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Mooney and Labor Will Not Accept Commutation -Fickert Caught Red-Handed by U. S. Dictaphone

Nation's Workers Demand New Trial

TOILERS EVERYWHERE PREPARE TO PUSH STRIKE AND OTHER PROTEST MOVEMENTS-COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE CALLED SOP-DEMAND MADE FOR PUNISHING FICKERT

(New York Call News Service)

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 29 .- From his cell in San Quentin prison Thomas J. Mooney issued a statement today in which he called upon laborato help bring about his unconditional pardon. Both Mooney and his friends are dissatisfied over the action of Governor William D. Stephens in commuting his sentence to life imprisonment.

Mooney's statement was censored by Warden Johnson of San Quentin before it was given out, because it abused Governor Stephens. The statement follows:

"Governor Stephens: It is my life you are dealing with. I demand that you revoke the revocation of my death sentence to a living death. I prefer a glorious WE MUST NOW ORGANIZE death at the hands of my traducers, you included, to a living grave. I am innocent.

"I demand a new and a fair trial or my unconditional liberty through a pardon. If I were guilty of the crime for which I have been unjustly convicted, hanging would be too good for me. Then, why commute my sentence to life?

"Labor everywhere: I say to you, as I said the night that the Chamber of Commerce jury returned the death penalty verdict against me, that my hope, as well as the hope of Billings, Nolan, Weinberg and Mrs. Mooney, was in the solidarity of organized labor. I shall never depart from that statement

"Workers, it has been my privilege to choose the honorable route in this case. That same offer has been made to everyone of the defendants, and even to the relatives of the defend-

by this that we want to be framed to tence to life imprisonment has been tell a certain story, the same as all of made public, lost none of its determiperjurors who were framed nation to strike Dec. 9. Labor de-

TELEGRAM

DEBS TO MOONEY

Tear up that commutation and fling the scraps into the brazen face of the corporation hireling that insulted you and the working class by that infamous act. Let Patrick Henry once more speak thru you-"Give me liberty or give me death!" There must be no compromise. You are innocent and by the eternal, YOU SHALL GO FREE. The working class is aroused as never before in history. They will tear the murderous clutch of criminal capitalism from your throat! All hail the general strike! If they insist on war, let it come. We have nothing to lose but our chains. Stand by your colors and the workers of the world will stand by you. VICTORY OR DEATH! -Eugene V. Debs.

The greatest work ever cut out for it now confronts the working class

and issues its challenge to the Socialist movement. The world is now ready for the workers, but are the workers ready for

That is the great question of the day and its answer will shape the

talist despotism and Socialist freedom; between wage-slavery and industrial democracy. Their masters and exploiters are of course uniformly for capitalism and slavery and it naturally follows that their press, their pulpit, their political henchmen and their retainers on the bench, at the bar, in school and college and every other social institution, are for the same program.

of every nation on earth under the present system of capitalism all shouted in unison that the war was for "Democracy" and now let their exploited slaves who outnumber them twenty to one, proceed to carry out the purpose for which the deluge of blood was shed in the war, the purpose which justified the war and made it a patriotic and humane war according to the aristocratic and plutocratic masters—let the toilers, peasants and soldiers, the common people, the useful people who operate the mills, till the soil and harvest the crops, delve in the mines, sail the ships and perform all other necessary social service, let them now unite to carry out the program of the war as announced by the masters and establish the democratic commonwealth in every nation on earth.

The extent to which the workers will succeed or fail in carrying out this program will be determined by the extent to which they are industrially and politically organized. Without organization or with organization that is either lacking in revolutionary spirit and purpose or entirely reactionary, there is no hope. The revolution may be precipitated by the forces underlying society, but the workers will be in no position to take advantage of it and install themselves in power, thereby achieving their freedom and enjoying its blessings for soon, very soon the counter-revolution will throw their unorganized, undisciplined ranks into confusion and dismay and drown their

In Germany the workers are at this hour face to face with their imme-

will the German workers measure up in the supreme crisis and stand And the same evening as staunchly for Socialism and democracy now as they weakly yielded to The LADY BARBERS

Will they follow the brave and inspiring examples of their Russian comrades and scorn compromise in every form, determined to survive or perish

elements will not mix. It must be one or the other. Let us hope there is no real basis for doubt as to which it will be. Scheidemann in any form means death to the revolution. A thousand times rather that the revolution should

which we are at this hour most vitally concerned.

The late elections were in some respects disappointing because our party

Continued on Page Three. HEAR EUGENE V. DEBS

By EUGENE V. DEBS.

The war is over, the political campaign is ended, and now what?

future and determine the destiny of the race for another generation and The choice the workers of the world now have to make is between capi-

Against this powerful and hitherto impregnable communion, the work of every nation have contended in vain, the only result of the beating of their wings against the bars of their industrial prison being to obtain a few tribute the "Victory Edition" in your tribute the "Victory Edition" in your town. Wake up the workers. Bring to the prison of their wings against the bars of their masters, and these have served to placate paltry concessions from their masters, and these bye served to placate town. Wake up the workers. Brin discontent and silence project except upon the part of the small minority the distribution of the Victory Ed of revolutionary Socialists who have kept the agitation alive and who have tion" before your local. Decide upon persistently demanded the overthrow of capitalism and the destruction of a wide distribution of it in your city. wage-slavery, thereby incurring the hatred of not only the master class | Send all orders in time to reach us but of the very slaves by whose side they toiled and for whose liberation | by Dec. 25. \$1.00 per hundred. mands a new trial or an unconditional but of the very slaves by whose side they toiled and for whose liberation they were battling as well as their own, knowing that the solidarity of their class, at whatever cost to themselves, was the price of liberation.

And now these revolutionary Socialists, these "undesirable citizens" in the eyes of the thieving profiteers and exploiters, looking backward over the past, especially the last four years, are asking the workers of the world if they are prepared to take their masters at their word—the masters of all nations who united in the battle cry of "Democracy"—and establish democracy, real democracy throughout the world.

The profiteers, plutocrats and pirates who constitute the ruling class

revolution in their own blood.

Now, as never before, the working class have their opportunity to free themselves from the bondages of the ages and walk the earth its sovereign rulers. If they fail and sink back into the slavery which existed before the war and still exists, the catastrophe will be due entirely to ke lack of revo-

lutionary industrial and political organization. diate fate and their future destiny. At the beginning of the war the great Between worker and boss majority failed the cause and were swept into the torrent of militarism and reaction. Their weakness, to put it mildly, destroyed the International and created bitter disappointment in Socialist circles throughout the world.

capitalism and militarism in 1914?

with their revolutionary principles? Shall it be Liebknecht or Scheidemann? It cannot be both. These two

perish with Liebknecht than survive with Scheidemann! But to return to the question of organization. That is the question with

and Then to Jail

Her Last Meetings



speak in Cleveland Dec. 8. Dec. 9 she will fill a date at Canton and at Co-

Go hear this wonderful and inspir-ing woman. Appeal to the U. S. Su-preme Court has been denied Comrade O'Hare and she has been cited to begin her prison term about Dec. 20.

Celebrate Victory DISTRIBUTE "Victory Edition"

If you are an internationalist you will want to celebrate the victories of Socialism. The best way you can do this is to order for distribution a hundred or more copies of the "Victory Edition" of the Ohio Socialist, which will be issued Dec. 31.

This edition will be the best we ever got out. Filled on every page with articles of the world revolution, which is sweeping along like a torrent, it will prove of intense interest to all

THEM

By ANISE in Seattle Union Record. Here are two straws How the WIND BLOWS At a Central Labor Council. There was a resolution Not to allow workers To become DELEGATES AMERICAN CITIZENS, PATRIOTIC argument On this subject, But some one laughed: "Does the Chamber of Commerce Refuse MEMBERSHIP To BUSINESS MEN Who aren't citizens? Frank Waterhouse LONG ENOUGH To run for MAYOR, In the CHAMBER EVEN KNEW IT." Exclude them from working

OUR WAGES?" And so They TABLED the resolution! Because the division In UNION MEMBERSHIP Than the division Between CITIZEN and ALIEN! Applied for admission, And President Proctor (As was his duty) Reminded the delegates That, by their CHARTER, The Central Labor Council Was NOT ALLOWED

In HIS factories,

To accept UNIONS
Unless they were RECOGNIZED
By an INTERNATIONAL, By the American Federation of Labor And the LADY BARBERS Had been REFUSED recognition By both these AUTHORITIES. But after they heard The delegates Of the Central Labor Council Opened their arms The LADY BARBERS, Because they are coming To THIS conclusion About WOMEN And ALIENS And workers in general: "ANY ONE Fit for the BOSS To HIRE

To ORGANIZE.

FRAME-UP, BRIBERY, SEDITION BARED IN MOONEY INQUIRY

(San Francisco Call)

A record of corrupt manipulation of criminal justice in San Francisco of such proportions as to stagger the imagination was bared Nov. 22 in a voluminous report submitted by J. B. Densmore, director general of employment, to his chief, W. B. Wilson, United States Secretary of Labor, at Washing-

It is the more amazing in its pattern since it reveals the methods used by the district attorney's office to fix guilt upon the defendants in the "Preparedness Day" bomb cases, while nullifying the prosecution of persons caught red handed in violations of the law.

Charles M. Fickert has been trapped by a dictaphone, installed in his offices in the early part of June by a force of half a dozen men working under Densmore. He is shown in a deliberate conspiracy to "frame" witnesses against Mrs. Mooney, wife of Thomas Mooney. Fickert has been shadowed by government operatives in his almost every act, public and private, during all this period. The dictaphone has caught his conversations as they related in whole or in part to the administration of affairs in the district attorney's

That which could be only mildly suspected as to the influences at work with Fickert, not only in the Mooney case, but in almost all other activities of the office, are exposed in a naked state by the Densmore report.

It shows Fickert and others of his force in illicit and unscrupulous bargains with the McDonough brothers, Pete and Tom, for the fixing of cases and the release of persons brought to the bar of justice for criminal excesses. Eddie Bryant, tax collector of the city and county of San Francisco, responding to the McDonough touch ,is given the role of "fixer" in his attempt on July 3 to bribe Juror Phillips in the case of Dr. Card, notorious mal-practitioner. Benny Selig, butcher, collector of campaign funds for Fickert and dispenser of sweetbreads and pork tenderloins to Fickert, the McDonoughs and others of his political patrons, flits in and out of some of the pages as he conspires with the McDonoughs and Fickert to bring about a dismissal of David Blaine, auto tire thief, arrested on September 23.

The most astounding of all revelations is the charge embodied against Judge F. W. Henshaw, former justice of the state supreme court, as part of a confession by William J. Dingee, that a bribe amounting to \$410,000 was paid to Henshaw, then a member of the court, in part by Dingee and Frank J. Moffit, the latter now dead, for Henshaw's vote in the famous Fair

Henshaw is singled out in the report, first, because of what he has always represented in the state judiciary; and secondly, because with Attorney Frank Drew, he has been Fickert's chief of counsel in the "bomb" cases. He is the man who discovered Fickert as the one best fitted to dismiss the cases bending against Calhoun and other defendants in the graft prosecution.

