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Erie Scabs Living Like Swine Forced To Vacate Quarters

Strike-breakers Living Amid Filth on Pier No. 5 at Jersey City Forced to Move by City Health Department in Order To Avert Spread of Pestilence.

Hundreds of men of all colors and all nationalities, herded like cattle on Pier No. 5 at Jersey City, whence they had been recruited as strike-breakers, were forced to move by the city health authorities. The Erie railroad company had recruited them from various parts of the country and had placed them on the pier, where they were sleeping, cooking and eating. There were hardly any sanitary utensils, they slept on lousy cots and bunks and fever had begun to sweep among them. The pier was suffering from leathome diseases.

James Hagen, health officer of Jersey City, reported that the pier was a veritable pest-house and that the local sewer system was so much soiled by his life he called for assistance from the police force and the pier was cleaned out.

In a nearby tenement house the company was also discovered to be sheltering others in a veritable building owned by the railroad near the pier there were twenty men gathered in three rooms, each room being full of living in indescribably filthy conditions. There was no plumbing in the house and all night long oil lamps furnished the only light.

General Manager Objects
J. J. Mantel, general manager of the Erie issued a statement to the capitalist press wherein he expressed surprise that the health authorities should desire to remove a pier source from the city.

The action of the Jersey City police was absolutely unprovoked and unexpected, said Mr. Mantel. "It has forced the men to eat out in the open and brought them to a veritable pest-house which, for long as they are not tied up to the Jersey shore, are outside of the jurisdiction of the Jersey police."

The action, moreover, has served as a very serious setback to the movement of interstate traffic and has already resulted in the elimination of five commuters' trains. It will also hold up the movement of freight and other profitable freights, because of the bad effect it has had on the men.

Of course, it may be possible to obtain an injunction from the Federal courts, but it seems a shame that it should be necessary to resort to such legal action in such an emergency.

The houses in which the scabs are now herded are as vile as the pier and the ancient tenement houses to which they were driven by the Jersey City police.

Eye-witnesses of the scene on the pier who for three or four days the Erie scabs kept in their quarters declared that the crew of workers sheltered there were the scabiest and dirtiest that they were so low in the scale of human degradation that it is possible to be hunkered in such holes.

This is the type of creature that is used by the railroads to break the strike in an effort to reduce all American labor to the level of the scab-strike in honor of the Jersey shore.

COLORED WORKERS RETURNED TO SCAB
A recreation committee of strikers, made up of colored men—part of a group of eighty workers sent from Chicago at Aurora, Ill., Friday evening as a reward for work on the Burlington Railroad. When questioned, the men said they had been unaware of the nature of the work for which they had hired out. They were escorted to the city limits but no violence was attempted. The remaining strikers were taken to have departed from Aurora after first reporting at the Burlington shops there.

EVICTONS OF STRIKERS STILL CONTINUE IN PENN.
Evictions in the vicinity of Uniontown still continue. Last week a high total was reached with 225 evictions of families by state police, otherwise known as the state constables. Women with infants in their arms, are ruthlessly thrown out of their beds upon the public highways every day. Since the beginning of the strike over 1,000 families have been evicted in the Uniontown district alone.



Wall Street's Mexican Propaganda Bureau In Action

Rail Shop Workers' Strike Going in Opposition to Homogeneous Odds

Neither the Treachery of the So-Called Leaders of Labor Nor the Ferocious Assaults of the Agents of the Capitalist Class Succeeded in Driving Strikers Back To Slavery

NATIONAL GOVERNMENT TO PROTECT SCABS

Organized Murder Likely to Become the Order of the Day as Railroad Magnates Become Panic Stricken at the Effect of the Strike and Its Rapid Development Throughout Nation

The tenth day of the railroad shopmen's strike, last Monday, was supposed to be the crucial test. The railroads had served notice on the strikers that they must return on that day or lose their seniority rights. For years the idea of seniority had been held before them much as the ministers held before the miserable slaves the idea of pie in the sky when they die. Seniority on the railroads was a commodity so preciously guarded and so low it was considered a calamity no less than the eternal damnation of the pulpit pounders.

