"Organization is the Duty of This Hour" Says Debs

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Debs Says:

"No Compromise" An audience which packed Moose hall to the very doors greeted Eugene

V. Debs upon his return to Cleveland Sunday evening to fill an engagement which is the fist of a series of meetings being arranged throughout the state under the auspices of the Socialist Party of Ohio.

Long before the beloved champion of the masses made his appearance every foot of available space in the big hall was crowded with an eager expectant audience. Comrade Mar-guerite Prevey acted as chairman. Splendid songs were rendered by the local Socialist Sunday school and by comrades composing two singing so-

Previous to the speech by Comrade Debs, Robert Blackstone, the Mooney defense agitator was introduced. His denouncements of the atrocious frameup of Mooney and Billings and of the vile Fickert crew were received with tremendous applause. His appeal to the workers to stand firm against the legal assassination of Tom Mooney, which is scheduled to take place on Dec. 13, was met with roars of applause. That this audience was moved by the same immovable con-viction of the innocence of Mooney that pervades the workers of the civilized world, was apparent when they responded with deafening cheers to the speaker's impassioned appeal to stand by a resolve that "Mooney shall not hang." Comrade Debs' appearance was the

occasion for an outburst of enthusiastic cheering. The audience arose to its feet and cheered again and again as he bowed in response. Canton and Cleveland His Upbuilding,

Said Debs. Comrade Debs opened his speech with an account of a letter he had received from a well meaning man who advised him to remain away from Canton and Cleveland as "they had proved his undoing." Comrade Debs said that he was glad to be back in Cleveland "because he be-lieved Canton and Cleveland had been his upbuilding." A great wave of applause swept the audience at this significant sally.

At End of Capitalism and Beginning of Socialism.

Contrade Debs' speech was largely upon the necessity of organization work among the workers. "We are," said ue, "at all negitalities of the emiof capitalism and the end of the be-ginning of Socialism," and that in order to further the ideals of the working class intensive organization work must be undertaken by the Socialist Party was the subject matter of his talk.

His plea for the right of labor since it is the only productive class in society to rule supreme in the world met with instant applause.

No Place in the Revolution for Compromise.

That there is no place in the Revolution for compromise Debs made plain. "Russia," he said, "had its Kerensky, Germany has its Scheidemann." but the workers threw off Kerensky and strengthened the revolution under Lenine and Trotzky. So, too, were the German proletariat rising to replace Scheidemann with Liebknecht. Mention of the names of the Russian leaders and of Liebknecht was the signal for round after round of applause.

Comrade Debs voiced his belief in the early rise of the proletariat of the world to power and asked his audience to stand firm against compromise in the revolution. To organize and educate as never before for the victory of the workers over capitalism was, he asserted, the supreme duty of this hour. Capitalism, said Comrade Debs, has fulfilled its historic mission and must now give way to a higher order, not only for the good of the great and only useful class, the class of workers, but for the welfare of humanity at large.

"Liberty Edition" Dec. 31.

Announcement: The last issue of the Ohio Socialist in 1918, which will be off the press Dec. 31st, will be a special number with special articles by Debs, Mary Marcy, W. E. Reynolds, Tom Lewis, Jessie Jason Ruf-

ner and others. This number will be the finest we ever got out. It will be well illustrated with photos and will contain an historical sketch of the developments of the past year and the vic tories of Socialism and a discussion of the immediate problems confronting the Socialist movement.

tribution. Give your neighbors and townspeople something to interest them concerning the events of the world. Order all you can distribute. world. Order all you can distribute. The price will be \$1.00 per hundred discharged with the rank of sergeant, and all orders must be in by Dec. 25. After serving his country with risk of

The cable reference to President Wilson's explanation of his war aim to abolish secret diplomacy shows The cable reference to President Wilson's explanation of his war aim to abolish secret diplomacy shows The cable reference to President within your own country and by your the benefit of the freed Negroes. The ted" the South and "freed" the Negro will not take ours. Woodrow to be coming along nicely in the arts of European diplomacy. It appears that the President has been misunderstood. He did not mean that secrecy was to be abolished, but that diplomacy was to be conducted "without undue publicity." completion of the negotiations was the treaty or agreement to be made The people, therefore, will learn what has been done on their be-half only when it has been done. By that time they will have been done well.—Maoriland (New Zealand)

CELEBRATE VICTORIES OF EUROPEAN REDS

STATE SECRETARY ISSUES CALL FOR STATE WIDE CELEBRATION OF WORK-ERS RISE TO POWER.

Pay Dues for 1919 NOW Is Plan

COMRADES:- THE PROLETARIAN WORLD IS RINGING WITH NEW JOY. PEACE HAS PEACE—AND THE REVOLUTION! CAPITALISM IN EUROPE HAS BROKEN DOWN. THE WORKERS HAVE TAKEN CHARGE OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF ECONOMIC AND POLITICAL AFFAIRS. CAP-ITALIST POWER HAS CEASED. THE WORK-ERS RULE SUPREME.

THEIR VICTORIES HAVE THRILLED MIL-LIONS OF WORKERS WITH NEW HOPE, NEW COURAGE AND GREATER FAITH IN THE EARLY TRIUMPH OF SOCIALISM. WORKERS EVERYWHERE ARE GLORYING IN OUR COM-RADES VICTORIES AND RALLYING TO THE CALL THEY SEND TO US TO PREPARE FOR VICTORY TOO.

WE MUST ANSWER THAT CALL. WE MUST PROVE OUR INTERNATIONALISM BY DEEDS. WE MUST SHOW OUR COMRADESHIP BY CEL-EBRATING THEIR VICTORIES IN A MANNER THAT WILL MEAN VICTORIES FOR WORK-ERS HERE.

Here Is How

WE HAVE TOLD YOU OF OUR PLANS FOR THE GREATEST ORGANIZATION WORK EVER UNDERTAKEN. A PLAN OF ORGANIZATION THAT WILL MEAN THOUSANDS OF NEW

MEMBERS, HUNDREDS OF NEW LOCALS AND A TREMENDOUS INCREASE OF ACTIVITIES IN ALL LINES.

YOU KNOW THESE ARE THE PLANS AND THEY HAVE THE ENDORSEMENT OF EVERY MEMBER. BUT IN ORDER TO START THE WORK AND TO KEEP IT UP TO THE FULLEST POSSIBLE EXTENT, FUNDS MUST BE PRO-VIDED FOR LITERATURE, ORGANIZERS AND SPEAKERS. IN ORDER TO IMMEDIATELY RAISE THESE FUNDS WE REQUEST EVERY PARTY MEMBER TO

Pay Dues One Year Ahead

WHY NOT? THE DUES ARE SMALL BUT EACH DUES STAMP SOLD MEANS ONE CENT MORE IN THE ORGANIZATION FUND. IF 6,000 MEMBERS PAY ONE YEARS DUES THAT MEANS 72,000 DUES STAMPS SOLD OR \$720,-00 FOR THE ORGANIZATION FUND. WILL YOU CELEBRATE YOUR COMRADES VICTOR-IES BY THUS PEPARING FOR VICTORY HERE? IS YOUR JOY AT THEIR VICTORIES WORTH \$3.00 TO YOU IN DUES STAMPS? WE THINK IT OUGHT TO BE. SO WE ASK YOU TO DO THIS TO MAKE SOCIALISM VICTORIOUS HERE AND NOW. PAY YOUR DUES FOR 1919 NOW

leet the New Year With Paid Up Card

YOURS IN COMRADESHIP

H. Wagenknecht.

State Secretary, pro. tem.

"Officially Sealed" On Nov. 11 we received in the mails and Said: You go in there are Inchess and organized the an I. W. W. Trial Bulletin dated July and find a bed.' I came back and told him I couldn't find any bed. So he are allowed means and sealed with an Official Seal of the Postoffice Department. Three Postoffice Department. Three Three was hav in Postoffice The Postoffice Department. There was hav in Postoffice The Postoffice Department of siving all "40" who were lucky before the war, if are everywhere. They take a heavy On Nov. 11 we received in the mails months and a half is plenty of time for Uncle Sam to "officially seal"—which we take to mean "officially open" our mail it seems.

We do not say that the Defense We was a level with the was level with the property of the first rank. A whas has half is plenty of time alleyway between. There was hay in the was made chief of the Indiana host, and now is chairman of the Republican national committee. The boy were lucky before the war, if are everywhere. They take a heavy are sold to the work three the bunks, upon two 2-inch boards. The boy days a week, so that their earnings of the government's intention of giving all "40 to were lucky. Who were lucky before the war, if are everywhere. They take a heavy are sold to the was made chief of the Indiana host, alleyway between. There was hay in the was made chief of the Indiana host, and now is chairman of the Republican national committee. The boy were permitted to work three took an upper bunk. There were hogs beneath us as it was built on a bank. There were hogs We do not say that the Defense Bulletin was held in Chicago all this

while for the purpose of preventing us from receiving it and possibly publishing it. However, that may be now that the trial is over and Leavenworth Federal Prison had opened its doors to the 100 members of the I. W. W. there can be no possible chance of swaying the public mind in favor of the defendants by publishing this bulletin now.

We would not think of doing so either were it not for the fact that part of the proceedings of the trial contained in the bulletin bring to mind so vividly past scenes and remembrances experienced in the big timber regions of the northwest. It also serves to show the intolerable conditions which the I. W. W. was up against and which it fought so intrepidly. And one may say in truth that these same conditions produced thousands of I. W. Ws. Is it any wonder that the I. W. W. won with the workers of the northwest when such conditions as these were the general conditions and not the exception? Here follows the evidence against the masters.

THE HERO'S REWARD.

Bert Basnett, logger and member of We want every local to order a nesses called. Basnett is a veteran bundle of this Liberty Edition for dising several engagements to his

a logging camp where he worked, is "The foreman showed me a big long shack and said: 'You go in there was thrown and the hogs slept under of the obvious fact that by training there. The fleas and bedbugs were and thorough foresight the Republisomething awful. I couldn't sleep at can party is obviously the party for

German Bolsheviki Threaten Scheidemann Group

The latest news from Germany concerning the revolution indicate that the capitalist and former ruling classes are rallying against the Socialist parties for control of the government. At the same time the Spartacus group of Socialists, led by Liebknecht, the Bolsheviki of Germany, are gaining in numbers and influence and that a decisive conflict between this group and all others is only a matter of time. Co-operation be-tween the Spartacus group and the Russian Reds is being sought.

The situation in Germany is now a parallel with that which occurred

Macaulay's Prophecy. "Your republic (the United States) laid waste by the barbarians in the twentieth century as the Roman Em-

"The Party of Reconstruction" When the Lord's anointed led his latter were induced to practice 'thrift' and making the scantiest of livings dustries that bulk so large in popular

cohorts to Chicago and organized the by placing their nickels and dimes in old clothes and wash water and stuff of the "necessity of convincing voters" "deed" frequently used, read: Know all men by these presents,

> reconstruction. G. O. P. chiefs have been wont in the past to "point with pride" to party achievements, but the boy wonder neglects this The party has a record on reconstruction, yet no mention i made of it. Why this modesty? The Call will mention a few items in the ly the party for reconstruction."

and towns were destroyed and a large knows where all the money went. portion of the people were reduced to Graft in contracts, fraud in the adbeggary. The Southern governments ministration of schools and Negro rehad to be reconstructed and this gave lief schemes, sale of charters and land on terms of privilege, on any the G. O. P. its opportunity. The votes, illegal issues of bonds, improve terms except those of trusteeship, South was divided into five military ident loans to railroads, combined to with the obligation to put it to bene districts, with army officers in con- enrich the officeholder and to increase ficial use or relinquish it to others. It trol. A swarm of sharpers, grafters, the volume of public debts."

that a naught is a naught and a figure a figure; all for the white man and none for the nigure. And whereas Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so also have I lifted this d-d old nigger out of four dollars and six bits. Amen! Selah!

