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No Wrong Can Live Long Under Free Discussion

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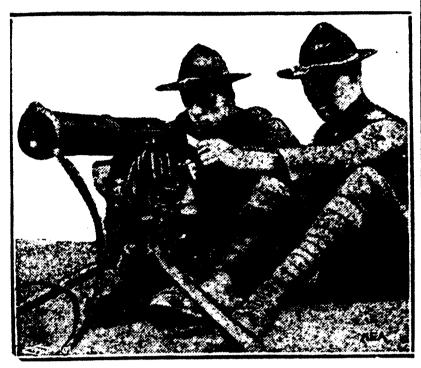
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To Promote Military Preparedness

Debs Column

Troops on Guard in "Pocket"



Fear of the operators in the "pocket" district in southern Indiana that the non-union mines would be raided by union forces led to a call for state troops. The picture shows two machine gunners on guard at a non-union mine near Evansville. So far the reported advance of the union men has not materialized. -From the Terre Haute Post, Feb. 27, 1926.

Let This Sink In

Take a good look at the above picture.

Especially if you are a workingman.

And still more especially if you belong to a labor union. This picture is specially designed, though not intentionally, for your par-

ticular benefit if you are a union man. Let us explain a bit so that you may clearly understand.

The explanation will require but little space and less words.

The coal diggers, members of the United Mine Workers, are on strike in Southern Indiana The mines down there have been manned and are operating with scabs.

To protect these scabs and to shoot union miners if they attempt to interfere with the scabs the governor of the state, who was made governor by the votes of workingmen, promptly dispatched the state militia to the scene.

At this writing the mines are surrounded by soldiers armed with the most modern weapons, ready at the word of command to shoot union miners and to protect scabe.

But this is not all. The scabs must have still more protection than is provided by the soldiers.

And so the patriotic governor has provided the mine owners with a fleet airplanes equipped with gas and other bombs. As these lines are written these airplanes are circling about over the

runes ready to drop their bombs upon the union miners to protect the scabs nd the property of the mine owners.

It is thus perfectly clear that the mine owners are in absolute control of the situation, that the governor is at their beck and call and all the powers the state at their command in the protection of their property and their As and in training their guns, shotted to the lips, on union men.

Here we have an object lesson in capitalism so perfectly clear, so startly and vivid that even a child has mentality enough to grasp its significance. Now look once more at the picture above.

The machine gun, of which there are a number, is trained on the union

miners. The men behind the gun are also workingmen. They are hired to kill their fellow-workingmen when commanded to do

. 10 their officers in the service of the state presided over by the governor

and rail of the mine owners.

"Ob, say, can you see by the dawn's early light?" Workingmen before the guns and workingmen behind the guns.

You see no capitalist mine owners there. They are safely behind the scene.

They know how to play the same of having workingmen at both ends of earn and killing those of their own class for the benefit of their masters . . v: losters.

This is what you vote for, Mr. Workingman, every time you vote a Repubcan ticket or a Democratic ticket for they both stand for the same thing and the thing they stand for is made plain as a pikestaff in the above picture.

Lincoln said: "If you want that thing that's the thing you want." But is there, can there be a workingman with eyes in his head and intelliabove a shell-fish who deliberately wants that thing and votes for it? We leave the answer with the picture to our readers.

The Zeigler Victims

The trial of the union miners at Survey Illinois, so long pending, came a close recently with the convicto I a number of them and their " 'r given prison sentences upon the the of murder. The case from the mong was known as "The Zeigler in sup." A complete statement of · · facts, including the causes that led to the trial is published in a pam-" entitled "The Zeigler Frame-up." Max Shachtman. The pamphlet That a number of illustrations and The filly tells a tragic story in union

. . part of the Ku Klux Klan in Mair is told in detail, revealing deplorable conditions brought of within the union in the interwarfare which long prevailed healty led up to the murder of enfer, alleged to have been shot Klansman, which resulted in the it that proved to be a frame-up of resulted in the conviction of a so or of innocent men who had been etive workers in the union.

of the twenty union members who "d upon trial seven were conas are convinced from the information live colonies, and go forth to conhave and from the report of the quest.

evidence at the trial that these union miners are the innocent victims of a conspiracy to brand them with crime and thereby discredit them because of their activities in behalf of the union of which they had always been loyal

An appeal has been taken by the defendants to the supreme court and I tration in Washington. this appeal is now pending. There is reason to believe that on account of the flagrant injustice of the verdict that there may be a reversal of the lower court and that a new trial may be granted, in which case it is confidently believed that a verdict of acquittal will be rendered.

In any event these union miners are entitled to the support of organized labor in the state of Illinois, and it is hoped that this support, both moral and financial, will be freely given to the end that innocent men may not he railroaded to prison because of their activities in the labor movement.

"The locusts have no king, yet go they forth all of them by bands" So we read in Proverbs. The locusts theen originally indicted and here set an example to the workers. They have no king and need no king. of land given prison sentences and but they organize in bands, co-opera-

Debs Writes Platform Expressing Purpose of Special Edition Drive

CHICAGO, MARCH 20, 1926.

War-Makers Organize Civil Legion

When Comrade Debs was asked by the Appeal staff and the national secretary of the Socialist Party to allow himself to become the center of the big drive and Special Edition of The American Appeal, he consented on condition that the drive and Special Edition be made a smashing broadside against every reactionary law resulting from the World War and a fight in behalf of every victim in the United States of these unjust laws.

From his home in Terre Haute, Indiana, Comrade Debs has embodied this plan in a platform which the Appeal staff and officials of the Socialist Party gladly adopt as the guiding principles and purpose of this drive.

The platform, as written by Comrade Debs, follows:

"The aims, ends and objectives of this drive are:

"The repeal of every anti-sedition law, every criminal syndicalism law, and every other gag law of every kind, state and national.

"The repeal of every law enacted by states with moron legislatures prohibiting the teaching of the truths of science in our public schools.

"The unconditional release of every class war prisoner in every jail and prison in the United States, regardless of his affiliation or non-affiliation. "The unconditional and complete repeal of the Espionage Act, which has only been condition-

ally set aside with the proviso that it may be revived and made effective at any time of 'emergency.' "A nation-wide, emphatic protest of the working class in general and organized labor in particular against injunction rule, challenging the right of every corporation judge in the land to issue paralyzing injunctions to serve the master class and to crush labor strikes and leave the workers at the

"An emphatic and nation-wide protest against the use of the state militia or constabulary to intimidate workers, to break strikes and to keep organized workers in slavish submission.

"The legal defense of every workingman now under arrest or indictment or under bail, who is being prosecuted for his activities in the labor movement, no matter who he may be or what his affiliation.

"The right of free speech, free assemblage and a free press, unrestricted, unqualified, above and beyond all question in accordance with the plain, un squivocal, unmistakable guarantee in the constitution of the United States. Upon that issue we challenge the whole brazen, corrupt, tyrannical and subversive power of capitalism and make our appeal to the toiling and producing millions and the common people of America to back us up in the fight to a finish for these fundamental rights."

In subscribing to this platform as the basis for the Drive which will culminate on May 1, 1926, IN A MONSTER EDITION OF THE APPEAL, the Appeal has undertaken the most essential educational work that has been attempted since the World War.

THIS WILL CONSTITUTE THE FIRST GENERAL ATTEMPT OVER A DEFINITE PERIOD OF TIME TO CONCENTRATE ON THIS ISSUE AND GET BEFORE THE AMERICAN PEO-PLE ALL THE SENSATIONAL FACTS CONCERNING THE AMAZING THEFT OF THEIR CIVIL LIBERTIES UNDER COVER OF WAR.

The people must be told this story. They must be given all the facts. The situation demands that they must be given them in an impressive way. IT IS THE ONLY WAY THAT THE CIVIL LIBERTIES ONCE ENJOYED IN AMERICA CAN BE RESTORED AND SAFEGUARDED.

This is The Appeal's first big job. To accomplish it, The American Appeal MUST NOT ONLY HAVE AN ENORMOUS CIRCULATION ON MAY I, BUT IT MUST HAVE A RAPIDLY MOUNT-ING CIRCULATION RIGHT UP TO THAT DATE.

TO GET THIS URGENTLY NECESSARY MESSAGE OVER TO THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, EVERY APPEAL SUBSCRIBER WHO AGREES WITH DEBS' PLATFORM ABOVE, MUST TURN HIMSELF OR HERSELF INTO A SUBSCRIPTION AND BUNDLE ORDER HUSTLER AT ONCE AND DO THE FASTEST WORK HE OR SHE EVER DID BEFORE.

"I Will Not Beg For Pardon", Says Debs, to Arrogant Demand of Attorney General

"Under no circumstances will I anniv for pardon. I made no defense when I was tried because I felt that I had committed no crime. If I should apply for pardon, it would be in my eyes an acknowledgment that I was wrong when I stood my ground for the right of free speech in the United

In these ringing words, Eugene V. Debs in his home in Terre Haute, Indiana, this week, gave his answer and the answer of every true hearted supporter of liberty and justice in America to the latest demand of the Adminis

That demand was expressed by Atman Victor L. Berger a few hours earlier the same day when Comrade DEBS WILL HUMILIATE HIMSELF OF THIS COUNTRY.

Berger urged that the Attorney Gen- AND THE CAUSE HE REPREeral consider favorably the restoration SENTS: UNLESS HE WILL AS-of Liebs citizenship. To Berger's state- SUME A POSITION THAT WOULD ment that Debs would not apply per IMPLY THAT HE HAD COMMITTED sonally for pardon, Attorney General A WRONG: UNLESS HE WILL PUT Sargent replied:

"Until a man is ready to say that he will abide by the laws governing everyone else, it is my informal opinion that he is not entitled to clemency."

On the day previous Congressman Berger asked President Coolidge to pardon and grant full American citi- sional action. zenship to Eugene V. Debs.

torney General Sargent to Congress taining the return of Deb's eltizenship AND WRITING TO CONGRESSMEN

HIS SEAL OF APPROVAL ON THOSE WHO IMPRISONED HIM AND DEPRIVED HIM OF CITIZENSHIP.

DEBS WILL NEVER DO THIS.

The restoration of Debs' rights must come through his friends. It must come by way of Congres-

THERE MUST BE THE GREAT-

The reply of the Attorney General EST CONCENTRATION OF EFFORT has practically shut off all hope of ob- IN GETTING PETITIONS SIGNED directly from the President, UNLESS AND SENATORS IN THE HISTORY

War-makers are organizing! Not the soldiers who went to the trenches and paid the price of the world's folly but the slackers who stayed at home and reaped the fruit of their sacrifice. A bill is pending before the judiciary committee of the United States Senate which would grant incorporation to the Civil Legion, giving it the same official recognition enjoyed by the Ameri-

A letter signed by Frank Comerford, national president, and John P. Tansey, national secretary, pleads for membership and support. It says: "THE CIVIL LEGION WILL BE TO ITS MEMBERS WHAT THE AMERICAN LEGION IS TO EX-SERVICE MEN. IT WILL GIVE TO THE NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS POLICY, AN ORGANIZATION AS ESSEN: TIAL TO IT AS ARE THE ORGANIZED RESERVES TO THE ARMY."