The shop workers, however, showed their ardent contempt for this device of the master class to keep the slaves firmly bound to their jobs and refused to yield to the bulldozing threats.

The strike is remarkable in many ways, but the most astonishing feature of it is the tenacity with which the shop workers have held their ranks intact and even increased by their number.

By the way, too, they are fighting against the railway maintenance of way men, who were also victims of the latest wage-slash of the government board, voted for a strike but their strike, murder, pillage and tyrannical terrorism. From every section of the country come reports of the atrocities of the union men, other crafts are ready to strike the moment the militia or the army appears on the scene to guard the railroad property, as there are clauses in most of their union constitutions in most of their union constitutions.

COMRADES!
Watch for the RAILROAD STRIKE BULLETIN
To be issued this week by the United Union of America. This will be a paper that will furnish for the strikers in the railroad shop, just as the "Miners Voice" functions in the mine strike. Supporters of the Challenge should order bundles of the "Strike Bulletin" and distribute them to the workers who are struggling against the combined assaults of the railroad board and the government. Write to the paper: the railroad strikers by a wide distribution of this publication.
Address: UNITED TOLLERS OF AMERICA 81 East Fourth Street, New York City

STATUTES OF THE RAIL STRIKE
Beginning of second week shows strike more effective in every part of the United States, many trains taken off by road.

Railroads hasten that strike is ineffective, but union leaders call their bluff by pointing to actual results. Government through Attorney General and injunctions takes action against strikers.

Widespread Communist agitation against strikers, labor leaders who favor a militant membership and turn literature over to federal authorities. Gunmen in Clinton, Illinois, murder twelve-year-old child.

Union leaders arrested in Kansas for violation of injunction issued Court Lane. Some militia of Illinois puts troops upon tracks of strike, while five other states mobilize troops against strikers.

Persistence of troops may force strike of maintenance of way men, whose union laws forbid them to work under military or police protection.

Men from working at any time under police or military protection. The rank and file of the maintenance of way men are enraged at the treachery of their president, Gabbler, who yielded before the bluffing of Bert W. Hooper, head of the Railway Labor Board, thereby betraying the membership into the hands of this deadly enemy of the working class, who is being used as the tool through which the railroad magnates hope to minimize the open shop upon the railroad workers of the country and destroy the effectiveness of their labor organizations. Hooper's idea of a union is one that is organized by the capitalist class and that never goes on strike.

Hundreds of Trains Stop
At the beginning of the second week of the strike there were hundreds of trains suspended throughout the country. In the middle west, the Missouri Pacific railroad discontinued 104 of its regular passenger trains, while the Washburn discontinue 42 trains. Other roads were taking off trains and cutting down service to the very lowest level. All trains running are hours behind time while the equipment carried in many cases so is dangerous that it is shipped to other points further north.

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Buffalo Car Strike Shows Up Officials

Strike Called July 1 Discloses Some Amazing Juggery by Union Officials of the Affairs of Rank and File of Car-men; Secret Understandings Exist Between Officers of Union and Company

COMPANY DETERMINED TO ESTABLISH OPEN SHOP

Every Organ of Reaction in City Joins in Fight Against Strikers White Mahon and Union Officials Dicker With Company Representatives

BUFFALO, N. Y., July 10—For ten days the rail transportation on the streets of Buffalo has been tied up by a one hundred per cent strike of street car employees. The vote to strike was taken originally against announced wage reductions, then the company rescinded its notice of wage reduction, but the strike was continued in order to gain recognition of the union.

TWO STRIKERS MURDERED
Two striking miners were murdered in cold blood by a gang of Deputy Sheriffs on a guard at the plant of the Atlantic Coast Company at Point Marion, Pa., late Monday. The striking miners were driving their wives and children in a tent when they had constructed after being evicted from the company houses. The fact that they were able to erect such a home property has so enraged the coal owners that they have instructed their thugs and professional killers to bring them out.