It was a great job of "reconstruc record by way of enforcing the claim historian, writing of it, stated that that the Republican party is "obvious-" Deliberate theft of public money was so common as to occasion no surprise.

politicians and contractors followed This coarse and brutal materialism them into this devastated region. The permeated Northern officialdom as "carpet baggers," Republican appoin- well. Grant's appointments were of it withdrew and turned the blacks a parallel with that which occurred in Russia when the compromiser Kercensky was overthrown by the revolutionary group and Leninc elected premier.

Carpet baggers, Republican appoint well. Grant's appointments were of the unprincipled men, a low type. His ambassador to London gave his name to a mining swindow white aristocracy. The latter soon eliminated the blacks from the franchise, and a large portion of the poor South Carolina alone the average cost was the era of financial vultures who whites were treated in the same way. of the government for 8 years was hovered over the capital. It was the \$1,326,589, while the average cost for period of "The Credit Mobilier" steal both colors are disfranchised in the "Your republic (the United States) will be as fearfully plundered and laid waste by the parkerians in the laid waste by the harbarians in the laid waste by the laid waste by the harbarians in the laid waste by the laid waste by the laid waste by the harbarians in the laid waste by the harbarians in the laid waste by a bar adjoining the Senate and drank the House, and a number of senators enforce the 14th amendment. Neither After serving his country with risk of life and limb, this man re-entered industry where he was gratefully presented with the living conditions of a serving his country with risk of life and limb, this man re-entered industry where he was gratefully presented with the living conditions of a serving his country with risk of life and limb, this man re-entered industry where he was gratefully presented with the living conditions of a life with this difference, that the Huns and Vandals who ravaged the Roman Empire came who life and representatives. Reviewing the whole dirty mess, the poet, Lowell, which who ravaged the Roman Empire came whiskey went hand in hand with Republican genius for "reconstruction." Telegraphic with the living conditions of a life with response of the population. Free lunch and free whiskey went hand in hand with Republican genius for "reconstruction." Telegraphic with the isometric party, for that whole dirty mess, the poet, Lowell, while with the review of the beautiful proposed in the control of the population. The population while with the expense of the population. Free lunch and free whiskey went hand in hand with Republican genius for "reconstruction." Telegraphic proposed in the fifth, with this difference, that the Huns and Vandals who ravaged the Roman Empire came who leaded in the control of the population. Free lunch and free whole dirty mess, the poet, Lowell. The population while with the control of the population while your Huns and through fore-white who reversed in the control of the population. Free lunch and free whole dirty mess, the poet, Lowell. The population while your Huns and the control of the population while your Huns and the control of the population of the population. Free lunch and representatives. Reviewing the whole dirty mess, the poet, Lowell. The population while your Huns and representatives. Reviewing the population of the popul choice liquors at the expense of the and representatives. Reviewing the has the Democratic party, for that

Mooney's Spirit Shall Stark Abroad Like Bonquo's Ghost!

By ROBERT E. BLACKSTONE.

oughly understanding the fight for pation of the Workers of convicted He knew what he was stances?" the emancipation of the Workers of up against! He knew when a court room had been turned, temporarily into a "Dive" of "Barbary coast" with all the earmarks of such a "dive" such as prostitutes, drug fiends, moral male peoverts, professional witnesses and the like and when he heard a District Attorney introduce such characters, such derelicts, as respectable business men, millionaires and heiresses, he knew that there was no justice for him or his co-defendants. He had with his own eyes seen the assault on "Miss Justice"—seen her tied hand and food by legal verbiage, spread-cagled and RAPED by a gang drop of Mooney's blood shall germiof pro-kaiser legal lickspittles put nate, shall sprout, and fanned by the into power by the union-hating, scab-fires of the martyred Mooney shall nerding mammonites of the "Law and Order Committee of the San Francis-co Chamber of Commerce." "My only petition together with wage-slavery hope," Mooney added, "is in the labor

been more thoroughly proven than when the CLASS COURT of CALI-FORNIA admitted, that without question he had been convicted on perjured testimony but because the periury was not contained in the record of the trial they could not grant him a

expected no justice from the class courts of America!"

"After Tom mooney had been sen-tond that either the State Supreme tenced to hang by his neck until dead by Judge Griffin, he announced to the press that he expected "no justice from the class courts of California." Agination, Rockefeller, Morgan, Was Mooney a prophet? No! He is Schwab, Spreckles, Miller-Lux, Weya csals-conscious proletarian thor-crhauser, or any of their ilk—any of the "Captains of Industry"-had been under similar

All right Master of Bread, if you must have Mooney's blood, because he was true to the working class. LYNCH HIM! By your acts you breed among the workers more in-tolerance, more disgust, more hate of your Class Courts, more disrespect for them. LYNCH HIM, Lynch Mooney! And from every drop of Mooney's blood shall spring into the class-conscious labor movement of the world a million fighters—a million libsweep your "putrid system built on and all the ruck and blood and war and hate which these produce shall be Could Mooney's allegations have sent to join the cannibal and blueblooded thief."

Lynch Mooney! You murderers! Kill him you labor-union haters! Crucify his body on your cross of gold-God of Mammon—drop the black cap, trip the door, strangle this agitator, Mooney, but you CAN NOT kill his Spirit and that's the thing that counts. His Spirit will live EVERY-Mooney said when he started to counts. His Spirit will live EVERY prison—to the death cell: "That he WHERE; IT WILL INVADE EVERY UNION MEETING: IT WILL PER MEATE THE MINDS OF THE The United States Supreme court WORKERS LIKE THE FOG THAT refused to review his trial.

Is there a thinker, a liberal—an EN GATE" AND PENETRATES the honest man, that thinks for one sec-innermost room of your palaces.

The War as Agitator

There is small good in appealing to long to the community. It is also the the engineers to the directing "brails" millions of acres and sites he'd out of using and producing nothing by owners that he inseparably they are allowed by the whole that a me day a paye. The community is also the theorem and producing nothing by owners that he inseparably they are allowed by the community.

sonable to isk a man who can make spoils with them. The strategic position of land in our prevailing economhis income and his opportunity in ic order is patent to anyone who order to engage in a crusade against thinks. There may be a few industhe established order as he found it. tries that could still exploit the comexceptional man will respond and munity if raw materials were ope his help will be mighty. But for the any enterprising competitor. driving force behind our schemes of very bigness of the Steel corporation reconstruction we must go to those and the Chicago packers, with the sawho suffer greviously from the reign vings and the increased efficiencies of of private monopoly. We must go to integrated, large scale production, the farmer who is a tenant, or is might still stand as a bar to effect unit struggling along under a mortgage, competition. The remedy then would or is working fourteen hours a day be public ownership. Yet these inbecause various rent-takers stand be- view take after all a small proportion tween him and his ultimate market of the unearned toll that keeps us a ground and the back end was on a bank. Underneath was where all the bank of the first rank. A ukase has been bank. Underneath was where all the bank of the first rank of the first rank of the first rank. A ukase has been because his rent of the first rank. A ukase has been bank of the first rank. A ukase has been because his rent over then their babies died of preventable diseases or grew up with inpay rent or its equivalent for every adequate schooling and went into the mile of the right of way and every glutted labor market too early. We square foot of the enormously valumust go to the great army of home- able terminals; the packer claims in less migratories who cut our timber terest on an investment in stock yards and our ice and build our roads and and packing-plant sites; the farmer picked our fruit and harvested our must charge enough for his live stock grain-men whose hope of economic to pay high prices for the corn he independdence and security had long feeds; the corn is high because farm ago departed as opportunity narrow- land is held at speculative pricesed and came more and more under prices that would tumble over night the arbitrary control of the few who if every owner of idle acres were fortion." Prefessor Paxton, a Northern owned the land. We must go to them ced to relinquish them or put them to or be swept aside by them, for they beneficial use. are arousing and shaking off their All this is coming to be chains—the mental chains that held those who suffer most. And they are The civil war laid the South waste In no state were books kept so that their minds in subjection to the cheap preparing to make effectual use of fith fire and sword. Farms, villages the modern student can be sure he and cruel lies of the apologists for that political democracy which is of things as they are. "Of all these real value only as it gives them the lies, the cheapest and cruelest is that which justifies private ownership of

lis not only the enormous unearned

toll taken in rents-values that be-

means of achieving economic democracy by orderly process.

SHRAPNEL.

Supports were being brought up to can, British and French army service corps. A colored sentry stood train of ammunition wagons drew up. "Halt! Who goes theah?" the sentry said as he approached the center

of the road.
"British supports," came the an-"Pass on British supports," the

sentry said. A few moments later another train of vehicles came along.
"Stop! Who goes theah?" the sen-

ry repeated. "French supports," the spokesman

"Pass on French supports," the sentry returned. It had become dark before the American train of ammunition wagons passed along the road and the sentry was hardly able to see, but in keeping with his orders he expostu-

lated.
"Halt! Who goes theah?"
"Get out of here, you nigger, or we'll run over you," the spokesman replied. "Pass on Americans," said the col

"Still on the trail of subscribers," says Comrade John E. Steiger, a member of the Red Hundred. He sends in four more.

HEAR EUGENE V. DEBS

Toledo Nov. 27, Mansfield Nov. 29, Niles Dec. 1, Tiffin Dec. 3, Sandusky Dec. 4

Other Dates Will Be Announced Later

What Socialism Is

platforms are out of date, since the

International trade has practically

capitalists and into the hands of the

allied governments, working together

terms. England, which until the war

began was the greatest investor in the

stocks and bonds of corporations, has

now practically prohibited any new

investment except in government bonds. Production in the United

States is increasing by leaps and

oounds; the wage-workers are still

When the smoke of the great war

finally blows away, it will probably be found that production in America,

England, France, Germany, Italy and

Austria is too firmly organized under government control to be "unscram-

oled," and that a new era has set

in, the era of state capitalism. * * *
What then will the Socialist Party

complex problems with which the So-

It is becoming more and more

so as to buy on the best possible

passed out of the hands of private

V. THE SOCIALIST PARTY OF AMERICA.

(Continued From Last Week)
We have seen that men's ideas and ownership of indurtry in all the warinstitutions grow out of the methods by which they make a living. Also with the present edition of this bookthat American wage-workers make a living by producing "surplus value" fairly under way in the United States. for the capitalists, who in their turn Much that we have urged in our propget a very luxurious living by taking aganda regarding the useless wastes what the workers earn. We have seen of competition is now out of date, not also that this class division leads to because there was anything wrong a class struggle, which must end in the overthrow of the Capitalists and capitalist class has itself applied the the establishment of the Co-operative Commonwealth by the workers. "immediate demands" which Social-

Commonwealth by the workers.

We come now to the means by ist Party has incorporated in former the Co-Operative Commonwealth is to be brought about; whethwealth is to be brought about; whether apitalist class has already taken coner by reform or by revolution; and if by revolution, then whether this is to coal, and has forced the private ownbe effected by political action, or di-rect action, or both. And in this dis-a unified administration which is vircussion we shall become hopelessly tually controlled by the government entangled unless we define our terms. And this is probably only the begin-

Reforms are not necessarily peace- ning. More startling changes in the ful; revolutions are not necessarily same direction may be looked for any violent. The real difference between them is this. Reforms are changes made in laws or institutions by the same economic class which had all the time been in control. A revolution is a change in laws ar institutions made by a new economic class which overthrows the former rulers and takes control of the political and

cconomic structure of society.
The SOCIALIST PARTY, in Amer ica and elsewhere, stands not for reform but for revolution, since it holds that the rule of the capitalist class bounds; the wage-workers are stil must come to an end, and that the getting a living and nothing wore. workers must become the rulers.

As to the means by which the rev-clution shall be brought about, the only important question is as to what means will prove most efective.

The methods generally advocated y Socialists are known as political action we mean the election of Socialists to legislative, executive and judi-cial positions, and thus indirectly, through the action of these elected officers, taking possession of the evident that only one course is posmeans of production. By direct acsible, and that is why the members of tion, we refer to the collective efforts the party are drawing closer together of wage-workers, exerted not through and forgetting past controversies officials elected to political office, but over tactics. What we must do is to thru their own economic organiza- stand together for the right to organtions, the industrial unions.

