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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 capitalist press in reference to the revolution in Germany.

Our amusement is heightened by comparing the above judgment with the criticism of the Bolshevik government of Russia.

The revolutions in Germany and Russia must be crushed, to be sure; but not for the reasons given by "the press."

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.

When you read your daily newspaper, notice the tone of relief with which a conservative Socialist victory is reported.

We want the workers to ask themselves, "Why this sudden change of front?" And, in their ponderings, we want them to remember that the interests of the world are strictly class conscious.

This thing which is called Bolshevism is the nightmare of the lords of the earth.

Send In Debs' Defense Contributions

Locals and comrades are requested to remit the money secured in contributions for the Debs' Defense Fund at once.

The enclosed \$18.25 now makes a total of \$32 I collected for the Debs' Defense Fund.

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EXPOSED

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

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

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OUR PARTY PAGE

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 Executive Committee, Socialist Party, Comrades:

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

It must also remind us of OUR OWN UNPREPAREDNESS to assume 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 be 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 have been impossible.

It is the function of our Committee to work out methods and plans to provide opportunities of expression for the tremendous Socialist energy that is now being generated here by world events.

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 "Party Builder" to be sent weekly to all members.
3.-Adoption of definite plans for a real Socialist Party press, with a view to establishing a chain of Socialist dailies by the next presidential campaign, with co-operation of existing papers.
4.-Development of our "Literature Department" into the chief publisher and distributor of Socialist literature in the U.S.

3.-Unity conference with Socialist Party of America.

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.

Adolph Germer, Secretary Socialist Party, Chicago, Ill.

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 continuously a member of the Socialist Party since I helped to organize it in Indianapolis in the summer of 1901.

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TOLEDO AGAIN

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

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

A BIG BOOST

"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."

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

ANOTHER TEN SPOT

He bombards us with ten spots every once in a while. He buys ten Ohio Socialist yearly sub cards at a tick and from what we can hear he has several Canton comrades busy helping him sell them.

An S. O. S. for five dollars worth of subscription cards was received from Karl Frey of Lima last week.

(Signed) CAMILLE HUYSMANS.

Fraternally yours, ADOLPH GERMER, Executive Secretary.

GREETINGS FROM FROW

"All hail to Comrades Ruthenberg, 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."

James Hindson of Youngstown orders 500 copies of the Ohio Socialist for house-to-house distribution.

CINCINNATI MEETINGS

Local Cincinnati plans to have educational meetings every Sunday evening, beginning with January 5.

Mary Marcey writes: "Just received a copy of the 'Frisco' paper containing ten pages of dictaphone conversations between Fickert and his accomplices."

4.-WE DEMAND that in the coming peace, the principle of self-determination of peoples be asserted to the fullest degree.

THANK YOU WELTLICH

Four yearly and five half yearly subs for our state paper constitutes the sum total of Nick Weltlich's efforts last week.

WHAT'S THOUGHT OF IT

This from Clara Smith, state secretary of Oklahoma: "Hope you get many subscriptions in our state. It is the VERY BEST Socialist paper we are receiving and many comrades come in to the State Office to read it."

YOU'RE WELCOME TO IT

"I find much good stuff in the Ohio Socialist that I simply take and use for our state bulletin and sometimes I won't even 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 comrades need not care, even if some were to steal all of the matter in your paper, for your mission is to push the movement along."

Wm. H. Henry, State Secretary of Indiana.

"Let our watchword be - 'STAND TOGETHER,'" writes George Markert.

"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."

B. F. North, Gloucester.



On sing the mighty united voices to the tune of the 'Marseillaise'!

We have reached the time when "dreams come true." We, who once received the taunts and jeers of the uninformed and reactionary;

Today, Capitalism, with all its accompanying insupportable plagues—vice, hunger, greed, war, etc., is to be relegated to the scrap heap of the decadents of the present day toiling masses as a most horrible nightmare of by-gone ages.

We, the workers of Ohio, see the vast economic changes in society, all about us.

On every side—and to the east, to the south, to the west—and to the remotest north—the shackles of Capitalism are being cast off.

Real Achievements. The "flu epidemic" did not deter very many of our locals, that were prompt on making monthly reports.

Former months we counted 35 locals, loyal and true to the cause. The statistician warned all locals of their weaknesses monthly.

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.

For the month of September, 35 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.

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.

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

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