The man, Andy Bobcheck, 45 years old and Bob Voldinsky, 45, were murdered after a series of provocative acts on the part of the mine guards. The deputies swooped down on the camp and ordered the occupants to move. Some of the men asked what authority they had to order them out.

As about the street car men of Buffalo were merely pawns in the hands of Mahon and the union officials. Mahon has his headquarters in Detroit and Mahon's office in Philadelphia. The correspondence discloses the fact that these two men, independently of the will of the desperate members of the union, were carrying on negotiations that determined their rate of wages and working conditions without even consulting the strikers.

After reading the correspondence one is convinced beyond the shadow of a doubt that Mahon did have an agreement with the president of the company covering the year 1922. Since the men are on strike, it was made public by the company publicity agents and printed in the capitalist press.

CHICAGO STREET CAR MEN VOTE IN FAVOR OF STRIKE
Thirteen thousand street car men of the city of Chicago are voting on the question of a strike against a proposed wage cut of twenty-two per cent. Early returns show the vote overwhelming in favor of a strike. The notice of a wage reduction of one fourth the present wages of the workers has aroused bitter resentment against the company and a strike is considered inevitable unless the company recedes from its position.

TO THE STRIKERS of the MINES, RAILROADS, TEXTILE MILLS AND STREET CAR COMPANIES!

The workers' Challenge is fighting your battles today. We are part of the great working class struggle against the oppression of the master class. In your hour of need, of struggle and of sacrifice in order to defeat the bloodsuckers of capitalism, we are with you.

Machinery Is In Poor Condition
The Baltimore and Ohio system at Parkersburg is in a state of physical bankruptcy. The large coal hauling engines are out of order and other equipment in such a condition that the entire industry is paralyzed. The road is carrying large advertisements in all capitalist papers for all kinds of machinery. So far only the unskilled labor force of the South has been recruited.

Several negroes from the South east tried to escape from the guard lines around their camps in the railroad yards and were stopped by the guards at the points of escape.

Reports are rife that several hundred negroes are to arrive in Parkersburg soon and that some of them will be shipped to other points further north.

Now what I desire to know is if you and the rest of the workers of Buffalo for the coming year, is it possible...

do in such a way that the...

The reply was to the effect that...

It was not an agreement, or...

Mahon said nothing about recognition...

The mayor of the city had refused...

Whole Thing Considered Conspiracy...

Mahon is also strongly condemned...

Strikers Becoming Armed...

The strikers are becoming infuriated...

Organized labor is being used...

General Public Develop City Wide Strike...

Attorney General Also Steps In...

What the militia cannot do...

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STANDARD OIL GETS ANATOLIA OIL GRANT

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WORKERS CHALLENGE

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to reach the same understanding for our dealings in Buffalo for the coming year...

The reply was to the effect that while they could not understand the reasons...

That was not an agreement, or understanding, of any kind...

Whole Thing Considered Complicated The militant workers of Buffalo, after analyzing the situation...

Strikers Becoming Aroused The strikers are becoming aroused at the tactics of those...

Organized labor in Buffalo is still in the dark and will be...

Right Fight Develop City Wide Strike A plan to fight a general strike...

Other States Mobilize Troops State militia have been mobilized in several states...

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On Monday morning the New York capitalist press published several sensational articles...

The following article appeared on the first page of the Times: 'Defiance of Courts and Rebellion Against U.S. Urged Upon Strikers by the Communist Party'

Leaders of the striking workers were accused yesterday by Communist Party circles...

The circular was signed 'J. Davis, Executive Secretary, Central Executive Committee of the Communist Party of America'

'You the rank and file, men for whom action on the part of the Communist Party is a sacred duty...

'Such rank-and-file action in Buffalo these days is a crime against the people of the city.'

General Open Shop Propaganda The circular also called for a general open shop of the general propaganda...

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The Three Internationals and the Trade Union United Front

By A. Lowrey

The Conference of the three Internationals recently held in London, which was held under the auspices of the Red Trade Union International, is a most important event in the history of the proletarian movement. It is the first time since the formation of the three Internationals that they have met together to discuss their common program and to coordinate their activities. The conference was held in London, England, from July 15 to 20, 1935. It was attended by representatives of the Communist International, the Workers' International League, and the Red Trade Union International. The conference was held in London, England, from July 15 to 20, 1935. It was attended by representatives of the Communist International, the Workers' International League, and the Red Trade Union International.