Berger Secretary Reports Splendid Results of Drive

By Marx Lewis

The agitation provoked by the inroduction of a resolution to restore to Eugene V. Debs his citizenship those who may have the temerity to rights has made inroads that were hardly anticipated when the thought of the resolution first suggested itself. Editorial comment reaching Repreentative Berger's office, letters from numerous individuals, not Socialists, and some anti-Socialists, and statements privately made to him reveal-an interest and sympathy for the restora-

During the past week, the Debs mater has played a prominent part in the press of the entire country. Berger interviewed President Coolidge on Wednesday, Attorney General Sargent and the Pardon Attorney at the Department of Justice on Thursday, and number of influential Senators on Friday. In all of these talks, he made it clear that Debs will not apply for a pardon, because he committed no crime, but that the restoration must on made upon the recognition that Debs went to prison in the service of an ideal as dear to him as any re ligion ever was to anyone.

While Debs would not apply for a pardon, a million others who love and honor him will, the authorities were assured.

In the meantime, Congressmen who have heard from their constituents, are making inquiry concerning the resolutions. Petitions are reaching them. Very few unfavorable replies have been received from Congressmen, so far as it is known, but those that have been received are either favorable or there is a tendency to be evahaving Debs' rights restored to him. One of the letters Berger received iNGTON. was from the head of an anti-Socialist He enclosed a petition We will give it later. clipped from the American Appeal. One of the most important resoluamong other things:

"As I aided to get Debs out of jail, as you may prove by Hon. John W. Weeks, so I should like to aid in restoring citizenship to him. I am forwarding to you my name signed to the petition. I gladly sign my name to the many thousands of Americans who do not believe in Socialism, but who espouse the cause of liberty." He adds that while he has worked ill the years to damage Socialism, he has never resorted to personal abuse. and that he has respect for free speech, free press and free assembly Debs, he says, was "far more dangerous to capitalism as a prisoner and as

he is as a free man and a citizen." Pile up the petitions, and send them to your Congressman. Victory will crown our efforts.

Preparedness for what? For War! These high lights of patriotic profiteering will not fight the next war any more than they did in the last. They will sit in the swivel-chairs safe from danger. They will be the "Dollar-ayear" men. They will show their patriotism by forcing their neighbors to "give until it hurts." They will prep through key holes and listen in on telephones to find enemies among

criticize their blatant hypocrisy. Who are in this new Organization? The following, declares this letter: "The War Governors, members of the War Congress, the War Preparedness Boards, Selective Service Boards,

peaceful American citizens. They will

use their power to pay grudges against

other Nationally Authorized War Ac-Here are the forty war governors it claims as members of the Advisory

The American Security League, and

National Advisory Board

Charles Henderson, Alabama, George P. Hunt, Arizona; Thomas Riggs, Jr., Alaska; Charles Hillman Broygh, Arkansas; William Dennison Stephens, California; Julius Caldeen Gunter, Colorado; Marcus Hensey Holcomb, Connecticut: John G. Townsend. Delaware; Sidney Johnson Catta,

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Appeal Buried By Debs Petitions On Way to Washington

The volume of petitions and resolutions for the restoration of Debs citizenship received in the office of the Appeal to be forwarded to their proper destinations in Washington, has increased to the proportions of a deluge.

MOST OF THE PETITION HUS-TLERS REPORT THAT THEY ARE sive. The evasive ones are not the ALSO WRITING THEIR CONGRESS. opponents of the resolution, but they MEN. THEY ARE DOING THEIR will respond if it appears that their WORK THOROUGHLY AND SPLENconstituents are really desirous of DIDLY-AND ITS EFFECTS ARE ALREADY BEING FELT IN WASH-

Space forbids any adequate report League, with headquarters in Massa, on this magnificent nation-wide drive.

with his name signed to it. He says, tions so far received is from the Federated Trades Council of Milwaukee. representing tens of thousands of workers IT WAS PRESENTED TO THE SENATE BY ROBERT M. LA FOLLETTE.

Here are a few of the petitions that lie on top of the pile in the basket today: Chicago Masonic Lodge, 150 names: Edgar Lee Masters, the great American poet; 215 names gathered by H. J. Herberg, Peru, Indiana. Eight feet of names gathered by Maurice Walsh, Terre Haute, In diana, 5 pages of names collected by Charles Trice, Tranger, Pennsylvania; a four-feet petition from William Rohrig, Milwaukee; 7 pages of names from C. Haney, Muscatine, Iowa; 7 a man deprived of his citizenship, than pages of names from S. T. Dasget. Joseph, Oregon; an eight foot petition from the constituency of Congressman Albert E. Carter, 6th California Dis-

with, and the Catholic unions, which still exist. The law, which also established labor magistrates and compulsory arbitration, is expected to end all The government becomes supreme

arbiter and dictator in all labor disputes. It fixes profits and wages. It determines conditions and hours. It will not tolerate strikes or any independent organization of labor. The workers will have to belong to the Fascist (government unions) and obey the government in all things. The employers must also belong to these unions and obey in all things, but with the government, he declared. this difference: THIS FASCIST GOV-ERNMENT IN MAINTAINING A CAPITALIST SYSTEM WITH THE gave all the Italians national con-CAPITALISTS AS OWNERS OF IN-DUSTRY AND MASTERS IS MERE become the only recognized labor LY CAPITALISM FUNCTIONING IN

Aimed Against Socialism Mussolini's speech in favor of the bill left no doubt that it was aimed essentially against Socialism. The speech consisted in a tlrade against Socialism and a defense of the New Capitalism.

Premier Mussolini attacked the Socialist doctrines, denied that the workers and masses of the world were real internationalists, and urged the cooperation of capital and labor for the national good. The 2,000,000 workers. peasant and industrial laborers who now belong to the Fascist unions obey

"I know what the masses think and what they want," he said. "The war

"It is not true that the proletariat is international. Did not the teaching

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New Fascist Law Completes Slavery of Italian Workers

Mussolini's Capital and Labor bill.

Capitalism as it will be, if it suc- | passage in connection with Mussolini's | MILITARISTIC AND GOVERNMENceeds in defeating Socialism and re- speech brings out startlingly the TAL FORM OF SLAVERY. establishing itself as militarized capi- purely anti-Socialist and anti-Labor talism in league with government; character of Fascism. MORE THAN capitalism thoroughly institutional EVER IS IT MADE CLEAR THAT ized, an essential part of the law: FASCISM IS NO MORE NOR LESS capitalism as the White Terror, the THAN A HISTORIC REACTION, Iron Heel, industrial slavery, made its THE SPECIAL PURPOSE OF definite advent in Italy this week in WHICH IS TO PREVENT THE ES-completed form with the passage of TABLISHMENT OF SOCIALISM OR

Government Made Slave-Driver

By a vote of 139 to 27 the proposals were accepted and will become law with the king's signature. Under the new law the Fascist labor unions will INDUSTRIAL DEMOCRACY AND TO unions in Italy, replacing the old So ALL THINGS THROUGH ITS and factics of Samuel Compers in The nature of this measure and its RE-ESTABLISH CAPITALISM IN A cialist unions, already done away ARMED GOVERNMENT.

Washington Letter

By Marx Lewis

Muscle Shoals Endangered

A bill has been adopted providing that a joint congressional committee be appointed at once to negotiate bids for the lease of Muscle Shoals. The committee will report its recommendations back to Congress on April 26, when one of the private bids will be accepted.

Both Democrats and Republicans joined in having the bill enacted. They will also join to have Muscle Shoals turned over to private interests, so that the American people may pay tribute for generations to come to a power trust for the use of plants that the people had built. The Progressives, who can get the co-operation of the Democrats when an investigation promising campaign material is in sight, will find when the bid is approved, just as they found when the revenue bill was approved, that on things that really matter, the coalition will embrace Democrats and Republicans. The Progressives will remain, once more, out in the cold.

Would Adjourn Congress

Now that the revenue bill has been enacted into law, a desperate attempt solutely necessary -and other legislation, such as measures designed to avoid a repetition of a coal strike, have not been considered, much less acted upon.

The report is assiduously spread that there is nothing to be done. It would perhaps be nearer true to say that there is no one left to be donethe income tax bill having lifted the burden of taxation from the shoulders of the rich and left it pretty much as it was, on the shoulders of the poor. And when there is no one left to be done, the adjournment of Congress may as well be decreed.

Attack Government Printing A terrific campaign is being con

ducted for the enactment of the Kendall bill, which would prevent the Government from continuing to print envelopes which it now sells to the public.

It is admitted that not only does the Government do it cheaper than it of Socialism. It will not be news to could be done if private printers were to handle the printing-it costs the Government about 20 cents, a thou- ing the daily press. It will be resand to print the envelopes, while private printers would charge \$2.00 a of the Post Office officials—but that can ascertain from the National Office to speed the adjournment of Congress | the uniformity which is established is being made, without regard to the by reason of the fact that the Govern- print the speech, how they may be obfact that farm relief legislation -- which ment prints all of the envelopes results | tained.

in efficiency in every branch of the

Those demanding that the Government get out of the business are wiring members of Congress that Government competition with private business is against the spirit of our Constitution and our country. When they are unable to maintain their contention that government enterprise is more costly and wasteful than private enterprise, they fall back upon the spirit of our Constitution.

While the spirit happens to be one that invariably awakens tender thoughts in the minds of every politician, who will concede that the present practice is socielistic, the business interests are not very strong for a change. The private printers are doing all the shouting. And if business generaly is not in favor of a change, the likelihood of a change is insignificant.

Socialism in Record

In response to numerous demands that come to his office. Representative Victor L. Berger has incorporated in the Congressional Record a brief statement of the theory and purpose Socialists-but it will be to those who have formed their opinions from readprinted in pamphlet form within a week or so, and Socialists desiring to thousand, according to the statements distribute copies in their communities of the Socialist party, which will re-

Army in Peace Time From Italy comes the startling news

Fascists to Double

that the Fascist dictatorship during the week authorized upon the recommendation of Mussolini almost a doubling of its army in time of peace. The news dispatch telling of the event SAYS:

"The main points are the increase from 150,000 to 250,000 men in the armed forces in time of peace, an increase in the obligatory service from a minimum of three months to a minimum of six months and an increase in the artiflery mechanical devices to conform to the necessities of modern

"In presenting the bills as Minister of War Mussolini said:

"'These reforms are not adequate to the necessities of the nation and her politics. They are limited by the present situation of the public finances. should be very glad to increase the number of military divisions if our finances permitted. Modern times are uncertain; we must be prepared.

"The reorganization of the army is the first step toward a general reorganization of all of Italy's armed forces. The premier is working on the reorganization of the navy and the aviation service."

Less than a week before the Fascist despotism undertook this tremendous expense both President Coolidge and Secretary of the Treasury Mellon explained that Mussolini had been granted the ridiculously easy debt terms because the Pascist government could not possibly pay any more.

THIS TYRANNICAL GOVERN-MENT WHICH COULD NOT PAY ONE-FOURTH OF ITS DEBT TO THE UNITED STATES HAS NOW UNDERTAKEN A VAST MILITARY EXPENDITURE THAT IS A STAND-PEACE IN AND OUT OF ITALY.

Were the members of the debt com mission buncoed by the agents of Fascism, or are they attempting to bunco the American people in the interest of

Fascism? The American people have a right to know.

John W. Dennis Dies



The above picture was taken a few and Comrade Debs visited the tomb of dressed, to the meeting.

Hape Cemetery, Rochester, N. Y.

Comrade Dennis died at his home in Rochester, N. Y., last week, a victim of pneumonia, at the age of 50. He was a powerful influence in the

Socialist and trade union movements. weekly round of 25 Look out for He served prominently in the Moulders union and has been prominent in much indeed. the Socialist movement since 1900. During that year he was Socialist candidate for mayor of Syracuse. In 1915 he moved to Rochester, and at he paid anyway, once became prominent in the Social ist and labor movement there, where he has been Socialist candidate for mayor twice and Socialist candidate for the legislative assembly.

Irish Labor Wins

Dublin - The Irish Labor party candidate has won the by-election in County Dublin, defeating the Free State government candidate by 1,000 votes. In another by-election in a neighboring district the Labor candidate is reported in the lead, though the count is incomplete. The Free State has to have a general election next year, and may have it before.

French Socialists Win

Paris.-The "left bloc" parties-So clalists and radicals-which swept France at the last election have won Canada; Jean Hopkins, New York; two out of three recent by elections to fill vacancies in parliament.

Socialists Carry Argentine Capital

Buenos Tires,-The election of a third of the chamber of deputies, cate there will be a radical triumph.

Debt Terms Enable Meaning of Italy's New Slavery

ers to the passage of the moffstrous main industrial servants, underlings, it, organized labor that blocks it, the Mussolini Capital and Labor law, related in this issue of the Appeal.

A NEW KIND OF A STATE-A NEW SOCIAL ORDER.

It provides that all employers and ail employes shall belong to one and allowed to have an independent voice the same union or syndicate AND or organization. They are kept down THAT THIS UNION OR SYNDICATE and forced to slave and obey by the SHALL BELONG TO THE GOVERN- most terrific force labor ever faced. MENT AND SHALL OBEY THE GOVERNMENT AND SHALL BE ON THEM. THEIR FORMER BOSS MENT IN PRACTICALLY ALL

While close government control'is solini has launched the closest and most extensive system of government

Not only are the workers closely controlled in the matter of wages. hours of work, conditions; but the capitalist is subjected to close control. BUT WITHIN THIS GOVERNMENT CONTROLLED SYSTEM OF INDUS-TRY THE PRESENT CAPITALIST STRUCTURE OF SOCIETY IS RE-TAINED. The capitalist is maintained as the private owner of industry, the employer, the master, the retainer of the profits of industry—the upper class.

wage-workers for a pittance-the lowor class. EVERY DEVICE OF FORCE THIS FAR REACHING LAW IS AND POWER THAT HUMAN DEVIL-PLAINLY AN ATTEMPT TO FOUND ISHNESS CAN INVENT IS PITTED AGAINST THEM TO KEEP THEM IN THIS POSITION. They are systematically disarmed. They are not

BOSSES HAVE BEEN SWITCHED REGULATED BY THE GOVERN WAS THE PRIVATE EMPLOYER BACKED BY A CAPITALIST-CON-TROLLED GOVERNMENT. THEIR NEW BOSS IS THE CAPITALIST gradually giving away to collective GOVERNMENT ITSELF. THEY IT IS INEVITABLE THAT WHEN democratic initiative in Russia, Mus. HAVE BECOME GOVERNMENT SLAVES AND THEIR NEW MASTER IS A CAPITALIST GOVERNMENT control that the world has ever seen. ARMED TO THE TEETH ON A NA-TION WIDE SCALE.

Never before in history was slavery more complete and never before were slaves up against such completely organized power for maintaining slavery. Why this change—why has Italian Fascism substituted government slav ery for the former private boss?

The answer is easy. Italian Fascism represents an inevitable phase of capitalism in its final act of self-defense. As capitalism in its present form The workers are forced by a most the surplus that chokes it, the unem-thops.

We call the attention of the read-icruel and terrible compulsion to re-iployment problem that disorganizes co-operatives that supplant it, Social ism that threatens it with the ics of political and industrial control-IT WILL INEVITABLY BEEK CLOSER AND STRONGER GRIP ON THESE OPPOSING AND DISINTEGRATING ELEMENTS.

THAT NEW GRIP CANNOT BE ANYTHING ELSE THAN CAPITAL ISM TURNED INTO GOVERNMENT AND THE INSTITUTION OF THE NEW GOVERNMENT SLAVERY.

Capitalism has always existed, ruled and gained greater power by virtue of political action and political control. WHICH MEANS IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS MILITARY CONTROL ITS EXISTENCE IS FINALLY AT STAKE IT WILL ATTEMPT TO MAKE THAT ARMED POLITICAL POWER COMPLETE AND DIRECT

Jack London foresaw this development in his "Iron Heel" and Ignatius Donnelly in his "Caesar's Column."

Constructive Socialism has always held that POLITICAL POWER IS THE SUPREME THING THAT MAIN TAINS CAPITALISM AND IS THE SUPREME FORCE THAT MUST IN. AUGURATE SOCIALISM.

We must hurry, hurry and clothe ourselves with this constructive and feels itself breaking to pieces, through protective power. It is our one great

Appeal Army Column

The Appeal recently sent out a let- | ter containing 20 subs. "The Appeal ter to lone subscribers who were the is a wonderful paper," he says. "Let only readers of the Appeal in their us hope everybody will read it with his brains, not with his eyes only;

Did they come back? Well, you betthen he is bound to know the differ ter believe they did. There will be ence between right and wrong." some towns where the lone ones will be lonely no longer. One of the first letters to come back is from J. K.

Wood, La Verne, Cal. He says: "I have just sent you a club of eight subscribers, all my sons. I am ninety years old and not able to go away from home to get subscribers; but if any one comes my way I will boost The Appeal. It surely is a new star of hope and the paper I prize most of the many papers I take? I am nearly helpless but my eyes are good and I read a great deal. I have eight sons and want them to have The American Appeal to read, so have sent their names. They are scattered around in two different states and are all So-

Dear old comrade in the twilight of a useful life' Your letter gives heart to all who read it. No one should be lonely in the town where you live.

O. E. King, Rockford, Ohio, sends a list of twelve subs with a letter which Littiz.

"Your letter saying that I am the only one receiving The Appeal through the Rockford post office shows an that I am one among the many. I hope I will be one of a million subscribers some day."

Julius Polky, Long Cove, Maine, Eu. gene D. Cox, Jackson, Miss., and Emil Kohlhardt, Cudahy, Wis. Send Home-Town Clubs of four each. Three more who are no longer loners

W. W. Maltby, Dyas, Alahama. Orgamized a Home-Town Club of four including his own. He writes: "The they have looked and longed for ever from John L. Wrather, Mayfield since the war.

writes:

"My verdict on The American Appeal is that it is in all respects equal. that class, spreading the truth, exposwhich is so well covered up by the Every week. Paid-Press. It is surely a newspaper that deserves to be read by all the Appeal by writing and expressing your own views on subjects of general interest to fellow-wage-slaves and peonfarmers. Do not walt for somebody else to take the lead. So many of us have been just following; now let us Join the party of which The American | hon, hits three and Susana De Wolf Appeal is spokesman and be in the front row, all as leaders."

enrolled three others in his Homeclub. B. M. Fredricks, Tuolume, Cal., C. Townsend, Willowbrook, Cal., and three from the Lone Star State. "I Helen Majala, Waterford, have each am glad The Appeal has started." he found a friend to read the Appeal and help form a club. Good luck com- I will do all I can to help in getting rades! You know the poet Swinburne subs." Here's another Texan to help

"When three men stand together The kings are weaker by three."

Thunder and lightning! A Storm!

Marie Wanamacher, Philadelphia and Zino Sarkinson, Fairport Harbor, Obto, each sends in fifteen new ones, L. E. Kronewitter, South Bend, Ind.,

sends in twelve E. R. Holden, El Paso, Texas, sends subs and wants a bundle of 200. G. F. Sherwood, Salem, Oregon, lands tensubs and will distribute 100 R. F. Hinkle, Canton, Ill. Orders 10 nub. ! ards and sends a list for sample opies. Let us hope that the sample opies will land them all in the sub-

Count Pittsburgh for ten more sent by W. J. Van Esseu. The bombard but mop up Milwaukee. ment from Pennsylvania, keeps hot as ever. A. J. Clowes, Breckenridge, hits us with 7. Before we can get up here comes four shots from Matti Korpi. Monessen, four more from A. C. Graul, Sharpsburg, and two from L. Dellinger,

W R Snow, State Secretary of Illinots, blew in one day this week with error on my part; so I got busy to correct it. From now on, for a while, ft Chicago, sends two and J. M. Carnella. will be me among the few and I hope Gillespie, sends two and J. M. Carnella, in the near future to cause you to say ful repeaters. Comrade Carnelli says: Gillespie." R. C. Densmore repeats Trantwein caught two in Galena.

Seven subs and a bunch of cards for J. Thobe, Covington, Ky. He writes, 5 prize beyond measure and would be Durton. Appeals is a Godsend to the country, little enough in appreciation of his and gives the old Appeal Army what work" Kentucky sends two more

"Yours for a better and higger pa-Alex A. Swans, Eureka, Montana, per," says flarry L. Nelson, in a letter sending eight subs from Elizabethtown, N J. We will have to have a bigger one if things keep coming as if not superior to any publication of they have this week. A. Steffich comes again with three more for ing the falsehood and corruption, Hoboken. That's the way to do it.

Three more rounds from the east 'wage-slaves' and 'peon-farmers.' Lot coast guard! W. S. Taylor, Anson, 150 to be sent 25 a week for six weeks. us all help to make it strong and solid Maine, fires four shots, while W. F. as the Rockles. I suggest that each Beveridge sends in two from Camden. subscriber get at least one new sub- Edw. F. Clark, Hartford, Conn., rescriber, and each of the new ones the peats with two subs and an order for same and make it an endless chain. literature Charlette Bohlin, Ridge-Then help to arouse interest in The tield Park and Emory H. Brooks, Camden score twice each for New Jersey.

