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## "Yours for the Revolution"

"Hold fast! Europe is breaking up; the social revolution is at hand!" said the Soviet leaders to the Russian proletariat just one year ago.

The bourgeois world sneered at their "rhetoric." Within the past five days the New York Times held up to ridicule the Russian newspapers which interpreted the events accumulating in central Europe as proof that the upheaval was at hand. Today the Times itself proclaims to the American

"Austria-Hungary Swept by Revolution." "Workmen's and Soldiers' Councils Control Vienna and Budapest." "Count Tisza (notorious Imperialist) Slain by Soldier in Streets of Vienna." "Extremists Seize Power in Dual Monarchy." "Kaiser Plans Abdication as Red Mobs Stone Imperial

With what grim satisfaction might the Soviet prophets read in all the catchers, who took it upon themselves liberty-hating American newspapers the current news from central Europe: to ferret out so-called "enemies" of "Socialist Leader Renner heads provisional government of Austria. Victor Adler to be new Foreign Minister." And in the notorious Vossische Zeitung of Berlin that "a provisional workmen's and soldiers' council has been the regulations and rules governing tormed in Berlin's that hordes of Austrian soldiers are attractions to the department of justice must unformed in Berlin's that hordes of Austrian soldiers are attractions to the department of justice must unformed in Berlin's that hordes of Austrian soldiers are attractions to the department of justice must unformed in Berlin's that hordes of Austrian soldiers are attractions.

the battle front, bearing red flags and shouting, "Down with the monarchy." Nor would Lenine in any way be surprised were he to read in a Washington newspaper, as we have done, the significant lines: "Possibility that Allied troops will have to go into Austria and establish order there was seen

And the end is not yet. Forty thousand German troops in the Ukraine, we read, have shot their officers and raised the red flag of Socialist Russia. They have heard at last the re-echoing voice of the prophet Marx: "Workers of the world, unite; you have nothing to lose but your chains; you have a

While the pillars of an epoch crash to earth, the wise men of a dead era sit in solemn conclave over their plans for a conventional reconstruction. They cannot read the handwriting on the wall. There is none to read. The

"Yours for the Revolution," is a wish come true for 250,000,000 men and women in Europe.

# May Call International Kentucky Socialists Socialist Convention (Special to Ohio Socialist) Louisville, Ky., Nov. 29, 1918.— State Executive Committee, Socialist

Party of Kentucky, met in called session tonight with the following members present: Rassmussen, Bossemer,

Goodman, Stevens. The latter elected

chairman. Letter read from the State

Secretary saying the State Office had taken up with the officials of the Socialist Party of Ohio and the National Office, the proposal to have State Office work of the Socialist Party of Kentucky handled through the office of the Socialist Party of Ohio. Members of S. F. C. victing in favor of the Socialist Party of Ohio.

locals of Kentucky.

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or township. And it is squarely up to you and your local to do the intro-

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CIRCULATION—that's what a Socialist paper MUST HAVE if it is

The French elections will be strong-

month. It is declared the Clemenceau

Preparations are under way to call an international Socialist convention in Brussels at the time the peace con-ference is in session in Versailles, L'Humanite, French Socialist paper,

### Brains, Goods and Good Men

By W. E. REYNOLDS Once in the long ago the man who had the most goods was the good man and it is so considered even yet!
In the early days the man who was the strongest had the most goods. He had the power to take them and he took them. His might made it right and all the rest of the tribe would executive Committeeman Dan Hogan, agree that it was right for the mighty specific to be the conditional executive Committeeman Dan Hogan.

The invention of gunpawder the party organization of Kentucky changed all that. A little man can with a State Secretary and State Expull a trigger as quickly or quicker ecutive Committee, but all due stamp Then they moved | correspondence and work of organizaupstairs and said it was wrong for the strong man physically to take tary of Ohio. Also Ohio State Office from his weaker brother ('cause the weaker brother had a gun) but it was of Kentucky and to route speakers Texas Panhandle. right for the strong man mentally to take the goods—and that is as far as and do whatever is possible to help build up the party in Kentucky. we have progressed in Social intelli-

Today, the press, the pulpit, the platform and the people all parrot the untruth "Brains," "Brains." "He has the brains." "Brains get the goods."

The simple truth of the matter is that our brainy men are notoriously ill-rewarded. Our rewards go to the uncless and cheets. Possession of some crooks and cheats. Possession of so-cial necessities enables the possessor to rob the rest of the race.

It is not brains but possession that Rockefeller has a billion times more wealth than the average American, but is not a billion times brainier

than the average American. The doctrine that brains goods is obsolete and should be relegated to the attic along with the divine-right-of-kings, and other outdoctrines which obstructed

the achievements of the race. Act of Virginia in 1786 (approved by U. S. Supreme Court)—To suffer the old system of representation, inthe civil magistrate to intrude his stead of the proportional representation the field of opinion and ton demanded by the Socialists.

The French election will not be held to the proportional representation of principles. ciples on supposition of their ill tenduntil after demobilization is comency, is a dangerous fallacy, which destroys all liberty.

This may mean months of delay.

DLE BRIGADE.

# Gregory Flays **Self-Appointed** Spy Catchers Attorney General Complains of Inter-

ference by Irresponsibles Who Ferret Out Enemies.

Washington.—In his annual report o the department of justice, Attorne Gregory condemned the of "self-appointed" spy this country.

formed in Berlin'; that hordes of Austrian soldiers are streaming back from dergo radical changes.

The bettle from begging red flags and shouting "Down with the monarchy."

The department faced a huge task during the last eighteen months and was hampered in conducting its work efficiently by the vagueness of the laws and the interference of the self-

appointed spy chasers.

The work of the department, continues Gregory, was greatly handi-capped by the "general language and indefiniteness of laws to determine, among hundreds of items, the dividing line between honest criticism and insidious and malicious propaganda directed at hampering the nation in its war work."

The attorney general also declared that membership in any organization, such as the Socialist Party or the I. W. W., did not give in itself reason for prosecution. Such prosecution, argued Gregory, is persecution, and should not be tolerated.

He also said in his statement that

many labor agitators and union lead-Want to Merge ers were prosecuted because they were responsible for threatened labor strikes.

An increasing number of cases of justice to itinerant workers is coming before the department. In order to avoid embarrassment, the department has issued orders that espionage cases should not go first to the grand jury, but should be sent to officials here to be reviewed and found if prosecution is necessary and just.

# A Comrade Calls From Prison

bers of S. E. C. voting in favor of same were Rasmussen, Stevens, Bos-semer; not voting, Goodman. Motion Amarillo, Tex., Nov. 23, 1918. The Ohio Socialist, Greetings. Dear Comrades: Dear Comrades:

From my far away southern prison cell; I give you greeting. I am a stranger in a strange land. I came here last October from the Pacific coast—hoping that the yearm, dry,

> ficial for my health. I am a public school teacher of about fifteen years' service. long years and hard work had broken me and I was drifting toward pulmonary trouble. That is why chose the southern school, over on the

Very unfortunately for me, I bear involved in a foolish little Texas By this letter, I ask all liberty-lovbuild up the party in Kentucky. State Executive Committee of Kencame involved in a foolish little Texas love affair, in which the soldier lover fancied that I had influenced his school girl sweetheart not to become They let those in authority know that tucky to be kept posted on all work school girl sweetheart not to become his "war bride." The quickest and he has friends somewhere in the world done by copy of minutes of S. E. C. of Ohio and make such recommendaof Ohio and make such recommendations from time to time as they think of value, or which may be suggested or recommended by members and loyalty," and this he did, so that his bravely. I shall answer all the letters field should be cleared of my presumed I receive—through the paper, if no

This plan is approved by your State Executive Committee and asks that locals at once move for a referendum to vote on the adoption of same. This plan to be tried out for one year. was set at \$10,000, which to me, a be my appointed task then I hope that stranger in a strange land, was impossible. My friends were all thousands signment. The flame at my window Approved, Fred E. Stevens, Chairman S. E. C. of miles away and the bond must be given "within the jurisdiction of

French Elections face. Only strange men who seemed only to wish to punish me because there was no one to forbid them.

ly influenced by the success of the British Labor party in the coming The solid wooden door never opened save at "feeding time" when the "trusty" brought in a tin pan of beans and a chunk of dry bread and set them on the floor for me. They fed at 9:30 a. m. and at 3:30 p. m. I could not even get a cooling drink at any other hour. The sun made the stone floor so hot that when I poured water on to cool it off it steamed like the top of a hot stove. And from this earth. inferno there was not an hour's respite! It almost drove me insane. could write a book about this awful experience, but time and space bid me

to wield any influence. To get circulation the OHIO SOCIALIST must hurry on. I was tried in Federal Court on Oct. 16. Little ignorant country girls receive an introduction to the working men and women who live in your city were their witnesses. They said what they were told to say. Nothing they Therefore, we say—JOIN THE BUNDLE BRIGADE. Why not bring brought as "evidence" sounded within the question before your local at its next meeting? Induce your local to a thousand miles of anything I ever

purchase a bundle every week—either to sell or for free distribution. Fixen the Even the complaining witness could And if you feel as if conscience ought to be appeased because of the fact tell nothing but the stereotyped that you have rested upon your oars much too long, then subscribe for a phrase they had drilled into him. After the verdict was rendered, one of the jurymen told my local attorney Our BUNDLE BRIGADE is growing. Comrade Dillon, State Secretary that. "the jury didn't really believe that Mrs. Foreman had said the things they accused her of saying, but," he added, "you know she is one of those radical Socialists and we just thought Jenkins of Salem, C. Bostellar of Grand Rapids, Mich., are both "bundled" we'd better lock her up until after each week, and Wm. M. Brown of Galion has a great time shoving 100 OHIO the war." (And is this what the Espionage Act is for?) Then I was sentenced to five years

at McAlester prison, in McAlester, THING. And one of the best things you can do is to show others the road to Okla. Socialism by introducing the OHIO SOCIALIST to them. JOIN THE BUN-Of course we have appealed to the

ing men and women to write to me.

out here on life's frontier is burning brightly, fed by the very life of me. I could have plead "guilty" and re-For two long, dreary months, I was ceived a lighter sentence, but I was though prison doors might never again swing outward for me.

felon's cell. Across the intervening miles I give

you greeting. Expectantly I await your coming. I serve our common cause as befits a true comrade in the revolution of thought and action that

Loyally yours, from the Bastile, FLORA I. FOREMAN. Box 398, McAlester, Okla.

# London, Dec. 5.—This was nomina-

tion day for candidates for parlia-A feature of the nominations was the large number of unopposed re-

Thus, out of 707 members to be elected to the new parliament, 104 the expressmen are withdrawing from already have been returned—41 the A. F. of L. and coming into the Coalition Unionists, 28 Coalition Lib-National Association. erals, 11 Laborites, 22 Sinn Feiners 1 Nationalist and 1 Independent. Sixteen women, including Christabel Pankhurst, have been nominated as candidates for parliament in the gen-

The Labor party has put up 350 candidates, which is the biggest effort made in its history.

Wendell Phillips-The community which dares not protect its humblest higher court, but it costs so much and we are trying to raise the funds necopinions is only a gang of slaves.

# We Want to Talk to You a Minute

AND HERE'S WHAT WE'VE GOT TO SAY. The year 1919 is just around the corner. Suppose we all agree to greet it with a clear conscience. What do you say? Are you with us?
HERE'S THE IDEA. It's a GREAT idea! We

think so much of it that we intend acting upon it ourselves. And we feel assured, positively assured, that every beadr of the OHIO SOCIALIST will join us.

LET'S START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT There's but one way to start the New Year right, and that is by starting some one you know on the if Mr. John Sawken knows it! He will road to becoming a Socialist. There is just one best very soon convince any one that all many times previously, in fact had though the armies and navies of the been registered by the A. P. L.'s on way to io that and that is to put your hand into your allies and the central powers are swiftly demobilizing and that though president Wilson is in Europe to attend the peace conference and to sign ative, friend, shopmate or neighbor.

TAKE THIS SERIOUSLY—PLEASE

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THE ONIO SOCIALIST R. D. 2, Brecksville, Ohio I have decided to start the New Year right by presenting an PHIO SOCIALIST subscription to

essary. We must hurry too-or Ga-New Expressmen's Union Winning (Special to Ohio Socialist)

Reports from various parts Ohio indicate that the National Association of Expressmen, with headwithout an hour's warning I was arrested and thrown into jiail. Bond only stand and wait." If waiting is to be my appointed task then I hope that the wool over the eyes of their employed by promoting a company or ployes by promoting a company organization called the Brotherhood of American Railway Employes, with headquarters in Chicago, Ill. The A. F. of L. is in the field also trying to held non-communicado, in solitary not guilty of their charge and I could Railway Clerks and International confinement. I never saw a woman's not swallow their ready-made lies, Teamsters. The A. F. of L. is redivide the expressmen between the fusing the expressmen a separate charter. Reports show that the Before this reaches you I shall be Brotherhood of Trainmen are backing committed to the prison at McAlester. the National Association and the two I hope that you may call me soon to organizations are working hand in come forth from the living death of a hand, on account of so many baggagemen being joint expressmen, holding membership in the B. of R. T. One big union of all classes of express em-ployes is the kind of union the National Association is trying to orrevolution of thought and action that ganize. M. L. Clawsen attorney of the National Association, reports that earth.

Levelly, young from the Reatile. diction fight, that the A. F. of L., B. R. C., the Independent Teamsters of Chicago and the National Association members got together in Washington English Elections and won out before the railroad commission, which will grant increased wages, ranging from 25 to 40 per cent. as soon as sufficient organization has been brought about throughout the United States. The National Association report 25,000 members, and 20 states with organizations, and in Portland, Ore., and Seattle, Wash.,

### Thoughts of Soldiers Well Guarded

Every few weeks we are informed of a new list of books which Secretary of War Baker has decided are not fit for our brave lads in the trenches to read. One would almost think that a man big enough and brave enough to face the German bullets and poison gas was capable of picking his own reading matter. But t seems not. We find that there are quite a few books that might so react upon the minds of our soldiers as to unfit them for warfare. We suppose it's the same with soldiers as it is with bull dogs. They need raw meat if they're to make good fighters.

But somehow or other we imagine that if we were a soldier we'd be just cussed enough to watch our chance and devour the forbidden fruit at the first opportunity. We like to know the why of things and we'd not rest until we had discovered why the listed books were put under the ban.-Read-

# AN AMERICAN KNIGHT'S TALE

"John Sawken, special agent of the department of justice, caused trouble at the meeting by his refusal to pay 25 cents admission to hear Eastman and his wife lecture."-Cleveland Sunday News-Leader, Dec. 8th.

If any believe the war to be over let them hasten to Cleveland and in-terview Mr. John Sawken, of the department of justice. Mr. Sawken will quickly eradicate any such delusions. No. indeed, the war is not over, not the treaties, the American people are still under the rule and beneath the thumbs of the American Knights, beg

The presence of Mr. John Sawken surrounded-get that-surrounded by able assistants at the Max Eastman meeting at Acme hall, Cleveland, Dec. was typical of many Socialist and radical group meetings of the past year and more, in that where was peace and order before trouble imme-

diately followed in their wake. The presence of Mr. John Sawken and his agents became known to the gathering audience by their refusal to pay admission. This was in violation of the law as was proven at the Kate O'Hare meeting the following day when the doorkeeper confronted Mr. paying 25 cents admission. In other words the law enforcers broke the law at the Eastman meeting and those who endeavored to enforce the law were persecuted for doing so and were thrown in a filthy jail because they were law abiding citizens.

Apparently Mr. John Sawken and his assistants found entirely too little opposition to their law breaking. Having broken the law and found it easy, their criminal instincts were aroused and their abnormal appetites were whetted for more. Having not found trouble awaiting them they proceeded

to create it.
Accusations of evading the payment
of war tax were hurled at organizer
Walter Bronstrup and sominiteally be tolerated. They insisted on doing all the talking. Answers to accusations were met with threats of closing the meeting and a night and day in jail. The preposterous idea of an-

swering a direct question was met with a stern demand to "stop van-ing." Not to do so was perhaps not in violation of the espionage law but at least in violent outrage against the Mighty Presence of Mr. John Sawken. Thus when Carl Hacker asked Mr. Sawken if he wanted to take the war tax with him the dignity of Mr. Sawken received its death blow and reprisals were in order. "Where's yeur registration card," Hacker had left it at home Sawken. but since he had met Mr. Sawken 23 occasions, the lack of a registration card would seem an inconsequential matter. "Take him along," was the

order given and executed.

Men and women crowded about to see and hear by what legerdemain the world is made safe for democracy. A woman speaks of her house being searched by four department of justice agents. "That may be so," of justice agents. ican Protector, with emphasisspecial emphasis upon the I. In fact it is our belief that the agent is especially fond of the pronoun I and by long use has cultivated an atmosphere with which he surrounds it. It has become a vital part of his mental and spiritual being. The "I" rolled off his tongue as though he were loath to part with it and would add to its significance by giving it a tone which bore with it a threat dire and awful intended to strike terror to the hearts of his listeners. In short the kaiser at the height of his glory and in the sublimated delirium of his pipe dreams never had anything on this rare bird. this prize hawk of Mr. John Sawken.

Here was where we fell in. why not talk about it? There are still a few things we can talk about. Fatal delusion! Nothing doing. Our registration card is demanded and produced. Yep, thought we, here's where we are prompt. Our little green card is snugly tucked away in our little red dues book, where it would always be safe and handy. We were quite certain we had even Mr. "I" on the hip. Not much. Mr. "I" gazes the hip. Not much. Mr. with great intent upon the innocent card as though he were making the for the first time. Twe are sure Mr. "I" is under 45). Impatience is our besetting sin. It often leads us into error. It again proved our downfall "Can't you lead it," we ask, and pequal tranding about 1884.

be taught to respect the officers if not the law. Mr. "I" can't stand the gaff. "We'll take you along, anyway," he

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### THEY WILL NOT DESERT US

Kaiser Bill said a while ago that he would not desert his sorely tried

people.

But his sorely tried people assured him that they would not look upon it as desertion if he got off their backs. He took the hint at a rather late date—and got.
Our monied Kaisers in this country are equally loath to desert the sorely tried people.

Day by day they are laying their plans for after the war activity. And they are some plans. They include the complete control of industry in The Monied Kaisers do not have

to make any grab and getaway in order to secure complete control of the industries. They have it already efficient press, but alas in the hour -save that there are a few government war strings on them. expect to cut these few strings easily-while the people are looking adthe last dollar out of the people be anything new. They are doing it

But you know a lot of folks have was to come into existence after the war. Probably most of them had a meant by a new order—everyone but the Socialists, who have a definite idea as to what the new order should of a lawless and incendiary press.

Our Monied Kaisers have been a trifle scared lest this new order talk should come to something. So they spark already struck may be fanned have been carefully looking to their fences—whereby they have the in- startling question arises, did the powdustries fenced in as private property, with unlimited power to take the spondulix out of their pockets.

The recent election was a part of

Because, if they had only one it would be plain that that one was their party, and the common people would vote it down. By having two they can claim both of them are parties of the people, and then deliberately wink at outre ties. And no matter which of those committed in their own country.

B. M. DUTTON,

B. M. DUTTON, Monied Kaisers win. This plan was worked to a frazzle

at the recent election—nearly everywhere except in Milwaukee.

suggestion that was made to Kaiser declaration of war,

Bill—that it would not be construe as desertion if they were to get off

They can come out of their political coma and organize politically throughout the nation—in the Socialist Party—so as to give the Monied Kaisers the grand bounce in

## A Voice From Virginia

Dear Comrades: Your circular letter to State Secretaries relative to boosting The Ohio Socialist has been received and finds the United States, the squeezing of the last dollar out of the American people, and the capture of the markets of the world.

Socialist has been received and finds me willingly responsive to the best of my ability. The Ohio Socialist is a fine paper and deserves the loyal support of the Socialist Party all over port of the Socialist Party all over the union.

govern- of our need we see our press has They been all but destroyed. The harlot press of the masters is inundating our country under an avalanche of foul miringly at the statesmen making calumny and malicious lies, the like peace. Nor will the squeezing of which no other country has ever of which no other country has ever experienced and we find ourselves powerless to combat them. They have cast aside all restraint and seek by the most shameless and dastardly been talking about a new order that means to prejudice the people against us. The mob spirit is openly and shamelessly encouraged, and there hazy notion as to what they can be but little doubt that the Madison Square outrage was a culmination directly tracible to the incitement

Lawlessness begats lawles outrage invites reprisal. This being into a terrible conflagration, and the ers that be premeditatedly conspire to kindle it in order to get a pretext people by the heels and shake for the exercise of unrestrained violence in stamping us out, now while the needful force is mobilized and at

this looking after their fence.
Our Monied Kaisers know they value of political power. The common people do not. The Monied Kaisers have two political parties—the Republican and the Democratic.
Why should they have two?

Why should they have two?

Taking this view of it, and it may be the correct view, it behooves us to use the uttermost restraint and self-command when the hour of supreme provocation arrives. To attempt to meet force with force now would be snicide. Let the fat belied anarchists suicide. Let the fat bellied anarchists rant and rave. "Whom the gods would destroy they first make mad." The populace cannot fail to be disgusted with powers that make war, ostensiveparties of the people, and thus di- ly to avenge outrage in foreign lands, and then deliberately wink at outrage

State Sec'y of Virginia.

William Ellery Channing-The cry where except in Milwaukee.

In every congressional district in the United States, except the Fifth be hushed. A sentiment more unworthy of a free country could hardly blindly and ignorantly elected the candidates of the Monied Kaisers.

So our Monied Kaisers are not likely to desert us soon. Having voted them back into power once the people are not in a good they must render so solemn an active war and they are screened from scrutiny. We should teach all rulers that there is no measure for which must render so solemn an active war and they are screened from the people are not in a good they must render so solemn an acmore, the people are not in a good they must render so solemn an acposition to make to them the same count to their constituents as for a

# HEAR EUGENE V. DEBS

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

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# The Woman's Cause

A DEPARTMENT FOR WOMEN WHO THINK

# Labor Laws

the child labor law in effect in that taining precision of movement. There state is really in the interest of the employers as well as the workers, and that not only sentimental but ex- where mature men work. tremely practical reasons back the

and girls, in childhood and adoles-cence, repeat individually the experi-that the nomadic instinct of the race ence of the race. Up to the age of takes strongest hold. six years, he points out children are In the case of girls, he says, it plastic, imitative, easily led, and af- still less desirable that they be tied fectionate. Thereafter there comes down to routine jobs, particularly an abrupt change in character, parti-where they must stand much of the cularly with boys, who become wilful time.
and selfish, and are prone to lie and Too early employment in factories steal. This is a perfectly normal he declares, means physical and men-

time, he declares, they should not be Wisconsin Child tied down to routine operations in the

In the first place, he says, muscular By EUGENE V. DEBS.

Albert H. Sanford, in an article prepared for the Wisconsin Industrial commission of the Wisconsin Industrial time. Rapid growth necessitates activities.

Moreover, says Mr. Sanford, the His argument is interest- boy's will is then in process of formaing in view of the child labor policy tion, and he needs a certain amount of the Department of Labor and the of freedom for its proper developbodies associated with it in the war ment. The boy of fourteen to sixteen years has the tendency to "float" Mr. Sanford maintains that boys from factory to factory as he is put

|tal deterioration for the race-the At the age of fourteen, when the age of rapid growth begins, boys approach the "awkward age." At this workmen themselves.

# An American Knight's Tale

racy who conducts us on our way to meet an old acquaintance. On the street we suddenly remember the little key in our pocket without which "Lizzie" will not go. We hail a passing comrade and turn the key over to him. "Where is your car? inuires Mr. Protector. "Oh, around the corner."

Where the view of the content of th around yet and don't intend to start We walk though he evidently turns on the bunks. It is possible to desires to ride as it is many blocks

Twelve years have not dimmed the sleeping is fine, but don't wake up. poisonous prison atmosphere.

made inquiries as to the cause. As we wrote above, silence was the better part of valor. For these inquiries they were now paying the penalty. One, however, having never attended a Socialist meeting and being in total improvements of the vertex to the opposite end of the roofs.

Mr. John Sawken gazes at the note book with a would-be profound and serious air. One would almost think he were reading a decree of the American Bolsheviki regarding free a Socialist meeting and being in total speech and assemblage. Mr. John Sawken gazes at the note book with a would-be profound and serious air. One would almost think he were reading a decree of the American Bolsheviki regarding free speech and assemblage. Mr. John Sawken gazes at the note book with a would-be profound and serious air. One would almost think he were reading a decree of the American Bolsheviki regarding free cialist. Every week he sends us some new subs. ignorance of the methods by which the world is being made safe for democracy, refused to "come along," a brace of cannon were flourished in his face.

There were five of us, all brought down on the same "no charge." We were quickly made acquainted and learned the nationality of each. Two Russians, one Italian and two Americans—which proves the old adage that where there are two or three gathered together in the sacred name of the Revolution, there is the International represented.

We explored our steel bound cav-The floor is concrete, one wall is solid sheet steel. Along it runs a corridor, at one end is the barred entrance and at the other a water faucet and sink. You drink from the faucet Along the other side of the corridor are the eight cells, eight feet high, five feet wide and seven feet long. with a solid steel door in one end and at the other a steel grating which looks out upon a narrow corridor and contains a slot and narrow shelf through which food presumably is passed to the inmates. Evidently food is not set on the floor as in some jails we could name. The cells are furnished with two pieces of furniture. an open and automatically flushing toilet and two narrow planks which serves as a bunk. One can repose full length upon the planks with feet in toilet or one may reverse and lie with head in it. This matter is op-

tional. I have always felt sorry for a working man who has not been given the indispensable education which a stay in jail gives one. It is a vital part of one's education. We may say that there are two sides to life, the outside and the "inside." Those who have never spent a day or so in a capitaljail are lacking in a knowledge of life and its problems.

