
Liberty Lovers “Need Watching” : Mossback Democrats Fear Activity of Mind of the Forward-Looking

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*In this second article of the series **The Call** today continues the revelation of the espionage system established by the Democratic administration in this country. This article takes up in more detail the workings of the 6 administration departments that are using the “suspect” list. While the original purpose of the organization of the espionage system was for the detection of enemy agents, this article presents further evidence of how this war agency has been diverted for use in this country against those who in any way indicate their desire to fight for liberty and democracy at home.*

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In their attempts to make America safe for Bourbon democracy, the administration and its agents have pretty thoroughly looked into the activity of those citizens who have been struggling for a little larger measure of social justice in this country.

In our article yesterday we pictured the manner in which these men and women and institutions active in the struggle for the liberty of Ireland, India, and Russia have been treated by this administration. Today we present a list of individual “suspects” whose “crime” evidently consists of having been true to the standard of real democracy in this country.

Lincoln J. Steffens, “suspect,” is author of *The Shame of the Cities* and *The Struggle for Self-Government*, the man who opposed political corruption in this country and brought down upon himself the wrath of all reactionaries. It is, therefore, peculiarly fitting that he should be made suspect by all Bourbons.

Steffens Had Mad Report Favoring Soviet Regime.

He has championed the right of the Russian people to solve their own problems. Only a few months ago he was sent by the President to Russia with William C. Bullitt to make a personal report on conditions in that country. What he and Bullitt reported the people of this country have not been allowed to know, but the silence on the part of the administration officials is eloquent to most that the report was favorable to the recent regime in Russia.

Dr. Judah L. Magnes is a "suspect." A profound scholar and gifted speaker, his pen and voice always have been at the service of those movements looking toward the physical and spiritual betterment of mankind. He has been particularly active in support of the right of the Russian people to solve their own problems without the interference of the imperialists of the world; and so our Bourbon Imperialists mark him down as a "suspect."

The name of **Dr. Jenkin Lloyd Jones**, late editor of *Unity*, whose death, his friends say, was hastened by the degradation and aggravation of the espionage system to which he and his paper were subjected on the part of the agents of the administration, still is on the "suspect" list. Dr. Jones's "crime" evidently was his persistence in taking the teachings of Jesus seriously.

Prof. J. McKeen Cattell, late of Columbia University, editor of *School and Society*, is a "suspect." He protested against the denial of constitutional rights of citizens by the administration and thus came into conflict, not only with our Bourbons, but with the Tories in control of the administration of Columbia University.

Dr. Lindley M. Keasbey, an educator who as a teacher refused to prostitute his calling and was forced out of a Texas college as a result, is also a "suspect." He also championed democratic rights in wartime.

Mary Ware Dennett, a prominent Single Taxer and active in the birth control movement, also was active in the People's Council. This probably was the offense that made her "suspect" in the eyes of the forces of reaction and their agents.

Albert DeSilver has been particularly active in trying to protect the civil liberties of the people through the National Civil Liberties Bureau, and, as he could commit no greater offense than this in the opinion of those who have violated these civil liberties, also is put down as a "suspect."

And, Of Course, "Jim" Maurer Would Be on the Black List.

James H. Maurer, for many years president of the State Federation of Labor of Pennsylvania, of whose legislature he has been twice a member, is "suspect." This man is known as the most efficient fighter against political and industrial corruption in that great capitalist state. For many years the political corruptionists known as the "Penrose Machine" have joined in an unholy alliance with the notorious Frank Feeney and the political-industrial machine in an effort to oust James Maurer from the office to which he has been returned for so many years by the self-respecting organized workers of Pennsylvania. An American of many generations, he was particularly active in seeking to protect the democratic rights of citizens in wartime, and became active in the People's Council. Doubtless, for this offense he was tagged "suspect" by the Bourbons.