The Dingee allegations against Henshaw are backed up by documents which sustain in every way the bestery in the Fair case. In league with Houshaw and Drew, representing those corporate interests opposed to labor here and elsewhere; and Martin Swanson, detective of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company and United Railroads, who gathered, or assisted in gathering, the bulk of the testimony used against the "Preparedness Day" defendants. Fickert is unmasked by the report as a mere automaton in the hands of more

The desperate plight in which the district attorney finds himself in the "bomb" cases is expressed in his efforts to connect up with Mooney names of others upon whom some stigma might rest. There are several passages relating to meetings or conversations between Fickert and Deputy United States Marshal Thomas Mulhall, who was assisting in the I. W. W. cases in Sacramento. Each profess to believe that the two cases, that of the Mooneys and the I. W. W. are bound up together.

Once, however, the fear is expressed by Mulhall that if a slip should occur in the prosecution of either office, that he and Fickert would slide down

While assuming horror at the supposed utterances of alleged disloyal subjects in the United States, whom he termed I. W. W.'s, anarchists and agitators. Fickert was not loath to express his own personal contempt of President Woodrow Wilson.

Once he referred to the President as "the worst person in the whole war and that the only question with him was politics." On another occasion he stated that President Wilson was not man enough to handle the Mooney case.

Because of its intimacy, the dictaphone reports of what has transpired in Fickert's office since the date of installation up to this dismantlement of a few days ago, constitute the most sensational evidence of municipal corruption and prostitution of ideals in high offices that has ever been unearthed in the history of American cities. All of the hidden forces are dragged away from the throat of San Francisco. Police courts, the grand jury-the underground marts of the ctiy-are turned inside out in the Densmore review. Aside from its purpose in exposing the machinations of those in control of the district attorney's office, it furnishes a definite, as well as accurate picture, of a misuse of power and a betrayal of public confidence.

Densmore was sent to San Francisco at the expressed wish of the secretary of labor in Washington. There had come to him, independent of reports of other investigators, evidence which showed Fickert to be one of the most dangerous of public officials. The dictaphone was set up with a connecting system that made it possible for conversations in Fickert's offices to be heard by not one, but two and three persons in different sections of the city. In fact the first experiment of its kind was made in San Francisco when the operatives succeeded in carrying the dialogues of the district attorney over two miles of wire.

When Fickert arrived to call up Judge Henshaw, Martin Swanson or any of the other persons with whom he is engaged in his daily plotting, the dictaphone has caught almost every scrap of what was said. How Cunha schemed to "duck" the United States army draft; the perfidious patriotism exhibited by Fickert with respect to President Wilson; his annoyance at the appointment of men friendly to labor to government positions of responsibility and trust—the dictaphone got everything. Only the intimate details of his private or social conversations are withheld here.

Nor are all of the open plots of Fickert with the evil forces of the city incorporated in the report of Densmore to Secretary Wilson. Such a dialogue is carried as will serve to show the background of the district attorney's office in this city; what has actually inspired the introduction of perjured testimony in both the Billings and Mooney cases—the framework of miserable falsehova and hate-that served effectually in the first two trials, but which came crashing down in those of Weinberg and Mrs. Mooney.

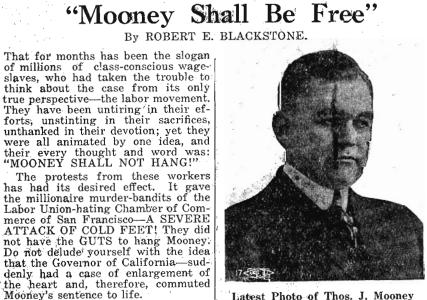
The overwhelming proof of Fickert's guilty knowledge of steps taken to produce a witness who will supplant Frank C. Oxman, in another trial of Mrs. Mooney, is supplied by his own conversations with those who promised to produce one.

"I don't care how you get this witness down to Steuart and Market streets, if you have to bring her down in a balloon," Edward Cunha, assistant to Fickert, says in effect.

Then Fickert proceeds to "make" a witness who will meet just such an

But the whole detail of the report abounds in so much that is sensational, so much that makes for a clearer understanding of the prejudice built up against the cause of labor-things that are impossible where fact and logic and fair dealing is concerned-that any synopsis can give but a faint idea of

FICKERT IS TRAPPED—RED HANDED!



Governor Stephens had the

case under consideration since last March, when the California

supreme court affirmed Mooney's

conviction, and an application for a pardon was made.

him to commute Mooney's sentence, the governor said he had

made a careful review of the

case, and found no reason why Mooney should escape punish-

In explaining causes which led

Taken Since Entering Death Cell.

Ravenna Dec. 7th' Akron Dec. 15th, Salem Dec. 17th, Lima Dec. 18th,

Other Dates Will Be Announced Later

Canton Dec. 19th, New Bremen Dec. 20th

His masters' voice spoke in his ear and just like a good dog that readily obeys its master, so to did the Governor of California obey his masters. Comrades and friends we have won the great fight! They admit that they are afraid to hang Mooney-the agitator. Now that the death part of Shall be Free!" And lo! the man Mooney's sentence has been taken care Mooney and all his kind will cease to of once for all, let's dig in with re- rot in prisons. newed energy; let's work longer harder; agitate, organize; educate the workers on the "Frame-up" of

Shall Not Hang!" to "Mooney Shall be Free!" On the job night and day until Mooney is among us, a "free man" using the clarion voice of the persepower for organization-come let's where.

Latest Photo of Thos. J. Mooney get him out. Now all together: One! Two! Three! Go! Go you agitators, educators, organizers; inspire the masses with your slogan: Shall be Free!" And lo! And lo! the man

workers on the "Frame-up" of Mooney and his co-defendants. Change our old slogan: "Mooney Oh for a taste of real freedom, devoid of its theory. Not such as is talked of, that we have not got. For of such the people grow weary. But rather a condition, where each their burden will bear, with a heart that cuted wage-slave that dared to resist beats true, in the work each should his masters. Mooney will be a great do, and plant joy in the world every-

Come, hear the latest news of the "frameup" of Mooney and his co-defendants, Sunday night, "Somewhere," in Cleveland. Nationally known speakers will present the case from every angle. Watch the papers for place of meeting and names of speakers. Admission free. Bring someone.

LOOK HERE! Do you like this paper? Then why not pass a good thing on? Get subscibers THAT'S ALL!

The Woman's Cause

A DEPARTMENT FOR WOMEN WHO THINK.

Childhood

What sweet emotions the recollections of childhood inspire and how priceless its treasured memories in our advancing and declining years!

Laughing eyes and curly hair, little satisfying influence these little Gods

have upon our maturer years.
Childhood! What a holy theme! Flowers they are, with souls in them. and if on this earth man has a sacred and slain in the conquest of capitalism charge, a holy obligation, it is to these have not died in vain. From their tender buds and blossoms of human-little martyr graves all over this fair

trampled in the mire. Many millions nouncing upon it in the name of God of them have been snatched from the and humanity, the condemnation of cradle and stolen from their play to death. be fed to the forces that turn a workingman's blood into a capitalist's gold, and many millions of others have been crushed and perverted into filth for the slums and food for the potters-

Childhood is at the parting of the ure, honor or disgrace, life or death. her meetings are always profoundly Society is, or ought to be, profoundly concerned in the nature of the environment that is to mold the character Gay St. The public is invited.

and determine the destiny of its children, and any remissness in such duty is rebuked by the most painful penalties, and these are inflicted with increasing severity upon the people-of the United States.

Childhood is the most precious charge of the family and the community, but our capitalist civilization sacrifices it ruthlessly to gratify its brubrown hands and bare feet, innocent and care-free, trusting and loving, tender and pure, what an elevating and the blood of infants and payed with the blood of infants and paved with the puny bones of little children

What shall the harvest be? The millions of children crushed land their avenging images are Yet how many of them are prematurely plucked, fade and die and are system that murdered them and pro-

' KATE O'HARE.

Kate Richards O'Harc, noted Socialist lecturer and writer, will speak at Columbus on Tuesday, Dec. 10. Kate O'Hare is recognized as one of the most brilliant speakers the Soways which leads to success or fail-

The meeting will be held at 501-2

OUR WEEKLY POEM

All of a Kind

There was me and pap, and some more of the crowd, Was settin' around in Jimmerson's store, When Bill Hawkins told a tale he 'lowed Would set the fellers all in a roar.

Says he: "When I was out in the West, Along on the edge of Ioway, I knowed a feller there that made A hundred dollars in half a day.

"The old Missoo' got on a raise-A regular old Missouri flood-An' this feller thinks he sees a chance In catchin' floatin' logs of wood.

"So he advertised for fifty men "In the Roarin' City Weekly News To meet him on the river bank With skiffs an' boats, or with canoes.

"An' he hired them fellers to ketch that wood, An' all that mornin' the wood they fetched, An' the pay he gave's where the joke came in-He gave them half of what they ketched."

And the fellers laughed at old Billy's yarn, Laughed and said they thought it grand-Yet all of them fellers that cackled so Was workin' on shares on rented land! -Indianapolis Journal.

Does Communism of Ants Prove Socialism Fallacious?

was published in our issue of Nov. 13. Here is Dr. Clark's argument to prove the deadliness of Socialism as exemplified in the development (or lack of it) of the Ant as compared to man, whom he claims has reached his present high stage of development thru the proctices of individualism. Our answers follow:

tellectual activity in the line of insect communities. Dr. Clark is an antidevelopment, in the line of the six-He is anti-socialist. In a recent arlegged type, (the attainment of ants in colonizing, marshalling armies, failed to reach the high mental plane waging wars, nursing wounded, train- of the human because of the commuing captives, planting gardens, har- nal life it led. vesting crops, feeding stock, storing food, in short, their collectivism as are a failure because of their commuan object to community welfare—Ed.) are a failure because of their community is a fail- the Nov. 13th issue of the Ohio Solism, therefore communism is a failwould seem thus to have been accomplished largely through the same plished largely through the same is nothing wrong with this, except the futile to reply to a man as blind as it was ours and the coal shed, was

psychology of the two ultimate re-sults is separated by processes and directions of development as wide apart | the ant does not do everything exactsed, perhaps, in terms of the other. The results are too wide asunder—not do everything exactly as an ant one a deadly communism, a moribund would. partition of labor, a lethal socialism; the student of nature's history sees no room without having it sprout. outcome. These too are nature's ex- human can do this. periments The six-legged type, with all its purposes, in its highest expression, lies prostrate on the ground at environment. our feet; it and its achievements have risen to nothing higher than an ant hill; its communistic relations and subservience are entirely apart from camel a chair, and by no perversion the true genius of humanity. SO- of reasoning or false logic can it be CIALISM AND COMMUNISM HAVE proven that a camel is a chair because BEEN TRIED OUT AND FOUND WANTING, AND NATURE HOLDS CONSPICUOUSLY BEFORE EYE OF THE STATE THE WARN-THAT THEY HAVE NOTHING EATHER FOR THE GROWTH OF THE SPIRIT OR THE PROGRESS minded antis. Ants and antis are bio-

Answer to Dr. Clark, Scientist?

By TOM. J. LEWIS.