We related to each other our adventures of the evening, previous jail one inmate 'fighting drunk' beating experiences and many other matters into insensibility another. The vic-of interest to us. Tony was worried tim clings to the bars for support, I. W. W. song book. Nevertheless he sings and the steel walls echo the blows and curses upon him. We call Marseillaise. The Red Flag and The the turnkey, who locks the assailant Internationale. Below is heard the in a cell. A moment later a young almost regular sounding of a bell. We woman is brought in from the street decide it announces the arrival of the by the officers. She is partly intoxinight's "catch." We expect and al- cated and weeping as though she bemost hope that other comrades will lieved herself disgraced and probably half hundred mark we fully expect doesn't consider that he has fulfilled arrive. None do, however, and we did so believe. She refuses to give that he shall make it a full hundred all his obligations to the Socialist decide the meeting has proceeded without further violations of the tempt to lead her to a cell she goes be a record to be proud of, don't you member on our list of readers. Not at American Constitution and civil laws frantic. Fighting like one insane she think? One hundred subscriptions all. This week he secured nine subs to say nothing of the laws of decency, and resign ourselves to a Sun- or is tripped violently to the floor the possibilities before each Red Hun- lieve that they won't be non-members

The walls are high, The bars are strong. The cells are narrow

And the hours are long.

factory. The reasons are not only physical but mental.

Commission, endeavors to show how tivity, but prevents the boy from at-

# (Continued from page 1) death. Our bug specialist makes calculations as to the cost of cleaning up other co-laborer in the field of democ-

racy who conducts us on our way to But in the end decides that to make Protector. "Oh, around the corner." it won't matter whether they're buggy "Why not ride down in it?" "Nothing doing, I've never hauled an A. P. L. Revolution in Germany." It is midnight we guess. We take

sleep providing one is tired enough and has been in jail before. In fact memories of days and nights spent in on the bunk and you are jail. How familiar seem the grey paralyzed from head to toe. Voices walls, splotched, grimy, and with paint and calsomine peeling off. Familiar is the smell of disinfectants—ately size up for a stool pigeon turned miliar is the smell of disinfectants—
and worse. Familiar are the steel
gratings, bars, sheet steel walls and
only reason for this decision is that concrete floors, the automatic flushing he has the face and bearing of an of open toilets, the nauseating and American Knight. We return to the oisonous prison atmosphere.

We are "frisked" for possible weafor Allison. He goes out the door pons and other non-essentials of a prisoner's life but not before we make energetic inquiries of Mr. "1" who appears with another comrade in tow, as to the charge against us. We are given to understand that we are there are long and appearance by wants us to be those and the prisoner walk into a side room where there are long and appearance by wants us to be those and the prisoner walk into a side room where there are long and appearance with a south of the door was an and stands in the presence of Mr. John Sawken, two department agents, the turnkey and the prisoner walk into a side room where there are long and appearance of Mr. because he wants us to be there and parently comfortable seats. We are will be investigated by the department invited to sit. We do. Mr. John of justice on Monday morning. It is Sawken stands on one foot, the other

Sawken is a small man, light in weight, light in actions, nervous and excitable. Neither figure, face nor actions carry weight nor dignity, nor

inspire respect.

When Mr. Sawken wishes to appear specially vicious he gives his hat a vicious pull over one eve glass. Instead of giving him the appearance of "toughness," it but adds ludicrousness to insignificance. Mr. Sawken gazed Local Bradford, Ky., two subs are reat the note book while the silence ceived. From Comrade Louis Whoin deepened. Mr. John Sawken aspires to envelope himself in an atmosphere of gravity and dignity, such as would become Caesar, but wholly out of place with Mr. John Sawken. For neither Mr. Sawken's face nor figure were cast in the mold of Caesar, nor of any one else that we can think of readers too. among the noted and so his attempts at camouflage grew funnier and funnicr as the moments dragged.

Impatience, as we have said is part of us and besides we must have action here or burst with laughter. "Well, shoot," we request, and Mr. Sawken did shoot. He asked us from out the depths of his camouflage if we lived where we do and we answered that we did. Then we must confess the truth of our last birthday and that we are among the married. Also that "we come to Cleveland quite often" and that we know Attorney Morris Wolf.

"Now, I've decided to let you go, said Mr. John Sawken, relaxing under the tremendous strain. "As for that," we reply, our detention here is but a matter of pure cussedness on the The matter is part of your men." not debatable. We put on our soiled collar and walk down stairs to wait for developments and the turnkey. stamp. While waiting, bedlam breaks loose. Cries of help, murder, police, reach our ears from an open door in the end of the corridor. Another comrade descends the stairs and we hasten to the door to peer through the bars at

because he had taken from him his protecting his face as best he can with his arms while his assailant rains

the filthy, concrete floor to a cell. Victims, by-products of a criminal other states. All that's required is who is a real working-at-at-Socialist. rain is in the fight good and strong is producing economic system, they are effort and desire. Have you got them As evidence we have three dollars for a list of four from Comrade F. W. Someone breaks into rhyme. One what society has made them. Each comrade? of us who is a specialist in verminindividual reacts to his environment, of us who is a specialist in verminiment, eradicators investigates every nook according to his nature. Upon a desk and crannie for "game." It is plentify a list of the names of the catch from Comrade A. Dieust of New Philipledge this week by mailing us one ful and brave. They come right out of the police net. After each name adelphia, O., are to hand. If there subscription each. A. C. Holloway, was the charge for which they were be any thing in the old theory the Archivet Mr. Healthy, From

can prison and there are 365 nights in a year and many prisons and many cities. What transpired here was transpiring also in each of them. Wretchedness unspeakable, despair, misery until it would seem the prison walls would burst asunder with the infamy of it all. By-products of an economic system based upon the exploitation of labor. When that exploitation ceases these infamies will

The interviews ended, we have returned to us our possessions left when we entered, the turnkey unlocks the door and we are on the street breathing the fresh air and may again assume the duties of citizenship, spectable citizenship" of a nation made safe for democracy. It is 3 a. m. We eat an early breakfast before we part. One comrade, who was only

a sympathizer before, vows that he will now take out a red card and add to his duties of citizenship that of making the world safe for the work-In the meantime what has transpired at the Max Eastman meeting? Much has transpired there but not We have it on good authority that Mr. Sawken was there at the

close of the meeting armed with a warrant for Eastman's arrest. He was there and some 20 assistants also and yet Eastman walked out the door and caught a train for Buffalo, while Mr. John Sawken and his agents searched the hall with search lights for the escaped Eastman. After such an auspicious beginning of a Knight's work this fiasco was certainly a

There are several comforts and soaces, however, which Mr. John Saw-ken may comfort himself with. Here they are: Another Socialist "sympathizer" is now carrying a red card. Two Socialists who had never seen a ail from the inside are better revoutionists than they were before and the same may be said of the others. A number of onlookers have been divested of the last vestige of respect or the methods of the A. P. L. and ome several thousands of our readers. Mr. John Sawken and his chiefs ncluded, have read of the valorous onquest of the American Knights and last, but not least, we must not for-get the quotation from the daily press, "John Sawken, special agent of the department of justice, caused trouble at the meeting by his refusal o pay admission."

Thus ends another war experience of Tony Truppo, Carl Hacker, A. Chess Atkins and Allison.

# What's Doing Among the Sub Getters

Press stamp sales are picking up in wonderful shape. Now that meetings can be held, every effort should be made to get every party member good standing as to dues and also for press stamps. When every member is a reader of the state paper we will be a long way on the road toward greater efficiency in organization. And organization is the keystone of a successful revolution.

on a seat, a note book on his knee.

The turnkey conducts us unstairs and through a steel barred door. There are five of us two of whom there are five of us two of whom the companies of the results of this passing week.

Seeing me hauled away they tired to the opposite end of the room.

Mr. Sawken stands on one 100t, the other have.

Local Cuyahoga County sent in forty-eight subscriptions this week. Press stamp sales among the companies of this local are looking up each passing week.

Our comrades of the south are jumping to the front in great shape in enlarging our sphere of influence. From many parts we receive most encouraging promises of support. These promises are always backed up by evidence that they will be kept. For instance, Comrade Edkildow of Elkins, W. Va., comes a list of five subs. From of Buchannon, W. Va., comes one with promises of more. Comrade P. S. M. Silverman of Henderson, Ky., sends three dollars, which places him on the list for three years. Some confidence that! Comrade Silverman expects to lve able to assist us in securing more

After all there is nothing like keeping a pledge. At least that is what our Red Hundred members think. Comrade Norman Simons of Sawyerwood, O., is an example. He sends in three yearlies this week. Follow his example comrade and keep the ball a rolling.

Comrade W. Bronstrup of Cleveland makes up for lost time. Seven subs he hands us. This will ease his concience we believe. By the way, any thing on your conscience comrade Red Hundred member?

Keep your eye on Portage Co. There are some live ones there. And you know that where there are live ones there is always something doing. Comrade McVay sends in a list of names of eleven new members who have each purchased their press

Comrade Gartleman of Cincinnati mails us three subs. We grow and continue to grow through the efforts of Cincinnati comrades. Comrade Ruchtaeschel forwards a list of eight member's subscriptions.

Comrade Edwin Blank of Lima secured three more readers. One a When in Napoleon, O., go to week seems easy for Comrade Blank. Schultz's Smoke House. Buy a smoke

Here he is again! Who? Comrade of course. Six more is the number. sub cards. This makes fifty-four for Comrade Shipman. Now that he has passed the her name and when the officers at- before the old year closes. That would movement when he has lined up every flings herself upon the police but falls in three months certainly would show from non-members. We hope and behalf stunned. The officers lift her to dred member. And they are possibil- long. her knees and thus drag her across ities, too. It can be accomplished in ne filthy, concrete floor to a cell.

Victims, by-products of a criminal other states. All that's required is who is a real working-at-at-Socialist.

# OUR WEEKLY POEM

# On the Capture of Fugitive Slaves

By JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL.

Lock on who will in apathy, and stifle they who can, The sympathics, the hopes, the words, that make man truly man; Let those whose hearts are dungconed up with interest or with ease Consent to hear with quiet/pulse of loathsome deeds like these!

I first drew in New England air, and from her hardy breast Sucked in the tyrants-hating milk that will not let me rest; And if my words seem treason to the dullard and the tame, 'Tis but my Bay-State dialect-our fathers spake the same!

Shame on the costly mockery of piling stone on stone To those who won our liberty, the heroes dead and gone, While we look coldly on and see lawshielded ruffians slay The men who fain would win their own, the heroes of today.

Are we pledged to craven silence? O, fling it to the wind, The parchment wall that bars us from the least of human kind, That makes us cringe and temporize, and dumbly stand at rest, While Pity's burning flood of words is red-hot in the breast.

Though we break our fathers' promise, we have nobler duties first; The traitor to Humanity is the traitor most accursed; Man is more than Constitutions; better rot beneath the sod, "Than be true to CHURCH and STATE while we are doubly FALSE

We owe allegiance to the State; but DEEPER, TRUER, MORE, To the sympathies that God hath set within our spirit's core; Our country claims our fealty; we grant it yes, but then Before Man made us citizens, great Nature made us MEN.

He's true to God who's true to man; wherever wrong is done, To the humblest and the weakest 'neath the all-beholding sun, That wrong is also done to us; and they are slaves most base, Whose love of right is for themselves, and not for all their race.

God works for ALL. Ye cannot hem the hope of being free, With parallels of latitude, with mountain range or sea. Put golden padlocks on TRUTH'S lips, be callous as ye will, From soul to soul, o'er all the world, leaps one electric thrill.

Chain down your slaves with ignorance, ye cannot keep apart, With all your craft of tyranny, the human heart from heart; When first the Pilgrims landed on the Bay State's iron shore, The word went forth that slavery should one day be no more.

Out from the land of bondage it is decreed our slaves shall go, And signs to us are offered, as erst to Pharaoh; If we are blind, their exodus, like Israel's of yore, Through a Red Sea is doomed to be, whose surges are of gore.

'Tis ours to save our brethren, with PEACE and LOVE to win Their darkened hearts from error, ere they harden it to sin; But if before his duty man with listless spirit stands, Ere long the Great Avenge 'akes the work from out his hands.

# **BRAIN TEASERS**

By State Organizer Tom J. Lewis.

To live you must eat, to eat you dependence so they can draw up conmust work, beg or steal. You are not allowed to beg, should you steal and be caught you go to jail, and if you the bosses like it. Who said one big can't find a job you can't work so union of all the workers? there you are. You may get down-lit's too bad the industrialists have hearted and decide to end it all by adopted the word union, when the A. suicide, again you are up against it, F. of L. have disgraced it so, because because this is against the law. Under union means all together, not subsuch conditions you are not allowed division. to live, and you dare not die, you poor slave, now what will you do?

"Laugh

The war is over, the armistice is signed and the soldiers will soon be back home. To the new conditions many will be blind, until jobs become scarce, and they will have to roam.

A hard luck store. I'm hungry, dinner, fifty cents, and I've got fifteen cents to my name, and the nickel is

pluged at that. Those revolutions in Europe will have to stop or the powers of capitalist democracies will intercede.

What's going on in Russia? It must isn't it? be presumed "no news," must be "good news."

Away with the saloons! A poor working man when in hard luck may get a free lunch in them. Well, there's one consolation, he can still go to church and get some free prayers. Pass the collection box to help the heathens please.

Some good luck.—I nearly got a job this morning. Asked the boss if he needed any help and he said no. If he had said yes I'd be working now.

It's legal to organize split unions, that it, the umbrella handle makers,

the umbrella wire setters and the umbrella cloth coverers; in other words, into craft unions, because that form of unionism gives each little craft in- and have others working for you!

Local Ashtahula Harbor is selling press stamps at a rate that means a lary of Michigan, sends a dollar for together. Hand in hand they mean the growth of Socialism. Eleven subs from this local this week.

and get acquainted. Comrade Schultz is a live one. This week he mails us Perry Shipman of Rock Island, Ill., five dollars for three subs and for two

Comrade Chas. Litz of Sandusky

"Laugh and the world laughs with you, weep and you weep alone.' capitalist can certainly laugh at the

ignorance and stupidity of the work-

ers. Producing everything, they hand

it over to them. Your reward, slaves,

is one continual weep for you and your class. A Jackass has got to be driven to work but a man, given a job, will buy

an alarm clock so he won't miss it. To read, to think, that is the ques tion. Yet to think and to speak, that's out of the question. Funny world

It's tiresome to talk about surplus to a slave who loves his boss, or to a boob who thinks you are talking about a new breakfast food.

When talking about the good meal you had please do so in a whisper, you know good meals are hard to get therefore you may make some poor devil uncomfortable.

"Love your neighbor as yourself," but leave his wife alone.

Does your wife love you? I think she does. What! Has she got you thinking.

"From the ridiculous to the sub-To quit working for others lime."

Comrade Blumenberg, State Secrereawakening of activities there. Ac- one sub, together with a list of Michtivity of a local means press stamp igan local secretaries and members-at-sales. 'Press stamp sales mean addi-large, which we appreciate very much. tional activity of a local. The two go We shall circulate them for subscrip-

Comrade John Rehm isn't losing any time in lining them up at Springfield. In fact he seems to gather momentum as the weeks pass. Last week he turned in three subs, this week he doubles it.

Comrade Grover Kopp renews his

sub and of course sends along two more for company with the promise of more later. They will come, too, we are sure. Alliance has a booster in Comrade

E. Clippenger. Twenty-one dollars for Comrade Debs' Defense and two subs are the result of his work.

As a further proof that Local Lo-

Twenty-seven more from Local Toledo this week. Two weeks ago we of his misery.

# L E T T E R S

#### From the Land of Devil-May-Care

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

Tailholtz, Hanginon, Allfoolsland. Dec. 8, 1918.

Mr. Editor:
These Allfools, are such a funny people. They think they are the wisest people on earth and all a maker of mouthnoises has to do to get their unstinted applause is to tell them

how wise they are.

The Magogs, which is the polite name for the high-mucky-muck Allfools, have their spokesmen tell this to the Gogs, which is the catalog name for the common variety of lower class Allfools, at every possible occasion. In the whole Land-o'-Devil-May Care there are great houses full of bound sheets that talk.

These houses are generally called Homestead Libraries, in honor of the great Magog who furnished the dinere to build them and buy the talk sheets with which they are filled. The Magogs, or upper class All

fools, have many bundles of talking sheets in the places they call home so they do not have to depend on the Homesteads to find out anything, but some few of the Gogs go there and search for information. Here is the funny part: These Gogs think they are wise, but try to get wiser. The Magogs think the Gogs are a bunch of brainless fools who are not to be trusted with wisdom, so they have their Allfools Homestead Association read the talking sheets first and no talking sheets are allowed to fall into the hands of the Gogs, which would in any manner harm the position of th

Everywhere in the Lond-o'-Devil May-Care you run into censors. Pulpi Pounding Piffletalkers censor the religious worship. These piffletalkers are assisted by most of the bond women and all of the old maids. They are allso aided by various association formed to keep the morals of the Gog in "proper channels," as they call it but which means to keep them in th same old rut they have always trod Wise, wise people, yet cannot tell the difference between a channel and a

The newssuppressors are consored—or at least this is the polite fiction told the Gogs by the Magogs. I have noticed here that any sheet which worships Lawnorder, their Gcd-ofthings-as-they-are, is never censored but any sheet which fails to bow to the dictatorship of the Highmucky Magogs is soon censored out of ex

They do not have any official censors here but any Mucky Magog may take it upon himself to do the censur ing. Some years ago the Great Chief High Mucky Magog, who had received more notice at their Count-Noses-Bee wrote down on talking sheets all the great thoughts which he had in his lead. At that time most of the Allfools were talking a great deal about freedom, and these great thoughts were all about a new kind of freedom which he wanted the Gogs to think he was going to get for theore and the after he had been selected Great Chief his bundle of talking sheets was taker

Gog in all the Land-o'-Devil-May-Carc could trade his dinero for the great thoughts of his Great Chief. They have four kinds of schools in Allfoolsland and they are all censored They have a Sunday one-day school where the young are sent to learn a lot of fabled nonsense which is not sense and in no sense fits them to solve any of the problems of life as they grow older, but which does im part a fear psychology which makes

away from the market places and no

them easily led or driven by the mas-ter Magogs later in life. The Monday-Tuesday five-day-choo is where most of the young Allfools are started, usually at the age of six but few of them ever finish this school. As soon as they begin to get old enough to earn divide-up-dends they are taken from the schools and

put to service in the slave-pens of the master Magogs. The loss of the schooling is not a serious thing because the schools never teach the young All-fools anything about truth, but a lot of lies about dead and gone High Mucky

Master Magogs. They have a Higher School where some few of the Gogs and most of the Magogs get a training in the sciences of how the Magogs may handle the Gogs. Most of the Gogs who attend this Higher School think they are Magogs and study right hard to be of more assistance to the Master Magogs. After they leave school and enter the services of the Magogs they do not receive much dinero but are paid mostly in platitudes and promises to the effect that if they are hard working, diligent, honest and foithful they to a rear. ful they, too, may become Moster Magogs and have a lot of common Gogs hustling for them. They never saw a Gog made a Magog but so simpleminded are the Allfools, they take this

promise instead of, demanding the There is a special tribe of Allfools a horse collar. These people do not like the fairy tales which are taught

None of the schools in Allfoolsland sawdust and nonsense.

Gog is taught by the Magog Servers that poverty is a blessing and if they do not have an abundance after mak-

received seventy. It is the same story In Devil-May-Care-Land the people of an awakening of Socialistic activi- are taught a great deal about rights

what a right was-I concluded that rights was a substitute for land as t seems the Gogs had the rights and

the Magogs the land.

Almost all of the land here is good farming land but the Allfools are not good farmers. They use old fashioned farming machinery instead of the newer better kind. Devil-May-Care-Land has many inventors and many new and marvelous machines are in he market places. It must be that the peasants of Allfoolsland have a too-limited outlook. The Agrarian Peasants' outlook consists of what may be seen while sighting along the waybacks and between the ears of

he stunted farm team. The Allfools Farmer is behind the imes and out of date just as his reading matter is out of date. For reading matter he usually has the weekly pology, which contain reprints from he daylie newssuppressors of a week or a month ago. In addition to the Apology he usually reads a year-old sicture book that talks to him about all the nice things which are made in Devil-May-Care-Land. He rarely ever ries to get these nice things but is content to wish for them.

The Allfoolsland farmer has a wishone where his backbone ought to be. le is of the Gog tribe and thinks he clongs to the High-Mucky Magogs. All of the land here is owned by the Magogs and the peasants give ne-half of all they raise for the privlege of staying on the land. In some places they give one-half the crop and n other places they give a sum of linero equal to the market price of me half the crops. It is amusing to ee a group of Agrarian soil slaves all

standing and singing about their land of the free. They sing this song to he tune of God save our chief.

The natives of the Land-o'-Devil-May-Care with the exception of the Agrarian Peasants, work in the great nills mines and factories. They are not freeborn citizens like your workng people in favored America, but ire born slaves, who have to work o live and who have to work for the wner of the factory or mill or mine. The Magogs own the industries while the Gogs run them. Each own-r belongs to an owners' union called Commerce Club or an Emandem Association. They encourage all the logs to think they are free and inlependent. To keep the Gogs from eeing they are slaves to the Magogs hey allow the Gogs certain pieces dinero to trade for their cheap

ood and clothes and shelter. If the Gogs received rations they vould know they are slaves but the seces of dinero keep them guessing. No Gog in Allfoolsland can find out he plan the Magogs use in portioning nut the dinero. I have discovered in ny travels in the different provinces of the Land-of-Devil-May-Care that ach emandem gives different portions of dipero in different provinces but he dinero the Gogs receive in any

province, is exactly equal to the o buy the things he has to have to ceep able to work.

The Gogs think they are paid in ull for their work and hope to soon et ahead of the other Gogs and have he other Gogs work for them, but las this is only an idle hope. All the

Magogs buy the labor of the Gogs

and all the Gogs sell their labor to he Magogs, still all the people of Alloolsland chant as with one voice, "We save no classes in Allfoolsland." Both the Agrarian Peasant and the actory Gogs believe in a very old book that each has in his home that ells all about the way the earth was nade flat and the light and the darkiess separated-but light and darkness are not separated in Allfoolsland. They have talking sheets telling bout the experiments and experience

he old book that "was such a comfort o grandmother." This book advises all Gogs to be patient and long suffering and obey the Magogs and then the poor Gog who never owned a shanty here in Allfoolsland expects to get a mansion

of some wiser Allfools but the Gogs are

ntellectually disinherited and go

Poor foolish Allfools! Why can't they see that the piffletalkers of the Magogs have traded them a mansion they must die to win for a lifetime of

plugging, painstaking toil. Next time I'll tell you more about the Agrarian Allfools and how they live. The weather here is clear and cool. Hoping you are also, I am, Yours, etc., as B4, ICHABOD JONES.

# Deb's at Mansfield

Herewith is report on the financial end of our Debs meeting which we feel would have been very much better if Comrade Prevey had been with us and managed the affair for us in her usual vigorous and efficient manner. However, we did the best we could and are glad to add our little mite to whose piffletalkers wear a starched aid in retaining the liberty of our behand of linen buckled at the back like loved Gene. We are very sorry to learn that omrade Prevey is feeling ill believe in sending their children to the common schools as they do not good health and fighting qualities. In spite of the fact that we had only a -so they usually keep a school of few days in which to arrange our their own, which is taught by a sister meeting, and in spite of the fact that of the piffletalker. They are a little our local newspapers failed to run a more successful in turning out Gogs line of matter other than that which our local newspapers failed to run a which will serve the Magogs without we paid for, and maintained a gravethinking or dissenting than the rest. yard silence until after the meeting. and in spite of the mouthings, rumare places of learning. All are Cramblings and covert threats of violence ming factories, to fill heads not with on the part of a few profiteering payfacts, and their relationship, one to triots we had a splendid meeting, our another, and to life, but with stardust hall was crowded to capacity and then some, and scores were turned away, The Gogs are a kindly people and being unable to get in. Our dear Comrade Debs delivered his usual will give the wayfarer anything they have—but they never have anything beautiful message filled with words This is due to the way they have of getting their living, which I will tell heard coming from non-Socialists to of cheer, hope and love for all manthe effect that if the capitalist class persist in sending this loyal working class champion to prison thereby causing it, it is their own fault. So each ing this beautiful soul to wither and Gog goes through life blaming him-self instead of seeking the real cause the powers that be will soon be wondering who took the lid off of hell.