Ohlo keeps coming right along. They have a great bunch of sharpshooters out there. Every week they just keep at it. Jacob Bergunt, Listwo. She writes: "This is only the entering wedge. I expect to do better in the future. Good wishes to all the A L. Coombs, Bad Axe, Mich., has | comrades of The Appeal."

Dr. B F. Bell, Tyler, Texas, sends writes. "In all my circumscribed way | Peter Hobstetter, Portsmouth, Ohio. you, Comrade Bell. L. D. Van Tassell, of Aivin, sends one sub and a contri

"I hope your staff will blow the A tornade! The office is whirled earthquake blast through The Appeal An order for 20 comes from Fort Og. which retires by rotation, passed quietaround and stood on end and buried until the walls of capitalism fall," den, Florida, from J. H. Lastinger, ly today. The Socialists are confident in the subs, bundle-orders and letters writes C. F. Hughs of Harrison, Mich. Sell 'em Socialism, Comrade Lastinger. of a victory over the radicals here, which struck it. Leo Zevnik, La Salle, Well blowing is our long suit. You They've bought enough real estate but reports from the provinces indi-Ill., starts the excitement with a let. just give us something to blow about, and climate.

The Bundle Brigade 🖡

Boom! Do you hear the echoes rumbling through the Allegheny mountains? Sidney Stark sends bundle-orders totalling 1.600. Besides his own order for Pittsburgh, he orders 50 a week sent to J. Tershel. Straban: Anthony Lornick, Hermanie; Frank Ursich, Morgan; and 25 a week to Leonard Lonassy, Meadowlands; and John Ban, Pittsburgh. These bundles are to be distributed escl

week for the next eight weeks. Pittsburgh takes the lead! Starting with an order for 5,000 of the first issue it has been repeating regularly ever since. This week's order shows how the Army grows. Watch Pittsburgh; but don't stand idle while you are watching. Get busy and put your city in the class with Pittsburgh.

A long roll of heavy artillery! The bundle orders struck the fort. Hugo W. Brandt wants 50-a-week for six months for his ward branch in Milwaukee. When that 50-a week gets going there will be nothing left to do

Grace Wolfsohn, Milwaukee, orders ee to be distributed by the Garden Homes Branch. She says: "We be lieve in using the proceeds of the treasury for propagands, and will deliver this bundle to non-members. Garden Homes comrades wish the American Appeal great success in its undertaking. More strength to Comrule Inhs and those workers with

"I am going to break all records for Bloff, Cal. That's what keeps Calibres a broad side of 150 from Red with two new ones, while Walter C. A. Priest fires another one of 25 shots from Fresno.

Ed J Dutton, New York fires a Kentucky seems a little decellet; but | round from the coast guns. He orders in due course of time I will make a bundle of 100 and says: "That spe amends and be a factor in building a cial edition sounds good to me. We million subscription memorial to Debs. will want a large bundle." We know This would be a testimonial he would you will make good use of it. Comrade

An earthquake shakes the midlands! J. A Collins, Beloit, Wis., starts things going with 100 shots. while Henry Heesaker repeats his Wisconsin'

Martin T. Cook, Rochester, N. Y., orders bundles totalling 250. He also wants 300 copies of Berger's Speech. With that much ammunition hell wake up Rocbester.

Mrs. S. Linden, Jersey City, orders I With the order she sends a new sub E. Garbarino, Morganstown, W. Va., orders 200 to be sent 25 a week. He also sends two subs. West Virginia needs more like Comrade Garbarino.

S. Liberty, New York, is getting a copy of The Appeal every week by mail from some kind friend who wants to convert him. As he is already a convert and a subscriber he hopes the good friend will send the copy to some be nighted one who needs it.

The following have ordered 50 a week to be distributed by their locals and ward branches. F. F. Brough, Amesbury, Mass.; Murray Debaun, Shelburn, Ind.; L. M. Brison, Ontario. They are sending the message into every state, and over the boundary in-

W F Richardson, Roswell, N. M., comes back again for 25. Good steady work is what will wake up the west.

Socialist Party News

The National Office

At 2653 Washington Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, is glad to hear anytime ism and World Peace, by our Comfrom anybody anywhere interested in ING MENACE TO LIBERTY AND anyway in the welfare of our American Socialist movement.

> Greetings International The Socialists of the United States salute Socialist and Labor organizations everywhere and announce the forthcoming National Convention of the Socialist Party of the United States, to be held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, opening May first. To National Socialist and Labor organizations everywhere we extend a hearty nvitation to choose and send accreditd fraternal delegates to our Convenion-to the end that we may have the aspiration of their presence and the dvantage of their counsel and also hat we may in daily fraternal conacts be mutually benefitted.

> The National Executive Secretary bould be given all possible advance notice of the number, names and addresses of delegates to be in attend-

They Are Beauties

John L. Wrather of Kentucky, writes: "With a plentiful use of the American Appeal and through the use of the wonderful Special Organization Letters furnished for my perfect convenience by the National Office, in | get the pep, pride and push you need. making my appeal for meetings, I shall surely reorganize Locals Mayfield and Paducah Watch me Special Organization Letters are tion held a convention in the party beauties and so convenient and per- hall. South Boston, Sunday, Febsuasive.

Don't Miss It!

Hurry, hurry your request for a speech to the National Office. The use l years ago, showing Comrade Dennis at of 50 of the Special Organization Letthe left, upon an occasion when he ters would bring every comrade ad-

Susan B Anthony and Louis H. Morey. Of course you should have a highgan, who are both resting at Mount grade speaker drop off and speak for you, and help you in an organization round up-between trains on the way from the Pacific Coast to the National Convention at Pittsburgh and back again. A meeting of 20 people in a private house or office-even thatwould help your local movement very

> Lena Morrow Lewis and Emil Herman are both available-eager to serve you; and the railway fare has to

The Socialists of Cook County, Illi nois, will hold a very important meet ing Sunday afternoon, March 28, at the Labor Lyceum, Kedzie and Ogden ave ques. Nominations will be made for delegates to the National Convention; and the question of having a paid secretary again will be decided. Calls are pouring in lately for help in reorganizing old branches that have been inactive for several years. We are on

Local Hartford, Connecticut, is the latest to take up the "New Jersey Plan" of systematic distribution of leaflets. Edward Perkins Clarke, the wide awake secretary, sends to the National Office an order for leaflets. several subscriptions to the American Appeal and a list of names to be circularized with sample copies.

Comrades in California should rush to State Headquarters requests for the propaganda and organization services of their State Secretary, Comrade Lena Morrow Lewis. She will leave San Francisco very soon to cover the lower part of the State before speaking in Yuma, Arizona, on her way as a delegate to the National Convention. (Address: Room 208 Grant Building, 1095 Market street, San Francisco.

Syracuse University (New York) I rade Debs.

9, with a scholarly address on "Socialrade Dr. Norman W. Thomas, recently Socialist candidate for the governor ship of New York.

Have you done something like this from a Milwaukee branch: A bundle order for 50 American Appeals for 6

A bundle order for 10 (20 cents) for weeks (total \$1.00) would help immensely. You and one or two neigh-Lors can raise 20 cents a week for this enterprise. Sure. Twenty cents? The price of one ticket to the worst movie in town.

Comrades in Oklahoma, interest in local and state organization is rapidly developing in your state -no doubt of that. Now, Comrades. rustle your names and addresses to the National Office from anywhere and everywhere in the state,—and we will get busy with the business of getting rou together, organized, busy, happy and on your way with the increasing procession. Wish you could read the ring call from J. A. ("Dad") Hart, Box 712, Comanche, Oklahoma, Oh.

Come on in. The water's fine. Send for the two-color, hot-stuff Special Organization Letter, prepared to help you help yourselves-as soon as you

bov:

In the New England District, the ruary 27. There were 30 delegates present from as many cities in New England. Plans were made for a more active campaign for members and they also decided to push American Appeal and New Leader subscriptions

among the American workers. The State Office reports that there is general activity among the dues paying members in the New England District, and expects an increasing More organization work? It's up to membership. All plans for the State convention have been arranged to be you. held April 11, at the party head produce it. You want a more powerful quarters, 21 Essex street. This will he one of the most interesting state, scriptions for the American Appeal many propositions submitted by the produce the news—and rush it in.

The Boston Central Branch held a of pep, and the National Office fur very successful meeting. Thursday, nishes those beautiful, two-color Spe-March 4, and they decided to conduct clai Organization Letters just what debates at their regular meeting you need for a clarion get-together nights. The Boston Central Branch is call. now the proud owner of a very fine upright piano. The Boston Yipsels have taken complete charge of the Yes? Well, fire a letter at the Na piano and are planning socials and en- tional Office for a supply of the wortertainments.

Dr. Harry Laidler of New York, will | day. speak Saturday, March 27, at the party headquarters, 21 Essex street. and in Worcester on Sunday, March

Don't be lonely in your own home

If you are the only-and lonelyreader of the American Appeal in your community, you will have had from ly necessary-to make our movement the Business Manager a specially in- move and move vigorously. We will teresting communication. Please give hustle an application for membership it prompt and earnest attention-then card to you and tell you just where make something happen in your own to send it-whether your State is or

And also when you write just say: "Special Organization Letters - to help make something happen. I'm help produce it—and rush it to the Na with you in the Big Push." The tional Office. If you want the New National Office is eager to play 80-20 Day, the New Courage, the New with you.

A sign of the rising tide is the rapidly increasing stream of letters into the in the BIG PUSH BEFORE THE CON-National Office in Chicago and Into Terre Haute direct-coaxing, pleading for meetings to be addressed by Com-

A Warm Letter from a Hot Organizer

"Good Socialists are members of the ocialist Party. Be good. "If you are a Socialist and want the

Socialist principles pushed forward, then be a co-operating member of the Party, that advocates such principles "Hundreds of cities and towns in this nation have a goodly number of folks who claim to be Socialists and yet they have no Socialist Local Every Socialist should be a live-wire; so take this tip: Get a supply of the National Secretary's Special Organization Letter (it's all right, believe me) -and get your Comrades together and have a Local; pay your dues of fifty cents per month; carry the member ship card and be a regular. This extraordinary Organization Letter, persuasive, convincing, beautiful-in two colors-is precisely what you want is being a regular, and hunting regulars. If there are those among our readers (and we know there are) who do not have a sufficient number of real to cialists in your locality to form a Local, then send in your applicat in to the National Office and immed sty

cialist Party is again on the upward stride; be a regular in the battle for our emancipation. "Good Socialists are members of the

Socialist Party, Be Good. "WILLIAM H. HENRY."

you will be placed in connection with

your State organization, or, if you

should be in a state where there is no

active State Organization, then you

can be a member at large, just the

same. The tide has turned; the So

You Want

You want to call your comrades to gether for organization. Get the National Secretary's Special Organization Letter prepared with great care for your most convenient use in rounding up the comrades-at a meeting is your private home or elsewhere-tor a local. You want more organization work done-right away? Well, the Special Organization Letter makes it practicable for you to do organization

You want a greater movement, Help national propaganda paper. Get sub-You want lively party nows, liely

You furnish a soul and a fair supply

is your community unorganized? derful Special Organization Letters to

YOU READ THE AMERICAN AP PEAL-YES? But you are not a party member-No? Well, the first thing under Socialist Party News is the address of the National Office. We want a letter from you, saying you wish to line up and help furnish the funds, fire and fraternalism-absolute ganized or not organized.