His brilliant comparisons, the aut and the human, are remarkable, for

is very highly accomplished consider- are not drunken. The human rarely ing the small brain it possesses. And has leisure to enjoy life. The ant it must be admitted also that the hu- could fare no worse, man, taking the size of his brain into One wonders how the doctor arrived consideration compared to the ant is at his conclusion that communism was yet in a very ignorant stage. But Socialism and that Socialism was a isn't it possible Mr. Clark, that the failure because it was communism. result a Dr. Clark would not be ne- intellect of the ant.

is: That if the atoms or particles solitary confinement. that compose the human form had fought each other rather than co-oper- collectivism is not the aim of Socialated, the human anatomy would be ism. Communists place all their pro- to their soul, and the blinds pulled on ing and misery, tho they produce the higher developed, or to put it in an ducts in a common fund and all draw that three-fourths of the time, are not other way—that if the ants, like the from this common fund. No Socialist apt to understand the fundamentals of humans, had constructed a society in all the world ever advocated such Socialism. It takes the pioneers of based on robbery, say like the capital- a state of affairs. The motto of the thought to usher in a new and better how they are robbed? ist system, they would have developed communist is: "From each according order. The fundamentals of socialism a higher individuality. But, Dr., to his ability, to each according to his can not be undermined. wasn't it necessity that drove them needs." The motto of the Socialist thto dethal socialism, as you call it? could well be: "From each according tion that man and the ant had an even What forces workers into unions? to his productive ability, to each ac- start, and were equally endowed by What forces unions into federations? cording as he has produced. And what is forcing the federations Man is a collectivist. He works to- erties of mind and soul, that makes into international organizations? Is gether, collectively in factories. He man a superior organization to the it choice, or is it necessity? There-studies collectively in schools. He ant. Is this fair to the ant? Also fore, Dr., it is the collective will that worships freak Gods collectively in are there not other animals and inwill free the individual and elevate churches. He is a collectivist—but sects which do not practice commun- of the people." It might have been, him thru co-operation. But that is im- he has been taught and believes in a ism who have neither equalled the ant but recent events are making it a possible while the private ownership philosophy of individualism which is nor surpassed man? of the means of life remains. As that contrary to his biologic nature and a creates, consequencly the collective man striving against his fellow inownership and democratic manage- stead of cooperating with him. ment must be accomplished, in order

Then Dr., the individual under such

Concerning Ants and Antis

By W. E. REYNOLDS.

An ant is a six-legged insect which Doctor Clark, in "Science", claims: lives in communities. A human being is a two-legged animal which lives in cialists. They can.

The doctor reasons thusly: Ants Dear Comrade Allison:

The ant is not a failure. It is true as the poles. Neither is to be expres- ly as a human being would. It is equally true that a human being does The ant does some things better

the other an active, progressive and than a human can-for instance, the fertile individualism. For the former ant can keep grain in a warm, moist

The ant is as well adapted to his environment as the human is to his A chair has four legs.

A camel has four legs. But a chair is not a camel nor is a

SO- of reasoning or false logic can it be t has four legs. The doctor concludes that Socialism

s a failure because he had concluded that communism was a failure. This is the peculiar brand of reasoning (?) employed by most static-

logically related. So, too, is communsm, collectivism and individualism. Sociologically related-but communism is not collectivism and ants are not antis. Ants cannot be judged by anti tandards. It would be just as reasnable to conclude that ants are more intelligent because they do not pay

any rents to the landlord nor profits to the profiteer. Like the human the reason that one must forget the family the ant family has its working size of the brains, as between the class and its leisure class, its systems little ant and the human, to justify of slavery, its wars and police forces but the lady ants, are not the slaves It must be admitted though, the ant of afshion or of sex, and the men ants

Communism is not collectivism and time of peace?

The aim of Socialism, according to to produce for use and not for profit. Frederic Engels, a co-worker of Marx, a society wherein production is col-

lem. The antis have their social prob- hold that there is a difference belem yet to solve. The ants have sol- tween instinct and reason, that Dr. ved their social problem—to say that Clark as a scientist, has failed to note. this means no further development for the ant is to deny the whole truth of evolvement. The anti-Socialist can now see the collapse of his individualistic system in Europe, and the social problem is there for him to selve. If e cannot solve it-leave it to the So-

Replying to your letter, I have read tact with a machine. the Atlantic and sweep America and the rest of the world, too; for this is what is surely going to happen.

running around trying to scheme out escape it. It was worry, the evangel ways to prevent this; to crush out of death, who presides at the homes Socialism. I do not worry a bit. So- of the workers. cialism is ON the WAY NOW. The black and awful and he was whisperrevolution is here today in Europe, ing, "But what of the future?" Huswhich means that the last great band was well-nigh helpless now. My struggle is at hand with the united own fingers were painfully enlarged capitalists everywhere doing all they at the points and sometimes refused can to stop the March of the Workers. to do my bidding. "Next year," whis-But NOTHING can stop this triumph- pered worry, "Who would tend the ant sweep. If every Socialist on earth | garden and earn enough for the winwere thrown into prison tomorrow it ter's coal? The underwear by then would come quite as soon because in- must be replaced by new, but how dustry is ready for it; because CAPI- "Worry begone!" He slunk back and industrial unionists and working pendent one. world from starvation and chaos.

papers now and in the coming months. Let FACTS answer the fool.

Yours for the New Era of Labor,

Instinct, Not Communism Hinders Ant's Development By F. J. LESCHER Dr. Clark's article wherein he shows

the limitations of Socialism leads me ant has reached his intellectual limit- One equally wonders how the doctor to think that the price we pay for not ations, owing to the dimunitive size arrived at the conclusion that the hu- educating our professors is equal to of his brain? Otherwise they would man race was individualistic. He the price we pay for neglecting our be building pianos, constructing air- surely must have been using some of ball players. Dr. Clark should know ships or delving into science, with the that intellect which is superior to the that Socialism has never been tried out, except partially, such as out post-Or, had they stood on their | Communism is not Sociallism. The office, public schools, etc., and they two hind legs, and developed the other human race is not individualistic. The have been successful. Also that if ever live, if we had to compete with race is that of HORDES of savagery. the railroads, telephones, etc. by the Man is by nature gregarious and one government)) was necessary in time But when the alarm clock goes off be- Oh, pshaw, the capitalist class, of Now, Dr., what you wish to convey of the most dreaded punishments is of war, when the highest possible efficiency was necessary why not in hell.

Persons who have but one window

Dr. Clark proceeds on the supposithe Creator with reason and the prop-

Is it not true that the ants and bees breeds the lowest and vilest in men, hindrance to his social well-being, are the highest types of insect life, because of the economic insecurity it The philosophy of individualism keeps and that it is not the socialism they freedow. Barbarism? That was the the bread and butter question is set- can be produced by the least expendi- would hinder his mental ability from hence industrial freedom. tled. And he may take his choice in ture of human labor energy, and a equalling his physical strength? art, science, literature, etc., etc. And society wherein the living of life shall There is no capitalistic system to even you, Dr., compared with the ant be accorded the fullest freedom for block his evolution, under which he working class. Who does the loafing? wonder if he'll use it.

comrades answers to Dr. Clark of the State Museum of New York, whose argument against Socialism with his lethal Socialism

OLD AGE

By JESSIE JASON RUFNER

We sat down by the evening fire talking over the past. Two old people who looked down the vista of years from the view point of decrepit lost three fingers from too close con-

Yes, we were fairly comfortable. period of time when the human line statement is false and the reasoning was perfecting its mentality. The is faulty.

Is nothing wrong with this, except the period of time when the human line statement is false and the reasoning its mentality. The is faulty.

It was ours and the was ours and heaped to overflowing with the winter has condemned Socialism. Well! the fault was comfortably the fault was comfortable was comfortable was Well! Why not tell him to read the stocked with the fruits of our labor. daily newspapers and explain why So- One more winter could we sit and doze cialism is sweeping all Europe today by our own hearth. One more winter; with success? Then tell him to we settled ourselves imfortably in watch the daily newspapers the comour old splint bottomer chairs. Alas: ing year and see Socialism leap across | we had reckoned without our host, for

is what is surely going to happen. there, conjuring up all manner of un-The capitalist class is frantically pleasantness and neither of us could His countenance was

TALISM has failed utterly; because in the shadow. I fancied he had vanthe financial structure on which capished. Next winter we might not italism absolutely depends is failing, need those things. Another year Within a year-perhaps within a few might wrap our cold and rheumatic months, this will be apparent—even forms deep down in the bosom of to Dr. Clark. The old system is go-ing to COLLAPSE. The capitalists ther coal nor clothing. Not a pleasant will be helpless; then the Socialists prospect surely, but at least an inde-Fudge, tonight we class generally will have to rescue the would be happy. Dad reached over and replenished the fire while I got a I can't reply to Dr. Clark—unless candle and went down cellar after a you want to say—READ the NEWS pan of Baldwins. The wind whistled sharply around the corners and shook this tour. • the house before it passed on through the orchard and up the hill. Heigh-ho, one more winter to sit and doze.

Yet we were no worse off than the others. My mind swept over the tion, so you see we have a task before neighborhood and nine out of every us. If you are not in, get in ten were in much the same predicament as ourselves and some were even worse off. They had all worked hard all their lives and they with us were ing? Strange what changes are takfacing the same inevitable end-the ing place. Oh, ignorance, the terrible poor house. .

heart and my own blood seemed turn-

FOR MORE AND BETTER BUSINESS

A letter from Secretary Peterson of Niles indicates what Local Niles has up its sleeve in the way of plans for future work. Heretofore the local has met at comrade's houses but it now feels that a headquarters is vitally necessary for the success of the campaign of organization and education which it contemplates in the im-

mediate future. A study-class is planned for this winter as one of the regular party activities. The comrades of Niles are always in the fore front of militant

Comrade Prevey Recuperating. Owing to illness, Comrade Margaret Prevey was unable to attend the Debs meetings at Mansfield and Niles. Nevertheless these meetings were well cared for, local comrades acting

We are glad to report that Comrade Prevey is well on the way to recovery and will soon again accom-

meetings are most successful. Be sure you don't miss hearing him on

of people for a purpose. But the Socialist movement is a world proposi-

price you pay.

BRAIN TEASERS

When tired, isn't sleep a most beauti- [Well, the capitalist class. Who profour legs into hands, how would we earliest record we have of the human Socialism (such as the taking over of ful thing? To dream of finding a duces the wealth? You know, roll of bills, that's a taste of heaven. working class. Who takes the wealth?

fore you have spent the roll, that's course. No wonder some people don't Cold nights to the poor, mean suffercomforts; while the idle rich enjoy

Isn't it funny how popular the war for democracy has made Socialism?

Biology teaches that every organ-

our masters are inetlligent.

Marx says: "religion is the opium huge joke.

Savagery? That was a stage of practice that places a limit to their first stage of slavery. Civilization? fair, as some that. Mr. Hurley infurther evolution, but rather the fact It is the last stage of slavery. Well, forms us in the daily papers of Nov. that they are governed by instinct and what comes next? A new form of 12 that we would continue to construct dominated solely by the idea of self- society, born of the struggles of ships for two years more at least, so preservation? The ant is able to move mankind in the battle for existence, American capital and labor would be conditions will have an opportunity to lective, (because collective production from 15 to 20 times his own weight.) from the lowest order thru the var-plessed with prosperity, because the develop the best that's in him, once is the method whereby most products If it had a mind to develop what lous stages into economic security, the markets of the world. from 15 to 20 times his own weight. from the lowest order thru the var-plessed with prosperity, by supplying

for myself. I might sit by someone's fireside and mend for years to come but Dad? I looked over at the knotted old form and the gray old head resting on a twisted old hand and wondered where there would be room "The fire feels mighty good tonight,

Our children were all married and 1.000 gone and each had more than he could do to care for his own. I did not care

Sarv, I been thinkin' since I set here how it won't be very long now that you and me'll need a fire. I allus hoped we'd somehow be allowed to set by our own fire as long as we lived. I can't bear to think of tearin' up and goin' somewheres else. Two old folks like us would take up a pile of room in someone's kitchen, (here I shook my fist at the shadow in the corner, for I had tried so hard to keep him away from Dad) an' most folks would not stand for my pipe. I ben sorter worryin' what would become of you, mother if I should be took. Seems like there's no place in the world for old folks. The world goes too fast. The wind rushed around the corners and splashed snow over the windows while the old house cracked with the

"No, Father, there is no place for old folks among poor folks," I replied bitterly, 'nowadays all working folks ought to die off at fifty." Sho now, Sary, we all got to stay,

I reckon, 'til our time comes. I don't see what the world is comin' to. "Dad, the paper said today that the Reds had won out in Germany. Over there mebbe old looks won't be in the road. They say the producer will receive the full social product of his toil. Surely working class old folks like us won't need to worry over

"The Reds, you say, Sary? That means the Socialists. I wish to God they'd win out here. You an' me wouldn't need to set an' worry our heads off this last winter we'll ever have alone. Then we'd have a plenty the rest of our lives, for Sary we've sure earned it. Twelve to fifteen hours a day for a lifetime. Sure Socialism would take care of folks like us, an' we could rest in peace and not worry about the future." tore the wind through the pines. Dad picked up the stove poker, then he gasped and turned purple in the face

and before I could reach him, toppled from his chair-dead. Heart failure, the doctor said. I knew better. knew it was worry that ailed him. shook my fist again at the shadow lurking in the corner and I heard a gruesome cackle, likely that too, was the wind. Worry clutched at my

I peered through the window at the illage cemetery which the snow was wrapping in fleecy blankets of white, I was glad Dads poor old crippled form would be at rest where captalism could no longer harm him. Poor old Dad and poor old me, a worncut machine cursed with the power of suffering in a capitalist ridden land, where, alas, the 'Reds' are still in the

the greatest possible good fortune.

as chairmen.

pany Comrade Debs on his tour in this state. Reports show that Comrade Debs'

Organization is the coming together

Divine monarchs, what has happen ed? Divine leaders, what is happen-

By State Organizer Tom J. Lewis.

like the gospel. "They that do no work neither shall they eat."

"Six days shalt thou labor," if thou themselves, because they are well sup- hast a job. On Sunday go to church, plied. Will the workers ever learn give thanks for being robbed.

What's the matter with Germany? None to take up the reins of government when she is most down and out but the despised Socialist? Isn't ism carries within itself the seed of there any more graft? The idea of same, I am. its own destruction. Yet we are told the working class daring to run things now.

> The blind being led by the blind, republicans turning to democrats.

forms us in the daily papers of Nov.

Who does the work? Why, the The Kaiser was given enough rope,

L E T T E R S

From the Land of Devil-May-Care

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

Mossburg, Fogeviten County, Land of Devil-May-Care, Allfools Province, Turkey Month, Turkey Day.

Editor Ohio Socialist-

Dear Sir: I have been traveling in the Land of Devil-May-Care and thought perhaps you would like to hear about some of the strange sights, customs, ideas and beliefs held by the dwellers in this far off country.

the Vernal Equitox, being between the sweetened ocean and the peaceful sea. It is about seventy degrees westward from the dawn, but extends eastward two hundred degrees in longitude from the setting sun. The natives here are nearly all fools or fooled and the largest province in the Land of Devil-May-Care is called, All Fools Land. Whenever the Allfools have occasion to speak of the country they usually refer to it as

The Land of Devil-May-Care is situated below and a degree to the left of

"God's country," but they do not mean it seriously because every acre here is claimed by some of the upper class of Allfools and the lower class, who have no property seem to think the arrangement satisfactory. So far I have not found a single native who had any land in his possession but who claimed it for his own, not God's. It will be difficult for you who are Americans to understand the customs here. They are so different from your favored land. There in America you have no classes; no rich except the very worthy who gained their riches

by abstinence and the rigid practice of the strictest economy and honest business methods. You have no poor except your unworthy who are too lazy to work, or who drink or gamble or spend their time in some occupation which is not respectable. Your's is a country where all poor boys may become rich and famous by industry, frugality, thrift and push. See any of your schoolbooks or ask any schoolma'am and you will find I am right.

Alas, how different it is here in Allfools land. Here there are two classes, an idle, vicious, trouble-making upper class, who own all the property and claim title to all of God's country, and a lower class who have no property but who live by catering to the wants and whims of the upper class.

The upper class are few in numbers. The great majority of the dwellers n the Land of Devil-May-Care are of the lower class, although quite a goodly number of the lower class ape and upper class and think they are a part of it.

In America your people do not go to war except in defense of some great deal. Here they divide up in various tribes and have wars over such trivial things as hunting grounds or pasture lands. The upper class who control the Land of Devil-May-Care have makers of mouth-noises to advise the lower class what to do and when to do it. These makers of mouth noises are called

The upper class also have what is known here as Neussuppressors with dioters to think for the multitude and several times each day the idioters have their thoughts preserved on wood pulp, which the lower class eagerly purchases so as to know what to think next. Our two leading suppressors

are called the Plain Liar and the Butcher Knife. All the Allfools are very proud of the fact that they are Allfools and they think and do exactly as the Great Men of the Allfool upper class went them to think and do. The idioters and piffletalkers have no trouble in convincing the Allfools that the particular side the upper class favors in the tribal war is the right side. The Allfools in each province believe what they are told and are thus easily encouraged to kill each other at the whim of

the Great Men of the upper class. You'in America can not imagine anything so foolish as this. The nearest thing I know would be the old barbaric custom of tying the tails of two cats together and hanging them over a clothesline, each cat thinking the other cat is pulling its tail and so fights to the death.

The Allfools-can not think for themselves, they having permitted then spokesmen of the upper class to do their thinking for them so long that their thinking apparatus has grown dormant. The nearest they ever appreach to doing their own thinking is to give voice and backing to the upper class by saying. "I'll say so."

Work is a fetish among the lower class dwellers in the Land of Devil-May-Care. They have modern machines here as in America but unlike in America the modern machines are not in general use. The natives preferring to use old fashioned hand tools and primitive methods, evidently to make the work last longer. Where political parties have been known to get

in power here simply on the premise of a steady job and a full dinner pail! The lower class of Allfools do all the work. They work to earn dinero enough to buy the cheap food necessary to keep them able to work. This takes all their time. They work to live and live to work and are proud of their ability to work. They worship a strange and peculiar God, who first became prominent when he sentenced all the lower class to work and earn

their bread by the sweat of their brow. Some of the children of the upper class, who do no work or any useful thing having much leisure on their hands and being by nature humanitarians have sought by organizing themselves into associations for improving the condition of the lower class to improve the lot of what they term the worthy poor. About all their energies are expended in trying to make the lot of the poor toiler easier, just as you in America would put a pad under a horse's

collar so he could pull a heavier lead without making his shoulders sore. There are many types of these associations ranging all the way from Romper's Allfools Federated Laborites to Johnny Thursday's Holy Jumpin Joyful Jumpers, but the great reass of the Allfools are rutrunners and work shippers of the God-of-things-an-they-are and look with suspicion upon anything out of the usual rut of their experience.

At the close of the last great Slaughterfest, this being the Allfools name for their tribal wars-some of the hole-and-corner reformers sought to have Allfools expressed the opinion of the whole tribe when he said, "We do not Allfools expressed the opinion of the whole tride when he said, "We do not want an eight-hour day. We can hardly make a living now by working

The women Allfools are not considered people, but as property of the male Allfools. The women are not citizens and are not allowed to place any pieces of papyrus in the box known as the will of the masses expressed on their election day. These women gather together though in various clubs to knit or sew and exchange juicy bits of gossip about the neighbor women who do not happen to be present. They seem to consider this much more important than to discuss ways and means of bettering their condition.

Some of these clubs of women are called Allfools Ladies' Aid, but what they have ever aided aside from the spread of their pagan religion and the pulpit pounders, I have never been able to discover. They meet about twice a year and have a scrimmage sale. This sale consists of the castoff garments of the upper class and it aids the upper class to the extent that it enables them to buy new garments out of the saving they made in paying

wages to the lower class. The Ladies' Aid, or any of the associations for poor reform, never aid in getting a pronounciamento against the labor of children in the mills and workshops. The Allfools think an education in a shop or mill is all the education a child needs after it gets to be sixteen years of age. This opinion is held by nearly all the people in the Land of Devil-May-Care. Some think it would be "agin' religion" for children to be given a modern education, but mostly they claim to need the small pieces of dinero the children earn to eke

out the family expenses... I cannot begin to tell you all the funny and foolish things believed and done by the Allfools in this letter, but hope to send another letter next week. The Allfools are a funny people when you know them. Hoping you are the ICHABOD JONES.

The World Do Move.

Galileo gave utterance to a great democrats turning to republicans and ogical truths. The state, backed by the church, threw him in prison and gave him his choice: to recant or be executed. He recanted, but as he was being led away he muttered, "the world do move." History has justified Galileo's position.

Many Socialists and Industrial Unionists were teaching great sociological truthe. The state, backed by the church, has sentenced them to long terms in prison, but as in Galitime the onward sweep of industrial progress roars, "the world do move," and history will justify their position.

PLAN SCHOOL HOUSE MEETINGS

Comrades of Columbiana County are planning a series of school house meetings this winter. The necessity of carrying the message of Socialism to the tennant and small farm owners becomes more and more acute as time passes. The State Office hopes to be of assistance in aiding these plans.

"The Ohio Socialist Packs a wallop in every issue," says Comrade B. Blumenberg, State Secretary of

Why should the workers not have all the say when it is they who must always pay?—Maoriland Worker.

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WITH OUR EDITORS

THE TOM MOONEY CASE

The commutation to life imprisonment of the death sentence of Tom Mooney by Governor Stevens of California meets with the condemnation

"Tom Mooney is innocent." This is the firm conviction of labor the world over. Being innocent he should be free or at least given a fair trial where his innocence may be proven. One or the other. Anything else deed to do-and doing it. is not justice for Mooney and justice in this case labor will have, though the wheels of industry must be stopped to get it. A new trial having been denied, Mooney must therefore be freed. This is labor's decision. Nothing

It is not a labor case, we have been told a few hundred times. It is not a clash between labor and capital, we are assured. Mooney has not been persecuted because of his fealty to labor, we have been told for months. Nevertheless, labor has made Mooney's case its own. Labor persists in believing the persecution of Mooney is due only to his loyalty to labor, and a clash between labor and capital is scheduled to take place on Dec. 9, unless Mooney is given his freedom.

By bitter experience and an unprofitable wandering, labor has learned that in its own hands only, is justice to be obtained. Not in the courts of "justice." Not in the law courts of a class-constituted society—but in the solidarity of workers. Here alone is justice for Mooney. Here alone is justice for our class. Here alone is hope for the future. Let labor calmly take the lesson to heart.

FREE THE POLITICAL PRISONERS

Within the walls of American prisons are held many of the noblest men and women of this land. Many others, men and women with the highest attributes, which characterize true and noble manhood and womanhood, are under indictment and facing charges as political offenders. Men and women with the highest ideals which human beings are endowed are today rotting in American prisons.

For expressing an OPINION at variance with that which the law stated may be expressed these men and women are paying a penalty out of all proportion to their offenses. The espionage law has produced a crop of jail: sentences in America absolutely undreamed of even in Germany under the the near future." rule of the junkers and their kaiser. Compare the four-year sentence of Liebknecht for "high treason" to that of ten years for Debs, for Kate O'Hare and Rose Pastor Stokes.

If we have been able to surmise correctly the reason (or excuse) for the passage of the espionage law, if punishment was not the purpose of the law then the further confinement of our political prisoners is an atrocity. If to silence opposition to the war was the purpose of this law, there is now no longer any necessity for their confinement. The war is over that Youngstown is full of Socialist

Liberties under which we formerly thrived should be returned to us. Those in power today have nothing to gain by longer jailing political offenders. On the contrary they stand to lose considerable. This is no time to preach the gospel of hate nor to practice it. It is a false gospel at all times. Now that peace has come, its teachings and practices are criminal.

The movement to free our political prisoners is gaining momentum. The great mass of the people, as well as liberal minds among the bourgeoisie, favor it. Those who oppose an early liberation of political offenders are of a character with those whom the workers of Europe have latery shorn of power. Let every worker's voice rise in protest against the longer

God A' Mighty might have improved on Hell had he first seen an Amer- and says that as soon as the flu per-

It took a proletarian revolution to free German and Russian political prisoners. How will it be with America?

Knowing How

I read a COMPLAINT From a FARMER The other day Because he only made To the PACKERS' NINE On a carload of wheat straw. HE RAISED it And BALED it And SHIPPED it to market. And paid FREIGHT CHARGES Of Twenty-one dollars, And when he sold it-A carload of nearly Four hundred bales— He had earned TWENTY-SEVEN DOLLARS And FORTY SEVEN CENTS. But the STOCKYARD That POLGHT the straw Sold it again to farmers Who needed straw for their stock At seventy-five cents A BALE. And made CLEAR PROFIT Of TWO HUNDRED And FORTY-TWO DOLLARS. And this was nearly NINE TIMES

As much as the farmer got For ALL HIS WORK

And the farmer thought He was ENTITLED To COMPLAIN DO YOU' Because 1 remember That BIG CORPORATION At Hog Island Charged EVEN the Government SIX MILLION Just for "KNOWING HOW." And does that FARMER Think he is BETTER Than the GOVERNMENT And can get the services Of the men who "KNOW HOW" CHEAPLY? He ought to realize You ALWAYS HAVE TO PAY A LOT of MONEY To the fellows that KNOW HOW And TAKE the POWER. And if the farmer Could only stop Being STUPID And could just "KNOW HOW" And TAKE the POWER

He wouldn't HAVE ANY PACKERS!

WE MUST NOW ORGANIZE

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has for the past year been harrassed, persecuted and all but crushed in the military despotism created by the war. Under all the circumstances the showing was not only all that could be reasonably expected but in some have to do it. We knew there was a sections the party more than held its own and gave gratifying evidence that neck and neck race between Comrade it had not been demoralized by the war but that on the other hand its power, prestige and purpose were undiminished and that as soon as the rigors of the despotic laws were relaxed the party would take a fresh start and mail we couldn't wait any longer to move onward toward greater victories than it had yet achieved.

So there is not the slightest cause for discouragement. We have lost nothing and we have gained much. The people are now far readier for New ones and counted them up. And Socialism than they ever were before. We have but to proceed without their what the records told us. Forty-Socialism than they ever were before. We have but to proceed without delay to build up our organization, revive our press and our propaganda, and prepare for the great work of industrial and social reconstruction that confronts the world. The Socialist Party, to be the factor it should be in this stupendous task, must be strong in number, in self-discipline and in the Socialist to let him walk away with the belt spirit, and it must have clear understanding of its high purpose.

Now is the time for every Socialist to serve as builder.

To build the party is to mould the future.

The industrial and social democracy will not be dreamed into existence, not voted into power. It will have to be organized and to that supreme historic task we must give ourselves patiently, persistently and understandingly with all our hearts and all our souls.

Let us all unite as we never have before and build together in unison and harmony the Socialist Party that it may rise to power, fulfill its historic mission to emancipate the working class and bring democracy and peace to

OUR PARTY PAGE

Live News of Interest to all Party Members

PAY UP NOW IS THE WORD

Red Hundred Activities

Comrade John Rehm of Springfield as returned to his old haunts again after a short sojourn elsewhere. To celebrate his return he renews his; celebrate his return he renews his subscription and sends two along for company. Says he intends to keep up the good work too and we know hy nest experience that he will do it me by past experience that he will do it.

Comrade Lotta Burke has been securing a few new readers for us. Four is her contribution this week. Comrade Burke is one of those comrades who is continually finding some good

If Comrade Ruchtaeschel has his way Local Cincinnati will soon have are not received from him.

Comrade H. L. Franklin, State Secretary of West Virginia, sends us

Do you know Comrade C. S. Case of Hamilton? No? Well, we'll tell you who he is. He's a hustler who gets results. We know he is because we have the evidence. And right here we want to say what we think.

try to get some more subscriptions in

"Hoping to be able to continue sending in subscriptions," is what Comrade C. E. Raymont of Youngs-

will find a fertile field in Youngstown. sentiment. All that is needed there is more activity in order to get a big list of readers.

"Am just in receipt of a copy of the Ohio Socialist and wish you would enter my subscription for a year. Also send me 25 copies of the issue of Nov. 20." Hugo Gernt, Glenmary, Nov. 20." Hugo Gernt, Glenmary, Tenn. The following day Comrade and promises more.

Pueblo, Colo., sends a subscription, mits meetings she will send in more.

The accompanying list (of fourteen names) tells the tale of what Local Hubbard did with its share of the where them acquainted with the means whereby they may became affiliated.

All for their own salvation. We know by experience it is useless to publish complicated campaign literature.

On election day we expect to reap

Cleveland fulfills her pledge with four subscriptions this week.

press stamps, solution there this week.

this week.

From "Sunny Tennessee" to Alaska is a long way. But the same mail brings subs from each place and from in between as well. Comrade Ashby of Washington state sends in two new ones. Thus it goes, comrades from many states working for one common end and cause. A lesson in solidarity, truly.

We keep records you know of all our

Forty-six and forty-seven! Forty-six and seven what? Listen, we'll tell you. You know we promised that when Comrade Peterson of Niles got

that Comrade Peterson isn't going when it comes to getting subs for Ohio's party paper! Nevertheless, we're going to warn him to look to his laurels. Comrade Shipman appears to mean considerable business. So all we say here is—keep your sub-

Local Hamilton is still selling press the Ohio Socialist, and so I make you this proposal. tions from there this week. Keep it up, comrades. Work is the only recipe for success we know of.

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NOW HE'S A PARTY

MEMBER

To show that the Socialist wind is

rowing stronger we will relate an

week: Comrade Tamkus of Ada, O.,

for the name of any Socialist paper published in Ohio.

thousands of comrades in this

state alone who are in precisely the

same position as this comrade was.

whereby they may became affiliated

cialists with you, comrade and see

foremost in every local's plans for the future. Local Marion is stepping up

to the front. What is your local

NEW MEXICO WANTS

SPACE

We are in receipt of the following

letter from Comrade Dillon, State

Secretary of New Mexico. That many

other states are aware of the ad-

of something that I have been "going

I thought of going in with the Ari-

zona State Bulletin, but the comrades

much time to edit, and so the proposal was dropped. * * * Unless I could con-nect with the Qakland World, I know

of no paper closer than Ohio with

If you can see your way clear to it.

I would appreciate having space in the Ohio Socialist—say a column or

two-and if you do not soak me too

much, I will carry the load myself un-

til such time as the paper can be-come established in this state.

We sorely need some means of com-

Fraternally,
W. B. DILLON, State Sec'y.

munication here, and as we cannot af-

Let me hear from you.

which I would care to cast lots.

Brecksville, Ohio.

to do" for a long time.

how many you can locate.

occurred this last

every member reading the state paper. Never a week passes that some subs BOOKS

six new subscriptions. Our comrades We will gladly conof Kentucky and West Virginia are tribute our experience becoming among our most devoted in making the right selection for you. Bound

If one comrade can get ten non-Socialists to pay a dollar each for a subscription to the O. S., then it ought to be possible for many other com-rades to do so. Comrade Case sends ten dollars for as many subscriptions and this is what he writes: "I am trying to do my part to build up your paper as I think it is a good one. Have been reading it for some time and am convinced it is 'some paper.' These few names that I have gotten are not Socialists but I think when they read the paper they will be. Will

five yearly subs.

We believe that Comrade Raymont

Comrade Dr. Edith Halcomb of

Debs Defense collections.

Debs Defense collections.

We expect to make the majority of them regular subscribers and members of the Socialist Party." And on another list he sent us subscriptions of cight members of the lead o another list he sent us subscriptions of eight members of the local. A local which shows such pep is bound to grow. Nothing can stop it.

Comrade Elizabeth Bertram of BACK IN THE FIGHT

A letter from Comrade E.D. Orr of Local Marion states that the first business meeting for several weeks Massillon's members are buying press stamps, seven yearlies from was held and that the work of reorganization received a boost. Organ-

So is Tiffin. Five subs from Tiffin and talking now. It is the most necessary of all activities and should be

Comrade Blumenburg, State Secretary of Michigan, sends another subscription this week. Thanks Ben.

Party has taken in its organization From Comrade Edwin Blank of and propaganda methods is exempli-Lima comes a letter containing two. fied in this letter. We cannot state at Comrade Blank's record is looking up. this moment just what we can do in regard to aiding our comrades of New subscription workers.

To help wherever our help is welcome and proves beneficial. That is our aim. We have no other. We are heartily glad of the compliment Comrade Dillon pays us in this letter: Albuquerque, N. M., Nov. 21, 1918. his record beaten we'd tell you. Well, we kind of hate to tell it to The Ohio Socialist

Comrade Peterson but of course we'll Peterson and Comrade Perry Shipman for the leather medal and when subs solve the mystery as to who was ahead. So we credited them with the seven for Comrade Shipman and forty-six for Comrade Peterson.