Clear-headed Socialists in all coun-trolling voice over the conditions unries advocate both direct action and der which we are to work. Craft unpolitical action. Direct action alone ions will be helpless to meet the new will almost inevitably be suppressed conditions. Industrial unions enroll-by force, since if the capitalists are left in undisputed possession of all will be the only kind that can make the powers of government, they will headway against the concentrated not hesitate to use those powers to roush the labor unions. On the other cialist Party must, in its propaganda hand, political action alone can never and educational work, urge the need overthrow capitalism, for in every of such organization. And on the pocountry the ruling class is so en-litical field we must stand firm for the trenched in power that they could suc-right of the workers to control the cessfully defy even a united working conditions under which they work. class, if the struggle were confined to The old party officials will represent the political field alone. In Germany the bond holders, who will be the the Socialists cast a large plurality most obviously parasitic class in the at the last election, but they have no whole history of the world. Their voice in the administration of the claim to a share in the annual prod-government, and they might remain on ownership and nothing else, for crease their plurality to a majority they as bond holders will be perunless they supplemented their positive forming no useful function whatever. litical action by direct action. Here And yet the interest on bonds can in America the senate and the courts only be paid out of the wealth cremight hold a Socialist majority in ated by the workers. Never were check for years were we to do nothing but vote.

Never were class lines so clearly drawn. Ours is the party of the workers, and if

Moreover, government ownership is we stand together we shall win. * * * very different thing from Social A book which explains clearly the a very different thing from Social-* Certain sections of the capitalist class are enthusiastic for more cialist Party has to deal in shaping government ownership of industry, its tactics is The Militant Proletariat, and rapid progress in this direction by Austin Lewis. he great war has hastened ten-had by ordering from the State Office. is more than probable.

fold the progress toward government

a state authority.

namely:

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trade and agriculture.

their capacity to work.

regions and their executive organs.

RECONSTRUCTION IN

RUSSIA

FROM CLASS STRUGGLE

(Centinued From Last Week).

OF THE RUSSIAN SOCIALISTIC FED-

ERATED REPUBLIC

Federal Republic involves, in view of the present transition period, the estab-

lishment of a dictatorship of the urban and rural proletariat and the poorest

peasantry, the power of the All-Russian Soviet authority, the crushing of

the beurgeoisie, the abolition of the spoilation of men by men and the intro-

duction of Socialism in which there will be neither a division into classes nor

special form of existence and national character will be united into autono-

mous regional associations ruled by the sessions of the Soviets of those

Socialistic Republic upon the basis of federation, at the head of which

stand the Pan-Russian session of the Soviets and, in periods between the

CONCERNING THE RUSSIAN SOVIETS

Section First: Concerning the Suffrage.

who shall have completed their eighteenth year by the day of the election:

I. The right to vote and to be elected to the Soviets is enjoyed by the

1. All who have acquired the means of living through labor that is

(a) Laborers and employes of all classes who are employed in industry,

(b) Peasants and Cessack agricultural laborers who hire no labor.

(c) Employes and laborers in the offices of the Soviet government.

3. Citizens of the two previous categories who have to any degree lost

II. The following persons enjoy neither the right to vote nor to be voted

1. Persons who employ hired labor in order to obtain from it an in-

2. Persons who have an income without doing any work, such as interest

Employes and agents of the former police, the gendarmerie corps

3. Private merchants, trade and commercial intermediaries.

4. Employes of communities for religious worship.

for, even though they belond to one of the categories enumerated above,

productive and useful to society and are members of the trades associations,

3. The Soviet associations of the regions participate in the Russian

ing people of Russia, united in the urban and rural Soviets.

sessions, the Pan-Russian Central Executive Committee.

2. Soldiers of the army and navy of the Soviets.

from capital, receipts from property, and so on.

deficient, and also deaf and dumb persons.

1. The Russian Republic is the free Socialistic Society of all the work-

The Soviets of those regions which differentiate themselves by a

The fundamental problem of the constitution of the Russian Socialistic

The Woman's Cause

A DEPARTMENT FOR WOMEN WHO THINK. .

Mother of Men

By IDA CROUCH HAZLETT.

She has mothered her child in the jungles wild,

Through many a long gone age; She has mourned her dead by the sunset red.

Where the storms of battle rage. She has borne the burdens of every clime,

And borne its men as well. And is this the reply to her human 'cry: Down, down to the harlot's hell?

She has lighted the fire on every hearth;

She fashioned the vessels rude: She turned the earth in its first gray birth, And gave to the nations food.

She made the tools and she formed the rules To clothe the tribes that dwell.

And is this the reply to her mothering cry: Down, down to the factory hell?

They chained her like beasts to labor's wheel; They locked her in harem cage;

They snatched her babes from her quivering breast, By court and law and page. But she comes as the moon walks over the sea-

In the glory of years to be; To bless the race with her joyous face, And woman shall yet be free.

CONCERNING THE PAN-RUSSIAN CONGRESS OF THE SOVIETS

1. The Pan-Russian Congress of the Soviets consists of representatives of the urban Soviets (one delegate for each 25,000 voters) and representatives of the government congresses (one delegate for each 125,000 voters).

2. The All-Russian Congress of Soviets will be called together by the All-Russian Central Executive Committee at least twice a year.

ize in the shops and to have a con-3. The extraordinary All-Russian Congress will be called together by the All-Russian Central Executive Committee upon its own initiative or upon the demand of the Soviets of districts embracing at least one-third of the entire population of the republic.

4. The All-Russian Congress of Soviets elects the Central Executive Committee of not more than 200 members.

5. The All-Russian Executive Committee is responsible to the All-Russian Congress of Soviets.

6. The All-Russian Congress of Soviets is the highest power in the republic. In the periods between its sessions that power is represented by he All-Russian Central Executive Committee.

It is further provided that the Central Executive Committee shall be livided into eleven colleges for administrative functions. These are:

1. Foreign Politicians.

2. Defense of the country (army and navy). 3. Social order and security (militia), census of the people, registration

of societies and associations, fire department, insurance, organization of the

5. Public economy (with sub-sections for agriculture, industry and rade, finances, railways, food supply, state property and construction).

6. Labor and social welfare. 7. Education and enlightenment of the people.

8. Public health.

9. Post, telegraph and telephone. 10. Federal and national affairs.

11. Control and auditing. INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE.

This book can be Decree of the Council of People's Commissaires Establishing Organs for Workers' Control of Industries.

1. In order to put the economic life of the country on an orderly basis, control by the workers is instituted over all industrial, commercial and agricultural undertakings and societies; and those connected with banking and transport, as well as over productive co-operative societies which employ labor or put out work to be done at home or in connection with the production, purchase, and sale of commodities and of raw materials, and with conservation of such commodities as well as regards the financial aspect of such undertakings.

2. Control is exercised by all the workers of a given enterprise through GENERAL PROVISIONS OF THE CONSTITUTION | the medium of their elected organs, such as factories and works committees, councils of workmen's delegates, etc., such organs equally comprising representatives of the employes and of the technical staff.

3. In each important industrial town, province, or district, is set up a local workmen's organ of centrol, which, being the organ of the soldiers', workmen's and peasants' council, will comprise the representatives of the labor unions, workmen's committees, and of any other factories, as well as of workmen's co-operative societies.

4. Until such time as workmen's organs of control hold a congress, the All-Russian Workmen's Council of Control is to be set up in Petrograd, on which will sit representatives of the following organizations. Five delegates of the E. C. (executive committee) of the Council (Soviet) of Workmen's and Soldiers' Delegates of Russia; five delegates of the E. C. of the Peasants' Council of Russia; five delegates of the Labor Unions of Russia; two delegates of the Central Committee of the Workingmen's Co-Operative Societies of Russia; five delegates of the Factory and Works Committee of Russia; five delegates of the Eignneers' and Technical Agents' Union of Russia; two delegates of the Agrarian Union of Russia; one delegate from each Workmen's Union in Russia having not less than 100,000 members, two delegates from any union having a membership of over 100,000, two delegates from the E. C. of the Labor Unions.

5. Side by side with the Workmen's Supreme Council of the Labor Unions, committees of inspection comprising technical specialists, accountants, etc. These committees, both on their own initiative or at the request following citizens of the Russian Socialistic Soviet Republic of both sexes of local workmen's organs of control, proceed to a given locality to study the financial and technical side of any enterprise.

6. The Workmen's Organs of Control have the right to supervise production, to fix a minimum wage in any undertaking, and to take steps to fix

the prices at which manufactured articles are to be sold.

7. The Workmen's Organs of Control have the right to control all correspondence passing in connection with the business of an undertaking being held responsible before a court of justice for diverting their correspondence. Commercial secrets are abolished. The owners are called upon to produce to the Workmen's Organs of Control all books and moneys in hand, both relating to the current year and to any previous transactions.

8. The decisions of the Workmen's Organs of Control are binding upon the owners of undertakings, and can not be nullified save by the decision of a Workmen's Superior Organ of Control.

9. Three days are given to the owners, or the administrators of a business, to appeal to a Workmen's Superior Court of Control against the decisions filed by any of the lower organs of Workmen's Control.

10. In all undertakings, the owners and the representatives of workmen and of employes delegated to exercise control on behalf of the workmen, are responsible to the government for the maintenance of strict order and discipline, and for the conservation of property (goods). Those guilty of misappropriating materials and products, of not keeping books properly, and of similar offences, are liable to prosecution.

11. Workmen's District Councils of Control settle all disputes and conflicts between the lower Organs of Control, as well as all complaints made by the owners of undertakings, taking into consideration any peculiar conditions under which production is carried on, and local conditions. They will'issue instructions within the limits prescribed by the All-Russian Workmen's Council of Control and supervise the activities of the lower Organs

12. The All-Russian Workmen's Council of Control shall work out a general plan for control to be exercised by the workmen, and to issue instructions and regulations, and to systematize the reports of the various Workmen's Councils of Control; and constitute the supreme authority for dealing with all matters connected with the control exercised by workmen.

13. The All-Russian Workmen's Council of Control co-ordinates the activities of the Workmen's Organs of Control and of those institutions which direct the organization of the economic life of the country.

A regulation concerning the relations between the All-Russian Workmen's Council of Control and the other institutions which organize and put in order the economic life of the country will be issued later.

14. All laws and circulars which impede the proper working of the factory, works, and other committees, and that of workmen's and employes' councils, are abrogated.

Decree of the Councils of People's Commissaires Establishing a Supreme Council of National Economy, for the Regulation of Economic Activity. 1. The Council of People's Commissaries establishes a Supreme Council of National Economy.

2. The functions of the Supreme Council of National Economy arethe organization of the public ownership of utilities and of the state finances. With this as its aim, the Supreme Council of National Economy will make general rules and plans regulating the economic life of the country; will coordinate and unify the central and local activities of the governing bodies, including the All-Russian Council of Workmen's Control and also the activities of the professional and manufacturing organizations of the working class.

3. The Supreme Council of National Economy is granted the right to confiscate, requisition, sequestrate and syndicate different branches of industry and commerce, and the right to introduce other measures in the field of production, distribution and state finance.

4. All existing institutions for the regulation of economy are subject to the Supreme Council of National Economy, which is granted the right to

5. The Supreme Council of National Economy shall consist of (a) the All-Russian Council of Workmen's Control, the character of which was defined in the decree of November 27, 1917; (b) representatives of all the People's Commissaires; (c) accredited specialists and well-informed persons, invited by conference.

6. The Supreme Council of National Economy will be divided into sections and departments (for fuel, mines, demobilization, finances, etc.). the number and sphere of activity of these departments to be decided by a general meeting of the Supreme Council of National Economy.

7. The departments of the Supreme Council of National Economy will regulate the separate sections of public economy; and prepare measures agreeable to the People's Commissaires.