Emerson-If there be a country They seem to be saying "eventually, where seem to be saying "eventually, where seem to be saying "eventually, where seem to be saying "eventually, imprisoned. Drunk, beggar, thief, der a lucky star. Every reader between the saying "eventually, where seem to be saying "eventually, imprisoned. Drunk, beggar, thief, der a lucky star. Every reader between the saying "eventually, imprisoned. Drunk, beggar, thief, der a lucky star. Every reader between the saying "eventually, imprisoned. Drunk, beggar, thief, der a lucky star. Every reader between the saying "eventually, imprisoned. Drunk, beggar, thief, der a lucky star. Every reader between the saying "eventually, imprisoned. Drunk, beggar, thief, der a lucky star. Every reader between the saying "eventually, imprisoned. Drunk, beggar, thief, der a lucky star. Every reader between the saying seem to be saying "eventually, imprisoned. Drunk, beggar, thief, der a lucky star. Every reader between the saying imprisoned. Drunk, beggar, thief, der a lucky star. Every reader between the saying seem to be saying "eventually, imprisoned. Drunk, beggar, thief, der a lucky star. Every reader between the saying imprisoned. Drunk, beggar, thief, der a lucky star. Every reader between the saying imprisoned. Drunk, beggar, thief, der a lucky star. Every reader between the saying imprisoned. Drunk, beggar, thief, der a lucky star. Every reader between the saying imprisoned. Drunk, beggar, thief, der a lucky star. Every reader between the saying imprisoned. Drunk, beggar, thief, der a lucky star. Every reader between the saying imprisoned. Drunk, beggar, thief, der a lucky star. Every reader between the saying imprisoned. Drunk is the s

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# WITH OUR EDITORS

#### REVOLUTIONS AND THE CAPITALIST PRESS

We have derived a considerable amount of amusement from reading the editorial utterances of the capitalistic press in reference to the revolution in Germany. The painted ladies of the press are expressing a scepticism of the sincerity of the German Socialists because, as they put it, the German revolution is TOO ORDERLY. "We cannot trust the German proletariat" they tell us. "Their revolution is proceeding too smoothly to be real. Revolutions have a historic tendency to violence, and the almost complete absence of bloodshed and terrorism in Germany leads us to believe that the revolutionists are in cahoots with the Hohenzollerns. The revolution in Germany must be suppressed."

Our amusement is heightened by comparing the above judgment with the criticism of the Bolsheviki government of Russia. Here the journalistic prostitutes view matters differently. That is to say they arrive at the same conclusion by reasoning from an entirely different premise. "The Bolsheviki are too violent," they say. "There are too many factions in Russia. The hands of the Bolsheviki are too bloody for us to embrace them. We would be glad to see a democratic Russia, but we cannot condone anarchy. The revolution in Russia must be suppressed."

The revolutions in Germany and Russia must be crushed, to be sure; but not for the reasons given by "the press." They must be crushed because the financial plunderbund recognize in revolution a dangerous blow at their age long privilege of exploiting their fellow men. And because the newspaper business is owned, body and soul, by the big capitalistic interests, we read in the Philadelphia Press of last Sunday that Russia is blood-stained by the hand of anarchy, and in the Philadelphia North American of Tuesday that the revolution in Germany is so peaceful that it is under suspicion of being a product of Junker ingenuity, and in the same Issue of the same North American we come across a beautiful and touching interview which a newpaper man had with the kind and gentle ex-Empress of Austria and her little son, "Otto, a golden-haired, blue-eyed, grave-mannered boy, who shook hands with the correspondent saying in English, 'How do you do? Thank

Americans, beware! Real Democrats, take note! Don't let your master's voice beguile you into thinking that the revolutionists of any country are the enemies of the working class.. We have told you before that the exploiters of labor would rather crush the Bolsheviki than drive the kaiser from his throne, and the capitalistic writers are proving that we were right.

When you read your daily newspaper, notice the tone of relief with which a conservative Socialist victory is reported. Notice the hostility in the U.S.—absorption of Charles H which is aroused by any gains by the Liebknecht faction. Pay attention to Kerr & Co. the pathetic sympathy which the plute press extends to the deposed rulers' of Russia and Austria. And don't forget that the conservative Socialists were those who consistently supported the kaiser in the prosecution of the war. Don't forget that Liebknecht and his followers were in constant opposition to the plans of the German Junkers. Remember, too, when you read about the "poor, mistreated" kings and emperors, that Americans were asked to die in order to rid the world of all autocracies.

We want the workers to ask themselves, "Why this sudden change of front?" And, in their ponderings, we want them to remember that the witzlists of the world are strictly close conscious; that their class interest takes precedence over all other interests; social, humanitarian or national-We want them to remember that the chief business of the expitalistic class is to keep the workers enslaved. And then we want the workers of America to ask themselves whether the fight for economic independence which the people of Europe are waging is not their fight also.

This thing which is called Bolshevism is the nightmare of the lords of the earth. Emperors, kings and capitalists alike tremble before its onward sweep. It must be crushed because it would set the workers free. That is the reason, the only reason, why the master class is anxious for the suppression of the European revolutions. Workers of America, what does that reason mean to you?-Reading Labor Advocate.

### Send In Debs' Defense Contributions

Locals and comrades are requested to remit the money secured in contri-butions for the Debs' Defense Fund at once. Among recent remittances have been \$50 from New Duluth, \$10 from Ashtabula, \$5 from Comrade Allen of Painesville, \$5 from Comrade Maurer of Camp Chase and smaller amounts from many other comrades.

"The enclosed \$18.25 now makes a total of \$32 I collected for the Debs' Defense Fund. No one I asked refused to contribute and the Debs' list was one of the easiest subscription lists ( I ever circulated." John Cahalane,

# For a Meeting?

L. E. Katterfeld, member of the written that he can fill two dates in northern Ohio on his way to New York. He has suggested January 8 and 9. Terms are \$15 flat. Which two locals desires this exceptionally good speaker. First come, first served.

#### TOLEDO Y. P. S. L.

DOING THINGS Martha Herman, secretary of the Y. P. S. L. of Toledo, makes application for a Tom Lewis date for New 🖪 Year's night. Let this show the way to our other leagues. Start the New

Six subscriptions secured in Daven-port, Ia., by Sam Pinkus attests to the fact that the Ohio Socialist is finding warm welcome in every state in the United States.

#### HELP US—PLEASE

Comrades sending in subscriptions for the Ohio Socialist can save the overworked office force much useless labor if they will write the names of the subscribers, not in the letter they send, but upon a separate sheet of paper. We would prefer to have all sub getters use the subscription blanks on hand, write us for some.

"Big business going on here. Please rush 40 more dues stamps. Sold all those you sent me the other day." All of which means that Local Norwood is wide awake and that Finan-

### EXPOSED

"Enclosed find \$1 for which please send the BEST PAPER ON EARTH to the enclosed new subscriber." G. Evans, Zanesville.

\$18.25 from Cahalane of Hamilton; \$10.00 from W. E. Thorman of Van

> NOTHING BETTER

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Socialist Party of Ohio

RD2, Brecksville, O. Dear Comrades: A am just in receipt of the follow-ing letter from Camille Huysmans,

# Live News of Interest to all Party Members GET A SUB—AND SMILE

# National Office Correspondence & Executive Committee Actions

To the Members of the National Ex-ecutive Committee, Socialist Party. Secretary of the International Social Experiments of the Secretary of the International Social Experiments of the Internation of the Inter

The establishment of the German Mr. Socialist Republic within a year from he birth of the Socialist Republic of Russia encourages the belief that Socialism is not a distant utopia, but hat the hour of its world wide realiz-

OWN UNPREPAREDNESS to asume power. We lack education, we lack power

of publicity, we lack organization, and what we have, but seldom FUNCTIONS AS ORGANIZATION. I firmly believe these problems can

e solved, and solved NOW. Under the inspiration of the German Socialist victory, the Socialists of the United States will accomplish with ease what a month ago would ave been impossible. I feel that we

are ready of begin work in earnest. It is the function of our Committee o work out methods and plans to provide opportunities of expression or the tremendous Socialist energy that is now being generated here by world events, so that the efforts of enhusiastic comrades will not be frittered away in fruitless individualistic enterprises, but will all contribute to nake our Socialist organization a mighty engine for working-class vic-

To help solve these problems, I expect to favor or propose the following at our next meeting:

1.—Call for voluntary contribution from every Socialist of ONE DAY'S WAGES EACH MONTH from now until 1920 election.

2.—Re-establishment of Builder" to be sent weekly to all 3.-Adoption of definite plans for

real Socialist Party press, with a iew to establishing a chain of Soialist dailies by the next presidential ampaign, with co-operation of exist

4.—Development of our "Literature Department" into the chief publisher and distributor of Socialist literature 5.—Establishment of "Marx University," a real Socialist and Labor Iniversity, as a development from the

Rand School, as soon as a sufficient endowment fund can be raised, securing co-operation of existing schools. 6.—Re-establishment of Socialist Party Lyceum to work in connection with the party's press, Publishing House and University.

7.—Acquiring of permanent head-3.—Unity conference with Socialist

sive Organizing Campaign for 1919. Special efforts to organize: (a) women, (b) soldiers, (c) negroes, (d, Mexcans, (e) native Americans Let us begin these activities now

and by the 1920 presidential election we'll achieve results. Fraternally submitted,
d) L. E. KATTERFELD. (Signed)

National Office Socialist Party, Chicago, Ill. To the National Executive Committee. Dear Comrades:

At the recent meeting of your committee, a letter was submitted from the State Secretary of Minnesota, with reference to campaign activities of Walter Thomas Mills, a member of your committee. instructed to send a copy of the letter to Comrade Mills and request a statement from him. His reply to this letter has just been received. I subnit it herewith:

Northwood, N. D.

Adolph Germer, Secretary Socialist Party, Chicago, Ill. Dear Comrade:

Referring to yours of the 12th, which has just overtaken me at this place, I am writing to say that: 1.-I am and have been continuous y a member of the Socialist Party since I helped to organize it in In-dianapolis in the summer of 1901. My dues are paid in advance of this whole

2.—My membership is at this time held in the local at Berkeley, Cal. 3.—I am not a member of the Non Partisan League. It is an organiza-tion of towns only, for which I am now working just as I have done for trade unions in this and other countries, all the time that I have carried my membership in the Socialist Party 4.—I did not advocate the organization of a new party in Omaha or anywhere else. I did advocate there, as I have in California, and elsewhere, wherever I have had a chance to do of the industrial organizations in defi-I did advocate the co-operation

regardless of all parties. This you will remember I did at the St. Louis convention. I also did the same thing at the last state convention in California. It was this also that I did in Minneapolis on the invitation of the Workingman's Non-Partisan League of that city at the open-ing of the campaign for Mayor Van Lear, who spoke at the same time and who always speaks at the league meetings, and co-operates with the league work just as I do myself.

nite campaigns for definite purposes

I think this covers all the points covered by your inquiry.

With most sincere regards,
(Signed) WALTER T. MILLS. Fraternally submitted, ADOLPH GERMER,

Chicago, Oct. 12, 1918.

fr. Adolph Germer, 803 W. Madison St., Chicago, Ill. Dear Comrade:

I have not received the letter to which you refer in your communica-tions dated May 13 and June 4. For this reason, I beg you to address your letters for me to the Rt. Hon. Arthur Henderson, M. P., 33 Eccleston Square, London, S. W. 1.

Your communications contain two

questions: First, if the eventual delegation of the Inter-Allied Socialist Conference will meet the representatives of your party; second, if the Socialist Party will be invited to participate in an eventual general conference. The reply is in the affirmative. If the delegation of the Inter-Allied Conference goes to the United States, this delegation cannot exclude any body. If an international Socialist conference takes place, the invitation will be extended, just as in previous cases, to all affiliated parties, minorities and majorities, and also to the trade unions affiliated with the international secretaries. All opinions must be represented. It is the only method to deal honestly with the intricate problem of war and peace.
Yours fraternally,
(Signed) CAMILLE HUYSMANS.

I am communicating further with him with reference to our financial

With best wishes, I remain,
Fraternally yours,
ADOLPH GERMER, Executive Secretary.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 30, 1918. To the National Executive Committee Dear Comrades:

The following is a proposed draft of the protest to be sent to Washington according to the action recently taken by your committee: National Executive Committee Motion

No. 11. By Oneal and Stedman. Γo the Congress of the United States: The world is shaken to its foundaion. Everywhere the people are ris-

ing. Revolution has swept Russia, Bulgaria, Austria and Germany are in its grip. The Socialists of England, France and Italy speak with increasing authority. We are witnessing the birth of a new world. The Socialist Party of the United States is a part of the International Socialist Movement. As such, we speak to you in the interests of the workers of the United States and of the world.

The opportunity for peace is here. We demand that the imperialistic and reactionary forces in our own and allied countries shall not be allowed to impose such terms and conditions

ing peace, the principle of self-determination of peoples be asserted to the fullest degree, with the right of all subject peoples and races of both the Central and the Allied Powers to see behind the scenes. determine the conditions of their own existence.

2.-DE WEMAND that the peoples of Russia have complete freedom to solve their internal problems and that the integrity of Russian territory the sum total of Nick Weltlich's ef-as well as that of Finland, the Baltic forts last week. Our sub list in Masprovinces, Poland, Lithuania, Ukraine

served. | as v 3.—WE DEMAND that the present | try. preliminary and all subsequent peace negotiations be conducted with the strictest observance of the principle of open covenants of peace, arrived

4 .-- WE DEMAND that duly accredted representatives of subject peowe are receiving and many comrades ples and of the economic and political organizations of the working class in all countries, participate in the final

5.-WE DEMAND that passports be granted representatives of Labor and Socialist Groups to attend International Conferences for the exchange of opinions between the labor groups of the belligerent and neutral na-

6.-WE DEMAND that this government refuse to consider any proposal for economic war after the war. (Signed) JAMES ONEAL

SEYMOUR STEDMAN. National Executive Committeemen Vote immediately by wire as prompt action is necessary.

Fraternally submitted

ADOLPH GERMER, Executive Secretary.

Chicago, Nov. 1, 1918.

tee decided no business by correspondence. Oneal-Stedman motion therefore out of order until committee votes otherwise. If you insist on putting it, I move it not be made public until submitted by mail with opportunity for amendment. Armistice with kaiser means defeat for Liebknecht and German workers. Please telegraph members committee as matter of fair

You will note that he requests that I submit it by telegram, but it came after we had received eight affirmative votes on the Oneal-Stedman motion, which constitutes a majority of the committee and is affirmative action. It could serve no good purpose to submit Comrade Goebel's motion by telegram but in the closing hours of the campaign, it may serve our tricky and unscrupulous enemies. They could and would readily use this as an indictment by one member of the National Executive Committee, of the majority of that committee.

OUR PARTY PAGE

All of \$11.50, mostly in 25c subs, increased the Toledo list by nearly half a hundred this week. And from

George Markert writes that the members of Local Mt. Healthy are going to distribute Ohio Socialists to get new members.

"I hope you succeed in getting every member in this state to subscribe. As a truly party-owned paper, the Ohio Socialist has always had my support.' Ruby Herman, acting state secretary,

#### ANOTHER TEN SPOT

Allen Cook is the guilty party. He ton comrades busy helping him sell

Karl Frey of Lima last week. Might we make so bold as to again say that one best way of getting Ohio Socialdist subs is to have a sub card handy to sell to the prospect? Buy some.

#### GREETINGS FROM FROW

James Hindson of Youngstown or-ders 500 copies of the Ohio Socialist for house-to-house distribution. Next!

#### CINCINNATI" MEETINGS Local Cincinnati plans to have educational meetings every Sunday eve-

and radicals of that city are to be of-forded rare treats.

Germany and now Finland are prepar-ing to show the world—real democforded rare treats. Mary Marcey writes: "Just received a copy of the Frisco paper containing ten pages of dictaphone conversations always the pioneer guard of the workbetween Fickert and his accompliess ers, must bear the good news he it reads like a novel. Fickert even awakening of MIGHTY LABOR—to

Labor Party,

9—Nest important of all—Intensive Organizing Campaign for 1919.
Special efforts to organize: (a) yom
of the enemy countries.

It reads like a nover. Filter to ask a nover of the four corners of our miserable, taxhired a motion picture outfit to ask a standard proposed armistice impossible by woman to pose for pictures. Several laden, war-burdened old earth.

On every side—to the east, to the south, to the west—and to the remotsouth, to the west—and to the remotsouth to ask a
the four corners of our miserable, taxladen, war-burdened old earth.

On every side—to the east, to the
south, to the west—and to the remotsouth, to the west—and to the remotsouth, to the south and the four corners of our miserable, taxladen, war-burdened old earth.

On every side—to the east, to the
south, the four corners of our miserable, taxladen, war-burdened old earth.

Special efforts to organize:

(a) woman to pose for pictures. 1.—WE DEMAND that in the com- and this was to be used against her to "make her a witness" against Mooney. I think the report is a historic document because it shows the degeneracy of the capitalist class. For once we

## Four yearly and five half yearly subs for our state paper constitutes the sum total of Nick Weltlich's ef-

This from Clara Smith, state secretary of Oklahoma: "Hope you get many subscriptions in our state. It is the VERY BEST Socialist paper

Local Piqua is preparing to put an erganizer in the field for a week.

sum of \$8.25 for press stamps and subs sent in by Comrade Litz for Local Sandusky proves that it can

of winter propaganda meetings. They will be held every Sunday afternoon. Tom Lewis will be the first speaker, the chatter of the dollar diplomats, the chatter of the dollar diplomats, opening the course with a lecture on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 15.

#### YOU'RE WELCOME TO IT

This morning I received the following night letter from Comrade Goebel:

"Last meeting Executive Committee decided no business by several and a question of credit. Just so the good stuff gets into the hands of those who need it. I feel you comtake the decided no business by several and the seven give credit for it, but it's Arise, ye wretched of the earth, For Justice thunders condemnation, A better world's in birth."

Listen comrades—that thundering the decided no business by several and the seven give credit for it, but it's not a question of credit. Just so the good stuff gets into the hands of those who need it. I feel you compared to starvation, and the seven give credit for it, but it's not a question of credit. Just so the good stuff gets into the hands of those who need it. I feel you compared to starvation, and the seven give credit for it, but it's not a question of credit. Just so the good stuff gets into the hands of those who need it. I feel you compared to starvation, and the seven give credit for it, but it's not a question of credit. Just so the good stuff gets into the hands of those who need it. I feel you compared to starvation, and the seven give credit for it, but it's not a question of credit. Just so the good stuff gets into the hands of the g rades don't care, even if some one defiant voice from out of the were to steal all of the matter in is growing louder and louder. your paper, for your mission is to our comrades in France, England, push the movement along. I like your Italy and Spain and all hungry, warpaper and know it is doing the move-ment in Ohio much good." Wm. H. Henry, State Secretary of Indiana.

> The Debs leaflets continue popular in Dayton. A. Mandzick, literature agent for the local, sends in an order

> "Let our watchword be-STAND TOGETHER"," writes George Marholding local meetings REGULARLY. How about your local. Has it progressed so far as to rub its eyes, preliminary to the awaenking?

"Here are two subscriptions for The Ohio Socialist. I sneaked up on these two and caught them before they knew what happened. By the way, you'll hear some good news from down this way soon. The comrades are anxious to become active again."

#### TOLEDO AGAIN

what we understand from Comrade Willnecker, there are more coming.

#### A BIG BOOST

Washington.

Wm. Richards, organizer of Local Youngstown, informs the State Office that the Youngstown branches have now organized into a City Central

ombards us with ten spots every once in a while. He buys ten Ohio Socialist yearly sub cords at a lick and from what we can hear he has several Can-

An S. O. S. for five dollars worth of subscription cards was received from

"All hail to Comrades Ruthenberg, Dear Comrades: Wagenknecht and Baker and I am truly glad to have lived to see the day they have been released from the confines of the prison cell in a day when the Red Flag of Humanity is flying in so many lands. May their confinement, which was for us, give us more encouragement to do more their own" regardless of the terrific their own" regardless of the terrific their own averaged autofor our cause in the future than we resistance of the now exposed auto-

# THANK YOU WELTLICH

sillon will soon be second to none in and the other border provinces be pre- size. More of our members can do size. More of our members can do proletaire, rolls on till it reaches the as well as Weltlich, surely. Make a farthest shores preaching its message WHAT'S THOUGHT OF IT

> come in to the State Office to read it. It is my policy to refuse to let anyone take my copy away.

Local Columbus has begun its series

"I find much good stuff in the Ohio Socialist that I simply take and use the "International," mighty strains of the "International."

for our state bulletin and sometimes "Arise, ye prisoners of starvation,

for them.



We have reached the time when Can dungeons' bolts and bars confine dreams come true." We, who once We, who once "dreams come true." received the taunts and jeers of the

have in the past." J. H. Frow, cratic plutocracy.
Youngstown. Today, Capitalism, with all its accompanying inseparable plagues -

ning, beginning with January 5. The about us.
best of lecturers are to be secured Russia, Bulgaria, Hungary, Austria, racy-the democracy of the toilers,

> est north—the shackles of Capitalism are being cast off. Hark! Can't you ington. hear the heavy, steady tread of the millions-the millions of unshackled slaves that have risen in their might own locals-and now challenge the masters of the workers, the capitaltistic world. They have unfurled the flag of international brothrhood from the plains of Russia to the vine-clad valley of the Rhine. Their cry to the enslaved to freedom, sweeps on and on across the vast nations of this earth. Like rolling waves on the stormy seas, the voice of the of real democracy and destroying the selfish world with its profit system and seductive pelf, that stands in its way. The voice of the downtrodden thunders threateningly and the palace doors of the world's autocrats are being flung open, leaving bare their deousness, once covered so beautifully with robes of splendor, now all

is sham. And this is the inspiring song they sing "Make way for true liberty. You have had YOUR day. Your game of plunder must cease. The long, long journey from barbarism to civilizaion, has been completed. The worker, heretofore shackled and misled, has arrived at his destination despite all obstacles placed in his way by the

exploiting class." Can't you hear that distant chorus, though faint and low? There! You profitmongers and the treacherous paytriots, who are too busy, to foresee their own unavoidable doom. From the Far East, no longer a land of mystery, of superstition,, we can

A better world's in birth."
Listen comrades—that thundering, defiant voice from out of the East torn Europe have joined in singing

Louder and louder they are singing -now a pause A more beautiful music, defiant and rresistible. Hark, the strains of the Russian Revolutionary Hymn:

the praises of Labor.

Look, comrades, do you see that faint object in the distance, to the far west, and do you hear the hearty shout. It is the huge voice of Labor from what land you ask-It is Australia—dauntless, jubilant Australia Of these only between 1,000 to 3,000 Let us join our voices and hearts, comrades of America, with our brave comrades the world over:

"To arms, to arms, ye brave, The workers shall be frec, March on, march on, With hearts resolved

Youngstown, O., Nov. 25, 1918.

To the Editor and Readers of the Ohio Socialist.

On sing the mighty united voices to the tune of the "Marseillaise": Once having felt thy gen'rous flame;

Or whips thy noble spirit tame? Too long the world has wept bewailing That falschood's dagger tyrants wield, knecht and the awakened proletarie

the world over.
"We demand the world for the workers, the world we have builded vice, hunger, greed, war, etc., is to be and did not use; the food we have gar-relegated to the scrap heap of the nered and do not eat. We who buildpast—to be remembered by the de- ed and made beautiful this old world, scendants of the present day toiling we shall now enjoy it. We who have masses as a most horrible nightmare composed and inspired beautiful music of by-gone ages.

We, the workers of Ohio, see the vast economic changes in society, all shall now hear it—sing it. We shall sing the praises of human brotherhood on earth. We, the working class, shall turn our implements of war into plow shares and pruning hooks, and where the chariots of past wars rumthe full rewards of toil." These sentiments are ours, theirs, yours and mine. We reiterate the explicit, concise platform of the Socialist Party of Ohio: "The world for the workers."

dear comrades, has reached and is beginning to grow in our midst—in our workers, the rebellious opponents of

opportunism, are now being heard. Astonishing as my statements may seem to be: The real proletariat element in the Socialist Party is unloubtedly growing and not until our entire party is permeated with this new recognition, will we begin to do effective work among the uninformed and the party today is a working class

movement. Real Achievements. The "flu cpidemic" did not deter very many of our locals, that were prompt on making monthly reports. Former months we counted 35 ocals, loyal and true to the cause. The statistician warned all locals of their weaknesses monthly. It pointed out the faults of each and every local, though not in detail, but scientifically and effectually. If the local was not active enough in its dues collecting or in its interest in propaganda, we told it so. The statistician was frank and observant in his criticisms. The "flu epidemic" has come and gone. It tested the organization qualities of each and every local and notwith-standing, all these formidable obstructions, the statistician can boast of 24 model locals, tested to the limit for 60 days and yet-came out with flying colors overdoing all expectations Local Toledo has thus far made the greatest effort of any local heretofore of its size. The comrades there are to be commended for their work. Local Portage County achieved the

goal, in reaching the 100 per cent. mark in good standing membership and over ran the 5 per cent. test in increase of membership and did not stop until it reached 27 per cent. It s the first local with a membership of 50 or over, that ever accomplished this task. Locals, Niles, Seneca Co., Salem, Massillon, Montpelier came through much better than if there were any epidemic whatsoever.
The General Efficiency Test. For the month of September, locals reported to the State Office, stating that of its entire book membership of 2,551, about 1,364 were

paid up, meriting the 536 mark of efficiency. And then the "flu epidemic" raged all throughout October "With hearts heavy and sad we bring and yet the 24 locals reporting over-Who shed their blood in the fight for point, reporting 736 paid up out of their entire book membership, of 1,016. And here is our real problem: We have 100 locals, 35 of which report monthly. Our state membership is at least 5,500 and between 3,000 or 4,000 of these pay up every month. are reported monthly as paid up. Where is the fault you ask? Look about you, comrades. Your local itself is to blame. It needs vital assistance. Too much is demanded of your most enthusiastic, loyal worker. Get in and help, and help, until every (Continued on page 4)

Don't Put It Off—ORDER NOW—VICTORY EDITION Dec. 31 st. \$1.00 per Hundred.

# RECONSTRUCTION IN **RUSSIA**

FROM CLASS STRUGGLE

(Continued From Last Week).

#### **AGRARIAN MEASURES**

Decree on Confiscation and Nationalization of Land. Adopted by the All-

Russian Congress of Soviets, November 8, 1917. 1. The landlord's property in all land is herewith abolished without

compensation. 2. The estates of the landlords, as well as the appanage lands and lands belonging to the monasteries, churches, with all their live and dead inventories, manor buildings, and implements, pass into the control of rural Land Committees and District Councils of Peasants' Delegates, until the Constituent Assembly.

3. Any damage wilfully caused to the confiscated property, belonging from now on to the whole people, constitutes a grave crime, punishable by the Revolutionary Tribunals. The District Councils of Peasants' Delegates are to take all the measures required for the preservation of strict order while carrying out the confiscation of the estates of the landlords, for recording the size of the estates to be confiscated, for preparing a detailed specification of the whole confiscated property, and for the most stringent revolutionary protection of all the agricultural estates passing now into the hands of the people, with all the buildings, machinery, cattle, stores, etc., appertaining to them.

4. Until the Constituent Assembly will have finally decided the lines of the great land reform, the following instructions, embodying 242 resolutions of a meeting of peasants, and drafted by the Editorial Committee of the "Bulletins of the All-Russian Council of Peasants' Delegates," shall serve for the guidance of the authorities carrying out the work at present:

"The land question in its entirely can be solved only by the Constituent Assembly. The most just solution of the land question must be as follows:

"1. The right of private ownership in land is abolished forever; land can neither be sold, nor bought, nor leased, nor mortgaged, nor appropriated in any other way. The whole of the land of the State, of the appanages, of the Crown, of the monasteries, of the churches, as well as majorats, lands in conditional possession, or endowed to persons, or concerns, privately owned land and land belonging to public bodies, and to peasants, and so on, it herewith expropriated without any compensation whatever, and it becomes the property of the whole people and is transferred for use to all who till it.

"Those who have suffered from this expropriation are entitled to public relief, but only for the time which may be necessary to allow them to adapt themselves to the new conditions of existence.

"2. All the interior of the earth, ores, naphta, coal, salt, etc., as well as forests and waterways, having an all-national importance, pass into the exclusive possession of the State. Small rivers, lakes and forests, pass into the possession of the local communities, subject to the control of the local

"3. Highly cultivated estates, orchards, plantations, nurseries, hothouses, etc., are not to be subjected to division, but are to remain as model estates, and they pass into the possession either of the State or of the local communities, in accordance with their size and importance.

"Land appertaining to manor houses, or belonging to towns, or villages as well as orchards and market gardens appertaining to households, remain in the possession of their present owners, the size of such land and the rate of the tax to be paid by the owners for their use to be fixed by law.

"4. All kinds of breeding stations, of horses, cattle, poultry, etc., whether belonging to the Crown or to private persons, are confiscated and they become the property of the whole people and pass either into the exclusive possession of the State, or of the communities in accordance with their size and importance. The question of compensation to be decided by the Constituent Assembly.

"5. The whole of the inventory of the confiscated estates, both live and dead, passes into the exclusive possession of the State or the local communities, in accordance with their size or importance. The confiscation of the inventory is not extended to small peasants.

"6. All Russian citizens, irrespective of sex, willing to till the soil with their own labor, or with the assistance of their families, or in company with other peasants, are entitled to receive land for use, and for the duration of time they are able to till it. No hired labor is allowed.

"In case of any member of the village community becoming an invalid the community must come to his assistance, by cultivating his land till the time of his recovery, but not longer than during two years. Persons, who, either from old age or illness, have lost the ability to till the soil, lose their right to use land and receive instead a pension from the State.

"7. The possession of the land is to be equal, i. e., the land is distributed amongst the tillers, in accordance with local conditions, in equal plots, the standard share being either a plot to a man capable of working it with his own labor, or a plot required to feed himself and his family. The forms of land tenure are to be decided freely by the local community, whether individual, communal, co-operative, or any other.

"8. The whole of the land, after its expropriation, forms a National Land Reserve. The distribution of this reserve amongst the tillers is effected by the local authorities, beginning with democratically elected rural and urban municipalities and ending with the central provincial institutions. The re-allotment of the whole of the Land Reserve is carried out periodically, in accordance with the growth of the population and the rise in the productiveness of land cultivation. During the re-allotments the main portion of an original allotment must remain unchanged. The land which belonged to persons, who for one reason or another, have lost, or given up possession, reverts to the Land Reserve.

"The cost of manuring or improvements (in so far as the latter are of a fundamental nature), are to be refunded to the owner, if not fully utilized at the time of delivery of possession of the plot.

"9. In case the available Land Reserve in any given locality is not sufficient to provide for the local population, the excess population is provided for by emigration organized by the State, and the latter bears all the cost of the emigration and settlement of the new land.

"10. The contents of this instruction as representing the firm will of the great majority of the conscious peasants of the whole Russia is declared a temporary law, to be carried into effect forthwith, either in full or in part, as determined by the District Councils of Peasants' Delegates. Land belonging to peasants and Cossacks below a certain standard size is not to be confiscated."

"Decree Issued by the Council of People's Commissaires, Establishing a State Monopoly in Agricultural Implements.

The Council of People's Commissaires, in the name of the Republic, decrees:

1. All agricultural machinery and implements, whether manufactured in the country or imported, used to provide the agricultural economy with means being caught on the wires and capiof production and to meet the needs of the toiling agricultural population, are hereby declared a state monopoly, as of the date of the publication of this decree.

2. The distribution of these implements and machinery is to be conducted in accordance with regulations that shall be issued especially for this purpose by the organs of the Soviet government, land committees and other democratic organizations.

#### CONTROL OF FINANCES.

Decree Issued by the Council of People's Commissaires, on the Requisition of Safe Deposit Boxes in Banks.

1. All moneys kept in safe deposit boxes of banks must be paid into the current account of the holder in the National Bank. Note: Gold, in

money and ingots, will be confiscated and added to the gold fund of the entire 2. All holders of safe deposit boxes are obliged, immediately on being summoned, to appear at the bank with their keys in order to witness the

audit of the safe deposit boxes.

3. All holders not appearing within three days after summons will be considered ill-disposed in their opposition to the audit.

4. Boxes belonging to persons thus opposing the audit are subject to opening by the investigating commissions, appointed by the commissioners of the National Bank, and all holdings found in them will be confiscated by the National Bank as the property of the people. Note: The investigating Krafft, Mills. (5). commissions may, for weighty reasons, postpone the above liquidation.

This decree was passed by the Central Executive Committee, all voting in favor except five, who refrained from voting. Decree Issued by the Council of People's Commissaires, Repudiating National

and Russian bourgeoisic, enumerated in a document relating to this matter, are annulled as of December 1, 1917. December coupons of the loans mentioned are not liable to payment.

2. In the same manner are annulled all the guarantees given by the officials of the old regime concerning debts of various enterprises and insti-

3. All foreign debts are repudiated absolutely and without exceptions. 4. Short-term bonds and state treasury series remain intact. Interest on them will not be paid; but obligations to them shall be binding in the same

5. Small propertied (poor) citizens possessing repudiated state notes of internal loans, which are not in excess of 10,000 rubles (nominal worth), will receive annually, from the state, compensation equal to the interest on

6. Citizens possessing repudiated notes in excess of 10,000 rubles will receive no compensation for the repudiation of their papers.

7. Deposits in state savings banks and interest on them are inviolate. All obligations on repudiated debts belonging to savings banks are converting it, I move it not be made public ible into debts (obligations) of the Russian Workers' and Peasants' Republic. until submitted by mail with opportunity for amendment. Armistice with

cratic institutions which have holdings in repudiated debts will continue to kaiser means defeat of Liebknecht and be indemnified, in accordance with rules worked out by the Supreme Council this complete all members committee of Public Economy, together with representatives of such institutions, pro- as matter of fair play. viding it is proven that these obligations were acquired prior to the publication of this decree.

9. The general regulation of the liquidation of state loans is entrusted in the Supreme Council of National Economy.

10. All the work of liquidating these loans is entrusted to the National Bank, to which is also given the duty of proceeding at once with the registration of all owners of holdings in state loans, and also other papers bearing interest, whether or not subject to annulment.

11. Soviets of Workers', Soldiers' and Peasants' Delegates will organize ommissions, with the consent of the local councils of public economy, for the purpose of determining which citizens belong to the class of small property

ber of congress and to the president. Here the pollyticians are ence between the Bullsheviks and the These commissions have the right to annul completely those savings of the United States. Copy of same all recruited from the exploiting class bushwa. She said she couldn't find which were not obtained through actual labor, even if these savings do not exceed 5.000 rubles.

This decree will be brought for discussion before the Central Executive | twelve days. Although the motion

Decree of the Council of People's Commissaires, Concerning Action Against an Industrial Company Refusing to Carry Out the Instructions of the Soviet Government.

In view of the declaration of the management of the Russo-Belgian Metallurgical Company concerning the liquidation of its affairs on January 5, and of their outright refusal to subject themselves to the decrees of the Council of People's Commissaires concerning the introduction of workmen's To the National Executive Committee. control over production, the Central Executive Committee makes the following judgment:

The shafts, works, mines, all living and immovable property, on the lands of the Petrovky Metallurgical Works, the mines at Sofisk, Vyerovsk, Bungovsk, Narnevsk, also in Petrograd, as well as all other property of whatsoever description, regardless of its nature and present location in Russia or abroad, belonging to the Russo-Belgian Metallurgical Company, shall be confiscated, and declared the property of the Russian Republic.

All office and technical assistants are obliged to remain at work for the discharge of their customary obligations.

For irresponsible desertion from their positions or for sabotage, the guilty parties will be handed over to the revolutionary tribunals.

The conduct of the affairs of the Company in Petrograd and the conditions for handing over the various works, operations and branches, to the temporary control of the Soviets of Workers' and Soldiers' Delegates, the Factory and Works Committees and similar organizations, will be determined by a special ordinance of the People's Commissaire of Commerce and Industry. Circular of the People's Commissaire of Provisions, Concerning the Supply

of Textiles, Leather and Foot-wear. In order to empty the shops and stores, all provision organizations and committees, together with the local Soviets of Workers', Soldiers' and Peasants' Delegates, are ordered to requisition, in the warehouses and piers, all textiles and footwear arriving at the place of destination, and, for whatever cause, remaining unsold by the shops after forty-eight hours have elapsed.

All goods requisitioned are to be turned over to the provincial provisional authorities and committees for distribution among the inhabitants at fixed

For goods thus requisitioned, the provision authorities and committees who place them on sale shall pay to the owners a sum that is 10 per cent. less than the fixed prices at which the goods were sold to the consumers. The present ordinance is to be communicated to the inhabitants by pub-

Conclusion.

# RALLY AND BANQUET For Returned Political Prisoners

ACME HALL

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

# Speakers:

Ruthenberg, Wagenknecht and Others

# Banquet

AT 6 P.M.

### A Welcome is Extended to All

#### National Office Correspondence (Continued from page 3)

talized by those who are now over-

ist Party.
With best wishes, I remain, Fraternally yours, ADOLPH GERMER,

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 4, 1918. To the National Executive Committee

Dear Comrades: I report as follows on National Executive Committee Motion No. 10, by Wagenknecht: "That the Executive Wagenknecht: Secretary make inquiry as to whether Comrade Debs and family are in need of personal financial assistance, and if so, a justified periodical remittance be made until such time as appeal has been decided, and that money for remittance be taken out of the Campaign and Defense Fund.'

Vote. Yes: Berger, Herman, Hillquit, Work: "I do not want to vote Holt, Katterfeld, Shiplacoff, Stedman, against this motion, but I think it Wagenknecht and Work. (9).

No: Oneal. (1). Motion carried.

Comment. Herman, per Ruby Herman: "I have voted 'yes' at my husband's request; not because I really believe Debts.

1. All state debts contracted by the regime of the Russian landowners on general principles it seems to me that the families of ALL Socialists Yes: Berger, Herman, Hillquit, who are in jail because of the fact Hogan, Holt, Oneal, Shiplacoff, Stedthat they are Socialists (or otherwise man, Work. (9).

Not heard from: Clark, Katterfeld, is not gauged by what they do or say

Not heard from: Clark, Katterfeld, is not gauged by what they do or say ly entitled to support by the organization. That does not imply, however, that financial assistance should

be rendered whether actually neces-

consequence, I am immediately sub-mitting this protest to you by special well known or how obscure, who is delivery and avoid the possibility of it arrested because of his regular Socialist Party work. The probability is that in most cases help to the famzealous in misrepresenting the Social- ily of arrested comrades is not neces-But the families of some of those whose earning power has been taken away by the authorities may be actually suffering and in every case where this is due to work done for the party, the party should stand by the N. E. C. should express his first,

the comrades involved."
Oneal: "Make inquiry regarding
Comrade Debs' needs, but I am opposed to making this matter the subject of a referendum of the commit-

Debs has consecrated his life to the Socialist movement as no one ever did. He does not, in fact, belong to himself, he belongs to us, and what less can we do for him than look out for his material needs, which goodness knows, are mighty few."

against this motion, but I think it member in your local is at work. Point would have been much better to have out to the "weekly orator" at your necessarily."

