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# U. S. Senators Hide Behind Secret Ballot As They Elect Wall Street Agent to Power

# Debs Column

#### Chamber of Commerce Morality

. t. - economic determination of more thay is well illustrated in an incident that occurred in connection with in statiste of a family from shame January in Mexico, across the border

The resort had long been notorious ! - in utter abandonment to drunka which American citizens, to their And American "sports" crossed the and squander the dollars exploited then the working class.

. is well known that when morality nis feres with profit under capitalism monthly has to take a back seat. P: at is of supreme importance in the and order of things, and when an by was made to close up the 4. and dives of alth and immorality at Tia Juana after a father, and m ther and two daughters had coma col suicide to wipe out the insufto the shame that was upon them, "and 'business interests" on the well as the Mexican side zich ich arei quite soon all efforts at the to a reasonable blown over and the legal the chrantal goes on as before. Amore the "business interests" that were attime to suppressing the scandat lifting the embargo, and giving ---- was the Chamber of Commerce trusts? it in adjoining American town, and . we may not be accused of makc the charge of this infamy without r -: ground and ample justification se reproduce the following account in the press dispatches published errept issues of the capitalist

proceeditied "Assailed Girls". radro, across the border from here in a Maxican town."

A clause in this startling resoluto besmirches the character of the records to conceal his crimes. and whose lips are sealed and can mare no answer. It reads:

Ta Juana might readily have wanproaches would be acceptable."

When the resolution was handed . J. P. Conway, President of the Chamber of Commerce, he refused to > in it and resigned his post." THANK GOD, I HAVEN'T FOR-SETTEN I AM AN AMERICAN, he bead.

.. -re was one decent, self-respect 2 American in that body of business and Further comment is unneces-.... It would be impossible to ade ely characterize the conduct of turnes in human form who would 1.1 bestime the tragic memory of \*\* infortunate dead women to pro-"he "profits" of their execrable " " at latorests."

## Humor in Headlines

'" cannot read the capitalist Access without a grim sense of humor me of their news reports. The wollines of these reports are es-. d'y interestiag. For instance: ank Attack on Mergers in Foods

i partment of Justice Preparing 1 Serret to Move Against Proposed

··· hines."

Varies Will Be Prompt and De in a here to humor, indeed, when

. thets with which these headlines " d are taken into consideration. V. mean the facts relating to the n bines and to the so-called Departa not of Justice which is to deal so

Should may of the readers of the Aspeal fail to see the point of the at word Department of Justice has and forth until he is dead.

dealt with the combines, otherwise trusts, ever since the Sherman Anti trust law was enacted thirty-five year

During that period the trusts have grown under the very nose of the miscalled Department of Justice to more and more gigantic proportions, and all souther from two daughters having the successful prosecutions there are were debauched at the notorious Tia to the credit of said Department would not wad a single-harreled shotgun, although whole batteries of assisting lawyers have been employed and millions upon millions have been \*at. ... licentiousness and depravity, squandered by the government in socalled anti-trust prosecutions. The distrace, had a leading part. The only really successful prosecutions conducted under this law aimed at perfor to revel in these filthy dives the trusts have been of labor organizations and leaders of the labor movement who could not otherwise be suppressed.

It was distinctly understood at the time the Sherman Anti-trust law was enacted that it was not to apply to labor and farmer organizations, but only to commercial trusts operating

in restraint of trade. Four years passed after the law was placed on the statute books without the prosecution of a trust under its provisions. Then came the American Railway Union strike which was won in short order, when presto! it was discovered that the American Railway to the consistence of the control of trade and the organization was prosecuted to a finish and all the leaders sent to jail.

in the light of these facts is there not the grimmest kind of humor in the dens and deadfalls full license to the news reports of the impending resume their day and night debauch. swift and drastic prosecutions of the

What reader of intelligence, and readers of the American Appeal are essentially intelligent, can help but join in the roar of merriment over nuch a rare treat of downright humor! But to get the full benefit of the joke relating to the prosecution of the trusts and combines by the Even an American town, San expitalist Department of Injustice, it is necessary to get a line on the tine a Juana) through its Chamber of specimens of jackleg lawvers the Commerce, sent a resolution com- | trusts and combinus have made Attora ricky wnitewashing this tainted new General during the last ten years tion and placing the blame upon the or more, beginning with Gregory the two American girls, who preferred petty shyster from Texas and includseato to life after being attacked in ling Harry Daugherty, who has just been compelled to confess to a federal i grand jury that he burned up his

The present Attorney General, one Sargent by name, a country squire of The conduct of the girls in the Vermont, unknown outside of his precinct until his friend Calvin made him rarted the belief that immoral ap- a member of his official household. had to admit to a Senate investigating about the non-prosecution of the Aluminum trust, that he knew noth- Berger declared. ing about the Attorney-General's office of which he was supposed to be the

> As a matter of fact it is the trus's and combines that are regulating the Department of Justice and not the Department of Justice that is regulating the trusts and combines.

THE REAL CRIMINALS ARE IN CONTROL OF THE GOVERNMENT!

## Two Dollars a Seat

A Negro was hanged in Kentucky recently after being convicted of an infamous crime. We read the account of the execution as reported in the press dispatches as follows:

"The court yard was crowded with people who witnessed the hanging. TWO HUNDRED MORE PERSONS WHO COULD NOT GAIN ENTRANCE VIEWED THE HANGING FROM A NEARBY GARAGE AT TWO DOLLARS A

SEAT." This paragraph carries its own comment. Needless to say there was not a Negro in that select audience of white persons, presumably Christlans, who had reserved seats at two dollars each to enjoy the performance. It is a sad, sad commentary indeed, and a most humiliating and disheartpromptly and decisively with these ening one to think of people calling themselves civilized who will deliberately gather and pay for the privilege of having a reserved seat that which is hardly probable, they they may feast their eyes upon a misare but to emaider for a moment erable, shivering, degenerate wretch tions of Senator Norris, who proved his family owned \$200,000 worth of associates to proceed, and declaively" the hung by the nock and swinging back

# Passport Denied Debs As He Leaves U. S. to Save Mrs. Debs' Health—May Not Be Allowed to Re-enter Country

Eugene V. Debs, foremost fighter for the rights of the workers and for humanity in America for an entire generation, left the shores of his native land from New York for Bermuda on March 24. With him was Mrs. Debs, broken in health. The journey was made under the urgent necessity of restoring Mrs.

Even in this sad little mission of love in which a human life may be involved, Comrade Debs finds hunself entangled and enmeshed in the laws begotten out of the madness and insamty of the war. This foremost American-this lower of America and life-long highter this a freer and better America-is an alien in the

eyes of these new laws. An alien cannot be granted a passport. Debs had to leave his nature country like an outlate, without a passport, because he tried with unwavering courage and faith to save America from the catastrophe of the war.

Without a passport, a person cannot locally re-enter the United States. If the law is envereed, Debs will not only be an alien under the law, but will be an olien dwelling in a foreign land the rest of his days. He had to take this risk for the sake of the health and the life of Mrs. Debs.

Belind this law that denies citizenship and a passport to one of the most essentially patriotic of all native-born Americans, is the disposition of the administration to torce Debs to make a humiliating confession that he was wrong in order to buy back the citizenship that by right belongs to him. BEHIND THIS EFFORT TO HUMILIATE DEES AND PUT HIM IN THE WRONG IS THE DESIRE OF THESE ADMINISTRATORS AT ALL COSTS TO CLEAR THEIF OWN SKIRTS BY PUTTING DEBS IN

When Congressman Berger visited President Coolidge in behalf of the restoration of Debs citizenship, the President referred him to the Attorney General and the Pardon General.

Attorney General Sargent stated explicitly that he could not consider restoring Debi citizenship until Debi asked The results would be for Debs to sum an application blank surnished by the government, and to swear al

legiance to the constitution and government of the United States, like any alien seeking citizenship. The signing of the blank furnished by the government would be turnamount to Debt' confession that when he opposed were he was throng and to primise not to repeat this "offense."

This attitude is unique in the treatment of war objectors by governments since the war. No other government has THAT IN THE ATTITUDE OF THE MEN IN POWER BEHIND THE WAR LAWS THAT NOW MAKES DERS AN ALIEN AND AN OUTLAW IN HIS OWN NATIVE LAND AND WHEN HE WISHES TO LLAVE

IT DENIES HIM A PASSPORT Can such an attitude of administrators be trusted? Will they suspend their own laws and permit the man to return more than any one else is a rebuke to their attitude and a thorn in their side?

Perhaps they will not dare to invoke their own law. Who can tell? IF THE LAW IS ENFORCED AND DEBS IS DENIED RE-ENTRANCE INTO THE UNITED STATES.
THERE IS ONE SURE WAY TO GET HIM BACK: MAKE THE PRESSURE SO GREAT ON CONGRESS WITH PETITIONS, LETTERS AND RESOLUTIONS THAT CONGRESS WILL RESTORE HIS CITIZENSHIP.
IF HIS CITIZENSHIP IS RESTORED WHILE HE IS ANAL, THERE WILL BE NO TROUBLE ABOUT HIS

## Beg Pardon, Gene By Ellis B. Harris

They'd have Gene Debe, whose spir-

They'd have Gene Debs, whose spirit mystifies of pinnder on a lower plane. Beg partion of regimes of graft and lies. That he may be a citizen ugain. Not one who by the country's laws abides. And would maintain a just democracy. But one that, like a viper, squirms and glides. Around them, for a base plutocracy. What of those redittions? Who are they That damn a citizen, whom they indict. With elephantique blast, or ass like bray. To silence all who voice the cause of right?

Republicans and democrats, formouth, Tarred with the same feul stick of recking pelf!

If hope were gone, I say, in very muth Each cleanity man should disfunchise hims!!

Here lies the Constitution which they boast.

In ruined plight, and by their acts, complete.

In peace an invalid, in war a goost. Of what they transple neath their law-less feet.

less feet. Congress shall make no law that shall abridge
Free speech, free press." 'tis clear and
so appears.

privilege,
Infringed the clause and jailed Gene
Debs for years.
The Constitution proved a paper scrap,
its violators were the ones disloyal.
False to their eath of office, in the pap
Administered b) all the powers of spell.
Be partion, Gene for all the comrades
torn

When lawless men sent houset folk to jail.

How pardon for Christ's ethics, that they plead.

There hypocrites that mock him in his fane.
Then, when they murder, place him in the lead.
And count their glory in the number slain.

Heg pardon, tiene, consider all the leval.
Deep rathed in moonshine that no lear can bind.

Con leaged in storage, gluminumed in HEARINGS REPORTED THAT HE

behind the head of the head of

While mugnates and agents of Wali Street bulldozed trembling senators in the senate lobbies, the United States senate went into executive session, Saturday, and confirmed President Coolidge's appointment of Thomas M. Woodlock, Wall Street's candidate, to the interstate Commerce Commission.

Behind this affair was one of the most treacherous, dastardly and disgraceful transactions in the history of American government. Behind it. American plutocracy has advanced to a new position of brazen dictatorship over the government and people of the United States.

A Shameful Story Thomas M. Woodlock was Wall

Street's candidate for the vacant place on the interstate Commerce Commission.

The Interstate Commerce Commission is the important official hody that is supposed to investigate, make decisions upon and determine the But Congress, backed by wealth and punishment for law violations by the great corporations.

Mr. Woodlock was appointed to the vacant place by President Coolidge. Before he could realize on this appointment it was necessary that the United States confirm this appointment of the President's.

The proper senate committee to make recommendations on this ap-

can bind.

Cost-agest in storage, aluminumed in HEARINGS, REPORTED THAT HE offers Beg purdon, tiene, they're leaving you BE TURNED DOWN ON THE behind

> ed noses" and found that Woodlock (Continued on page 3.)

# Berger Opens Congress Fight for Citizenship for All War Victims effenders and common criminals." war conspired by a meeting of the ing. They were all people who ex

winting the Deby Platform in the you differed with Wilson, Palmer, Mc-American Appeal drive for the resto- Adoo and Burleson in their interprewar madness and the parallel drive oil well policy, you were a common of the Civil Liberties Union

"The names of those who opposed ! while those who pushed the United congresses. committee who were prodding him States into the war will be condemned by future historians." Representative

> Berger defended the American Civil Liberties union, justified the anti-war stand of his party, condemned the espionage act, and reviewed his own trial and conviction under that law, as a result of which he was sentenced to 20 years' imprisonment and twice denied the seat in the house to which he was elected.

No "Political Crime" Here. ized country in the world where they But they charged, that those five men under the espionage act, not one of it three years."

Congressment Victor L. Berger, So. Berger said. "The attorney general minds. fallst. Wisconsin, opened on the floor , still denies that there is such a thing of congress this week the fight repre- as a political crime in America. If ration of citizenship for all victims of tation of the world war or with their criminal, not a political offender."

American participation in the world had done more good for America than when an international Socialist conwar, will be honored in the future, all the laws enacted by the fast six gress decided to oppose all wars that

Never Met, But "Conspired."

"I was opposed to our country's entrance into the war, and said so." Berger said "For this, I, and four others, were indicted upon orders NOW from above, tried on a charge of conspiracy to interfere with the armed jury and sentenced to 26 years' imprisonment. The prosecution did not charge that we had ever met to discuss the alleged conspiracy, nor that we had ever mentioned it to one an \*Even today this is the only civil- other by correspondence or otherwise.

Now .Conceded by All. "By this legal fiction, which out i rages common sense, an attempt was made to prove that we had conspired. If Socialist opposition to war

-commercial and imperialistic wars -is a conspiracy, that conspiracy The Civil Liberties Union, he said, was first hatched at Geneva in 1866, were not wars of emancipation or wars to defend invaded territory.

NEWSPAPERS WERE SAYING own party they would not aftempt WHAT EVERY EDUCATED MAN to exclude ideas by bayonets. They CONCEDES. AND WHAT PRESIDENT WILSON HIMSELF And they would know that the Detro CONCEDED WHEN THE WAR WAS crutic party owes its origin to a forces, found guilty by a hand picked OVER-THAT THE WAR WAS crowd of rebels, demagagues and scap CAUSED BY COMMERCIAL RI- box anarchists, who resented the VALRY-60 OF THEM WERE SUP- alien and sedition acts of their day-PRESSED BY THE POSTMASTER acts upon which the espionage act GENERAL. WHO DENIED THEM was patterned, except that the espien SECOND CLASS MAILING RIGHTS, age act named a maximum penalty of

don't differentiate between political holding the same views regarding the them for actual espionage or for spy. SAYS U.S. AMBASSADOR

pressed political and industrial views. Lincoln vs. Wilson.

"Abraham Lincoln waged a war in unitely more dangerous to the existwere of the United States than the World War, and waged it within 100 miles of Washington for four years without an espionage act. It was different under the Wilson administration, which made a specialty of

iacts. "If the statesmen of the Demo "BECAUSE THE SOCIALIST cratic party know the history of their would know that it cannot be done "And 2,000 people were convicted |20 years, while the sedition act made

# National Peace Society Joins Big Debs Drive

Henry W. Pinkham, national secretary of the Association to Abolish War swung behind the drive to restore citizens' rights to Debs and his fellow victims of the war with his large, nationwide organization. Mr. Finkham writes:

"As secretary of the Association to Abolish War. I shall In a few days send a letter to about 500 persons in various parts of the country. I mean to ask each one to sign the petition for the restoration of citizenship to Comrade Debs. In order to ask each one also to obtain other signatures, I should like to have copies of the petition you are printing in each week's Appeal to enclose in my letters."

The drive for Ibbs and the other victims of war injustice is sweeping the country as no other movement of a similar character has done since the war.

The volume of petitions passing through the Appeal office on the way to Washington steadily increases day by day until it has reached the pro portions of a great basket full of signed petitions every day. From Seattle this week came a large packet of petitions from A. MacDonald (Glengarry), the first installment of the promised 100,000 names from the state of Washington.

The Union Label Trades depart ment of Ruffalo and the Central Labor body of Everett, Washington, have adopted resolutions for the restoration of Dehs' citizenship. From Dayton. Ohio, comes the news that the Central Labor Union and each of the thirty affiliated locals will adopt reso lutions for Debs and the disfranchised var objectors.

Congressman John M. Evans of Montana, writes J. P. Cavanaugh, whitefish, Mont., that he will vote for the restoration of Debs' citizenship if he has the opportunity THERE ARE ENOUGH FAVORABLE DERS' CITIZENSHIP, IF YOU WILL WRITE AND LET THEM KNOW WHAT YOU WANT. SEND THE

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

## Magazine Gives Inside Story of retary to the president and before Bribery Charge Against Coolidge NEW YORK.—That "the president; in favor of reporting a reduction of sending the sugar-tariff report to Mr.

the effect it might have upon his po- duty as a public official. litical fortunes," as revealed by Sena-Norris' undefended charges them by Mr. Culbertson's own corthe former in the senate on Jan. 23, says The Nation: is explained at some length in an article in The Nation.

"Most Serious Charge" "By all odds the most serious charge yet brought against Calvin Coolidge." The Nation characterizes the declara- Culbertson, because it appeared that ties to the suit desired him and his

deliberately tried to threaten and the sugar tariff to the president every Coolidge. pribe an officeholder of the United effort was made to bribe, cajole, and States to withhold a semi-judicial threaten Mr. Culbertson to withhold opinion simply and solely because of the report in direct violation of his The facts, as Senator Norris proved

against Mr. Coolidge in the speech of temporary memoranda, are as follows, 1. The tariff commission was first

deadlocked, three to three on the sug-

2. Mr. Glassie of Louisiana being hoth a judge and juror, was subjected disqualified on the initiative of Mr. to pressure and told how these par-

Offensive Against Cul-

bertson was begun. (a) He was summoned to a conference by Senator Smoot at which he found between 15 and 20 persons.

bertson

3. An offensive against Mr. Cul-

among them another sugar senator and a representative; the rest were business men interested in sugar. At this conference Mr. Culbertson, being

that although the tariff commission, a stock in a sugar corporation, the com- (b) Next Mr. Culbertson was sumsemi-judicial body, stood three to two mission stood three to two in favor of moned to the white house by the sec-

him was held out an appointment in the diplomatic service which Mr. Culbertson had long coveted. Mr. Slemp dangled before him the possibility of his appointment as minister to China or as agent general of reparations or as governor general of the Philippines. Prior to that interview he had also been offered a position on the federal trade commission.

to deliver some lectures at George town university and the Williams town Institute of Politics, suddenly found the legality of these actions challenged. An assistant attorney general, Mr. Martin, assured two of Mr. Culbertson's associates, Messrs. Lewis and Costigan, that he had not CONGRESSMEN TO RESTORE violated the law, that an opinion favoring him had been drawn and was to be signed by the attorney general that day (July 21, 1924). Three days | REPLIES TO THE APPEAL. later Messrs. Lewis and Costigan were invited to see Atty. Gen. Stone at once; when they arrived there lay

(c) Mr. Culbertson, having agreed

(Continued on Page 3.)

## Says U. S. Ambassador Helped Set Up Fascist Dictatorship ship of the light and power system has proven successful in Tacoma.

liness of the present administration toward Mussolini and the fascist dictatorship and the amazing debt cancellation in their favor by the American Debt Commission, by the astonishing confession of Richard Washburn Child, former ambassador to of the debt of Hungary, 29 per cent Italy, at'a private gathering in Wash- of the debt of Latvia, 29 per cent of ington, says the Washington corresspondent of the Federated Press.

Mr. Child, who was ambassador to Italy from 1921 until 1924, is reported en high authority to have claimed gredit at this private gathering within the past few weeks, for making Mussolini dictator of Italy.

Child has been in Washington for gist of the Black Shirts and of the Italian debt settlement pact. The story is in substance this:

Seeing the political confusion in Italy in the summer of 1922 reaching dangerous stage. Child cabled Hughes that a dictator would be set up. The state department asked capitalistic government whether the dictator would come from the military or from civillan political life. Child had a private conference with Mussolini. Presently Mussolini showed greatly increased boldness, marched his gunmen to Rome, and the royal army stood by while he seized the government. It appears that Mussolini, or someone sympathetic with his plans, must have conveyed the impression to the bankers in Milan that Wall Street would look favorably upon his selzure | Saul Yanofsky. of dictatorial control of the 40,000,000

Congressman Lozier, Missourt, in

the debate on war debts this week.

"We are canceling 55 per cent of Czechoslovakian debt, 29 per cent of system is valued at approximately the Esthonian debt, 29 per cent of the debt of Finland, 29 per cent of the debt of Great Britain, 29 per cent the debt of Lithuania, 30 per cent cf the debt of Poland, 35 per cent of the debt of Roumania."

OF THE MILITARISTIC, WAR-LIKE, MONSTROUS, LABOR-ENSLAVING MUSSOLINI DICTATORSHIP WAS 80 PER CENT OR \$1,615,713,000. ITALY RECEIVED TWO AND some time, playing the role of sulo- A HALF TIMES BETTER TERMS THAN THE AVERAGE EUROPEAN TERMS.

This amazing favoritism, coupled with the latest boast of the former American ambassador to Italy, ought to give a fairly clear line on the real sympathies and nature of our present

New Radical Publishers The Vanguard Press, which will publish and issue the classic books of radical and liberal thought for 25 cents each and less in New York City. the directors are Rex Stout, president; Norman Thomas, socretarytreasurer; Roger N. Baldwin, Morris L. Ernst, B. W. Huebsch, Robert Leslie, Scott Nearing, Ordway Tead and

Get your workmate's pledge and he will subscribe next payday.

# Appeal Army Column

He has put more than 200 subscribers | samples in the Debs' Citizenship fight. on the Appeal list -- 200 putients taking weekly doses of Socialism. Results | subs. are beginning to show already. Sev eral of these have applied for membership in the Socialist Party and more are coming soon. Comrade Rabmowitz is a member of the Machinists' union and works among trade union members. He has a large number of trade unionists circulating Debs peti tions. He says the feeling toward Socialism is improving and it is much easier to get money for Socialist organization than it was before the Appeal started. ONB HUNDRED SOCIALIST WORKERS DOING AS MUCH AS COMRADE RABINOWITZ 18 DOING WOULD MAKE THE APPEAL A POWER AND A FINAN-CIAL SUCCESS WITHIN A YEAR AND WOULD PUT THE SOCIALIST PARTY ON THE MAP BIG.

repeater who never fails. This week ahead O. K. he adds four to his list.

fifty dollars to pay for subs from Boss | lion subscribers inside of six months." ton. The cards are nearly all sold Here's hoping Comrade Palmer. If and the secretary, S. P. Levenberg, they were all like you we would says he will soon be sending for more

A good suggestion for systematic work comes, with an order for five of the press force on the fine paper subs. from Geo. Goebel, Newark, N. J. that you are issuing it is all very "my wife and I decided to send in five subs a work to the old Appeal under Wavland. It happened that just about that time he announced a prize of some property in Tennessee for the one who could send in five subs weekly for the longest period. Wayland biniself was astounded at the D C, and J. Wannanen, West Conresult. Most of those in the contest, word, N. H., two good sharp shooters, like myself, forgot even where the get two apiece. property was located. But we got the habit, just as we had the habit of expecting to eat our meals. And because we had the habit we somehow the first time and is coming again. found a way to gratify it, just as we Two more good western minute-men found a way to eat regularly."

"The habit of expecting to eat our in two recruits each. Wm, Kane Tall-I wish you could all see it. He looks our meals." The Appeal has not yet man caught two more in Jersey City, I like he was ready to start right out offered such a contest; but the suggention is good. Get the habit.

Indian uprising! Look out for tomabawks: R. E. Littlejohn, of Reddin comes whooping in with fourteen scalps. Just to show that he isn't the only good Indian, R. E. Lee, Blocker, sends three scalps and F Bertelschire Bokshe, sends two.

Here is the New York City Committee again. One letter from August friends, comrades with the sympathy Classaens encloses three and right and understanding which is so essen after it comes another with two. Another big shell fired from Bronx holds

That Hoosier Brigade are keeping ploneers! right after them on the Banks of the Wabash, Dr. O. Cromwell sends in a bunch of eight from Shelburn; J. H. Arnold, Columbus follows right along and Chas. Morgan, Terra Haute with a contribution of \$5.00 to help The I now can read from the start. I wish Appeal in the drive for citizenship The Appeal success." for Debs. He says, "In my opinion this special edition and drive will do decade."

Louis Rabinowitz of Chicago has can't lose him. This time he fires turned \$172 over to the Appeal for five shots. John Zaiglain. Castabea. subscriptions since the paper started. Pa., sends \$5 to help in getting out A. C. Benice, Dubolce, Pa, sends four

> C. H. Perrine, Billings, Montana. writes that he is a lone farmer, 18 miles from a post office but he sends in five subs. He writes, "The big thing about the Socialist movement now is this American Appeal. One high-class paper put out weekly, holds the whole organization together. Increase the circulation of The Appeal and maintain its present quality and it will shake the continent."

Tom W. Reed, a faithful repeater from El Centro, Cak, sends in four new ones. "I have received four more," he bays, "and I find that not all have bowed the knee to the image of Baal ta our town. If the time comes when the average man will not let a few rich and influential ones tell him not J. M. Carnella, Gilespie, Ill., is a to handle our literature, we will move

With a roar and a crash the ice of Davis A. Palmer, Black Lick, Pa., valley comes the flood. It starts with closes, "Hoping you may have a mil-

Ellis B. Harris, Chicago, writes I wish to congratulate you and the rest "Many, many years ago," he writes, very interesting and, considering the size, all that can be desired."

> "On with The Appeal; on with the demand" is the slogan of W. E. Richards of Newport, Ky., as he sends in a bunch of six from the blue-grass state, N. P. Matteson, Washington,

J. Olson, New Westminster, B. C., is waking up the Dominion. He gets two Geo. W. Charette, Ft. Collins, Col., Get the delightful wording of that; and E. R. Land, Redlands, Cal., bring himself and his nice new car. We

THE HOME-TOWN CLUBS

The good old faithful comrades who started out as loners are getting a great deal of pleasure in lining up company. Some of them are out in the country, far from a settlement and have all the hardships of pioneers as they go from place to place getting subs; but in the letters which they write they show that they are getting more than subs. They are finding tial to human companionship. They are letting the light into new places. They are breaking new ground and seeding it for future harvests. Salute the

Harold Nelson, Hiteman, Iowa, now has a club of six. He writes, "I received the six copies from you which with six; John Marquis, Burnett, two; I had not read before. The American Appeal sure does tell the truth. I am siz. A. V. Curtis, Terra Haute, sends | thankful to you for sending them as

John Mouri, Neffs, Ohio, adds three more toward building the Kingdom of more to his club. Chas. B. Brown, Heaven on Earth than the combined Branscomb, Cal., sends "two yearefforts of all the churches of Christon- lings." He is busy with the Debs dom have accomplished in the last petition and will find more company long long time. It is such steadfast las he works.

Tacoma Successful with Power System Tacoma Wash -- Municipal owner-

During 1925 the operating income was \$1,619,599.83. Deducting expenses, interest, depreciation and taxes left a net surplus of \$844.580.26. The electric Tacoma is done at 1 cent per kilowatt hour. Commercial power rates range from 2.5 cents per kilowatt hour to .45 cents, according to the continuity of use,-Chicago Herald-Examiner. of the Debs' case:

## our cancellation in Favor United Workers Win Tremendous Paris Victory

forces won Sunday in a sensational and significant by-election in Paris. electing two candidates, Fournier and On Clos to the French chamber of deputies, in one of the clearest class line-ups and bitterest local elections ever held in France.

In the primary election Fournier and Du Clos, the communist candidates, received the highest votes. They were placed on the ballot in opposition to Kerillis and Reynaud reactionary candidates. The final linehas just been incorporated. Among up found all the supporters of the capitalist system, including liberals, nationalists and fascists, backing Kerillis and Revnaud, and all the workers including the Socialists communists and some of the Socialist radicals supporting Fournier and Du-Clos. The candidates of capitalism received 61,718 votes; the candidates of the workers 63,256.

It was a straight fight between the two classes attended with great excitement and bitterness. When the election results were flashed on the screens capitalist mobs led by fesciate expressed their rage in violent rioting. The communists now have 28 members in the French chamber of How is this for a record? Comrade | F. J. Marzoff, Harrisburg, again; | deputies-the Socialists have 102

## The Bundle Brigade I

Charging forward, over the top. omes the Bundle Brigade. Right at the head is California with an order to Joseph Anderegg, Mercid. Secrefield wants a bundle of 250. H. E. Nelson, San Jose, wants four copies a week for six months.

S. V. Kennison, Charleston, S. C., vants a bundle of fifty and a dollar's worth of samples. When those samples are read he will come back with a bunch of new subs. That's the way you do it when you have become a dred Cheligoy, Triadelphia West Vir. as workers. The state federation of

Anton Zornik, Hermanie, Pa., keeps against this act." firing them in every week. This time. The call states that Edward Hora-he wants 150. A bundle of fifty goes only was found guilty of violating this lear Comrade: home state of Silent Cal bimself. An-Branch, Boston, Veginia Monden, Rockland, Maine, orders a bundle of 25 for the Yipels. When the younger generation gets after conservative old New England it will surely wake it

Hazel Marie Bond, Muncie, Ind. wants twenty to use while she is out cetting signatures for the Debs petition. "I have one petition with 86 names and another with 4" names." she says. "I certainly enjoy doing this work and am getting a lot of good Co-operators Here

Wallace W. Gamble, Fergus Falls, Minn., sends in a a new sub with his order for a bundle of fifty. "I am one of the veterans of the old Appeal Army," he says, "My own Appeal has been read and re-read by a dozen peo ple." Comrade sends a picture of on the journey to a million circula-

Red Bluff, Cal., keeps right at work. H. C. Eager orders fifty a week for ten weeks. That's what keeps the steady cannonading on the western shore. You can't stop the West-Coast Batterles.

The Workmen's Circle. Hoboken, N. J., sends for fifty more, H. J. Hufnagel, Irwin, Pa., is going to distribute 25 and W. E. Davis, Whitneyville. Conn. sends a dozen to a good old Appeal Army hustler. We hope he will do as much for the new Appeal as he did for the old.

James Lund, a member of the old Appeal Army out in Auburn, Washis hard to get subs out here among a small bundle from Local Seattle each week which I distribute among the thinly settled population here. I have been out here among the big timber for nearly forty-five years. I am now seventy-three but expect to be here another twenty years." May the dear comrade be with us for a old timers who show us how to work. I them. Only \$1 for a whole year.

## European Socialism Spreads News About the Fight for Debs

The fight for the citizenship rights of Eugene V. Debs and other Ameri can war victims is stirring the Socialist and labor circles of far-off Europe in the last issue of "international information," a weekly bulletin issued by the Labor and Socialist International at Zurich, Switzerland to Socialist and labor papers throughout the world, is the following statement

(I. I.) "Eugene V. Debs, the veteran eader of the American labor movement, who remained true to the idea of the International during the war. and emphatically opposed the entry of America into the war, was sentenced during the war to ten years' imprisonment, at the same time he was deprived of American citizenship. After more than two and one-half years' imprisonment he was released by President Harding, Christmas, 1921, but without his citizenship being restored.

"The Socialist representative, Victor L. Berger (member of the Executive of the L. S. I.) has introduced a didate for president of the United | States, and that in no other country in the world has such punishment been inflicted for anti-war propaganda, and that "robbing Debs of his citizenship is simply a disgrace to the country not to Debs."

"Debs is now himself leading a strenuous campaign to get a pardon for Anita Whitney, who for a breach of the notorious "criminal syndicalism law" has been sentenced to long imprisonment, but without so far the authorities having dared to put the sentence into practice."

## Unions Start War on Pennsylvania Anti-Sedition Law

fittsburgh, