom to work and breed and keep free while they are slaves. They think their mouth shut. The work is done there are no classes, yet two classes under the supervision of a Magogboss. exist. They think they are wise and The breeding is done under the care- are easily fooled. They think they ful supervision of the Magog's church make laws whereas they only obey and state and the purrient notion them. They think they own a counthat ignorance is innocence. The try, yet they pay rent. They think mouths are kept shut under the care- | they have a government. The govful supervision of their courts of ernment has them. They think they Hoping you are the same, I am,

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# JUSTICE TO RUSSIA

(From The Nation)

From the start the unfriendly intent behind Allied intervention in Russia was revealed by the frank though futile opposition of President Wilson. His objections gave the situation away; he admitted it to be a bad business before he became a partner in it, and his final surrender served only to emphasize the helplessness of benevolent intentions before the cynical determination of the controlling forces among the 'Allies. The excuses offered from time to time by the governments engaged in crushing what the Germans had left of the Russian revolution were dishonest and hypocritical, but they served their purpose for the time being. They quieted the protests of timid liberals. They stilled the natural objections of those who pointed out that our armies had been enlisted to fight Germany, not to carry on military operations \*\*gainst Russian working men. But the propaganda of lies and suppression of facts was indeed a house built upon the

Even to persons who had no way of knowing the flimsy stuff of which the building was made, the course of the Allies in Russia must sometimes have seemed perplexing. The newspapers talked of German arms and German gold, and autocratic rule in Russia, and disorder and terror, and the Czecho-Slovaks, but every man with sympathy and imagination must have seen something more. He must have seen a great people struggling with the hardest problems a nation has ever faced; struggling to build out of disorder and corruption a new untried society, struggling to demobilize without suffering and upheaval fourteen million war-sick men and to create fresh forces to defend the new-born revolution, struggling against German domination and intrigue and Czarist plots, struggling most fiercely of all against the horror of starvation-struggling, yet holding its head high and shouting its faith to an indifferent world. He must have seen with wonder the spectacle of "the great democracies of the west" picking up their weapons and trying to destroy

that young faith with arms and lies and starvation. He should have seen something of this. But if he failed to see before, surely he must see now; for the whole structure of falsehoods and excuses has collapsed. The "unstable" Soviet government has lasted a year and a month in the face of all its trials and its enemies. The need of an Eastern front against Germany disappeared with the signing of the armistice. The duty of chasing the Germans out of Russia disappeared at the same time, and German troops were actually invited to stay in the invaded parts of Russia to help the Allies in "preserving order." The Czecho-Slovaks are discovered to have been offered by the Bolshevist government free passage through Russia if they would return home in peace. Arms and materials of war are no longer in danger of falling into the hands of an Imperial Germany. The most hostile critics of Bolshevism are now loudest in their assertions of its complete hold upon the people of Russia. And as for the disorder and chaos and terror which have formed the most recent and widely-advertised Allied excuse, the New Statesman, always bitter in its opposition to the Bolshevist government, is reported as saying in its latest issue: "Order is more thoroughly established in Russia now than at any time since the fall of Czardom. Food distribution is better organized than at any time during the whole war. l'actories are rapidly starting up again as fast as raw material can be obtained. \* \* \* Terror has ceased. It has been greatly exaggerated."

New voices are being raised in every country demanding the facts about Russia, demanding the reasons for intervention, demanding action by the peace conference. It looks as though Allied statesmen would be forced to listen, at least, and to answer. The latest reports from Paris indicate that the Allies do not intend for the present to undertake intervention on a large scale, but are to keep their troops in Russia to gove "moral support" to those "orderly" governments that are or may be in existence, and send forces into the Ukraine to relieve the departing Germans. This is the moment when the question is up for decision, when every word counts. Will the cry of the people be loud enough tocarry through the padded walls of the palace at Versailles?

The men who will gather there are commonly called statesmen; but they are also politicians, and politicians will always listen to the voice of the people if it 's loud enough and speaks in no uncertain terms. Not as political partisans or "intellectuals" or "liberals," but as honest men of decent impulses, we Americans must tell the government that represents us the only course that seems to us to accord with the principles of self-determination which it has proclaimed.

We ask the withdrawal, as rapidly as physical conditions permit, of all American troops from Vladivostok and northern and southern Russia, and meanwhile the complete cessation of hostilities. We ask that the plans announced for a military expedition into the Ukraine be abandoned. We ask the recognition of the Soviet government and, as the immediate consequence of such action, negotiations leading to the establishment of commercial relations with Russia. We ask the diplomatic and other accredited agents of the Soviet government be received and that Boris Bakhmeteff, the so-called Russian ambassador, be deprived of the diplomatic and financial privileges now accorded him. We ask that all unfriendly propaganda carried on by the government of the United States or any of its branches immediately cease. We ask that the government of the United States bring pressure upon the Allies to abandon their present policy in Russia and secure, under threat, if need be, of complete dissociation from their plans, the withdrawal of all Allied troops. We ask that representatives of the Soviet government be admitted to the peace conference. We ask the prompt dispatch in co-operation with the Soviet government, of food and clothing and necessary industrial and agricultural machinery for sale or free distribution. We ask these things for the Russian revolution and the starving people of Russia; but even more we ask these things in order that the United States may for its own sake share in righting an intolerable wrong, that no man in this war shall have died for empty words and worthless phrases, and that from this time forth the world may be more forever safe for hopeful experiments and new adventures in democracy.

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