Stedman, for adoption of proposed draft of protest to be sent to Wash-

Berger, Herman, Hillquit, efficient propaganda. Krafft, Mills and Wagenknecht.

Comment. Holt: "While I voted 'yes' on mo- week. tion of Stedman and Oneal, I am op-

the Governments or' in the first section and I think they should not have been used. We should always be opposed to every government in which the people are not the absolute rul-

Protest by Goebel Submitted to Your Committee Nov. 1. "Last meeting Executive Committee decided no business by correspondence. Oneal-Stedman motion, therefore, out of order until committee votes otherwise. If you insist on put-

Comment. Work: "I am sure that the second paragraph of the Oneal-Stedman motion does not mean what Comrade Goebel things it does, but I favor striking out that paragraph for the sake of unanimity. Action on important matters by mail is objectionable to me also, as I have often tory! stated. It cannot be done satisfactorily except in session.'

On receipt of affirmative votes from a majority of your committee, the document was sent to each member of congress and to the president is enclosed herewith. The time for voting allowed on National Executive are denied a vote. Proletarian dictais enclosed herewith. Committee motions has always been torship is surely different—from dicfor adoption carried, any votes or comments received up to November 11 will be forwarded to the other

members immediately.
Fraternally submitted,
ADOLPH GERMER,

Executive Secretary.

Chicago, Nov. 20, 1918. I am just in receipt of the following Hampstead, Eng., Oct. 31, 1918.

My Dear Germer:
I have yours of October 11th, with copy of a letter you are sending to Henderson enclosed. When Spargo and his friends came here, we were very anxious to hear what they had to say, and I did what I could to let them put their case before my friends, as we are always anxious to hear and discuss every point of view.

We also stated to them, quite plainly I hope, what our position was, and I understood that the exchange of opinion was quite friendly. You can judge of our surprise, therefore, when we found that, just as the deputation eft, it sent an untruthful letter to the newspapers, in which our views were misrepresented and our confidence dishonorably betrayed.

I have been informed on very reliable authority, that the attaching of at least one of the signatures to the letter came very little short of forg-ery. Should the deputation return to this country, there are certain members of it, at any rate, who would not be treated by us as honorable men. You can keep your mind quite calm on one important point, however, the deputation had no influence, it impressed nobody, it has gone just as it came and every halfpenny spent by it was wasted. I do not know what it may be saying on your side, but if its statements are of the same kind as it put in the letter to which I have referred, the American public can treat them as being absolutely unreli-

Yours very sincerely, (Signed) J. RAMSEY MACDONALD. This letter is in response to a warning I sent to Arthur Henderson, J.

Remsey MacDonald and Coult Ramsey MacDonald and Camille and labor power by the hour, "killa-Husmans against Simons and his dubb hour." It is clear that the comrades abroad rearned to know them about as well as we do here.

Fraternally yours, ADOLPH GERMER, Executive Secretary. Chicago, Ill., Nov. 20, 1918.

To the National Executive Committee. Dear Comrades: I submit for vote of your committee National Executive Committee Motion

No. 13. By Shiplacoff. That the National Executive Comnittee immediately proceed with the nomination and election of delegates to represent the American Socialist Party at tie proposed International Socialist and Labor Conference to be held concurrently with the official Peace Conference.

Comment. News from France and England is to the effect that the Socialists of both these countries are demanding and preparing for an International Socialist and Labor Conference to be held concurrently with the forthcoming Peace Conference, which may begin in December, immediately after the British Parliamentary elections now set for Dec. 12.

At the time this motion is made, sary or not. The organization has at least two of the three delegates plenty of places for every bit of elected by referendum vote in December, 1917, will not be able to go. It is money it gets." ber, 1917, will not be able to go. It is Katterfeld: "This should be done urgent that the Executive Committee

> National Executive Committee Motion No. 14.

By Shiplacoff. That the vote on delegates to the International Socialist and Labor Conference be preferential. Commnt. It is desirable that each member of

second, third, etc. choice of the list of nominees that will be submitted, so that the Executive Secretary may tabulate the vote in accordance with the wishes of the members. Also in the event that those of first choice Shiplacoff: "There can be no two cannot go, there may be others to ppinions on Motion No. 10. Comrade take their place.

Fraternally submitted,
ADOLPH GERMER, Executive Secretary.

#### The Statistician (Continued from page 3)

escertained the facts first, and then, local meetings that the "knowledge' Not voting: Clark, Goebel, Hogan, if the facts made it desirable, to have the enjoys to "sport" are not of much made a motion. None of us would value at the local meetings, but could want such a motion made about us un- do a lot more of good, if expounded to one or more persons during every day of the week.

On Motion No. 11, by Oneal and tedman, for adoption of proposed or more copies of the Ohio Socialist erature is after all the best means of Cambridge ......

Let every member realize that to be a "good, active member" of the party on meeting nights, but by that work which thy accomplish during the

Every local has its "parlor Social-

# Gleanings

FROM THE LOG OF AN AGITATOR

The earth was first conquered by f Biznezasusual also has "flu."

the power of labor. Militarism has its reward-Germany is a fair example of what the milk.

reward is like. quite common for former beggars to of truth. sleep in the king's bed.

militarists better think twice as it will place.be some job, policing all that terri-

Those dreadful, dreadful Bolshe-

viks! Why, why, they are actually denying a vote to all exploiters of labor. Just like this country only different. Here the pollyticians are tatorship by the capitalist class. The only papers in Russia that may

accept advertisements are controlled by the Socialist state. Here the plute press lives by the advertisements of big business and the returns from child labor. No wonder the plute press Bolshevism.

When the time comes that woman's brain is as active as her tongue is now another big step in world's progress shall have been made. And that time is coming fast.

The theological conception of his ory affirms the coming of Christ. The materialist conception of his-

Wage slaves are always in danger of losing their job. Why does a wage slave who does

useful work receive a wage of \$3 or

less a day, while a politician who does

nothing useful draws a salary of \$5,000 or more a year? Congress has prohibited the making of beer but has not prohibited the making of paupers.

Congress could and did declare a state of war existed. Neither Representative nor Senator, however, was on the peace commission. I wonder why? Was it that the Congressmen knew too much? Or not enough? Or What?

The deliberations of the peace congress are not to be open to the public. The people evidently are not yet to the end of "secret treaties and dollar Is it any wonder the idea of a dictatorship of the proletariat is spreading like wild fire?

Comrade Lewis informs us that beans are sold by the bushel and beet by the pound and labor power by the clock. Right, Comrade Tom, and it is

the laborer of today is matching flesh and blood against the relentless speed of the machines of steel and iron?

Instruction is good. Comrades desiring to write him should address: Chas. Baker, 3d Co., Tr. Bn., 158th Depot Brigade, Camp Sherman, Ohio.

ists" but after all it's the "Jimmy Higgins' type" that put things over.

Let us analyze the report for Octiber and find just what is ailing a few of our locals. All locals should have 71-2 to every 10 members paid up or .750. To be in excellent condition should make the 1.000 mark. GOOD STANDING MEMBERSHIP.

Good Standing Number. Pct.of Roll Name. CLASS AA. (All Locals Having 500 or More) Cuyahoga Co.—No report. (Secretary, please note).
CLASS A.

(Locals With 400 or More) None. CLASS B. (Locals With 300 or More) Cincinnati—No report. (Secretary

please note).

CLASS C. (Locals With 200 or More) 

Dayton, Hamilton and Youngstown— No report. (These local secretaries please report). (Locals With 100 or More)

Columbus, Belmont Co. and Akron-No reports. (These secretaries \*Niles .... \*Massillon .... (Locals With 25 or More) \*Zanesville ..... 29 \*Salem ... 35 ... 660
\*Sandusky ... 27 ... 628
Clark Co., Seneca Co., Lorain and Canton—No reports. (Local secre-

taries please note). CLASS G.
(Locals With 3 up to 25). \*Mt. Vernon ..... 18 1.000 \*Galion ..... \*Lorain Germ. Br..... \*Continental ..... -North Star ..... -Wadsworth ..... 11

Fairview ...... 11 

Struthers, South Slavic Branch ...... 12 your other delinquents back into the fold.

CLASS Z. (All towns with locals that do not report or are not organized as locals as yet).

Funny how milk producers always sell the cream and eat the skimmed

Opposition to science is resistance In the olden days the beggar sat to truth. All churches oppose science at the king's gate. Now its getting hence all churches resist the spread

"There are no differences in the Russia comprises one-sixth of the belief of savages. A difference in benhabited portions of the earth's surlicf is a mark of civilization, and it face. Add to this, Germany, Austria, has always happened that the dissent-Bulgaria and more to follow all, un-der Bolshevik control. When one-people that tolerates no differences of fourth of the earth is Bolshevik the opinion must take a second or lower -Ward, in Applied Sociology. If Ward is correct, unless our politicians hasten to repeal the Espionage Act, America is doomed to a lower

> The young lady across the way wants to know if there is any differ-

The form of slavery has been changed many times-but the substance — slavery — always continues and will continue as long as we have a class society. Only by the abolition of classes can slavery be abolished.

The pioneer agitators for an eighhour day were called anarchists by here raves at the mere mention of the capitalist class and hanged on Nov. 11, 1888. These were the socalled Haymarket anarchists.

"Upon the several forms of property, upon the social conditions of existance a whole superstructure is reared of various and peculiarlyshaped feelings, illusions, habits of thought and concepts of life. whole class produces and shapes these out of its material foundations and tory affirms the coming of Socialism. out of the corresponding social conditions. The individual unit to whom Wild animals are always in danger. they flow through tradition and education, may fancy that they constitute the true reasons for and premises of, his conduct."-Marx.

Demobilization of the drafted army means the remobilization of the army of the unemployed.

It seems to be popular for Crown Princes and heirs-apparent to get out from under before something drops.

What has become of Princess Alice

in these days of much-talked about All lovers of liberty and democracy should work for the early repeal of

the Espionage Act. Everybody's singing it— Bring back, bring back, Oh bring back by job unto me, or Bring back, bring back,

# Baker Writes

Bring back my clothing to me.

A letter from Chas. Baker gives the information that he is now at Camp Sherman. Baker finds that the one and all important thought in the minds of the soldiers is: "When do we go home?" He says he finds himself in a much better environment Did you ever stop to realize that than when at the prison, and that he laborar of today is mothing that

> Locals Cuyahoga County and Dayton, and you other "absent" locals, we expect your report for next month. We are anxious to hear how you are getting along. Explanatory.

\*\*Means a "live wire" local. \*Means increase in activity. -Means decrease in activity. ?Means very poor work. The Membership Test. The test calls for one new member every month to every 20 in good

standing. The locals that did surpass the test last month are as follows: Number. Standing. Local. Portage Co. ..... 11  $27\frac{1}{2}$ Lorain German Br...

Mt. Vernon ..... 1 5½
All others worth mentioning are Cuyahoga Co., 34 new members; Galion, 6; Niles, 1; Sandusky, 1; Toledo, 3; Struthers, 11, (but not sufficient data or the percentage would be high. A total of 69 reported. Average increase 100 to 150 per month.

Can Your Local

surpass the tests? Attain the 100 per cent. mark in Good Standing Membership and 100 per cent. mark for increase in membership. Small locals can attain 100 per cent. in increase of members. It is very difficult for large locals to grow over 30 per cent. monthly, although it is not impossible. 1.000 Try it. Do not allow anything to dis-729 courage you. Once your local gets 667 down to the "essential work," it cannot do otherwise than grow. It is far more beneficial to grow gradually by scientific educational methods than by .818 leaps and bounds, due to "opportune"
.759 methods. This latter growth corrupts .725 and deviates.

Use and boost the Ohio Socialist until it has become the mightiest paper in the state for propaganda material.

For fearlessness, truth, news and its educational value it cannot be excelled. There is still one big thing, the most important that it needs and that is-readers, subscriptions. Pro-1.000 letarian news in every column, news that is kept out of your local dailies, purposely to misguide the worker.

The paper that is mighty in all re--Marysville ... 3 .600 spects, except distribution! Your (Local Marysville, I'm quite sure paper and my paper, a paper that (Local Marysville, I'm quite sure you can make it 5, by next month! Won't you try hard?

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| Daper and my paper, a paper of cannot be bought by any group of capitalists, is now asking you for moral and financial support. Boost any capitalistic sheet, that the gullible ones are proud to support, little .500 suspecting their real intent. Let Our Slogan for the month of

December be: "Every member of the Socialist Party of Ohio, a supporter and reader of The Ohio Socialist."

Yours for a better, stronger press, FELIX J. CATLIN,

Secretary Local Youngstown