W.F. Dunne, "Fighting Dunne," editor of the *Butte Bulletin*, is a "suspect." This is the man who has fought the cruel Anaconda Copper Company in its own den. His life constantly threatened by gunmen of the "interests," he has often been compelled to edit his paper with a gun by his side in order to protect his life. He has never faltered for a moment in his loyalty to the people. He is as enthusiastic a supporter of the movement for Irish freedom as he is of the cause of freedom for the people of America. Which is his offense in the eyes of Bourbon democracy, we do not know. Probably both.

Bagley of Pressmen's Union Offends Bourbons.

James J. Bagley, of the Pressmen's Union, is a "suspect." Bagley is one of the most aggressive and able of the younger generation of labor leaders in the country. He is the man that the War Labor Board summoned to appear before them in New York when they wanted to know the truth about the cost of living and the general scale of wages during the New York Harbor workmen's strike. He is a man hated both by the greedy employers and the reactionaries in the ranks of labor; a man against whom there is not a breath of suspicion; a man who has fought the spirit of industrial kaiserism in this country, and therefore is hated by the Bourbons.

Annie Riley Hale, the author, whose book on Roosevelt made such a stir, is also a "suspect." Mrs. Hale was very active in the

Women's Peace Party. Her family having deep roots in American life, the stock from which she sprung having come to America early in its history, she felt called upon to assert her belief in the traditions of real democracy that she had been taught to respect. Both from the platform and with her pen she told the truth as it was given her to see it, and so she is "suspect."

The **Rev. A.J. Muste** is a "suspect." Muste is the man who dared to go to Lawrence, the stronghold of the woolen trust, and offer his services to the millworkers in their struggle to secure a little measure of industrial justice from this iniquitous corporation that has robbed both its workers and the users of clothing to such an extent that one of its own stockholders, Mrs. Glendower Evans, denounced it.

Ethics and Culture Deemed Dangerous.

Dr. Henry Newman's name is put down as a "suspect." This is evidently intended for the leader of the Ethical Culture Society of Brooklyn, who spells his name, however, with a "u" and not a "w." Judging from some of the reports on various citizens made by the agents of the administration, this is a very slight error for them to make. Dr. Neuman was prominent in the Emergency Peace Federation. This may have been his offense; but then again, it may be that his connection with ethical culture might have riled those who, judged by some of their actions, possess neither culture nor ethics.

Elsie Clews Parsons is marked as "suspect." Mrs. Parsons was prominent in the peace movement before this country went into the war. She has not been prominent in public life since. She is a writer, and the daughter of Henry Clews, the banker.

The **Rev. William Short**, of San Francisco, who is on the list of "suspects," is the preacher who insisted upon the right of Mrs. Skeffington, while in California, to be heard on the Irish cause. For this he was arrested, but released, the courts evidently believing that he had a right to champion the cause of free speech, which is more than our Bourbons believe. He was also active in the People's Council movement in California.

A.C. Townley, of the National Non-Partisan League, is a "suspect." The careers of both Townley and the League are known to all readers of our paper. It is also just as well known that their growth is a great menace to the Bourbon Democratic machine. Various groups of reactionaries have been active in pounding the League for the last

year, so it is not a surprise to find Townley's name set down. Townley has recently been prosecuted in the courts, and only a few days ago the higher court granted him a new trial.

Liberty Loan Activity Doesn't Save Max Pine.

Max Pine, who is put down as a "suspect," is president of the United Hebrew Trades of New York City. It happens that this labor official was very active in the Liberty Loan drives. The fact that he is connected with many organizations that are known as "radical," meaning that they represent the intelligent, constructive portion of the working class, has doubtless resulted in his being placed on this list.

It will be noticed that we have named up to this time but very few Socialists, and it may be thought by our readers rather strange that men and women of this belief have escaped the notice of our Bourbon Democrats. There is no fear of this. They are set down in great detail, and it is our purpose to deal with them separately in tomorrow's article.

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