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Mothers Start Fight for Release of Tom Watson

International Officers Sabotage Efforts Directed Toward Release of Mooney, Who is a Member of Their Own Union

The governor of the state of California declared 'sensitive' any organized labor that had forgotten all about the Mooney case and that there was no more to be said on the subject of the population for his release.

It is a notorious fact that during the trials of Mooney and Billings not one word of support came from the International officers of the Modern Union.

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the thing by merely circulating the state of California. In the reply to the Buffalo union Valentine, inflicting the same punishment on the secretary that he is writing the local union of California to petition the governor for a pardon for Mooney and Billings, and to write the Governor informing him of the action of the board.

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To Organize Overlaid Textile Federation

The Results of the First Int'l Campaign for the Proletarian United Front

The first convention of the Proposed Textile Union of America will be held at the Hotel St. Andrew, New York, on the 3rd of August. It was announced today. The official call to the convention is being sent out to textile workers in the United States and the United Textile Workers of the A. F. of L. by the three trustees provided for in the provisional constitution drawn up by the independent unions.

Amalgamated Textile Workers of America, American Federation of Textile Workers, and United Textile Workers, Tapestry Carpet Workers, Amalgamated Lace Operatives of America, and the Textile Workers of America, International Spinners' Union, Amalgamated Knit Goods Workers' Union, Loom Fixers' National Association, Philadelphia Loom Fixers' Union.

The invitation extended to textile groups and the statement of the purpose of the union are set forth in the letter to the unions. The letter says in part:

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The break-up of the Commission of Nine marks the close of the first phase of our world-wide struggle for the proletarian united front. This campaign has taught us a number of lessons (both of a general political nature and an international organizational character) which it behooves us to go into carefully, because the campaign just ended was only the first one and the struggle is to continue.

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PENN. MINE BARONS ASK STRIKE TROOPS

Information has just come to light in Uniontown, Pa., that numerous requests for state troops to "keep order" in the Connellsville coal strike district have been made in the strike's past month. Many houses have been dynamited and other disorders occurred. The strikers occupy the mine barons of deliberately destroying mine property in order to create an excuse for the invasion of the territory by the army.

Standing Army to Crush Workers Says Sen. Watson

Georgia Senator Goes On Rampage and Tells Senate How He Would Like to See the Flood of United States Troops Which Should Be Considered by Workers

Senator Tom Watson of Georgia is not a revolutionist, he is not even a reactionary. He is a man who is opposed at everyone else in the Senate. On such occasions the cry for special emergency troops goes up and the Georgia senator says his 1922 legislation, which he has introduced and incidentally makes a few caustic remarks about the inaction of the United States army in the approach of Mellon, Hoover, and others.

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The violence in Clinton was started by the so-called guards on the Illinois Central, who are hired for the purpose of creating a reign of terror in order to force the authorities to place the town under martial law, which they have done. Time and again the Illinois Central and other corporate interests of Clinton have tried to force a law through the legislature outlawing picketing. The attitude of labor has always been so menacing that the political systers were afraid to carry out such a venture. But through armed force and unrestrained violence the paid gunmen furnish the excuse for the militia to step in and proceed to murder the innocent striking strikers. The state of Illinois acts as strikebreaker, just as does the government of every other state and even the United States government when it is in the interest of the ruling class for it to do so.

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Employment of negroes, Hindoos, Chinese and Japanese as strike-breakers on the railroads in order to defeat the shopmen's strike threatens to develop serious race disturbances in a dozen different points. In Parkersburg, W. Va., Rochester, N. Y., several cities in the north and the New Orleans negroes are being employed as scabs. In Jersey City, negroes, Hindoos and Chinese are being employed and in California railroad centers the Japs are being used as strike-breakers. The situation is ominous. It bears all the earmarks of a deliberate attempt on the part of the railroads to incite blood riots.