8. The Supreme Council of National Economy will apportion from its midst fifteen persons to form a bureau for the co-ordination of the current work of the sections and departments, and the consideration of problems demanding immediate solution.

9. All bills and important measures concerning the regulation of public economy are to be brought in full before the Council of People's Commis saires, over and above the Supreme Council of National Economy.

10. The Supreme Council of National Economy unifies and directs the work of the local economic departments of the Soviet of Workmen's, Soldiers and Peasants' Delegates, including local organs of workmen's control, as well as local commissaires of labor, commerce, industries and supplies.

In the absence of suitable economic departments, the Supreme Council of National Economy will form its own local organs.

All economic departments of local Soviets representing local organs of the Supreme Council of National Economy are responsible for the decrees of the Supreme Council of National Economy. Decree of the Council of People's Commissaires, Nationalizing Foreign Trade.

Article 1. All foreign trade is to be nationalized. Commercial transactions relative to purchase and sale of products (raw materials, manufactures agriculture, etc.) with foreign countries and private foreign commercial organziations are controlled directly by the Russian republic through specially organized organs. All foreign transactions not known to these organs are prohibited. (Note-Regulations governing exports and imports by parce! post and of personal baggage will be issued separately).

Article 2. The people's Commissariat of Trade and Industry is being nstituted. Representatives of the following organizations will be members of this council: (1) Military, marine, agricultural, food supply, communication, foreign affairs and finance departments; (2) central organizations managing branches of industry, such as tea, sugar, textiles, etc., including representatives of all branches of the Supreme Council of National Economy; (3) central organizations of co-operative societies; (4) central organizations of professional unions, tradesmen and commercial enterprises; (5) central organs of commercial enterprises dealing in exports and imports of important goods. (Note-The People's Commissariat of Trade and Industry has the right to choose members of this organization from other organizations not

The state of the s herein mentioned. Article 3. The Council of Foreign Trade is arranging a plan of exchange of goods with foreign countries, which is being worked out by the Commissariat of Trade and Industry. The duties of the Council of Foreign Trade are the follows: Keeping a register of the demand and supply of exported and improved goods; organizing foreign purchase through the government against (requisitions by) co-operative societies and firms; regulating the prices of imported and exported goods.

Article 4. The Council of Foreign Trade is divided according to the different branches of manufacture and the important groups of exports and imports. The chairmen of these branches are representatives of the People's Commissariat of Trade and Industry. The chairman of the whole is also a representative of this commissariat. (Note-Regulations, duties, etc., of the Council of Foreign Trade will be given further special attention. All decisions of the council are submitted to the Commissariat of Trade and Industry for approval).

Article 5. This decree is in force from the day of publication. Decree of the Council of People's Commissaires Creating a Department

Against the Counter Revolutionary Propaganda. In the difficult and decisive hour of change and in the days immediately following, the Temporary Revolutionary Committee was compelled to under take a whole series of measures against all sorts of counter-revolutionary

Immediately from all sides issues cries that the new Socialist authority violated the fundamental principle of its program with threats against the

freedom of the press. The Workers' and Peasants' Government wishes to call the attention of the people to the fact that behind the screen of liberty lurks, in fact, freedom for the propertied classes to usurp unto themselves the power, without

hindrance, poison and bring confusion into the minds of the masses. Everyone knows that the press of the bourgeoisie is one of the most

powerful weapons of the bourgeoisie. Especially in a critical moment, when

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OUR WEEKLY POEM The Red Flag

By JAMES CONNELL

(Air-"My Maryland") The people's flag is deepest red; It sheltered oft our martyred dead, And ere their limbs grew stiff and cold Their hearts' blood dyed its every fold.

> Then raise the scarlet standard high; Within its shade we'll live and die. Tho' cowards flinch and traitors sneer, We'll keep the red flag flying here.

Look 'round, the Frenchman loves its blaze; The sturdy German chants its praise; In Moscow's vaults its hymns are sung; Chicago swells the surging throng.

It waved obove our infant might, When all ahead seemed dark as night; It witnessed many a deed and vow; We must not change its color now.

It well recalls the triumphs past, It gives the hope of peace at last— The banner bright, the symbol plain Of human right and human gain.

It suits today the weak and base, Whose minds are fixed on pelf and place, To cringe before the rich man's frown And haul the sacred emblem down.

With heads uncovered swear we all, To bear it onward 'till we fall; Come dungeon dark, or gallows grim, This song shall be our parting hymn.

Think It Over

At the Inter-Allied Socialist and Labor Conference held in England in September, Gompers expressed his disapproval of the too frequent reference by delegates to Socialists and Socialism. Said he: "How can it be that at a conference called in the interests of labor. Socialism was mentioned more often than labor?'

Lloyd George agrees to a League of Nations. But how about self-determination? Rev. and Mrs. D. O. Cunningham, just returned to Ada, Ohio, from India, report much unrest in that unhappy land. Just before the-left riots occurred in which 1,500 the left note of the natives were killed.

"At present it is becoming urgent for the proletarian state authority to make use of the bourgeois specialists for the purpose of replowing the soil so that no bourgeoise can grow on it." Lenin.—Just like a farmer killing weeds.

The reefs ahead.—American business interests are prepared to resent and oppose with all their power, any proposals looking toward the neutralization of foreign trade and its concrol in the interests of international justice. They are clamoring for the handing over of the new merchant narine to private ownership and we may be sure that one of the major isues in the next presidential campaign will be control of the State Departnent in the interests of American ankers and traders.-Public.

There will be no representative of abor on the peace commission. Washington dispatch says that offiials held that to recognize labor in his way would be to establish class listinctions. Elihu Root is mentioned as one of the lucky ones. The emocratic Plain Dealer of Cleveland suggests Lodge or Taft.

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce has called a conference of commercial neads for the first week in December at Atlantic City. An exhaustive country-wide survey of the business situation is the object. A vital part f the program will be the consideraion of the wage problem.

A Berlin message reports that the Workmens and Soldiers Council has dopted a resolution expressing adniration for the Russian workers and soldiers, and demanding a resumption of relations with the Russian Govern-aent, while announcing its approval of provisional government.

Great increase in the employment f children between 7 and 16 years of ge in vegetable canneries since the ederal child labor law was declared nconstitutional, was reported by the hildren's bureau of the department

Inspections of 270 canneries in laryland and Virginia showed 1,094 hildren under 14 at work, and their employment was found to be general n several other canning states. The conditions under which the

hildren worked were found to be generally bad, their hours of employ nent irregular, and the camps in which they lived unsanitary and

About 17,000 people in this nation ommit suicide every year. 22,000 are killed in industry. About 27,000 lost their lives in the war. Flu victims number 82,000.

Editor Villard of the "Nation" in in address to the City Club of Cleveand, said:

"Socialism has gained more by the war than anything else. We in the Inited States do not understand the trength of the Socialists in Europe. am not a Socialist. I am simply elling you facts."

You're on your way, but do you mow where you're going?

Think it over!

I. W. W. Case Renewed

The Circuit Court of Appeals yesterday at San Francisco reversed the case of the United States against William M. Collins and that of the United States against Leonard Foster and others, convicted at Tacoma in February, 1918, and directed that the United States District Court, at Tacoma, enter an order sustaining the demurrer to the indictment in each case.

The indictments in each case were presented by former Assistant United States Attorney George Fishburne, the cases having been tried before Judge E. E. Cushman. In each case the defendants are members of the I. W. W. and the evidence shows that they made false and untrue statements of and concerning war condi-

In the lower court, in each case, the defendants filed a demurrer. Judge Cushman overruled the demurrer, and held the defendants for trial. The indictments simply charged that the defendants had made false statements with the intent to aid the enemy, failing to allege the nature of the false statements or the persons to whom they were made. When objection was filed to these indictments by demurrer, the government, in each case, furnished a bill of particulars in which the information was furnished, but in its decision yesterday the Circuit Court of Appeals decided that this could not cure a defective indictment. Assistant Attorney General C. L. Reames received a telegram today announcing the decision of the court. He said that as soon as the mandate is received from the Circuit Court of Appeals, the order of the Circuit Court of Appeals will be promptly complied with, the case resubmitted to the grand jury at Tacoma and in the event that indictments are returned, the cases will be promptly re-

The Butte Daily Bulletin publishes two "Rolls of Honor." One is a military roll of honor, containing the names of 18 Butte boys killed in the European war since January, 1917. The other roll contains 108 names of miners killed in the Butte mines during the same period. The lists are headed: "Safety First—Join the Army." It would appear from this that in Butte the heroes of industry outnumber the heroes of war by about 6 to 1.—Yakima Valley Farmer.

The urban and Uyezd Soviets elect delegates to sessions of the government or Oblast Soviets. Each of these bodies chooses independently its own

OF THE RUSSIAN STATE The government is based upon the smallest settlements (villages and hamlets), the inhabitants of which may elect one representative to each 100

PRINCIPLES FOR THE ADMINISTRATION

and the Okhrana; also members of the dynasty that formerly ruled in Russia.

6. Persons who have in legal form been declared demented or mentally

7. Persons who have been punished for selfish or dishonorable misde-

The rural Soviets are under the authority of the Soviets of the Volosts (districts), and these latter under the Soviets of the Uyezd (larger regions).

executive committee. The tryctope to the whole constitution is embraced in: THE OHIO SOCIALIST

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WITH OUR EDITORS

Now let's see-who was it that finally tied the can to the kaiser?

And now let's see again-who is it that's now wishing that the war cry of "Kill the Kaiser" had been less literally followed out?

VINDICATION!

Time will tell more than we can here tell. Traveling along the highway of our national existence we are, however, coming across signs, tacked up by leaders of the two per cent. who own ninety per cent.; signs which show which way the wind of the grabbers is blowing.

It's blowing toward imperialism. The Socialists knew it would. Socialists are being vindicated.

Roosevelt has spoken. He said the "League of Nations" idea to prevent future wars was bosh; that wars would continue until the most fit (imperialistically fit) nation would be enthroned. Lodge has had his say and what he said did not sound at all like future fraternity between all nations. Poindexter, a new spokesman for the profiteers and no second to Roosevelt as one of the "eat 'em alive" variety, verily hit President Wilson a blow in the face, right at the moment when political unity between Republicans and Democrats seemed most essential, and the blow was struck because President Wilson was ending the war in a manner not agreeable to "all wool" profiteers.

But in all such events, the main prize must fall to some one person or organization. Some one is given the task of speaking loudest, plainest, most honest in conviction. Some one paints and displays the largest sign which points the way the big sharpers intend going.

For speaking right out in school; for saying what Socialists have been jailed for saying; for proving that there is a factor in this nation that don't care a rap for President Wilson's idealism, and that don't fear jail no matter | twenty-five subscribers at one dollar how it violates the espionage law, we hand the bouquet to the staff of "The American Economist," organ of the American Protective Tariff League. This journal says:

"In the great issue of 1918, far more is involved than the release of nations from the tyranny of Germany. True, that is the rallying ground—the reason why the allies and the boys from America are fighting so desperately. But back of all the shouts for liberty and freedom is the bare cold fact that this is an economic war, a war for national supremacy and security?

Being a paper that is financed by an organization that protects American't, and why don't other locals? can business it is probably above the law. But that is not the question here. the recent Republican victory at the polls mean the eventual complete success want to know. Who will give the information? If come comrades will Tell us rather, will this gang win out against the administration? And will of the imperialists and the consequent complete vindication of the Socialists? tell us why this is so we shall gladly Think about it a minute!

The New Republic editorially puts in this lick: "The very people (Republican leaders and imperialists) who were most ferociously intolerant of those Socialists who protested that the war was not really being fought for purposes as democratic and disinterested as the President proclaimed are Lewis will fill this date and other now using all their influence to prove the Socialists were right and are con- dates soon. Comrades are requested demning as pro-German those who are working to prove the Socialists to notify State Office at once if they

"They were perfectly willing to have Socialists jailed who declared, in spite of the President's pledges, that the war was not being fought for the ganization work as fast as possible. benefit of world democracy, yet when the time comes to redeem those pledges | Sow the seed now the harvest will they are equally willing to deprive the poor innocents, who believed the nation to be morally united on the President's policy of a healing-peace, of the promised fruits of victory!

THE LESSON OF THE ELECTION

We dare say it surprised even most Socialists. And now that we have received the final returns and learn that both houses of congress have been a defense meeting for the purpose of captured by the Republicans, despite President Wilson's plea for support, Piqua comrades who are indicted. despite all his administration has done for labor, despite his state Socialism and despite his pronouncements of his kind of democracy—what's the lesson?

The lesson seems to be that the lid was on too tight. The people were purpose. Locals which can use these suffocating because of a lack of mental breathing area. Too many restrictions. Too many tasks. Too high prices and levies. Too great a call upon their patience. The average person felt cramped, much like a sardine in a they expect to begin a lecture course box. And when a people once adopt one set of opinions for public parade and | Jan 1. hold another set in reserve for private brooding, then sooner or later something will happen. In a political democracy it is supposed to happen at the THE MACHINE IS BE-Ballot box.

Not that the restraint the citizens were under was necessary for war purposes. War is war and the citizen at home is subject to discipline as direct and ultimate as the soldier. But election day affords an opportunity to "talk back." This the voters did last November 5th, even though in doing so they jumped into the fire.

There were many things which helped turn the scales against the Democrats; many things that occurred which a good Democratic politician would term bad politics.

The slacker raids cost the Democrats thousands of votes. The unfair in the meanwhile world events were methods used to sell Liberty Bonds, methods which even daily papers were co-operating with us to offset the epi compelled to expose. The assassination of the principle of free press by demic Burleson. The overbearing tactics of the American Protective League. The denial of free speech by the espionage act. The general centralization of administrative power. So we could go on to lesser causes, but these will rades are realizing the necessity for suffice to show where votes were lost and that war needs and Democratic renewed activity and are setting principles are antipodes; that in fact politics and elections ought really be adjojurned for entire war periods if war is to be successfully concluded. Always providing, of course, that the kick don't amount to much.

The exigencies of war defeated the Democratic party. Had the Republicans been in administrative control, they would have been similarly defeated. 你在"城湖"

This adds another lesson taught by the war. That is that the people turn against the government in power responsible for its promulgation. And ahead. the wisdom of the turn depends upon the wisdom of the masses. As witness, nearly all of Europe today.

STILL WAITING

We are still waiting for news of the "big massacre" which the daily news mongers announced the Bolsheviki would perpetrate on the night of Nov. 10. The entire capitalist and "intellectual" classes were to be murdered in cold blood.

real earnest enort and agree to get busy immediately. Get together, in your own homes if necessary. Have a social, banquet, get a local speaker in The Ohio Socialist." That's what in The Ohio Socialist." That's what in The Ohio Socialist."

We are still waiting for the massacre to occur. And we shall have a long to address you. But do something. Get busq. The machine is moving, don't stand in its way. Boost.

OUR PARTY PAGE

Live News of Interest to all Party Members

PAY 'EM NOW FOR 1919

Dear Comrade: We are very sorry to report the death of Comrade H. S. Kinkade, which occurred on Nov. 8, of County's candidates for commissioner at the late election and at the time of his death was county organizer. Although he was fifty years old and would come through rain and mud, sleet and snow, to our meetings.

Comrade Kinkade was always jolly and in good spirits. He was an un-compromising Socialist and one that helped carry the party safely through the "Acid Test." We can say nothing too good of Comrade Kinkade.

penses. That's the best month yet which merely shows that when a few comrades set about it in real earnest great things can be done Yours in the cause, KRANK STIDD,

Secretary Branch Bellaire.

Editor The Ohio Socialist,
Dear Sir: Inclosed find my check
for \$10 in full for the ten subscrip-

sent me a few days ago.

The Ohio Socialist is becoming a state should not only subscribe for the paper, but work for subscriptions in order to build it up to where it will be a great agency for good in the movement.

The Capitalist System is breaking, and within the next few years, the world will see the greatest changes Socialists should not in all history. only support their press liberally, but should unite with, and energetically aid in building up the organized movement. When Capitalism falls, Socialism is the only system that can rise from the ruins and save civilization from a collapse. I am Yours fraternally,

ALLEN COOK.

CAN YOU TELL US?

We're wondering. Yes wondering why some things are thus and so. For instance: There's Local Niles. You've heard of Local Niles. It's the local that does things—and does them again. It's the local that stands in Class A-1 for increase in new mem-It's the local that keeps its members paid to date in dues and press stamps, too. It's the local that sends in some subscribers every week.

And now there's Local Portsmouth.

Do you know what Local Portsmauth did this week. Listen, we'll tell you. Secretary Mauntel sent us names of each. Twenty-five dollars in sub-scriptions from one local. Not only that. Comrade Mauntel wrote that as soon as they were able to hold a meeting we would hear from them again. We are sure that we shall:

And now here is what makes us wonder and wonder: If Locals Niles Portsmouth, Toledo, Piqua and other locals, we shant name all the live ones here, can support the state paper in this manner and to this extent why That is a question we would like for some comrade to answer for us. pass the information on to our readers. If you know tell us.

TOM LEWIS AT

TOLEDO DEC. 1 Local Toledo has asked for a Tom Lewis lecture on Dec. 1. Comrade can use Comrade Lewis for one date or more. Now that the ban is lifted we should lose no time in pushing orsoon ripen.

SOCIALIST MAYOR SPEAKS AT CINCINNATI

Comrade Frank B. Hamilton, may or of Piqua, will speak at Cincinnati raising funds for the defense of th Comrades Hamilton and Lewis H Neff will address meetings for this

comrades for a Saturday or Sunday date are requested to do so. Comrade Ruchtaschel writes that

GINNING TO MOVE The Ohio Socialist Party machine i beginning to move. Soon, very soon it will be speeded up to the top notel of activity and go sailing along on 'high." If any bearings have started to rust during the past few weeks of enforced inactivity there is now no visible sign of it. The flu with the ban on meetings may have retarded the activities to a certain extent, but

And now the ban is lifted, the Flu is leaving us and the war is over or won (which ever you please)! Comabout for ways and means to make the greatest possible headway. Comrades are writing to the State Office daily about the possibility of obtaining speakers and organizers. Every one seems willing to put their should der (or both shoulders for that mat ter) to the wheel and to push for all they are worth for the great drive

If your local has not yet done any thing to show it is in the work for victory, we hope you will see that it does so soon. There's no time to lose in getting the comrades together upon some plan for energetic action. your members together. Talk things over. Show them the necessity for real earnest effort and agree to get

A Comrade Passes | GOOD NEWS-RECEIPTS ARE CLIMBING

Receipts from subscriptions are Kinkade, which occurred on Nov. 8, of Spanish Flu. He was one of Belmont rate of press stamp sales, and re-Hundred we shall soon reach that enviable point marked as "no deficit." gh he was fifty years old and two miles from Bellaire, he d come through rain and mud, and snow, to our meetings.

That we are rapidly approaching that many locals could very profitably put into effect. Many worker's homes cannot afford point is shown by the monthly financial report for October, which appeared in last week's issue. It has made that many locals could very profitably put into effect. Many worker's homes cannot afford any variety or amount of reading matter. Co-operation would seem that many locals could very profitably put into effect. peared in last week's issue. It shows that the income in subscriptions lacked but \$10.82 of equaling the ex-

What will the November report show? We hope you are curious to know. We hope also that you will FROM A RED HUNDRED BOOSTER better. Don't you think you would Canton, O., Nov. 15, 1918. take some pleasure and satisfaction in that deficit? Or still better to say: standing by the purchase of press stamps. If you are not a party memwith it. Our duty is to make the in-

TAKING THE JOY OUT OF LIFE

Someone is always taking the joy out of life. Just when everything seems to be coming your way along comes one of those joy killers and throws a cloud of gloom over you and the world suddenly turns gray and dull. Yep, even a Socialist some times meets one of these ginks and gets a damper put on his feelings for a spell. Usually he will come out of it, however, for he knows by experieice that the coals of revolution are smoldering under even the grayest clouds and will soon burst through.

That's the way it goes. This last was lovely, when the subscriptions were coming in in bunches and the send us another copy of your paper We are ashamed to carry a copy. do not want it to start fires with. What do you take us for? time to read your trash." M. J. Harroedel, North Ridgeville, O.

The only satisfaction we can get, the only gleam of comfort we can take out of this is that TWO HUN-DRED AND FORTY other people did want our paper and paid good money this week to get us! We will try to survive. Yes, we will do our best.

What's the Matter With Cincinnati?

REPORT NOVEMBER, 1918.

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Totals ...308 357 665 Drafted NOTICE—August and nembers counted as Good Standing. Dropped members are in compliance the State Constitution, Article 17, Section 3, and will be about 110 more members dropped, next month, if the Branch Secretaries do not send their Branch Reports regularly every month, to my address, 1315 Vine St. Under no circumstances will I violate Article 17, Section 3, of said Constitution, and if the Branch Secretaries do not take this much interest in party affairs to send their monthly nancial reports to the local indexer, they must take the consequences and have their members in bad standing and also will by and by lose them. OTTO F. HOEFER,

Indexer Local Cincinnati.

NO MORE "APPEAL" FOR THESE. "I am lost without a Socialist paper and cannot support the New Appeal since it cut loose from the Socialist Party." So writes Comrade Alex Van Gundy of Cheyenne, Wyo. He sub-

scribes and sends another also.

"Owing to the position the New Appeal has taken we have been trying Comrade S. P. Allen of Guston, Ky., says in a letter which contains eight subscriptions.

SOCIALIST HEADQUARTERS IN

In a letter to the State Office Comceipts of subscriptions from our Red and town in Ohio. This is a part of is correct.

being able to look at the next month-ly report and say: I helped to reduce stitution proposed by Ninth Ward Branch of Cook County, Ill., to raise tion cards to The Ohio Socialist you I helped to secure that income over the party dues ten cents per member, sent me a few days ago.

I helped to secure that income over the party dues ten cents per member, expenses. Don't you think you would has but one-third enough seconds to The Ohio Socialist is becoming a great paper and every comrade in the state should not only subscribe for to say so lies with you comrade. If our political and economic enemies you are a local secretary, get every- and then the flu acted as retarding one of your members on the sub list. agents in pushing this matter as it If you are a party member see that should have been before the member-

all your comrades are kept in good ship.
standing by the purchase of press The time for seconding the proposal has been extended to Dec. 15. ber, get a new subscriber. It all lies Below we reprint the proposed amendwith you. Remember, comrades, just ment and urge Ohio locals to give it as soon as you make it possible, you the consideration it deserves. If the as soon as you make it possible, you the consideration it deserves. If the will get a better paper. There are Socialist Party is to fulfill its mission thousands upon thousands of men and as the educator of the workers, funds women who will subscribe for the Ohio for doing it must be assured. The Socialist if they are made acquainted best way to make certain of these funds is to raise the dues. Ten cents a month more from each member will not break any one, while that much from a hundred thousand members or two hundred thousand members, means adequate finances for organization work in the weaker states.

Second this proposal comrades and notify the State Office or the National Office of your action. Here is the proposed amendment: AMENDMENTS TO THE

of Local Cook County, Illinois.

Party to read as follows:

shall pay to the National Office every week when we thought everything month a sum equal to ten cents for each member in good standing in their respective states and territories, and comrades were writing in for dates the dues to the State Committee shall for Comrades Debs and Lewis and in be increased accordingly. Provided every letter were telling us of their case this amendment is adopt-plans for greater activity than ever; ed the National Office shall discon-

initiation stamp and sell same to subdivisions of the party at Twenty-five cents each.

the dues ten cents a month to each member. It will not affect the dual dues of husband and wife. It will double the regular income of the National organization and of every State organization. It will make possible a tremendous campaign of organization all over the country. It will make it possible for the National organization to discontinue the practice of calling for a campaign fund and leave this ganizations it represents a war chest It should receive the support of every member. It was talked over at the taries and endorsed.

tiation fee of One Dollar for new members is jujst as important. The Vote for the initiation fee and build a real movement. E. BERGNER,

Chairman Ninth Ward Branch. H. O. FORSBERG, Secretary Ninth Ward Branch. Adopted Aug. 16, 1918. 200 members in good standing.

EVERY VILLAGE.

rade H. L. Overhulse suggests that a fund be raised to establish a Socialist reading room in every village organization work that many locals principle involved in Socialism that is worthy of our putting up with the sneers and jeers of the multitude." He

SHALL WE RAISE THE PARTY DUES?

National Secretary Germer has called our attention to the fact that

NATIONAL CONSTITUTION Proposed by the Ninth Ward Branch

Amend Sec. 6, Article 10 of the National Constitution of the Socialist Section 6.-The State Committee again.

just when the future looked as bright tinue the practice of collecting camas a red wagon (or red flag) along paign funds and leave this field open comes a postcard and here is what is to the State and Local organizations.

They have asked you to never the collecting cambridge of collecting cambridges and leave this field open demands contain many reform measures, such as old age pensions, state state state who is a good worthern but who is a good worthern but who is a good worthern but when the future looked as bright tinue the practice of collecting cambridges and leave this field open demands contain many reform measures, such as old age pensions, the collection of the state of the

Section 6A.—Every person making application for membership in the Socialist Party shall accompany his this shall not apply to women who make application for membership. The initiation fee shall be divided as Twenty-five cents shall go to the branch which receives the mem-ber's application, Twenty-five cents to the City Central Committee, where such committee exists, Twenty-five cents to the County Central Committee, where such committee exists, and Twenty-five cents to the State organ-ization. Where a City Central Committee exists, but no County Central Committee, Fifty cents shall go to the branch receiving the application, Twenty-five cents to the said City Central Committee and Twenty-five cents to the State organization. Where County Central Committee exists but no City Central Committee, Fifty cents shall go to the branch receiving the application, Twenty-five cents to Twenty-five cents to the State organ-Where no City or County Central Committee exists, Seventy-five cents shall go to the branch receiving the application and Twentyfive cents to the State organization. The State organization shall issue an

Comment.

Gleanings

FROM THE LOG OF AN AGITATOR By W. E. REYNOLDS.

Peace for whom?

Peace on the battle field but not in

For the wage slave, "there can be no peace as long as hunger and want are found among millions of working people, and the few, who make up the employing class have all the good thing's of life."

The draft no longer draws. Who will buy the winter overcoats

These are the days when history is

being made much faster than it can be written. Work or fight has been superceded

by work or starve. Only an ignorant mind can conceive of a God so cruel that he would punish a human being with eternal hell fire just because he was ignorant.

Whenever a new idea is mentioned. up pops some pulpit pounder and labels it the work of the Devil.

Evidently their imaginary Devil is viser than their imaginary God.

The status of the Athenian woman was, "to see as little as possible, hear as little as possible and inquire as little as possible." Now 2,500 years later the Democratic administration by denying suffrage to woman still seeks to keep woman "in her proper

The kaiser once said the women of Germany should be contented with the three K's, kinder, kuche and kuchen (children, kitchen and cooking).

Never again, Kaiser Bill, never

ried during the term of service—must the Socialist Party, now, today, and e some terrible environment, those get others to do so. And, join an

did not demand all the product for initiative, but in most people it is the toiler. No, No! application with an initiation fee of be out of a job quickly if they should One Dollar; provided, however, that ever demand the unconditional surrender of the capitalist class.

> Economic warfare against Ger- unionists. It will start discussions of many after the war is not popular political problems in the unions. It Now it's feed Germany to keep

down the Bolsheviki. Free speech, press and assemblage is to be resumed. Where did the authority come from for this suppres-

The collapse of Capitalism makes

gives the masters something else to tremble about. a crowded city street? You soon found the kaiser. My advice would be to out you had to move with the crowd leave that problem to the allied na-

Bolshevism is rapidly becoming a a lot of dead timber, such as the Gay

Violence against the workers is al- for the party. ways upheld by the politicians. It is only when the workers begin to re-

Have you a study class in your though there is a good opening for a local? If not, why not?

National Socialist Paper.

to howl.

We are just beginning to find out what a large and useless crop of kings and queens, dukes and drakes and other useless members of the parasite Peace with the Hun but not with class we had maintained now that they are beginning to drop like leaves in the fall.

> We can spare another and still larger crop of parasites, the capitalists, the takers of the wealth the toilers produce. No revolution is complete short of the unconditional surrender of the tools of industry and the raw materials needed in production. These must be in the control of the toiling

A worker quits or is fired. Kings, kaisers and princes abdicate.

Takers of wealth are makers of trouble.

Achievement consists in changing environment. The difference between man and the other animals is this: Environment transforms the animal, while man transforms the environ-

ment This is a fundamental sociological truth. Once this truth is understood it can readily be seen that both the Democrat and Republican parties, and alas, too large a percentage of the Socialist Party, are not parties of progress, but of retrogression. Stand patters make no progress. They do not seek to change environment so as to make a better, fuller and happier life possible. They seek to perpetu-ate environment as it is today, and thus perpetuate poverty and

slavery.

The hope of the world lies in the active Socialist and Industrial Unionist Organizations.

We progress by achievement.

Unorganized, an army becomes a mob, and can achieve nothing.

An industrial army not organized s only a collection of miserable wage slaves. Organize, ve slaves, and use your COLLECTIVE POWER. You do "Y" girls have to sign a pledge not to swear, smoke, drink or get married during the terms of course and the Socialist Particular FOWER. You do
your part. The rest is easy. Are
YOU organized? No? Then you're
getting what is coming to you. Join.

industrial union. The Gomperized A. F. of L. is out with plans for a labor party, whose unless you BEGIN to try to develop Samuel would not developed. Begin today to de-

velop your initiative. I am pleased to note the formation of a labor party by the trace will advocate all the various reforms with which the Socialists clutter this platform. It will force the Socialist Party to stop dabbling with petty reforms and get down to brass tacks, advocating the abolition of the wage

The world need, an education in sociology and in too many Socialist locals the educational part of the pro-The rise of Proletarian Dictatorship gram is sadly neglected.

The Hearst papers are wanting Mr. Henry Dubb and Henrietta to Did you ever try to stand still on worry over what should be done with the County Central Committee and or get out of the way—so, too, with tions and let Henry worry over the Twenty-five cents to the State organ our reactionary politicians who are against Socialism. It is now their the wages system.

The war rid the Socialist Party of substitute term for Socialism by reason of the plute press using it as such.

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Verily the future looks much brighter

With the New Appeal gone Demo-Section 6, as amended, will raise turn tit for tat that the plutes begin cratic and the Eye Opener gone to he dues ten cents a month to each to howl. of J. Lewis Engdahl it looks as

for a campaign fund and leave this field to the locals and states. It is essentially a war measure. It will provide the means of carrying on the work of the party under all conditions and exercise the provide the means of carrying on the work of the party under all conditions and result in the development of a ling.

Insorar as the Congressional electrons and defeat for the popular mind confused acclamation with understanding and uniformity of feeling with intelligent cooperation in the realization of a common policy. The people, in spite of the real Socialist movement of America. and impervious to ideas. The Presi-Ten cents means little to each membring an improved inter-state organi-ber. To the National and State or-aztion and a healing peace to Europe demanded an active consent on the that will open the way to the great-est campaign of organization, educa-could not be obtained without public could not be obtained without public tion and propaganda ever undertaken. discussion, carried on by popular agencies. Such discussion he deliberatemember. It was talked over at the ly discouraged. The administration National Conference of State Secre- in all its branches worked to bring taries and endorsed. finto existence a headstrong condition Section 6A.—Providing for an iniof popular feeling about the war which was incapable of discrimination and impervious to ideas. The resiof the non-members long enough. Let each new member pay back to the party a dollar in return for the party offers in constitution of the channels of him own lofty party's efforts in converting him. The purposes but at the critical moment funds from this initiation will vitalize he found himself incapable of exerevery division of the movement. The branch will have funds, the County flood. In allowing the mind of the and City organizations will have country to stagnate, he had played funds, and the State organization will into the hands of the incorrigible enhave funds. Let the new member emies of his own policy. The illiber-pay for his education. Throw away the Salvation Army collection plan. ing popular state of mind provided a fruitful soil for their vindictive and destructive policies. It provided a sterile soil for his constructive and

democratic programme. When he finally appealed to the nation for sup-

port, he obtained it only in half-

own party associates. The humane

half-hearted measure even from his

conscience of the country did not re-Why Democrats Lost spond to his call. It failed him, because the agencies created by his gov-Insofar as the Congressional elec- ernment to control the movements of policy. The people, in spite of the President's own propaganda, still remain unenlightened and uneducated about the official war aims of the country. The American nation cannot act as a loyal member of the League of Peace until it is subjected to a drastic process of education which until now has scarcely been started-New Republic.

PIQUA PICKING UP Another delayed monthly report omes from Local Piqua. Local Piqua

initiated fifteen new members in October. It seems that the persecution of our comrades there is having an effect unexpected by those at the head

At Once

Return to state office all Debs Defense lists and all money's collected.

YOUR DUES ARE DUE

By State Organizer Tom J. Lewis.

The old adage, "A fool and his Forty employes of the city of money soon part," is a tame proposi- Cleveland were laid off. The big salthat would help some.

High life, then we are to understand there must be a low life. Who lives the low life? Ask the idle rich, they know. Consequently, avoid it. But the poor, who live it, ordinarily seem to enjoy the low life.

The workers operate the tools and machinery in producing wealth. And the capitalists operate the workers and take the wealth.

A commodity, something useful, created by labor; therefore has an exchange value. A workingman, something useful, created by mother, can be exchanged for a job. A cabbage is sold by some one else, but a workingman sells himself. That proves them both commodities. Isn't it a shame in this advancel civilization that human beings must be classed on the same category as a ham, ton of coal or a head of cabbage.

"What's good for the goose, is sauce for the gander." Alright! Let's make everybody go to work. None of that Bolshevism here.

If a working man loafs, he's lazy. But if the master loafs, he's a gentle-

Poor Belgium and poor France, we fought for you and now you are free. hired spokesmen, are meeting in the Poor Mooney, we may fight that you banquet halls, in the swellest hotels will be free yet, maybe.

marching to the Rhine, that's a wet place. And should they hear that our country is fast going dry they may competition for jobs, which will have want to stay there.

A very salient point in the classstruggle-underfed and overworkedthat's the workers. Underworked and overfed. That's the masters.

but the newspapers in order to pull with the big guns, will publish the

When a dentist crowns a tooth, it gain favor, and advertising. And as becomes useful. When a minister or usual many will believe the junk priest crowns a man, he is no use. about the great prosperity that they That's one reason why the divine doubt themselves, until they are right of kings is tumbling from their forced to walk the streets looking for thrones in Europe. The people are a job. You know what Lincoln said, wising up some, and like Othello, their "You can fool some of the people, "occupation is gone.

The Prayers of

Finance

Making

Finance is a sentient thing-something that thinks, that has emotions and feelings that are almost human In some cases capital is said to be "timit;" in others, "bold." It is sub-"timit;" in others, "bold." It is subject to the former when the percentage of gain is uncertain; to the latter when gains are large and sure. It knows the value of the scriptural inknow what thy left hand doeth." has its hates and fears, and senses a hostile thing from afar.

Just now, finance is swayed between conflicting emotions over Germany. Fnancial correspondence in the Evening Post from Boston tell of these afternate reactions. Finance would welcome a new government, but fears "new FORM of government, which is quite a different thing." A new form of government means revolution. and finance does not want a revolution unless it should occur after surrender to the allies. For this surrender probably will be followed by the garrisoning of the German empire with soldiers. So "at this financial center we hope for a revolution in Germanydeed, consider it inevitable—BUT PRAY THAT IT MAY BE POST-

Almost human; as human as bankerdom is anywhere in the world. Fnnance becomes so emotional over the outcome that it "prays" for the revolution after surrender, so that troops can be quartered and take care of the revolution. In the view of finance, it makes all the difference in the world for financiers. Should a revolution unseat, not only the Hohenzollerns and landed Junkers, but capital and finance also, that would be a calamity. It would mean that the German work ing people would come into control of all German institutions. So finance here "prays" for finance in Germany. It is a profound "religious" feeling which is, no doubt, shared by German finance also .- New York Call.

Jail—Jolts

Written for THE OHIO SOCIALIST Capitalist "political economy" and clergymen's brand of "religion" are one and the same thing-putrid with

dollars.

Socialism does not mean an increase of wages and an 8-hour work day, and a pension for all workers it means the abolition of the wages system, the dollar and exploitation of the wealth producers, at which time the worlers will receive the full social product of their physical and mental labor. Then no pensions will be needed. Pensions are but a reform sop thrown out to workers, as a means of retaining the capitalist system.

The next immediate step by the capitalists of the nation is to re-establish so-called public ownership of a few of the great utilities with profits running to the "state," composed of the same Morgans and Rockefellers who now own them. That is what the Simple Simons, Carl Thompsons, Bensons, the Russells and Spargos call "revolutionary" Socialism, but its a lie; its straight capitalism, backed by the capitalist state. "So, that's all right." Ah, it was well And that's what's coming next.

Profits running to the state are just as capitalistic as those running to private owners. All profit must go when the industrial state is ushered in, and no class but the working class can do

The day of "victory" of political socialism, pure and simple, is the day of defeat of socialism, without the workers being industrially organized

money soon part," is a tame proposition compared with the fools who part with their energy for a pitiful daily wage. Somebody has got to do the work you say: True, but why not all do their share, then no one would have to be a fool for jjust a living, that would help some.

* * * cause there is a scarcity of teachers. Cut the high-salaried no-use, and pay teachers so they can live like human beings, the trouble will be over.

Savagery, Barbarism and Civiliza-tion. What epoch are we in?

The State Secretary's monthly report in the Nov. 13th issue of the Ohio Socialist, was illuminating, 130 locals, and only 25 reported. Some life! Some locals! "Ye gods" you call yourselves Socialists and members of the party? Yet by the report no one would ever know it. Your local And increase the POWER is listed. The paper is read all over the country. Does that blank look good to you? Don't you know that looks bad? Don't you realize it has looks bad? Don't you realize it has a discouraging effect on the whole state movement? Get busy, and when you do others will. Remember things are moving fast all over the world, move with it now all together, the fruit is ripe, help pick it.

Cloth is measured by the yard stick. Sugar by the pound. Labor is measused by the clack, and the rich by their possessions, which they robbed from the 8, 9, 10, 12 or 16-hour ginks, better known as wage-slaves.

The dear manufacturers and their throughout the country, discussing ways and means, while filling up, as It is reported in the day-lie papers, to how unemployment can be avoided, that thousands of our boys are when the boys are discharged from a tendancy to reduce wages, consequently increase their profits, as that is what they are really interested in, and not the working people's welfare, hypocricies near and far, in order to

Them Work

BY ANISE Seattle Union Record

About organizing Russia And MAKING FOLKS WORK

To the Soviet Government

Under Socialism.
He said they should use PUBLICITY

I read a speech

Of LENIN'S

To stir up the PRIDE Of LOCAL COMMUNES "Black-listing" the towns That still kept up "The traditions of CAPITALISM Like LOAFING And SPECULATION And DISORDER and ANARCHY.' But the MODEL TOWNS Should be REWARDED By REDUCING the work-day And RAISING the wages And giving them a lot of CULTURAL and HISTORICAL TREASURES" suppose. In some little town Made a fine RECORD In producing WHEAT It might be allowed The LIRERTY BELL Or a PAINTING by Reubens To hang in the town hall For a year. And the town that did best For five years running Might be made into A UNIVERSITY CENTER. And all these prizes Would be given With PARADES And SPEECHES celebrating The HONOR of the town! Folks USED to say That socialism Would destroy The INCENTIVE to WORK, And to try To do BETTER than others, And would REDUCE everyone To a dead level. But when I remember What happens to boys Who are absent or late When their SCHOOL-ROOM Is working for a pennant; Or what is done to men Who break The hundred per cent record Of their SHOP In the LIBERTY LOAN I hate to think Of the TRAGIC FATE Of the VILLAGE LOAFER Who keeps his town from getting FAMOUS PAINTING Or from being KNOWN As an HONORED UNIVERSITY And I almost agree With the folks who say That SOVIET government Is introducing Forms of COMPULSION

It is with feelings of the profoundest satisfaction that we read the cabled news that the rugs and upholstery in Colonel House's back parlor are old rose. We can sink back now into our chairs with a happy sigh of, worth paying tolls for!

"Later I got the lower bunk and I

Too CRUEL and SEVERE

To contemplate!

Teachers of the Wobbles

By Anise in Seattle Union Record.

Their WICKEDNESS. It was thirty years ago Down in Chicago, That city of SMOKE And WIND. Of windy words, And Smoky deeds.
That the PACKERS started Of PACKERS, To corner the FOOD Of America, And after a while They decided to make it INTERNATIONAL. And they reached out To New Zealand And the Argentine And began to ORGANIZE The ONE BIG UNION Of PACKERS

The supply of meat To US

And OUR ALLIES,

And interfered with the war

We know NOW

WHERE

For PRIVATE gain, And so the government They are CONSPIRATORS
And it has been
PROSECUTING them For a LONG TIME. Just the way it is Prosecuting The I. W. W. For conspiring to practice SABOTAGE And for starting ONE BIG UNION In RESTRAINT of TRADE. And I wonder
If the Wobblies got TWENTY years, How many years are due Their TEACHERS, Only it sort of seems That when the Wobblies Took LESSONS From the "BIG FIVE" They forgot to learn The LAST lesson And the MOST IMPORTANT, And that is HOW To KEEP OUT Of JAIL, But perhaps they couldn't COMPLETE their studies Because They didn't have

MONEY ENOUGH.

Quotations From Charlott E. Perkins Gilman

ever to do with the superiority of enlarge." individuals."

"Few men can overlook the limitations of their sex and see the truth—that this business of taking care of our common affairs is not only equally open to women and men, but that women are distinctly needed in it."

"An economic democracy must rest on a free womanhood, and a free womanhood inevitably leads to an economic democracy."

"'If we are to make real democrats, we must begin with the child; and if we begin with the child, we must begin with the mother.' discovery is announced by one who opposes the enfranchisement of women! She who is competent to be one, it appears."

"The essential condition of democracy is an advanced state of social consciousness. It has nothing what-

"Be patient with Society. It is not very wise;
It opened only yesterday its dimly

thinking eyes. something wrong!"

"Slow to arouse, the People; Blind to the staring Fact, But the time is coming of opening

When a wakened people shall rise and act."

"There are many persons living in and on our humanity who are not human. One cannot be human withrear democrats is not competent to out working. To be content to live and fatten in and on the social life, without being part of it, is to have "Politics is not a sex function; it the conscience and character of a sa social function."

The Broken Thread of 1848

By CHARLES SAMOLAR.

At the end of 1847 the Communist Manifesto said:

"The Communists turn their attention chiefly to Germany, because that country is on the eve of a bourgeois revolution that is bound to be carried out under more advanced conditions of European civilization."

The "powers that were" before the hurricane of 1848 became again the hur REVOLUTION.

Marx and Engels were correct in break. their analysis of the conditions in Germany. The bourgeois revolution did come and with it the proletarian revolution, but the rising bourgeoisie could do nothing without the aid of the working class and it feared

while at the same time it was carried out under a banner totally different from that under which the Prussian bourgeoisie was preparing to defy its government. The revo-tinued. lution of February upset, in France, the very same sort of government The revolution of February and Central powers that they have had nounced itself as a revolution of the more than enough of capitalism. Out pation of the worker. Now the comes the triumphant roar of the Prussian bourgeoisie had of late rampant working class, and it is a quite enough working class agitation in their own country. After the first terror of the Silesian riots had Russian working class. passed away they had tried to give this agitation a turn in their own favor; but they always had retained a salutary horror of Revolutionary Socialism and Communism and, therefore, when they saw men at the head of the government in Paris whom they considered the most dangerous enemies of property, religion, family, and of the other household goods of the modern bourgeoisie, able cooling down of their own revolutionary ardor. They knew that the moment must be seized, and that without the aid of the working masses they would be defeated, and yet their courage failed them. Thus they at once experienced a considerthey sided with the (feudal, autocra- the World. Said Trotzky: tic) government in the first partial "Whatever the outcome of this and provincial outbreaks, tried to war, the imperialistic basis for Eukeep the people in Berlin quiet, who, ropean capitalism will not be broadfor five days, met in crowds before the royal palace to discuss the news fore, does not solve the labor quesand ask for changes in government; and when at last, after the news of the downfall of Metternich, the king this alternative to the capitalist made some slight concessions, the world: Permanent War or Revolu-

conditions of European civilization, and with a more developed proleand with a more developed proletariat than that of England in the seventeenth and France in the eighteenth centuries, and BECAUSE THE BOURGEOIS REVOLUTION IN GERMANY WILL BE BUT A PRELUDE TO AN IMMEDIATE-LY FOLLOWING PROLETARIAN REVOLUTION." thread of revolt in Central Europe

Came now periods of peaceful development, interrupted now and then by sharp, savage class struggles.

Seventy years have passed, and until recently the power of the "aristocratic bourgeoisie" grew stronger. the working class.

Says Karl Marx:

"The Paris Revolution of February (1848) precipitated everything, of the industries grew the strength and consciousness of the proletariat. The broken thread of revolution is being picked up by the proletariat. The drama of 1848 is being con-

Hunger, war, misery and death, and through it all the revolutionary which the Prussian bourgeoisie were propaganda of the Socialists, have working class against the middle of the trenches comes the RED class government and the emanci-

The Austrian working class is in control of that country. Councils food and necessaries is increased by of soldiers and workingmen (a la the thousands. We see the progress Russian) are the government, and in the man with the hoe, the horse, Germany is on the eve of revolution. For months the German work- to the traction combined harvesters. ing class has been in a revolutionary ferment. The downfall of the Prussian bourgeoisie is certain. Nothing cordingly. The workers still have can save them—not even their own housing, clothing, food below the

yet their courage failed them. Thus er combine—the United States of

encd, but narrowed. The war, theretion on an imperialistic basis, but, on the contrary, it intensifies it, putbourgeoisie considered the revolution tion. If the war got beyond the conas completed and went to thank his trol of the Second International, its to maintain profiteers. majesty for having fulfilled the wishes of his people. (?)

"But then followed the attack of the military on the crowds, the barricades, the struggle and the description of the struggle and the struggle and the description of the struggle and the str

disappeared. Against the victorious creative force of the future. Al- and that wages, or the part that working man, although he had not ready there are many of us—more goes to labor, will compose the en-yet uttered specific demands for than it may seem. Tomorrow there tire product. The old argument was New York, Nov. 13.—Several So-himself, the friends and the foes of will be more of us than today, and that, since wages can be only a small cialists were injured when soldiers many years united, and the alliance the day after tomorrow millions will part of the product, the more laborated when soldiers many years united, and the alliance the day after tomorrow millions will part of the product, the more laborated when soldiers many years united, and the alliance the day after tomorrow millions will part of the product, the more laborated when soldiers many years united, and the alliance the day after tomorrow millions will be more of us than today, and that, since wages can be only a small part of the product, the more laborated when soldiers many years united, and the alliance the day after tomorrow millions will be more of us than today. on the job. On to industrial unionism and sailors, reinforced by civilians, between the bourgeoisie and the rise up under our banner—millions ers there were the lower the wages E. B. Ford, serving one year in jail protected against their parading with at Fairbault, Minn. Guilty of being protected against their parading with a red flag to a meeting in Carnegie was concluded upon the very barrity pro-working class.

The third there was a certain who even now, seventy years after the Communist Manifesto, have conomic fund called the wage fund, nothing to lose but their chains."

The third there was a certain economic fund called the wage fund, nothing to lose but their chains."

The Good Old Game

Let us gather up the sunbeams lying all around our path, Let us keep the wheat and roses, give the poor the thorns

Let us find our chiefest pleasure, hoarding bounties of

And the poor will get scant measure, and two prices have

We might corner e'en the mind god, and confine him to

And through some patent process, we the atmosphere might gauge. Then we'll squeeze our little brother when his lungs he

tries to fill. Put a meter on his wind pipe and present our little bill.

Profits and Poverty

By IDA CROUCH HAZLETT.

the wage fund theory is a fraud;

the industries can force its terms on

union of the workers, politically and

who live on interest, profits, and

becomes changed when the profiteers

It is amusing the way the old po-

litical economy makes the terrible

poverty of any nation inevitable, as

in India, or China, or Japan, when the only real cause of the poverty

have taken everything from the

workers except the mere pittance for

profits are the most appalling fea-

tures of present-day civilization. The enormously reduplicated machine-

production creates in the neighbor-

taking place now from the exigen-

It is up to the workers now to own

the government; and they cannot do

The first step of what is proposed as a clerical center in the political

as opposed to social democracy."

tinent, and has added confusion and

cies of government necessities.

that the owners and profiteers

are disposed of.

which they toil.

In these troublesome times it is the province of the Socialist thinker try.

It can easily be seen what a splen-In these troublesome times it is among all the laborers of a counto discuss matters that pertain to the working class and, through them, all humanity; to see what forces have brought us along this path, whither we are tending, and what is the goal toward which the strugter.

It can easily be seen what a splendid argument this is to support the plunder of a class that lives off the labor of others. The plunder class sees that its share is secure before the workers get a chance to get at gle leads. The world had gone on its way for a long time before this war, and will continue for a long modern and scientific analysis of the economics of production shows that

On the scale of a hundred thousand years man was for ninety thou- that wages do not come out of any sand years in the period of the first "fund," theoretical or otherwise, but stone age, including the most prim- that wages are based on the labortitive tools. So it is evident that the er's exact cost of living. The class progress of civilization has not existed above six thousand years.

History is a record of the strug-gle of man for existence—how to only chance of amelioration is the wrench from the forces around him, first, enough to keep him alive, and industrially, the throwing of those It can't see very clearly, and it can't look very long,
But it is beginning to believe there's look very long, better conditions, better homes, better clothing, more and plicated, better conditions, better rent overboard, when the total prodhomes, better clothing, more and uct will go to those who produce it. better food, education—and finally Thus the basis of political economy he reaches out after some of the culture and luxuries of life.

Human society developed first where nature was propitious in climate and soil, and we find the earliest civilizations in Asia and Egypt. But it is worth noting that the civilization fostered by the bounties of nature, with the minimum of exertion on the part of man, have never accomplished the amazing achievements of European culture, where a temperate climate calls forth the today. It is a social sin. It and energy of man during the entire

First food, then, with more food. leisure for knowledge; then, with more knowledge, more food and more progress. A surplus of matehood of three thousand dollars per capita a year. The process of dis-tribution still gives the most of it rial needs was imperative for progress. to the parasitic profiteers. The ex-propriation of this useless class is

early, ignorant years of the race—the ceaseless toil of fishing and hunting, and savage tribes fighting over their hunting grounds—through these horrors man struggled up- it by voting the other fellow's ticket. wards. The strongest and shrewdest in this fight took the best for themselves, ordered the others around and got out of work; made the others work for them, while they made the laws, and punished those

that broke them. This process has gone on ever since. The few who did not work have always framed up the game to suit themselves—whether it is conrulers to slaughter thousands of revolutionary workers in the streets of Vienna and Berlin. Thus did the aristocratic class and the worker is a controlling aristocratic class are controlling aristocratic class and the controlling aristocratic class are controll grubbing for a chance to live, just as he used to. This is not a matter of chance, as some people think. It is not a matter of God fixing it so. It is not because there could not easily be plenty and comfort for all. It i be plenty and comfort for all. It is because the few control and exploit because the few control and exploit will support "Christian democracy would have some prospects of a the many through their ownership of the means of life—land and capital, or all productive industries, and

natural resources. It has been the effort of all the ages to get away from this autocracy, or control by a few, out into a broad democracy, or the control of

all for the benefit of all. As the efficiency of tools for the procuring of food increased the population increased. Man increased his human power by summoning extra human powers to his aid-animal power, wind power, water power, steam, electric, radio, sun-these do his work and give him time for the pursuits of the mind. Inventions to a specialization in industry. There is a tremendous reduplication of power and product; man has now a hundred hands where before he had only two. His ability to get the traction plow, from the scythe Capital has increased enormously, but labor has not been benefitted acstandard of vital comfort and efficiency. Disease, ignorance, prostitution, and crime bring misery, despair and death because of the lack of normal wholesome conditions. Poverty is widespread, and class differences are painful. In spite of all the elaborate conservation plans that the war has brought the wastes of

competition are still marvelously conspicuous. To the uninitiated "the war" serves as a sufficient explanation of the high cost of living. But the government probes of the packers, the coal interests, the steel industry, and war profits of all sorts, are rapidly bringing home to the masses the fact of the enormous price they pay

barricades, the struggle, and the de- ate new forms of organization out of into wages, rent, profits, and interfeat of royalty. Then everything the inexhaustible resources of pro-was changed. The very working ctarian Socialism—new forms that terest were high wages must be low, class, which it had been the tendency will be equal to the new tasks. To and great poverty must be the reof the bourgeoisie to keep in the background, had been pushed for at once, amid the mad roaring of the in the college courses in coordinate. found hundreds of bedbugs crawling along the boards. They would crawl up and drop right in your face. Between them and the fleas and the hogs it was practically impossible to sleep. And the grub was poor—very this danger all former differences and the sleep. And the grub was poor—very the flexibility of the constitution of the prising the property of the capitalist jackels. We will keep our minds clear amid this hellish are entirely superfluous; that we not death music, our vision undimmed. We feel ourselves to be the only that society will dispense with them, but the vages or the part that the part

Safe For Capitalism

If Senator Weeks of Massachusetts has never been noted for a powerful brain, he has at least tried to atone for it in avoirdupois, and large girth has often given to senators an air of ponderous wisdom. The Bay State solon has his own views as to the after-war program of this country, and is not a bit backward in telling us about it.

You see, it is this way: The "manufacturing capacity of the

country has been increased enormously during the war." What are we going to do with all the great industrial plants, the millions of war workers, with our merchant marine and increasing surplus of products thrown on the market? Even before the war we had to find markets for something like a billion dollars' worth of surplus products. The surplus will increase when manufacturing plants return to peace produc-What, oh, what shall we do? Well, it is all so simple for a United States senator. We will have the workers go right into those plants and produce a still larger sur-plus. For whom? Now, you are getting impertinent. That question is beneath the dignity of a Massachusetts senator. Then we will use this merchant marine, and, as fast as these workers pile up surplus goods, we will store it in the ships. Then we will see that the government encourages big business, aids the trusts and large combines of capital. Germany did it. Why shouldn't we? Then we will insist

produce it. Now your problem is solved. It is a glorious future he placed before us, and it is difficult to re-strain our enthusiasm. The millions of working men and women are to produce and produce from year to year, increasing their productive power with the passing of months and years through all time. As fast as we pile up this increasing wealth. a few thousand capitalist owners will have it shipped abroad to China, to South Africa, to Latin America, and thus make America safe for capitalism. This requires a loyalty and devotion to our industrial no bility such as the Germans are said to have observed toward their Junkers. Only a gentleman with a girth much larger than his head could be capable of blurting out a thing like this.

on the government helping to find markets in which to dump the sur-

plus abroad as fast as workers can

There are some not so large of girth, but of bigger brain, who have their eyes on that increasing surplus also. Considering that their brawn and brain and genius are mainly responsible for its production, they are debating whether it would not be more pleasant to arrange things so that they can enjoy it themselves. Besides, it seems so silly to pile it up in the laps of a few thousand profiteers for sale abroad. The latter cannot use it. That is evident, or they would not send it abroad We can use it, we want it, we need it, and we are going to have it. What is the matter with this as an answer to your problem, senator?— New York Call.

been organized. Despite professions to the contrary, these "Christian" labor parties always have been under the inuence of ecclesiastics who have used them for their own purposes. Instead of uniting the work-

is a Mr. Thomas Burns, who also is the labor movement. There is little likelihood that this abortion will have any influence on thing in the way of a "labor party," the labor movement in Great Britain. except that it will exclude Socialists It starts too late to be of any servand those who are not members of labor unions. It proposes to occupy a middle position between "capitalistic and socialistic excesses," to ments. If organized some twenty fairly prosperous existence. But the It is easy enough to recognize war has accelerated the drift of Brit-what this thing is. It has its counish workers toward Socialism, and a terpart in other nations on the con- backfire from this quarter comes too late. British Socialism already is demoralization to the forces of gathering in the workers, despite labor. Born under the auspices of creeds and faiths. The exploiters sect, with definite conservative long ago learned to act in common views and expressing pious solicitude regardless of creeds, and it will be for "sane" action, this clerical type difficult at this time for an alleged of organization has served the purposes of reaction wherever it had over these things.—New York Call.

RECONSTRUCTION IN RUSSIA

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lead to a division of labor, and this it is impossible to leave these weapons entirely in the hands of the enemy, at a time when they are not less dangerous than bombs and bullets. This is the reason why temporary and extraordinary measures were taken to cut off the stream of mud and slander of the yellow press which threatened to submerge the young victory of the people.

Just as soon as the new order is strengthened, all administrative measures against the press will cease. Complete freedom will be established vithin limits answerable to courts of justice and in accord with a broad and progressive law for the purpose.

Taking into consideration, however, that the suppression of the press even in critical times is allowable only within absolutely indispensable limits, the Council of People's Commissaires decrees:

1. The following organs of the press are subject to suppression: (a) Those calling for open opposition to and disobedience of the Workrs' and Peasants' government.

(b) Those creating confusion by means of an open and slanderous distortion of facts.

(c) Those calling for acts clearly criminal.

2. Suppression of organs of the press, temporary or permanent, is to be dealt with through regulations of the Council of People's Commissaires. 3. The present situation has a temporary character, and these measures will be changed upon the introduction of normal conditions of life.

1. The printing of advertisements in periodicals and posters, as well as the issuing of advertisements to kiosks, officers, etc., is now a monopoly

2. Only publications of the present government in Petrograd, and of the local Soviets, have the right to publish advertisements. Other newspapers

printing advertisements will be suppressed. 3. Directors of advertising offices, as well as all their employes, must continue working until the business is delivered up to the state. They are responsible for preserving the sequence of their work and for delivering to the Soviet newspapers all private advertisements, all sums paid for such and

full accounts thereof. 4. All directors and employes of advertising offices must immediately organize Town Unions and All-Russian Unions to facilitate the reprinting of private advertisements in the Soviet publications.

5. The property of persons found guilty of concealing dossiers of funds, or of sabotage, as mentioned in Paragraphs 3 and 4, will be confiscated, and the owners will be imprisoned for a period not exceeding three years.

6. Insertion of advertisements in private publications and in bulletins is also punishable. 7. All advertising offices will be confiscated by the government, and

their proprietors will receive a temporary remuneration. To shareholders and proprietors of small advertising offices funds paid in by them will be returned in full.

All firms publishing advertisements must send full particulars to the Soviet, under the risk of punishment, as stated in Paragraph 5.

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