By the way, Comrade Shipman hails from Illinois. Now we know scription eye open, Comrade Peter-

LOCAL SECRETARIES, DID YOU MAIL THEM?

received from the State Office a num-ber of circular letters which they were asked to mail to their members. The question is, did you do so? We hope you did. Some secretaries have written that they had mailed them and expected good results therefrom. We know that good results will follow fore this issue reaches its readers every member of the party should have received another letter from their secretary in printed envelope. Good results will come of this letter also we believe.

Here is what Comrade Secretary Brown of Local Galion says of the first letter sent out: "The copies of the circular letter relative to the measures to be taken

to get rid of the body and soul destroying epidemic of capitalism is at hand and has been mailed to the members of our local branch of International Socialism.
"In and around Galion there are

fering by the epidemic of capitalism, but do not yet know the cause of

"However, I have a list of about five hundred persons who more or less clearly realize what ails them and their danger. Most of these have tried both the Democrat and Republican doctors and have found their medicines to be not only useless but nauseating. If, therefore, a Socialist doctor were now to pass their way pound of industrial organization, potical revolution and social co-operaion. At first they would take it in homeopathic, but later in allopathic

"Congratulating you upon the excellency of the circular, I am,
"Very cordially yors,
"WM. M. BROWN."

LOCAL MASSILLON GETS READY

The flu ban has been clamped on Massillon tighter than ever but a ertain degree of activity is kept up there in spite of that. Comrade Debs meeting there had to be cancelled, but Comrade Weltlich, local secretary, keeps the press stamp sales going. Seven yearlies were sent in this week.

wrote to us asking how and where he could join the Socialist Party and The comrades plan a great drive to get every member on our subscription list as quickly as meetings can be We satisfied his curiosity on these held. An organization drive will also be one of the first things undertaken, we are informed. It is planned to get points and have just received his ap-plication for perfection together with a year's duest and a year's subevery member in arrears to pay up and to start a movement which will Scription to the O.S.

There is a moral to this and here mean the gathering of many new re-There are hundreds, yes, there cruits. On with the work, comrades.

CINCINNATI IN THE

They are Socialists and they are hungry for real Socialist papers.
There are some, perhaps many, in your own town. They're on your own streets, in your own shop or mill or mine. They are Socialists and want to the last forty years, namely: the content of the last forty years, namely: the content of the last forty years, namely: the content of the last forty years, namely: Hubbard local is on the jump. Just to join the party and to serve the great, ignorant mass, moves slowly read this from a letter received from great cause that grows more glorious and has deaf ears for the message Comrade T. H. Dovies, secretary.

The accompanies beit (of fourteen that grows are compade makes a companies to get the party and more successful every day. All

On election day we expect to reap the results of our agitation carried n the year previous.

Hence we publish a concise leaflet aiming to animate the working class to study Socialism. Yet it was only the solid front of 3,000 votes, that we could muster.

The "immovable property" and the old slang: Let George do it! had much to do with the result. Now and then we hear remarks uttered by working men such as: The Socialists ought to do this or that. They expect the Socialists are able to

do wonders, while they themselves are the sleepy onlookers. Yet, we are convinced that Socialsm is the only salvation. Therefore Local Cincinnati will have an open forum lecture course, beginning on the first Sunday of Jan-uary, 1919; monthly entertainments euchre and dancing on Saturday evenings, to convince the younger com-rades and the new recruits that we

want work and play, each at the proper time.

But the most urgent and important

business is the re-organization of the ward branches.
The ban, the underhand work, and intimidation threatened the existence vanced position the Ohio Socialist of Local Cincinnati and we are of the opinion, if the State Office could afford to have an organizer stationed in Cincinnati for about two months it would be a paying proposition in the long run. So we will have no rest yet after the election, just the opposite, enduring work which will tax the abil-Mexico. This, however, is our motto: ity of all the comrades.

That means those who are willing to work. How many? Fraternally, OTTO RUCHTAESCHEL.

HAVE YOU ANY DEBS' Comrades: Seeing Kentucky's column in this week's issue reminded me

DEFENSE MONEY

Although the funds for command Debs' appeal to the Supreme Court there said that it would require too out the state realize that many other comrades are under indictment awaiting trial. Funds for the Debs' Defense or "any other indicted com-rade" continue to reach the State Of-Comrades realize that as long as there is one comrade known, or unknown, in need of assistance it is

our duty to help such a one.

The Workmen's Sick and Death
Benefit Fund, Branch 125 of Cincinnati, sent us \$41 this week. A number of other comrades and locals also remitted. The National Office has many cases on hand which will be defended with these funds. If your local still has funds collected for the ford it ourselves, we must go in with someone else. There is no other pa-Debs' Defense send them in at once.
A number of locals have remitted to the State Office the local's share of the Debs' Defense collections statper in the Socialist movement in the U.S. that appeals to me more than ing that the funds could be put to better use through the State Office than if used locally.

Socialists Rousing Into Action

A few days ago all local secretaries Party work being pushed by many locals as necessity for organization is seen

Not for months has the Socialist movement in this state shown such activity as in the past week. Comrades everywhere are reviewing their onslaughts against capitalism in a manner that proves the power of their comeback." Comrades everywhere are waisting no time in getting the party machinery in motion. Everywhere is felt the thrill of Socialist successes. Everywhere is felt the presence of the spirit of Internationalism that is sweeping across every land and clime. Workers are rising in invincible numbers to meet the dawn of the New Day.

Activities of various kinds have been inaugurated which show that we are fully alive to the needs of the present hour. From all parts of the state reports reach us of plans, some vague and others well defined and organoned, but all full of the same spirit and purpose that has meant the rise to power of our comrades of Europe. The proven power of our comrades there has inspired every member and filled them with renewed hope and determi-

We are now putting that inspiration into harness. We are putting our enthusiasm to work. We are responding to the call of our comrades of other lands. We are not to be left behind in the march to victory. Socialism in America must also assert its power and influence. The spirit of Socialist successes in Europe has quickened our movement and we too are marching on to the self same goal.

The Harvest Is Near

The disintegration of capitalism becomes more pronounced each day. The old system is crumbling and with its passing also departs many an heary and outgrown belief and settled conviction. Workers are being awakened from their stupid slumber and acquiesence in things as they are. Seized in the gigantic grip of world forces they are being shaken awake to the realities of life-and its possibilities. Thus forcibly loosed from their ancient moorings they are casting about mentally for their bearings-and finding them in the Socialist movement.

Beware—We Must Prepare!

The harvest is near. Soon, very soon, vast armies of workers will be arching toward the Socialist camp. They will come to us knowing and unknowing, experienced and inexperienced in class-warfare. There is danger ahead. If we are to retain the integrity and class-character of our party we must prepare now to educate this army of new recruits to our cause in the fundamentals of Socialism and the class-struggle. To not so prepare is to fail at the most critical moment. To do less is to meet with defeat. The safety of our movement lies in education and organization. These must be our watchwords. They are our sword and shield. They are our weapon's against our exploiters. In these lie our strength and our deliverence. To FOR ACTION make them sure and strong must be our purpose. For this we must

How You Can Help

We have told you of our plans to make Ohio hum with Socialist activity ies. We have told you of our plans for a great drive for new members, for the organization of many more locals and for the placing in the field of organizers, speakers and state wide distribution of educational literature. We have told you how necessary it was to have funds on hand for this great work. Our work must not be hampered by lack of funds.

So, again, we repeat how you may become a vital part of this great forward movement of Socialism. You can help furnish these needed funds paying your dues alread. Pay a whole year ahead. Pay now for 1919. Make your Internationalism count for something now. Celebrate your comrades victories in Europe by working for Socialism here and now. Greek

the New Year with a paid-in-advance-card—and a smile. PAY UP FOR 1919. LOCAL LORAIN MAR-SHALS ITS FORCES

Local Lorain is another local which sees the necessity of getting busy to mock out capitalism and is getting ts fighting paraphernalia in good order for a strong move against the enemy. Thus we are informed in a letter from Comrade Goll. Next meeting is set aside for the election of new local officials to serve for the next six months. A date for Comrade Debs is requested in January.

LIMA READY FOR ACTION

Local Lima is ready for work. This we gather from a communication from Secretary Blank. Comrade Blank applies for a Debs date, which he hinks will prove an awakening factor the local situation there. Comrade Blank states that hundreds of men have been laid off in the industrial plants due to the (war) peace! After helping to make the world safe for democracy they will now have to make t safe for the workers. A Debs meeting will help but it will be necessary for all comrades to get in and work

for the education of the workers. NORWOOD COMING BACK TO FIGHT

"We are coming back to life for a real fight. Send me 40 dues stamps," thus writes Comrade Ruemmele, localsecretary. This sounds good and is another straw showing that the party in Ohio is "coming back" good and strong. Now that the start has been and I hope to pick up some subs for made, may he turn to a pillar of mud you. Nat. Ex. Committeeman L. E. made, may he turn to a pillar of mud who looks back!

DEBS SUCCESSFUL AT TOLEDO

Reports from Toledo tell a story of a fine meeting for Debs on the 27th. The comrades were refused the hall they had engaged the day before the meeting was to take place, but by diplomacy the comrades se-cured a theater and got out new advertising and this with the advertising which the daily press gave in de-claring that "the meeting might be stopped by the government" provided a most successful meeting. Local To-ledo is looking far into the future in planning an aggressive campaign of propaganda and organization. Everywhere it is the same story of a strong revival of Socialism among workers.

PORTAGE COUNTY SAILING ALONG

A letter from Comrade C. G. Mc-Vay, secretary of Local Portage County, tells of more successes and activities. Local Portage County now has 61 members and they are all working like beavers for the success of the Debs' meeting on the 7th. The comrades have arranged a meeting for Shalersville, at which Comrade C E. Sheplin will be the principle speak-Comrade McVay sends in a list of eleven new readers and members.

Please send me The Ohio Socialist for the enclosed dollar. It is not only worth reading, but a real inspiration

RALLY AND BANQUET

For Returned Political Prisoners ACME HALL

2416 EAST 9th STREET CLEVELAND, DEC. 15th, 2:30 P.M.

Speakers:

Banquet

AT 6 P.M.

Ruthenberg, Wagenknecht and Others

A Welcome is Extended to All

OUT AGAIN AND AT IT!

Charles Baker, C. E. Ruthenberg and A. Wagenknecht were released from the Stark County Work House at 7:30 A. M., December 2. They were met at the prison gates by delegations of Socialists from Akron, Canton and | granted immediately by the registry office where marriage records are Cleveland, most conspicuous in which was our veteran comrade, Eugene V. kept, and said office shall deliver to both parties a certificate, testifying

A very invigorating and substantial breakfast was served the three released comrades and others at the home of Mrs. Hall, active worker in Local Canton. From there the comrades went to Akron to visit Margaret Prevey, who is at present convalescing from a bad cold. At the home of Comrade Prevey agents of the Department of Justice arrested Charles Baker, holding him to make his induction into the selective service army sure.



Chas. Baker, State Organizer for Socialist Party of Ohio, who was re-arrested at Akron for induction into army.



C. E. Ruthenberg ,Secretary and Organizer of the largest est in the United States.



A. Wagenknecht, State Sec'y.

Comrade Baker spent Monday night in the Summit county jail and was taken to Camp Sherman Tuesday morning. As demobilization is on, it is hoped that Baker's stay at Chillicothe will be brief. However, it is possible that he will be held until the military company he would have joined, had he not been jailed, is discharged. Comrade Baker's last words, when we left him in the office of the Department of Justice at Akron were: "Tell the comrades I expected to be inducted into the army and was on my way to Hamilton to do so, only having stopped to see our sick Comrade Prevey, before leaving for the southern part of the state. It will not be long now until I shall again find pleasure in the work to which I have given my life.

C. E. Ruthenberg and A. Wagenknecht left Akron for Cleveland Monday afternoon, where they again met as co-workers hundreds of party members who greeted them, made offerings of flowers and were over-joyed at their return.

Ruthenberg and Wagenknecht have again resumed their official duties, the former as Secretary of Local Cuyahoga County and the latter of Secretary of the Socialist Party of Ohio. To every member and sympathizer these released comrades send words of cheer. These are days of big events. The color of the entire European map seems to be changing from a mixture of black and yellow to a healthy, inspiring, heart-warming red. Smile! We are on the road to victory. To work!

RECONSTRUCTION IN **RUSSIA**

FROM CLASS STRUGGLE (Continued From Last Week).

MISCELLANEOUS

Ordinance of the People's Commissaire of Internal Affairs, Establishing a Workers' Militia. 1. All Soviets of Workers' and Soldiers' Delegates shall establish a

Workers' Militia. 2. The workers' militia shall be wholly and exclusively under the con-

trol of the Soviet of Workers' and Soldiers' Delegates. 3. Military and civil authorities are in duty bound to co-operate in the

arming of the workers' militia, and in supplying them with the technical aids, including also the delivery of government weapons.

4. This law is to go into force by telegraphic communication. Summary of a Decree Issued by the Council of People's Commissaires

MUNICIPALIZING REAL ESTATE Real Estate situated within the confines of a city and subject to the

collection of the city real estate tax, is municipalized. Supervision over houses is established, and is incumbent on the house

committees, under the direction of the housing commissions. The entire income from each property that yields more than 750 rubles

per month is immediately to be paid into the city treasury. Pay for the rent of quarters, and other forms of income from real

estate, is to be made to the house committees. The latter, after subtracting all expenses for management and upkeep, shall pay the balanc into the city

This law is to go into force at once.

Summary of a Series of Legal Measures for Proposed New Courts. Being Worked Out by Commissaire of Justice Stutchka.

A local court shall be organized with final jurisdiction applicable to justice in peace times, and with jurisdiction in suits involving not more than 3,000 rubles. Such local courts will be organized on the type of the present revolutionary courts in the Viborg districts.

In the future shall be undertaken the establishment of higher courts in place of district courts.

In all these courts chairmen shall be appointed by revolutionary organizations, and temporary members chosen on the basis of general election rules. For local courts these will be chosen by the whole population.

For higher courts, members shall be chosen by the population in the district. At first, the general election will be replaced by the election of judges as in the case of the Soviets of Workers' and Soldiers' Delegates.

Decree on Divorce Issued by the Council of People's Commissaires. 1. Divorce shall be granted upon application made by either party or both parties.

2. Divorce applications shall be filed with the local courts. When application is made by mutual consent of both parties divorce shall be

3. On the day set for the examination of the case the local judge shall summon both parties to appear in person or by attorney,

4. When the residence of one of the parties summoned to appear shall be unknown, notice of the application shall be delivered at the last known residence of the absent party or at the plaintiff's residence.

5. When the residence of the defendant shall be unknown, the date for the trial of the case shall be set not earlier than two months from the date of the publication of the summons in the local official paper-us

6. Having ascertained personally the bona fide character of the application filed either by one party, or by both parties, the judge shall render a divorce decree, of which he shall give both parties a certificate. He shall also file a copy of the decree in the office where divorce records shall be kept.

7. When divorce is granted to parties declaring mutual consent the two parties shall file a statement declaring the names by which they and their children, if any, shall be known in the future, When divorce is granted upon application by one party only, the divorced parties shall provided they agree thereto, bear the names they bore before contracting marriage, and the judge shall decide what name the children shall bear. In case of disagreement, the final decision shall rest with the local jury.

8. When the divorced parties agree thereto, the judge shall, upon issuing the divorce decree, state which of the parties shall receive the guardianship over the minor children, and which shall bear the expense of their support and education and also the amount of alimony, if any, which the

divorced husband shall pay to the divorced wife. 9. If the parties fail to agree thereto, the local jury shall decide what sums the divorced husband shall contribute toward the support of his divorced wife, when said divorced wife has no personal property or is unable to earn a livelihood; also which of the parties shall be appointed guardian of the minor children. Until an agreement has been reached, or a decision ren- briola. Usually it is some property dered by the jury, the local judge shall issue a provisional order stating the or class interest. amount of support due by the divorced husband to the divorced wife and her

10. Local juries shall render decisions as to the validation of unlawful or nonconsummated marriages.

11. The present decree shall be applicable to every citizen of the Rus-

sian republic, regardless of the faith which he shall profess. 12. All the religious organizations, orthodox and otherwise, and all the it is their social life which determine constituted bodies hitherto competent to pass upon divorce applications, are hereby ordered to turn over to the relevant local court a complete record of all the divorces they have granted and of all the applications they have been considering. Persons having filed applications under the former statute are not allowed to file a new application under the present statute; neither shall the publications of summons provided for in paragraphs 4 and 5 be required veniences all homes ought to have. if publication was made under the former statute.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

Ordinance Issued by the Council of People's Commissaires, Concerning Unemployment Insurance.

1. The jurisdiction of this ordinance extends over all the territory of the Russian Republic and over all persons without distinction of sex, age, faith, nationality or race, working for pay in any branch of industry, such as: factories and shops, mines, transportation, small trade, construction, commerce, agriculture, forestry, fishery, domestic industry, private service,

All persons working for pay are subject to insurance in case of unemployment, without regard to th character or length of their employment, or to the nature of the employer, whether a government, private, or social institution or a private individual.

2. To persons occupying the highest positions in enterprises (such as managers, administrators, engineers, jurists, etc.), as well as to persons practicing the liberal professions, this ordinance shall not apply if their regular earnings are more than thrice the average worker's pay in the given locality, as determined by the local or provincial Soviets of Trade Organiza-

Unemployment in the sense of the present ordinance is understood mean the condition of any person capable of performing work, whose chief burce of sustenance is work for pay, and who cannot and work at the rate of compensation fixed by the Trade Organization concerned, and who is registered with the Labor Exchanges or Trade Organizations.

Special Note.—Persons deprived of gainful occupation because of lockouts, shall be considered unemployed.

4. The following persons shall not be considered unemployed in the sense of this ordinance: (a) Those deprived of work but not losing their earnings; (b) thise deprived of earnings because of strikes, during the dura-

Special Note.—After the introduction of a uniform progressive tax on pensation or a lengthening of the working day do not deprive the persons insured of the right to receive assistance from the unemployment funds.

5. The amount, and the duration of unemployment shall be determined by the Unemployment Funds and audited by the local Labor Exchanges and Trade Organizations.

6. The means for assuring to the insured their insurance allotments shall be raised from payments by the employers.

7. These payments shall be made by the employers to the Unemployment Funds and shall together constitute a single All-Russian Unemployment

8. The All-Russian Unemployment Fund shall be housed, safe-guarded, and disbursed in accordance with rules drawn up by the Insurance Soviet. 9. The size of the payments made by employers to the Unemployment Fund shall be determined in a fixed percentage of the total payroll, and shall be fixed at a uniform figure for all Russia, not cless than three per cent. according to data presented by the All-Russian Soviet of Trade Organizations. The minimum contributions to be made by employers for seasonal work-

ers shall be five per cent. of the total pay. Special Nate.—After the introduction of a uniform progressive tax on capital, income, and inheritance, it will be incumbent upon the government to

pay a portion of the contributions of the enterpreneurs for the insurance of the unemployed, out of this tax. 10. On the decision of the Fund Committee, instead of calculating the

amount of the payment on the basis of a percentage of the earnings of each single member, payments in bulk may be inaugurated.

11. The payments shall be made to the Funds by the employers at weekly intervals, on pay-day. Sums not paid at the time indicated shall be collected from the employers by order of the Commissaire of Labor, in accordance with rules drawn up for the collection of undisputed government demands (see Laws, Vol. XVI, Pt. 2, Ordin. Collection Undisputed, ed. of 1910, p. 2), in addition to which there shall be collected from the employer a fine, for the benefit of the Unemployment Fund, amounting to ten per cent. a month on the sum remaining unpaid during that period, fractional parts of a month being recorded as full months.

12. Obligations of Employers to the Unemployment Fund:

(a) To report within three days the name of every person entering or leaving their employ; (b) to furnish detailed reports, on forms prepared by the Insurance Soviet, on the work done in their establishments, on the sum paid as wages to each and every person separately, on each receipt, weekly, from the day of pay; (c) to keep books and records covering the above information; and (d) to submit to the persons empowered to carry on this work, by the committees of the fund, in corroboration of the above data, the necessary documents, checks, books and records.

13. Earnings or expenditures in the sense of this ordinance shall cover: (a) The sum earned in the course of a year or of another interval of time, in the form of salary or wages, including also overtime pay (without regard to the form of compensation: day-wages, monthly salary, piece-work,

etc.); and (b) The cost of the natural (physical) supplies during the same period (rent, fuel, etc.), if such are at the disposal of the employer: in this connection, the cost of supplies, etc., to be figured at actual cost; the cost of supplies in kind to be fixed within indicated limits by the Office for Workers' Insurance Matters on the date of the local Trade Organization or their collective organization.

In the amount of the carnings is to be included also the share of each person in the profits.

14. Assistance will be given to unemployed to the full amount of their earnings, but not more than the average daily pay for the given locality. Special Note.—The average earnings for a given locality shall be determined by the local or provincial Soviets of Trade Organizations.

15. Unemployment covering from one to three days shall not receive any compensation. Unemployment covering more than three days shall receive compensation from the first day of unemployment.

16. In the case the unemployed individual is ill, the Unemployment Fund will grant him financial aid and free medical assistance, according to the practice of the Sick Fund, and in co-operation with them.

17. Unemployment Funds shall be established for cities as a whole, in the cities, and for counties as a whole, in the county.

Gleanings

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

"Progress is the law of life. Man is not man as vet.'

Capital is not men or money or land or machinery or credit. What is it

Property is not men or money or land or machinery or credit. What

Both capital and property are defi-nite social relationships. If you do not thoroughly understand this, bring the matter up at your next local meeting and discuss it. No local? Then uild one. Begin now.

"The are of management is not inherent in people. It has to be gained by experience."—Lenin.

Socialist locals may become the nuleus for the American Soviets.

Political views are opinions held by people as to how people should be controlled, for their own or somebody else's benefit, and by whom controlled. themselves or others.

"Every rule of law, the customary the authoritative, or the judicial is a defense of a definite interest."-La-

"It is not because he is a leader of try because he is a capitalist."—Marx.

"It is not men's consciousness that's determines their life; on the contrary this consciousness."-Marx. This explains the reason why all plute editors lie about the Russian Bolsheviks.

There are many houses in America, but few homes which contain the con-

Poverty keeps knowledge from the minds of the masses. There is ample knowledge in existence. If this knowledge could get into the minds of the masses poverty could be elim-inated. The Socialists, the Industrial Unionists, the Bolsheviks-these are the only people who are striving to eliminate poverty and these are the people who are being persecuted by the newspapers and the government et-well-enough-alone school.

The so-called lower classes have the same amount of native intelligence as the upper classes. The difference can be accounted for by the fact that the upper classes had leisure to study, means to buy books and physical energy to apply to them. The lower classes have to spend their physical energy working for a master in order

Genius is the ability to respond to the suggestions of experience.

Tools, technique, have Tools, technique, have meant so much in the development of man that he names of the materials out of which tools are made have been given to the three great epochs of human existence—the stone age, the bronze age, the iron age.

What a crime it is that technique which is one word standing for tools and power and all else man uses in his work, including mental and manual training and skill-does not form with which the childish mind is now crammed.

The climb from savagery through parbarism to civilization was on a adder of man's own making-the ladler of technique. We should learn of the rise of man, not the fall of Adam.

The epitaph for most humans under the wages-system. Here lies an honest Dubb who led a stunted and uninished life and died an untimely

wages," newspaper headline credited to Ralph Van Vitchen vice president of a Chicago Bank. Workers will undoubtedly get lower wages—but will they like a condition where, "When you've worked a week you owe the

boss for all the work you've done?" Wherever tyranny exists it is met

The label Mrs. or Miss in front of a voman's name is an advertizing label stating whether or not they are still in the market. Marriage market—of course.

Standpatters are the guardians of things gone by. Socialists are the heralds of things to come.

What is the difference between the Socialists and the Bolsheviks? There are many kinds of Socialists, ranging relatives. (Yes, I say close relatives; all the way from the respectable, king fauning, administration cringing Spargoes, Simmons and Koeplins to the industrialists who are in the penitentiary because they advocated one er. They are now in terrible agony, big union. There is the Sentimental wounded and bleeding. Unfortunate-Socialist and the Scientific Socialist.

who understand Marx. The Bolsheviki are Socialists who ever ask this question? understand both Henry Dubb and you have often heard the "naked Karl Marx. They are Socialists who act as well as talk. They are the Industrial Socialists who, in Russia, are known as the "naked truth." While

No state ever existed to realize ill abuse. rightcourness. The state exists to Once, lo prevent the propertyless from taking a short cut to equality.

community is a community of cow-

Kings claim the divine right to rule. This brings a counter claim, the "divine right" of the masses to revolt.

The invasion of Russia by Germany was an international crime. have claimed to be fighting for Democracy. The Russian people have a REAL democracy—Soviet rule—rule by the majority of the people. Must we now fight this real democracy?

The Bolsheviks have translated the the newspapers and the government fine phrases about Democracy such as officials who are standpatters of the abound so plentifully on the tongues of our bourgeoisie speakers, into ACTS which have builded a genuine Democracy—a "government of, for, and by the people" in the interests of the people. If you will notice carefully, those who most fear the spread of Bolshevism are not working people but people who live by robbing the toiler. THEY may well fear the spread of Bolshevism, but you should

> You who work for a living should never be influenced by the opinions of those who live by owning your

You don't own your job, you only have the loan of it and the firm that owns your job owns your labor-power. Do not let them own your head.

Russia used to send political offenders to Siberia for long prison sentences. In those days Siberia was to the westward of the Pacific ocean Judging by the wholsesale sentencing of working people to ten and twenty ual training and skill—does not form year prison sentences because they the basis for study in Sunday Schools held political or industrial opinions instead of the senseless pagan lies not in harmony with the opinions of our imperialistic czars of industry and politics one would infer that Siberia is now located east of the Pacific

> Officer: "This man seems to have deas in his head.' Judge (yawning): "Twenty years." -Made in U. S. A.

The ideas of this age must conform to the ideas of the ruling class and the courts have taken it upon themselves to see that they do. Result. Penitentiaries full of the best brains

"Workers must be educated to lower in the country.

18. The Unemployment Funds may organize into Unions and may operate in alliance with one another as well as with other organizations and institutions.

19. Unemployment Funds may in their own name acquire property, with property rights and other title to moveable possessions, and undertake obligations, as well as the prosecution and defense of litigation.

20. The business of the fund shall be administered by the Fund Committee, consisting of representatives of the Trade Organizations, the Factory and Works Committees, and the Sick Funds, all three having an equal number of representatives.

The number of representatives shall be determined by mutual agreement of these organizations.

21. The Fund Committee shall oppoint from its own number: (a) an Executive Committee; (b) an Auditing Committee. Special Note.—After the introduction of permanent forms of insurance

and the formation of universal insurance funds, the direction of the affairs of the Unemployment Fund shall pass into the hands of the latter for 22. The decisions of the Unemployment Fund Committee, in accordance with this Ordinance, may be contested in the Insurance Office within a

period of two weeks, and the decisions of the Office similarly within two weeks before the Insurance Soviet. Such protest shall not delay the enforce-23. Previous to the reorganization of the Insurance Offices and Soviet on the basis of a predominant representation from the workers, the functions

of the Offices and Soviet in the terms of this Ordinance shall be incumbent on the Local and Central Committees for matters of Unemployment Insur-24. Local (and provincial) Committees for Matters of Unemployment Insurance shall be formed at the Insurance Offices and shall consist of 21

persons; 5 representatives from the Trade Organizations or groups of such organizations, 5 from the Factory and Works Committees, 4 from the Sick Fund. 1 from the Labor Commissariat of Commerce and Industry, 2 from the city administration and 1 from the zemstvo administration. 25. The Central Committee for Unemployment Insurance shall be

formed under the Insurance Soviet and consist of 27 persons; of these, 18 shall be representatives of the All-Russian Trade Organization Soviet, of the Central Soviet of Factory and Works Committees, and Workers' Insurance Groups under the Insurance Soviet, all represented in equal number, 2 from the Labor Commission, 1 from the Commissariat of Commerce and Industry, 1 from the zemstvo administration, 1 from the city administrations, and 4 from the entrepreneurs.

26. The preparatory work for the initial establishment of the Unemployment Fund shall devolve upon the local soviets of Trade Organizations, the Factory and Works Committees and the Sick Funds.

27. In case the organization provided for in paragraph 25 should not accomplish, within a period of one month, the establishment of Unemployment Funds, such shall be established by order of the Labor Commissaires,

28. Infractions of the above shall be punished by a sentence of one vear's imprisonment.

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Truth — Justice

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The English language is endowed nearly a synonymous meaning. These two words are "Truth and Justice." If they were placed on a balance, they would be found to weigh the same or so nearly so that the difference would be imperceptable. counterbalances the other and both

are dependent on each other. We hear Truth and Justice spoken of so often that we do not question their exact meaning. They are uni-versally used. Possibly even the African heathens employ them in their language. They are said to express the innermost souls of man and nature. In them we should find most noble thoughts and sentiments and actions—thoughts and actions which should radiate and sparkle from their brilliant, pure light.

We should study, we should learn and we should bear continuously in below I will endeavor to show why they are such close relatives). We should not misuse, we should not suppress Truth and Justice any longly, they have been, as fate has willed There is the Socialist who under-stands Henry Dubb and the Socialists repeatedly insulted and cast away to wither and perish. Why? Do you truth." Then perhaps it would be wise "It is not because he is a leader of industry that a man is a capitalist; on the contrary he is a leader of industrial Republic."

The state of the argument o

Once, long, long ago, in a small town of Japan, they had an unbear-able hot spell and every one sought a The basis of religion is Fear—Fear of helndamnation—and a religious small lake where the poorer class congregated and bathed together. It was to that body of water that several young ladies went. Among them were two win sisters; "Truth and Jus-

tice.' While they were bathing some mischievous youngster purloined two suits of clothes. When the young ladies were through bothing and started to dress they were dismayed to find that the two suits stolen belonged to Truth and Justice. They looked and searched, but all in vain. Finally they gave up the search as a hopeless one. The others expressed their sympathies and regrets to the

two poor maidens and departed. Truth and Justice were left alonenaked. Still, they could not remain there indefinitely, so, after some meditation, they decided to return home when dark and selected the side streets and dark ways so as to avoid he eyes of those who might still be

Darkness came, and they started for home without clothes. Incidentally, a town gossip happened at that very moment to be out also and dis-covered the two unfortunate girls. That was sufficient. The cat was out of the bag! She spread the news as if by magic; in an instant the whole neighborhood had thronged to see what disastrous calamity had befallen. They were soon aware of the "bare facts. Circumstantial evidence was sufficient condemn Truth and Justice. They were—without further judgment—found guilty and sentenced as audacious prostitutes, etc., and vile epithets and refuse were thrown quite abundantly at them. The final verdict was that the two culprits be forced to remain naked. This was done after a careful investigation by competent judges. Their nakedness however, was a mark that they should be proud of themselves, and to dis-play their beautiful bodies to prove

that they had been sentenced wrong-Still, now and then has surged out a skeptic, ragged-trousered philan-thropist and savior of society, who frequently manages to imprison them at the slightest offense. This offense, however, may be framed up or made to order; anything is valid; whatever is attempted to put an end to the two brave heroines is quickly sanctioned by the leading citizens.

So since that day, wherever they have roamed, they have never found a home. For their earnest begging, for their strength of character and for their courage to insist for recognation in society, despite their nudity, they have and are being maltreated, chained and thrown behind prison bars, with the gallows in sight of them displaying its hideous noose.

Whenever they manage to escape, all the hounds of pious profibeers are turned loose to bring them back to be trampled upon and again placed in captivity, where their cries are uneard in prison walls.

Now, then, must these two innocent beings die with their prayer un-answered? Must they be the victims of "Mammon?"

If not death, must they be forced to live the life of deaf, dumb and blind when all their senses were given them by the same great Father of all? Must their pleading be ignored? Or shall they be freed and encouraged to become once more the beautiful models of the work of God, and permitted to display their perfect and beautiful physiques to lovers of Truth and Justice? If so, then let us not linger, let us not hesitate, let us not sleep any longer, let us prove to Voltaire that we are not slaves who revere our chains any longer! free ourselves, let us break the chains of ignorance which have bound us for

centuries. The time has come to gain the "You have but your chains to lose and a world to gain!" said Marx. The world was made for its inhabitants. Each and all are entitled to an equal share. Every one should be given, every one should take, the opportunity to see and admire the orks of mother nature in all her

splendor and beauty.
God has never ordained any individual or a group of individuals to hoard up, to fence in His vast areas. The mountains, the streams, the valleys, the mines and their diamonds are ours. They belong to all of us by divine right. But unless we go after them they will never come to us, be cause God hath said that He would

help them who help themselves. Before these things can be accomplished we must learn how. The only ones who possess the knowledge, the plans and the keys of obtaining these beautiful things are now suppressed and imprisoned, so come, let us begin now to liberate Truth and Justice and help bring peace on earth, good will to men!—Rock Island Tri-City Weekly Labor Review