Rising class protests to the effect that nothing of the sort is contemplated cannot be taken seriously. The race riots in Chicago in the summer of 1919 are not so remote that the working class does not well remember their cause. Armour and the other packers profited through those disturbances by lambasting the owners of race hatred. The railroads could profit through widespread race disturbances in the present strike. It is of no concern to the railroad magnates if a few thousand black and yellow slaves are wiped out by white slaves and in turn a few white slaves perished. If racial outbreaks can be provoked, a clock for ruling class terrorism against the workers is

concocted by the corporation. But unity of action on the part of the workers does amount to the highly crystallized opinion of the ruling class received through a long and arduous organization. Mr. Gompers and the "shopmen's" evidently agree on their method of Americanism. Gompers calls it "Americanism." Americanism is the conspiracy between employers against labor, a conspiracy which is based upon the law. The law is a conspiracy between the politicians during the period of office which has vanished long ago with the death of most workers, but Gompers in his deluged mind catches fire waving it as a mission today July 1922.

The American union class has ceased to worship every trinket that conceals himself behind the folds of the flag. When a so-called representative of labor resorts to the sleight-of-hand stunts of the ruling class and indulges in excessive flag waving the worker becomes a spectator and wonders what treachery is being concealed thereby.

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THE PRESIDENT AND THE MULE
Washington had his cherry tree, Lincoln planted his, and Harry Wood, Roosevelt built the bronchos and Harding rode a mule. There may have been those who wondered what particular training the intellectual giant who is now president of these United States had in his youth to fit him for his exalted position. His Fourth of July oration at an old baggage town, Marion, O., dispelled much mystery concerning the early training of our first citizen. First impressions and first loves are said to be always strongest. While not prepared to defend such a contention as a general proposition, there are reasons for believing it applies to Warren Gamaliel Harding.

In addition to informing the nation of his humble career into Marion, three years ago astride a mule, the President discussed sundry governmental questions. Although he did not refer directly to events transpiring at Herrin, Illinois, two weeks ago, the capitalist press imagines he referred to it when he said "Governments cannot interfere in any class or group dominating through force."

Mr. Harding's idea of government hasn't developed much since his mule riding days, if he is so naive as to actually believe his interpretation of it. If there was ever a government in the history of the world that did not rule directly through force, it is a government that has been eliminated from all historical writings we have ever seen. Furthermore there is no record of a government on earth that is not a class government, existing solely for the purpose of guaranteeing the perpetuation of the supremacy of a given class.

The government of Mr. Harding is the creature of Mr. Elbert H. Gary and of Standard Oil and every intelligent person in America knows it. The boasted democracy of the government is a smoke screen behind which is conducted the exploitation and oppression of the working class of America. That exploitation has never been so brutal as it is now under the Harding administration. Mr. Gary the man who elected Harding is the chief bulwark of the open shop propaganda in this country. Therefore Harding must be an open shop president, so in his talk at Marion he employed throughout most of his administration, the President, "is gone in America when any man is denied by anybody the right to work and live by that work." He does not mean that the unemployed have a right to work or even to live for that matter. There have been six million unemployed throughout most of this administration, yet never before have we heard anything from Harding about the right to work. He doesn't mean the workers should not be shut out of the factories, mills and mines in case the employer cannot realize a profit off their slavery. What he does mean is that unions must not be allowed interference with the right of scabs to take their jobs and reduce labor to the level of Chinese coolies. It is not the right to work that Mr. Harding and the gang that owns him is concerned about, but the right to scab, un molested by decent men who have the courage to strike against the greed and avarice of the American plutocracy.

Every exploiter of labor, every despoiler of humanity, every government-protected industrial despot in the United States and their whole retinue of editors, preachers, orators and other purveyors of capitalist propaganda join in the mournful dirge bewailing the fate of the scum of the earth, who may be doomed as herald of the destruction of the scabs must be avenged, head the jackals of capitalism whose own hands drip with the blood of countless thousands of defenseless men, women and children.

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they fired the first shots into the ranks of the strikers. If the incident closed with that, the names of the scabbers there would have been in the local editorials, no solemn intonations about the right to work from the Marion publishers. Only the grade of the working class would have recognized and in our newspapers would have been recorded landmarks in consequence of the terrible sacrifice demanded of labor as it struggles toward a better society.

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In Ludlow, Colo., April 20, 1914, the armed thugs and gunmen of John D. Rockefeller Jr., prototypes of the Herrin thugs, burned alive eleven women and two children, and Rockefeller himself is just as responsible for the deaths of these innocent women though he had plunged a dagger into each of their breasts, is today enjoying everything that the toil of millions can produce. Not ten thousand Herrins can ever efface the foul blot placed upon the history of the United States by the massacre at Ludlow, but Mr. Harding is careful not to refer to that massacre or the families that died. The capitalist press that today calls for a blood atonement in Williamson county, Illinois, made no demands for the life of the pious Sunday school teaching, pious singing, hypocritical John D. Rockefeller, Jr., when women and children were massacred at Ludlow. Ludlow, without weapons with which to defend themselves. Instead the pen prostitutes of capitalism condemned the people who were slaughtered. Then, as now, they spoke in the interest of their class.

Just what connection the memory of the mule had with governmental history is not known, as is, but undoubtedly the youthful associations of Harding have left their impress upon him in his maturity. It is not recorded whether the ass with which Harding associated was a lagoonous animal, but it would undoubtedly be Harding's mule in history, with which one Mr. Baalzebub had an interesting conversation that is recorded in the book from which Harding evidently obtains his knowledge.

If any alleged character in history, aside from Baalzebub, could provoke an ass to congenial conversation it would undoubtedly be Harding. The fact that he associated with asses in his youth explains the selection of his cabinet and also his so-called concourse of great minds during the front porch days at Marion in his campaign of 1920.

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The desire to annex Mexico as a part of the United States will dominate the thoughts of the Guggenheim mineral interests, the Hearst interests in Mexican land, the interests of the Standard Oil Company form a gigantic combination determined upon bringing Mexico under the domination of the United States government.

The most powerful influence is, of course, that of Standard Oil. Today there is no more reason than ever why that corporation should desire Mexico under control of the U. S. In the struggle for control of oil, the poor old Standard has been outwitted by the Royal Dutch Shell, a British concern. Everywhere the Standard turned for the support of the oil trust, it was blocked by the British concern or one of its subsidiaries. Mexican oil fields had started to decline in value because of their penetration by salt water, and the Standard turned to other fields for a time. Meanwhile new wells were opened in other sections of Mexico that exempted it from the defects of the older wells. Exemption for the purpose of overcoming the depression of the salt water also has proved measurably successful, so again Mexico offers opportunities for exploitation in the oil business.

It is pretty generally recognized that in order to successfully exploit Mexico the government of that country must be under the domination of the exploiters. After several attempts to obtain a Mexican president that would serve the interests of Wall Street, the attitude toward that country now seems to revert to the Wilson policy of 1918. At that time the United States was waging active war against Mexico without even a declaration of war. The success for the presence of American troops on the border was the prevalent disturbance taking place just over the line. The reports at that time were mainly heaped in the propaganda factories of Wall Street. To

day there is a repetition of the same sort of invasion. It is a repetition of the same sort of the stories of atrocious today emanate from the same source, but, so far, there is no marked enthusiasm among the American people for an invasion of Mexico. The press agents of imperialism will have to originate more subtle stories than the advertisement of Boss Babinski in getting a focus for a war against Mexico, in the interest of Mr. Rockefeller's oil business.

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One catastrophe after another seems to be the fate of Germany since the close of the War. The revolution achieved by the proletariat, that sent the Kaiser to Holland for an indefinite stay was followed by the black reaction initiated by the Ebert government, the flower of the proletariat was murdered by the social-democratic government, the complete economic enslavement to the Allies through the Treaty of Versailles came next. Then the vicious repression of the workers standard of living in order to meet the preposterous indemnities, numerous attempts of monarchist adventurers to restore the House of Hohenzollern, the murders of prominent governmental officials, finally a financial crisis and complete bankruptcy.

The ruling class organs of opinion are sorely distressed at the present plight of Germany. Some of them blame the Allies, others blame Germany, but none of them realizes that in relation to Germany the world is confronted with conditions over which man has no control unless he prefers to work in harmony with social evolution.

"Man," says Marx, "makes his own history, but does not make it out of whole cloth; he does not make it out of conditions chosen by himself, but out of such as he finds close at hand." The Allies firmly believing in the efficacy of their statecraft, strive to determine the course of history, find all their efforts in relation to Germany futile so far as achieving the stability of Europe is concerned.

The pressure of the Allied powers was sufficient to enable the social-democratic representatives of capitalism to seize power in Germany, but it was not strong enough to perpetuate them in power. The bourgeoisie, blind white and enslaved by the reparations, haven't the vitality to create a strong government. The junker class is still able to create widespread disturbances and even organize coups, but the march of history has destroyed its economic foundation; it is doomed to vanish from the stage of history because there is nothing for it to do. History can only be made out of conditions found at hand, and the condition for the permanent triumph of either the capitalist class or the junker class are not at hand and never will be.

Capitalism itself is in collapse in Germany and all Europe. When it reaches such a low ebb as it has reached in the present debacle in Central Europe there is but one power in society that can bring order out of chaos and that power is the proletariat.

No matter what the present outcome in Germany may be, whether there is a partial and temporary restoration of some form of monarchy or whether the social-democratic government can weather this storm, there is one fact that is plain to every student of history and that is that the relentless march of the proletarian revolution is westward and that soon, very soon, amidst the thunder and lightning of the next wave of the world revolution an alliance of proletarian nations, Russia and Germany, will be created that will challenge the supremacy of world imperialism.

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A CONSTRUCTIVE RECORD

Our convention has closed with a constructive American record of which we are proud and of which I am proud. Samuel M. Gompers at Cincinnati

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MAKING HISTORY IN GERMANY

One catastrophe after another seems to be the fate of Germany since the close of the War. The revolution achieved by the proletariat is less than the kidnapping of Bruce Belaski to get an excuse for a war against Mexico, in the interest of Mr. Rockefeller's oil business.

The ruling class organs of opinion are sorely distressed at the present plight of Germany. Some of them blame the Allies, others blame Germany, but none of them realizes that in relation to Germany the world is confronted with conditions over which man has no control unless he prefers to work in harmony with social evolution.

"Man," says Marx, "makes his own history, but does not make it out of whole cloth; he does not make it out of conditions chosen by himself, but out of such as he finds close at hand." The Allies, firmly believing in the efficacy of their statesmanship to determine the course of history, find all their efforts in relation to Germany futile so far as achieving the stability of Europe is concerned.

The pressure of the Allied powers was sufficient to enable the social-democratic representatives of capitalism to seize power in Germany, but it was not strong enough to perpetuate them in power. The bourgeoisie, bled white and enslaved by the reparations, haven't the vitality to create a strong government. The junker class is still able to create widespread disturbances and even organize coups, but the march of history has destroyed its economic foundation. It is doomed to vanish from the stage of history because there is nothing for it to do. History can only be made out of conditions found at hand, and the conditions for the permanent triumph of either the capitalist class or the junker class are not at hand and never will be.

Capitalism itself is in collapse in Germany and all Europe. When it reaches such a stage, as it has reached in the present debate in Central Europe there is but one power to society that can bring order out of chaos and that power is the proletariat.

No matter what the present outcome in Germany may be, whether there is a partial and temporary restoration of some form of monarchy, or whether the social-democratic government can weather this storm, there is one fact that is plain to every student of history and that is that the relentless march of the proletarian revolution is westward and that soon, very soon, amid the thunder and lightning of the next wave of the world revolution an alliance of proletarian nations, Russia and Germany, will be created that will challenge the supremacy of world imperialism.

And the challengers will win, because history is on their side.

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