Comrade: If you want progress. help get it. If you want good nows Power, the New Heart, the New Fire for our movement, then come across as one of the 1,000 Special Voluntary VENTION.

Read Debs and dispel doubts. The

Appeal-Only \$1 per year.

Buckshot By August Claessens

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The study of Socialism may be direled into the following four phases: a criticism of modern social and ecosame conditions; a theory of social procress; an ideal of a future social reerganization; and a practical movement of the masses. Now, it is our end intention to loosen up this concontrated matter in a series of buckand duses. So here goes the first

Socialism as a Criticism

All critics are not necessarily Soatt sta Anybody can criticise. Everyselv does criticise something or other and everybody else in the bargain. the just because somebody criticises he government or a millionaire, or lates the rich, that does not make nat somebody a Socialist. Not by a one shot! This chap may be just a Assemble, a grouch, an envious cuss st a cantankerous damn fool. Crititert without a purpose, without a respond for a remedy, is mere exacist Criticism that is radical and ges to the roots of the trouble, critiusin that is constructive and honestly weeks to remove the cause and effect a remedy-such criticism is necessary. secful and ever urgent. And lastly, criticism is hard and unwelcome unand it is sympathetic. Good criticism must embrace all sides of the problem and the people involved; it must be unmated with an ideal, a spirit, a determination and enthusiasm to make his earthly sphere a more decent and wholesome place to live in. THAT'S SOCIALIST CRITICISM!

Poverty

Now as to poverty. The critic who -garde poverty as inevitable, eternal. a-cause of insufficient wealth for all, or the result of "human nature." of axiness and the lack of foresight and et of drink or crass cussedness -such s critic may be honest and sincere but ie is intellectually cockeyed. His --medy logically follows his scrambled analysis and he usually proposes chary, community chests, Bible tracts. thrift propaganda and prohibition. Now, all that helps some-helps like perfume or chloride of lime in a stinkng garbage pail.

The Socialist critic does not deny that there are minor contributory causes, but he does insist that the main cause of poverty in our modern world is the utterly unjust, shameful and wasteful economic system wherea a few hogs are permitted, encoursand and protected in owning the earth, its resources and the machinery production and exchange Through ownership these capitalists reap an harvest that others have tolled to restage. Thanks to this social crime er rinous fortunes pile up at one end the social scale and a miserable inor truly for the many at the other The Socialist critic views this of affairs as antiquated, inhun an in! incivilized, and he proclaims that ir modern society with its abunthe resources, industrial technique introdul organization po ar wable and indefensible. There is the total exough to go around, and Some ke we can increase that if we ng: to The Socialist demands that .: « " great instruments of wealth I winn shall be collectively owned ind sperated and the product of our ned economic efforts shall be enyet by all those who have contribof some part to its creation. That's he only fair and sane solution. Its story adoption is imperative

Inequality

. s.r. the Socialist critic does not that all men and women are They do not appear so in size. color, odor, taste, energy. or talent. And why should they al to alike? But they generally are Mike in their desire to live, to prosper are enjoy their brief sojourn on this They all should have an equal were inity to life, liberty and the of happiness. Just because of us may have better brains and talents-assuming that that's r true-that is no reason why we the licensed to take advantage who haven't. The right to arrive is an ignoble right and it was to us out of the wrongs of the The genuine noblemen and women of the future, the only racy a real civilization will recrespect and honor will be who tender their great gifts to mononweal. In fact, even today, " areatest love goes to them that and give.

Unemployment

re are two kinds of unemploywith pay and without. The first care and the second is hell. Sos favor leisure for all. They believe any man or woman work any more than is socially .ry and all should enjoy the their combined labor. Unment is the result of a poorly 1. 1 economic system. As long as "y is in the possession of a few .r. for their exclusive benefit with labor saving device saves ers from jobs. As long as the or have unlimited cash and a d consuming power and the .. n the bottom have consumptive " of poverty in spite of our ever it's second national convention in the much good matter as it can use. A. is-we will have unemploy:

increasing national wealth. (Direc- Empress Ball Rooms, Whitley Bay, tions-read that last sentence once every hour until your blind staggers subside.) Some day when we are fully civilized we will progressively shorten the hours of toll for all with every advance in industrial technique and thereby give employment to all -including the bums on the upper and lower crusts of society.

Crime

Criminologists no longer lay great traits or instincts or blame crime upon the lack of religious or moral training. They now study crime as a social phenomenon. Great social extremes, over-stimulated desires and temptations and the lure of the game of getting something for nothing are the great causes of crime. The burglar and stick-up man is often only an embryo mugnate, banker or speculator out of luck. Hence he is a desperate and bungling amateur and an enemy of society. With another shake out of the dice-hox he might have been a money shark, a steel king, a coal baron or a bread count and therefore a successful man, a benefactor and a respected member of society.

Well, our time's up. Oh, yes, we have lots more Socialist criticism on tap. We ain't said the half of it. But this is enough for this week, and if you have any criticism of Socialist Florida; Hugh Manson Dorsey, Georcriticism send it in in care of "Buckshot" and we will load another barrel.

Young People's Department

National Office TOUNG PEOPLETS SOC. LEAGUE Acres J. Parker, Nat. Director.

With the Circles

NEW YORK CITY .-- Members of the City Executive Committee, and officers of the New York City circles met in joint session March 7th, with Comhrift among the masses, or the prod- rade Parker, National Director, present, to discuss general organization plans for the future. In a brief talk Comrade Parker outlined several impertant organization functions which must be respected to maintain efficiently a circle's activities, and the need of closer contact between the various circles, city organization and national office of the league. Particuiar stress was laid on the necessity of regular monthly reporting, membership record corrections when any changes occur, general reading and posting of bulletins and important communications. Efforts must be made to acquire regular and suitable homes for all the circles, meeting headquarters that appeal to the young people and tend to build a spirit of loyalty and comradeship. The importance of reciprocal representation with the party locals and committees. and the value of regular educational directors was emphasized. An appeal was made to the circles to submit weekly information regarding the circles activities for publication in this column. The meeting was well attended, most all of the fifty representatives present taking active part in the discussion which occupied the entire thusiasm predicts greater things by the Y. P. S. L. of Greater New York.

> day afternoon, March the 6th, a dele gation of New York City Juniors met with Comrade Parker for the purpose of uniting the Juniors with the National office of the league, and supplying the Junior Y. P. S. L. with necessary materials, certificates and uniform organization literature. An attempt will be made at the earliest possible date to form Junior Yipsel groups in all localities having Party Juniors will be issued periodically safety. Through their organizations when complete plans have been made for conducting this work. A ruling was proposed that no Junior circles be accepted by the National Director without assurance of the applicants that a circle director has been selected, such director to be a member of the Socialist Party or the Senior Y. P. S. L. The New York City Junior Y. P. S. L. now has ten different cir cles, with a combined membership well above the 200 mark. The average age of this membership is 15 years With a closer affiliation established with the National Office of the Y. P. S. L, the Juniors will readily make a most active and valuable auxiliary to the Socialist Youth movement of America.

New York City Juniors On Satur

Warren, Ohio .-- Young people Warren have finally gathered a healthy looking group of Yipsels, and are applying for a charter. The group has been active some time awaiting a sufficient growth in the tentative mem bership to insure a substantial circle when affiliated with the national organization. And we have pretty good reason for keeping a hopeful eye on several other parts of the state of Ohio. Well; one new circle a week

"ain't so bad." Fitchburg, Mass.-The Fitchburg circle held a steigh ride (on an automobile bus) visiting Townsend, Mass. and presenting an entertainment of varied program well received by the Townsend folks. The affair was ar ranged partly as a propaganda meet ing and a social event. A. J. Parker National Director of the League, ad dressed the meeting.

International .- On the 3rd and 4th of April the Independent Labor Party as long as that crary condi- Guild of Youth, affiliated with the So- We beg the indulgence of contributors. cialist Youth International, is holding The Appeal is getting several times as

England. This marks the end of the hrst year of activity for this splendid youth organization, an opportune time for the Yipsels to extend their greetings. Let's see that America is heard from strong.

Chicago Group to Present Plays

This Friday, March 19, the Chicago Young People's Study Group will disitress upon hereditary crime, criminal cuss the topic, Woman in Politics To-Ferry, is Assistant State's Attorney. ings this is only false reading. Those interested are welcome to meet with the group from 8-10 p. m., in Parlor D. Woman's City Club. 360 N Michigan avenue.

Two plays, The Man on the Kerb, by Alfred Sutro, which presents the tragedy of the man out of work, and The Sequel by Percival Wilde, a comedy showing what happens after a girl says, "Yes!" are being coached for us by the playwright, Mary O'Reilly. Our dramatic group will also start another play soon. The two plays mentioned will be given in connection with a dance for the Socialist Party some time this spring.

FRANCES LOWRIE.

War-Makers Organize (Continued from first page.)

gia; Frank O. Lowden, Illinois; James Putnam Goodrich, Indiana; William Lloyd Harding, Iowa; M. Alexander, Idaho; Arthur Capper, Kansas; Augustus O. Stanley, Kentucky: Carl Ellas Milliken, Maine; Emerson Columbus Harrington, Maryland; Albert E. Sleeper, Michigan; Joseph Albert A. Burnquist, Minnesota; Theodore Gilmore Bolbo, Mississippi; Frederick Dozier Cardener Missouri: Samuel Vernon Stewart, Montana: Charles S. Whitman, New York; Kieth Neville, Nebraska: Emmet Derby Boyle, Nevada; Henry W. Keyes, New Hampshire; Washington E. Lindsey, New Mexico; Lynn Joseph Frazier, North Dakota; R. I. Williams, Oklahoma; Martin G. Brumbaugh, Pennsylvania; Arthur Yager, Porto Rico; Richard I. Manning, South Carolina; Thomas Clark Rye, Tennessee; James E. Ferguson and William Pettus Hobby, Texas: Horace F. Graham, Vermont; Henry Carter Stewart, Virginia; John

Cornwell, West Virginia. Such an organization, chartered by congress, recognised officially, would perpetuate the political power of the war-makers, profit-takers and spies who spread the false propaganda experiment will succeed." which preceded and continued through the last war and who, without danger to themselves, reaped the harvest of graft wrung from the suffering | national catastrophe. of a war-torn, harrassed people. The personnel would be the same. What did they do before?

Their War Record

Some of the figures recently quoted in the House of Representatives by Congressman Wood of Indiana are staggering. Mr. Wood is not a radical. He is one of those who think that the Republicans would remedy what the Democrats muddled. He quoted the following in his criticism of the War

"The Ordnance Department spent \$3,991,000,000 and obtained 72 cannon; \$355.917,000 for shells and obtained exactly 6,000; \$330,780,000, for larger shells and obtained none; \$1,051,511,- | win?" 000 for air-planes and there was not a single fighting-machine ever delivered in France."

Me points out that it was not necesness when our entire ambulance-service in this country and Europe was

motorized. Who collected the graft which this mad extravagance yielded? The socalled patriots of capitalism who it. The fact is, we did come near to gers they crushed newspapers and hounded to death those who raised. their voices against the dastardly robbery. Many an honest and highminded American suffered imprisonment and abuse, not because he opthe heartless wringing of profits out of a helplens people.

They Need to Organize

American citizens were divided in war. Some of them fought, week after week, in the trenches giving their youth and their lives in "the war to end war." Some of them refused to beaten; they were driven from home and subjected to a persecution more vicious in America than in any coun-

try in the world. Those who fought and those who suffered because they would not fight now, after the smoke of battle and the lies and false propaganda have cleared away, can understand each other. But what about the cowards who deceived one group and tortured the other? They need a political organization to protect them from the contempt of all who remember.

War-makers are organizing! They are organizing to prepare for war; which means to bring on war!

To Readers and Contributors Several regular departments do not appear this week. Their places have been taken for ONE WEEK by new important matter. They will appear again.

New Fascist Law

(Continued from first page.) America, even though they were the most egotistic expression of proleta rian chauvinism, lead to demonstra tions of intransigeant exclusiveness toward all nations and all races?

Lauds Capitalism

"Fascist unionism recognized the historical function of capital and capitalism. On this point we are completely anti-Socialist. According to the Socialist doctrines the capitalists day. The speaker, Miss Elizabeth are vampires. According to our teach

"Capitalism not only is not retro grading, but is not yet at its dawn. We must become accustomed to think that this capitalistic system, with all its virtues and faults, has several centuries of existence before it. Even where capitalism has been done away

with it is returning. 'The Socialist conception, which personified capitalism in special individuals, and taught that these individunis found delight in exploiting the poor proletariat, are laughable.

"Generals of Industry." "The modern capitalists are gener als of industry, great organizors, men who have and must have a high regard for civil and moral responsibilities, men on whom future health, happiness, and wages for thousands of individuals depend. The success of their industry is the success of the nation.

Declaring that the power of amassing wealth is unlimited but the power of its enjoyment is definitely bounded.

Premier Mussolini continued: "One of the most comic teachings of the Socialist literature was the attempted dogma that happiness of men depends alone more or less on the satisfaction of his material needs. That is absurd. Capitalism has a function which Fascist unionism fully recognizes. It also recognizes everything is their up with the fate of the nation. and when that is impotent and disor ganized all feel the consequences and must assume an attitude of humility and resignation, as it was in Italy for more than twenty years.

Unity of Master and Slave

"Class collaboration is another funlamental of Fascist syndicalism. Cepital and labor are not enemies. They are classes which are complement to one another. They cannot live without each other.

"Today we are approaching state control of all the forces of industry. agriculture, banks, labor, and our experiences make us confident that the

Premier Mussolini concluded with a declaration that even one hour lost through strike in one factory was a

The Filling Station LINCOLN PHIFER

It was one of those fine days in early spring when it is a joy to be outside Joe, the Standard Serf, was sitting on a bench by the side of the filling station, when he was joined by John Tocsin, who came to get Joe to join the Socialist local. After that had been arranged, Joe asked:

"When do you expect Socialism to

never win," was the reply. "Isn't that rather discouraging?"

"That depends on how you look at eary to win the war to contract for 13 it. I remember twenty years ago pairs of shoes per man, and 11 saddles | when I first became a Socialist we per horse. It was not necessary to were eager to set dates for the comspend \$21,000,000 for ambulance har-ling of Socialism. We did wonders. "What was that?"

"The very heart of our philosophy that the coming of Socialism rests upon the readiness of the people for

stayed at home to reap the gain in bringing Socialism the world aroundso near that the great war was pre cent as a desperate effort to head off Socialism. It did do it because it made Socialism unable to express itself. But the bringing on of the war in order to defeat the freeing of the posed the war, but because he resisted world has taught us that the exploiters will hesitate at nothing in order to maintain their graft. This is why l say Socialism may never come."

"You mean that unless we can arouse the people to the supreme their sincere opinions during the last need, unless we can head off future pretty big. desperate measures by the master class, worse even than the war may be aprung on the world."

end war." Some of them refused to "Precisely, it is either Socialism fight because, with all the power of or slavery. The fact that the issue is their high young souls, they hated so clear cut and acute ought to act as heard: war. They went to prison; they were an incentive to extra effort. Don't in what I think of you, and neither you think so? of you will buy very much."

"I certainly do." And Joe paid a year's dues in advance

The Why of It-Socialist Parable

"Why do you work and worry so?" asked the Philosopher of the Business

"To make a fortune, of course." "And what do you want with a for tune?"

To give away when I am dead." "And why should you work your self to death, and others with you, in order to give it all away *"

with propaganda for the profit system. "Why, I can't take it with me, car I' By the way, do you know of a But how it howls if it detects any worthy cause to which I might give thing it suspects is Socialist propamy money." ganda! Business men are accounted vers

wise, but why?

The Tin Owl-A Pable. The Tin Owl was rulling up his class.

Stedman Pays Remarkable Tribute to Swan Johnson, True Socialist

(Do you want to understand the intimate life and character of a real Socialist type? Read, then, this master-piece, delivered at the funeral of Comrade Swan M. Johnson by Seymour Stedman, former Socialist candidate for and cordial, with a personality that vice-president. After this week this space, as usual, will be taken by Upton Sinclair's letters to Judd.)

(Bo you want to understand the intimate order were detested by less millions of all lands who feel but cannot think.

He was proud but it was a righteous pride. He would not bend the knee nor bow at the shrine of fabled Gods. His reverence rather was for Prometalist or an intimate or an interpretation of the second control of the second co

By Seymour Stedman

Who broke our fair companionship, and apread his mantle dark and cold, and wrapt the formless in the fold, and dulled the murmur on the lip? And bore thee where I could not see Nor follow, the I walked in haste, And think that somewhere in the wast e shadow sits and waits for me."
(From Tennyson's In Memoriam.)

The departed was born on a farm in Michigandale, October 31, 1889. He attended school and later, for a short time, was a teacher. In his youth he formed an intimate acquaintance with Doctor Charles Whitehead, a physician in Newaygo, Michigan, who exercised a very great influence in determining the career and the work of Mr. Johnson. Doctor Whitehead was a liberal with most advanced views. He kept abreast of the scientific research and development of his time He was familiar with the thoughtful works, the research and philosophy of such men as Darwin, Huxley, Tyndall, Herbert Spencer, Grant Allen and the scientists of the middle and latter part of the nineteenth century. He prosented their thought and intellectual achievements to young Johnson. Doctor Whitehead was a gracious character and attracted Mr. Johnson by his learning and kindly personality, and Mr. Johnson in his gratitude never ceased acknowledging his debt for what he felt Doctor Whitehead had he had his desk at home there is not done for him.

Tribute to His Friend

Mr. Johnson, in delivering the ad-Whitehead on March 12, 1924, said of

"His whole professional career was a consecration of service by his fellow men. Through sunshine and storm: through summer's heat and winter's blast he labored. At times in the early days blasing his own trail he went forth to battle as a brave soldier disease and pain, nursing the afficted, comforting the sorrowed. No soldier ever fought more bravely than he and there was no more Christlike mission to perform.

"The great outstanding tribute to the

to perform.

"The great outstanding tribute to the Doctor is that a successful professional career never lifted him above the commonest man who toiled at the humblest work. Neither was his professional life circumscribed. He was not content nor did he stop with war upon disease that made its ravages in humble homes, but he learned and struck at all the evils that oppressed the worker. all the evils that oppressed the worker. He was one of them. They were his prothers and comrades."

No doubt, the fuscination for Doctor Whitehead determined Mr. Johnson to enter a medical college and commence his preparation for that profession. He had progressed but a short way when his father died and the obligations which he assumed in contributing and assisting his mother, his younger brothers and sisters, made it necessary to discontinue his then chosen profession.

Struggle for Education

Later, with the approval and perhaps at the suggestion of Doctor Whitehead, Mr. Johnson commenced the study of law. He came to Chicago and delivered milk in the early daystudying law afternoons and at night. Before the time of his graduation he discontinued his employment with the dairy company and commenced his legal career. It was my delight to have his association before and after his graduation. He came to me because my political affiliations had been with the Liberal and Social.

feathers in an effort to make himself ;

"Why do you do that?" asked the

"Neither of you amount to very

Who fixes your value, and for what

Under plutocracy indebtedness is

necoming the great basis of exploita-

tion. Returns are guaranteed by the

Japanese shoes are being sold in

America. The making of them is

financed by American capital, but

Japanese cheap labor does the work.

The average newspaper is filled

The chain stores are going to bind

the little storekeepers who imagined

they were capitalists, and deliver

them into the ranks of the working

government.

"The value of you both lies

much," laughed a Hunter who over-

Eagle on a quarter. "I am not very

big but am worth more than you will

was putting a younger brother through college.

He was active in the promotion of o-operation and was president of the Roseland Co-operativé Society. He was both practical and idealistic. When overtaken by this fatal illness he was on a mission for the Socialist Party, fighting a legal battle for it in New Mexico.

A Real Socialist

Johnson was a Socialist-emotion ally, intellectually and spiritually That is, artistically, the ugly system was painful to him; intellectually, he knew the reason for the bad system and the remedy for it; spiritually, his ideals were of beauty, harmony, security and a full life for all.

Mr. Johnson's first and last political efforts were in the Socialist Party. He knew fundamentally the causes and reasons for social and industrial inequality and he felt that it was his mission to contribute most of his life's energy in revolutionizing the present industrial order. He admired and com muned with the most progressive, scientific and revolutionary of men. On the walls of the little room in which a single frivolous picture. Over the desk is a picture - a crowned skull resting on a book, a burning candle, an hour glass with sands half run, two dress at the funeral service of Doctor sickles over the skull, and the inscription, "Get Busy." Life is running away -step lively-expresses the en-

ergy of his every effort. And among the pictures on the walls are Jesus, Lincoln, Jaures, the great Frenchman who was shot on the eve of the war when he was en route to the working class of Europe against the impending slaughter; Kier Hardy, the distinguished English Socialist who led his party in Parliament for many years and who opposed the war and died before its close; Charles Steinmetz, the greatest hydro-electric engineer of his time, a Socialist, who wrote "America and the New Era," the "Thinker" by Gaudens, a bust of Huxley, his comrade, Eugene Victor Debs, and Hjalmar Branting, the Scandinavian scholar and Socialist, sculptured pieces by Charles Haag, and paintings from the brush of the master marine artist. Lundmark. From this it is easy to understand his sources of inspiration and the stellar lights to whom he looked to guide his life.

Slipped into the frame of one of these pictures, expressing his grim restization of the inequalities of the present order, was the verse:

"The golfers' club is on the hill, And every sunny day The tolling children in the mill Can see the men at play."

his antagonists and adversaries. They instinctively recognized his sincerity I close with the lines from Tennyhis occasional wrath, no vindictiveness in his soul. He was devoted to and

loved his friends, and they loved him

Big Social Consciousness Swan M. Johnson had a highly developed social consciousness, commonis called the love of your fellowmen. His ist movements, and my professional affection for the great masses of peoservices primarily for the unfortunate. ple in every struggle was an abiding Mr. Johnson had a deep and pro- rassion. The misery of the poor, the ound sympathy for the unfortunate, outraging of the weak, burned him as both the poor who were near him in a hot iron. Only a few days ago when Pullman and those farther away, in we were talking together, he spoke the United States and in the remote with feeling of the unemployed in places of every country. He was tem- Pullman. Their cause was his cause, peramentally and intellectually an in- their burden his burden. His sympaternationalist. He was a part of and thies were not circumscribed to the he belonged to the International Labor | locality in which he lived. They leaped Movement. He was more incensed at over all boundaries, and the cause of an outrage perpetrated upon the help- the common people in every land was less than at a personal affront. Bad his cause. If he ever yearned for a streets, poor street car service, corrup | miracle it was that a shaft of light tion in public office, international might charge from on high and nestle charlatanism, and the hypocrisy of in the sodden, dull brains of the count- and me.

father, generous and hopeful at all theus, who stole fire from heaven and times. At this very time when the became the Titan founder of civilifitful fates have taken him away, he zation. To rob heaven for humanity was the glory of Prometheus. This fabled God of Greece Johnson could understand-the offense of Prometheus, the larceny of this Greek Deity from the high Gods was for the serv-

ice of humanity, therefore righteous. He once said, "I will never rust." This would make a beautiful epitaph. He was always hopeful and generally happy, and thrilled those who could feel the joy of life through achieving comething for mankind.

Opposed the War

When the Great War broke out he pposed it, and united as many of his friends as he could in opposition to it. He knew the mean hypocrisy which favored it; its catchwords and its songs. He understood the trade rivalry and commercial competition which was the fundamental reason for the conflict, and he did not hide his opinions. In court and out, he bravely faced the mob in defense of his clients.

There are countiess thousands who can stand against Nature's storms. risk and endanger their lives in physical conflicts, but there are very, very few, indeed, who possess moral courage. It is a rare-quality. Swan M. Johnson possessed moral courage to the highest degree. He could face and fight back against racial appeals and the savage instincts let loose, which made men and women go mad. During the war he stood against the wild frenzy that possessed the high and low in all stratas of society, against those mad and frenzied men and women and children who were filling the air with their wild and foolish cries of "Crucify him," "Hang him," "Mob him," "Treat 'em rough," "He's a traitor," "He's a pro this or pro Brussels for the purpose of uniting that," together with all the other lies that malice can mother, and all the trutality that the savagery in man can display when conventional society turns loose and claims a holiday for its pent-up savagery. Moral courage is a possession so rare that it startles us like rays bursting through somber clouds from a sudden lonely star. Johnson had this quality.

Heine, the great German poet, once said, "We do not possess ideas; they possess us and ride us to the grave." Rather, I should say, "We do not possess ideals; they possess us and lift us to the banquet board of the Gods."

Lone, Courageous Stand

A young man so possessed was once challenged with the exclamation: Young man, do you know that the world is against you?" to which the young man replied, "Thank God, there is one man against the world." The cynic looked at the young man and beheld in his eyes the light which has always led blind and groping people Johnson was sincerely respected by from dark depths to the brightest

> son which were taken from Mr. John son's address at the funeral of his friend and mentor, Doctor Charles Whitehead:

"Sunset and evening star
And one clear call for me!
And may there be no mouning at the
bar
When I put out to sea

But such a tide as moving seems asleep.
Two full for sound and foam.
When that which drew from out the
boundless deep
Turns again home.

"Twilight and evening bell And after that the dark" And may there be no sadness of farewell.

When Lembark

"For the from out our bourne of Time and Place
The flood may bear me far.
I hope to see my Pilot face to face
When I have crossed the bar"

Sometimes I wonder over the grief we feel in the presence of the departed, when we are all rushing after them -- a few seasons. Winter and Summer, and then no more of thee

PARAGRAPHS

Twenty thousand dollars to kill a soldier! Dr. David Starr Jordan is quoted as authority for the statement that In the World War "it cost twenty thousand dollars to kill a soldier." Killing comes high, but we have got to have it to keep our capitalist patriotism from turning into delirium tremens.

Capitalism means class rule, class exploitation and class war. Socialism will end the war by destroying capitalism and putting an end to exploitation.

To develop a capacity for clear thinking is the self-imposed task of the workingman who would be free

The capitalist press used to sneed at the use of the word "capitalism." heatedly denying that there was any such thing, but Socialists continued to talk about capitalism and today the term has a pretty steady call in the editorial columns of capitalist newspapers.

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How Loot from Stock Sales Becomes Basis of More Plunder

Article III. By Lincoln Phifer

(This is the concluding article of Com-ade Phifer's Looting of America). Having already been effectually fleeced, the workers and customers who invested their all in special employe-customer stock in the industries might as well be dismissed from mind. They trusted the looters of the people and scouted the idea of real collective ownership and control of industry as proposed by Socialists, and there is nothing for them to do except to swallow their losses and prepare for another milking.

A majority of them were middle class persons, anyhow, who think it a very simple thing to wrest control of industry from the "big fellows" that they may have their own turn in grafting the workers. Investigation of a

401 salesmen, 336 teachers, 373 farmers and ranchers, 250 stenographers. 5.452 women, students and retired professional men and only 326 laborers.

There remains, however, a jolt for invest and who therefore chuckle beswindle. They are just beginning to woman and child in America. The inalso become parties to the crime of helping to swindle the rest of the people. It is in the system.

Let us see in what ways the swindle perpetrated and made to touch all. How You Are "In" on It

1. The stocks issued become addilarge group of such stockholders dis- tional burden upon industry. Data to invested this \$2,000,000,000 it left the brokers, butchers and grocers, mana- been would be difficult to gather. It position to maintain their hold on the and customers have placed in their gotten the bankers. The money they by these stock and bond issues, with-

hundred and forty-nine were clerks, not under two billion dollars, and may draw \$2,000,000,000 and have the same they please without responsibility of the way of deposits. They are therebe double as much. Remember, it has been said that this field of investment has proven an expectedly rich one.

Well, this means an additional debt

placed upon the whole American peothe great mass of people who did not pie of at least \$2,000,000,000. You are dividends on that. expected to pay returns on this year cause they believe they escaped the after year forever. It matters not though the employe-customers themget theirs. It touches every man, selves may get nothing, they who have control of everything have it in vestors in this employe-customer their hands to increase by so much stock are not only losers, but they their own returns. They may be enabled to hide just how much they are getting because having these additional figures to juggle with. How do you expect the cost of living to decrease when you are held up to pay dividends upon this additional stock?

2. As you employes and customers

money to handle as before, and this any kind will in turn become available fore in position to lend it again and free sum for the buying up of new for still further bond issues on which industries. When they organize their you will be held to pay interest. new investment, they will issue more stocks, and you will be held to pay \$2,000,000,000 intrusted to big business

Riveting Your Own Chains 3. The \$2,000,000,000 cold cash drawn from employes and customers will become available for the borrow-

ing of money for enlarging the business, and this borrowed money will be represented by bonds, which you will be held to pay interest on. Heretofore the banks have been financing industries. Now the workers and customers do it, leaving the bankers free to work in Europe and Asia.

4. The \$2,000,000,000 which original owners of industry will be able to withdraw from industries alclosed that 1,831 are business men, show how extensive the sales have original owners of the industries in ready organized because the employes

Here we have an investment of without security or responsibility. made the basis of from three to four times that amount of capital and bonds that may be issued by big business; and for all of this you are put into debt as truly as though you had contracted the debt yourselves.

The "Innocent Bystander" But you say you did not know anything about it. That makes no difference. You are tied up just as effectually as though you had gone to the bank and horrowed the money on your personal security. This is the kind of fake "industrial democracy"

in which you have "invested." 5. But this is not all. We have for-

again, each time putting all the people or part of the people under new bonds of indebtedness.

Nor is this all. The stocks and bonds the banks may hold become available as security for new issues of paper notes. At one time these notes were issued only upon gold and silver security, but now they are secured by bonds and stocks far more often than by gold or silver. The new issues of currency vastly increase the power of the banks.

That what has been outlined as posrible is actually being done is made certain by the rapid reorganization of late it and fool the fools they mean to industry, in every case of such reorganization there being further stock issues and bond issues. Only, the possibilities have hardly been touched. You are being put hopelessly into debt

hands that much cash to handle as closm always comes back to them in out having a word to say about into debt.

It is cumulative. But all the mit lionaires, who are wasting money in Florida and resorts and in Europe all the money that is now being invested in Europe and Asia, in industries that will in time turn cheap labor of t see continents in competition with litter here, came originally from you warry dollar of it.

Yes, you who escaped the employe customer investment swindle have every reason to laugh at the virtimat And they have the same reason to

laugh at you! Individual initiative is a great thing -for those who know how to missipe

Whenever there is a cry against So. cialism you want first to put your hands on your pocketbook-and has it if it is possible for you to do-a

Time Has Come for Bolshevists to Change Tactics, Says Bauer

Article V.

Securing the Revolution By Dr. Otto Bauer. (This is the concluding article on Rus-s by Dr. Bauer, Austrian Socialist

What we demand from Russia first of all is not formal democracy, but a legislation of the socialistic parties in Russia, and one other thing: that is, not the overthrow of the Soviet con-

stitution, but its real application. The Soviets, the workers' councils, are a very fine institution, if they are freely elected by the workers. But under Russian conditions this depends apon one thing, camely, secret ballot. For open election, at which everyone must state whom he votes for, and at which he does not know whether he will not then be removed to Siberia, is so free election.

What Socialists Expect

We rejoice in the great progress which has been made in Russia; we consider that it is of the utmost sixmiscance for the European proletariat; but we must say to the Russian bolshes vists that we expect this economic advance to be followed by a political cme, and that the self-determination of the workers shall be realized, and freedom of action, with the freedom to compete for the approbation of the proletariat, be granted to all workers' and socialist parties.

The second fact which sunders us

path throughout the whole world as in Russia. This was an impossibility because in the Revolution of Central Europe the peasantry played quite a different part than in Russia; because Central Europe was economically far more dependent on the Allies Powers than Russia; and, finally, because geographical and strategical conditions for the defense of the Revolution against the Allied Powers were quite different in Central Europe from those

Communist Tactics

The oolshevists, misinterpreting all this in their revolutionary zeal, denounced the socialists as traitors and started communist parties everywhere. Today all reasonable men amongst the bolshevists are aware that the posi tion is different, and that here we must move along other goads. Nevertheless, they still persist in their methods of the first utopian period. They attack us, and naturally we defend ourselves.

This ought certainly not to go so far as to make us forget our solidarity with bolshevism as against capitalist reaction. But I do not hold the view that we should take the Christian attitude of turning the other cheek to the communists when they strike us on one cheek

Must Remove Barrier

Situations may still arise in which from the bolshevists is this: that they Russia will need the vigorous help of and 1919 the bolshevists believed that | would do much better by removing the the Russian Revolution.

co-operation between the socialist and trade union forces on the one hand. and the Russian proletariat on the

And therefore, comrades, we are persuaded that we socialists are acting in the interests not only of the European projetariat but also of the Russian Revolution, when we seize every opportunity to say to the bolshe "Against capitalist reaction you may count on every kind of help. Closer economic relations? Wherever possible! We ought to learn from you? Wherever we can! Co-operation against the enemy!

doubtedly! Bolshevists Must Change

But do your part in making the way casier for us and in clearing away the impediments! Do your share; make it morally possible for us to stand towards you freely and unreservedly, by ceasing to maltreat our comrades in your country and to attack the unity of the workers in other countries!"

And if we declare that such are the tipulations and suretles needed for a delegation to Russia, we hope thereby to produce an impression on the Russian workers and on the bolshevists, with the object of putting an end to the struggle between fellow-workers throughout the whole world.

These effects which we desire to obtain would be negated, if we were prepared to enter Russia without conditions and without guarantees, wherestill persist in their policy abroad of the workers in all countries. It would as by these very demands of ours for is permanently settled. At present striving deliberately, artificially, and be very unwise of the Russians to rely terms, what we are seeking is to in there is no bill before the Senate that often by underhand methods, to split in such an event on the powerless fluence the closer consolidation of the will protect the country when the presup parties and trade unions. In 1918 communists fractions, I believe they international Labour Movement with ent truce in the industry ends.

sharing idea and are not too friendly alarmed at the suggestion that the unprofitable pits be closed and the pronunciamento against a renewal of the coal subsidy.

On the very day that the royal commission's report precipitated the struggle in England that will inevitably place British Labor in a position to force the socialization of coal. Senator Wheeler introduced his emergency measure. The Washington news dis-

patch says regarding this bill: Washington, D. C .- A bill to estabish a Federal Anthracite Corporation to take over all or part of the anthracite coal industry upon the threat of a new emergency was introduced today by Senator B. K. Wheeler (D. Mont.). The board of directors is to be appointed by the President from representatives of the anthracite consumng states and from the union, the two croups most interested in steady proluction at a reasonable price. The corporation is also empowered to enter the business of wholesaling coal wherever that is necessary to check profiteering. The bill carries a maximum appropriation of \$600,000,000 to buy the mines, on which the corporation is obligated to pay interest and sinking fund charges regularly.

Senator Wheeler issued the follow ng statement:

"The establishment of this Federal Anthracite Corporation is absolutely necessary. It will end ludicrous situations in which this country has found itself so often, that during a coal shortage no bill is considered, because it cannot be passed in time to end the shortage, and after the emergency is passed no bill is considered because we have a fool's hope that everything

"The corporation is to be organized automatically as soon as the next emergency is threatened and is to run any or all of the mines. Its beard of directors will be appointed by the President and is divided evenly between the consumers and the workers, concerned in securing steady production at a reasonable price. At present the industry is controlled by a finan-

"This bill puts the control of this essentially public service industry in employ the best possible managers and to produce the coal and market it as cheaply as possible in the public interest. It incorporates the ends the industry ought to serve in the very structure of the industry."

Attention, Albert E. Carter, 6th District. California. We have just rereived an eight foot petition from your constituents asking the adoption of Congressman Berger's House Joint Resolution, 172, for citizenship for

Defeat of Reaction Looms in Minnesota

By A. I. Harris.

The prospects for a Farmer-Labor governor in Minnesota are today brighter than they have been for some

This is due in a measure to dissatisfaction of certain Republicans with the record of Governor Christianson, and a lively and bitter fight for nomination between Christianson and Mayor Leach of Minneapolis. Both are running on platforms of economy, the governor on his "economy record" and future program, and Mayor Leach on "economy with a soul."

Realizing this favorable turn in events, the Farmer-Labor and Nonpartisan groups have taken steps to present a united front and the strongest possible candidate for the office. A convention of the two groups will be held in St. Paul on March 26-27 to determine a course of action and discuss the advisability of endorsing a candidate. Indications are that a candidate will be endorsed. This candidate unquestionably will receive the support of the city workers and

to close governmental control without nationalization. They are also British Liberal Party Forced to Endorse Land Socialization



Congressmen Report

This is Congressman Thomas S. McMillan, First Congressional District, South Carolina, who writes that he will vote against the restoration of Debs' citizenship. He is engaged in the heavy Congressional work of dancing the Charleston. This picture adequately explains why he will vote against Debs. This is what he says:

"You make inquiry as to how I will vote when the Berger resolution demanding the restoration of Eugene V. Debs' citizenship comes before the House. I have my serious doubts if this resolution WILL EVER BE RE-PORTED OUT OF THE COMMITTEE.

"If it does come out of the Committee and is ever in the House for consideration. I propose to cast my vote against the resolution."

Congressman Stephen W. Gambrill, Fifth District, Maryland, writes: "I note what you say in reference to Mr. Eugene V. Debs, and I will be pleased to cast my vote for the restoration of his citizenship."

LONDON .- With pain and doubtfa. enthusiasm the Liberal Party, in cosvention assembled, has swallowed the most of Lloyd George's land reform

program. The 1,500 delegates voted that the evils of the land monopoly "could not be redressed without a drastic policy: but disagreed violently as to the separate planks of their leader's scheme The majority went along with Libys George's belief that the Liberal Party

He has picked land and electricity as the best bets for the radical turn. Most observers think that the Lib erais are indeed as down and out as Lloyd George says they are, but they think he put them there.

can only be saved by turning radical

"Socialism" or "the wedge for social ism" were the charges hurled by Lloyd George's opponents.

One Leader Boits Party. Commander Hilton Young, one of the narty leaders and Lloyd Garret right hand at one time, secreded from the party denouncing the planks as "socialistic, which, if put into effect would mean the gradual passage of the lands into the hands of puble authority."

He boited in the direction takes by Lloyd George's principal rival for the leadership, Sir Alfred Mond, the '> dustrial magnate, who has joined the Conservative Party as "the only astsocialistic party left in Britain."

Another indication of feeling was a face-slapping match between two d the most prominent Liberal leaders @ the platform.

Hope to Arouse Country. Lloyd George's fundamental, "the as from a given day all agricultural land should be regarded as the proerty of the state," was amended a read that land should be "held under a variety of tenures to meet different

local conditions." Both came practically to the same end, but the conference would be have Lloyd George's "nationalization language," which, in his view, is si necessary if "the country is to be roused" as he swept it in 1912 was his scheme to tax big estates out if existence, a policy he deserted in the days of his power.

"After carefully reading this ! copy, give it to a friend.—Thank

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the Civil Legion, described in this issue of the Appeal. These forces, especially the forces behind the Civil Legion represent principles exactly opposite to those championed by Debs and the Appeal in the present drive. It is imperative that the reactionaries in the American Legion and the Civil Legion be offset in this drive by

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Nationalization of Coal Forced to Front in England and America

coal industries.

late Robert M. La Follette, introduced by to the front and to victory, United States in control of the anthra- port: cite coal industry upon the threat of

and labor troubles. or ruin and where they chose a little most certain.

America and England experienced; of each, has caused a veritable uproar. The mine royalty owners are cial group which is apparently inter-

The report of the royal commission ory profit sharing and minimum an emergency growing out of capital on the coal industry, which was hur- wages, while the dealers are furious at riedly issued list night, has satisfied the suggestion that the municipalities The Tory controlled British Coal nobody, instead of relieving the compete with them by distributing Commission published its report which; acute labor situation, which is expect- coal.

with their business such as compuls-

recommended state-ownership and pri-ed to come to a head when the exist. The miners are not satisfied because vate operation of the coal mines, ing subsidy expires on May 1, it is be- although the report recommends the This straddle, so characteristic of re- lieved the crisis will become more maintenance of the seven and oneactionaries placed in a corner where acute, and unless a settlement is half hour day, it also suggests wage they have to choose between Socialism, reached a nation wide strike seems all reductions, for some classes. The

during the week parallel developments among both capitalist and labor electancry at the suggested nationalization ested in many quite different things. socialism.

toward Socialism in their broken down ments of Great Britain, presaging of royalties, while the mine owners, such as limitation of production, exgrave trouble in the near future and a although the report is against national coss profit faking, securing excess re-In the United States Senator Burton situation that will rapidly bring the ization of the mines, do not like the funds of their investment and in K. Wheeler, Progressive and recent Labor Party plan of state ownership mine royalty nationalization, which breaking the union. presidential running mate with the and operation of the coal mines rapid they regard as on the thin edge of a bill that if enacted would auto- A London dispatch says of the im. The mine owners also reject the the hands of those who are impelled matically place the government of the mediate effects of this straiding resuggested government interference by their own economic interests to

i miners, moreover, distrust the profit

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eral prison for opposition to the World War, and WHEREAS, Mr. Debs has been released from prison without citizenship, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Debs was sentenced under a special emergency law to fit a special emergency, and in view of the fact that this law and this emergency no longer exist, and WHEREAS, Mr. Debs' motives from his viewpoint were pure and patriotic and in no way culp-

able or criminal, and WHEREAS, Mr. Debs is a man of loftiest and purest motive, devoted whole-heartedly to a Me-long work of making this country, as he sees it, greater and better, and

.WHEREAS, amnesty or parole has been granted by the United States government in all cases

similar to that of Mr. Debs and full citizenship has been restored in such cases by all the other governments of the former Allies; therefore WE, THE UNDERSIGNED CITIZENS, RESPECTFULLY PETITION THE CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES TO RESTORE TO EUGENE V. DEBS HIS FULL RIGHTS AS A CITI-

ZEN OF THE UNITED STATES.

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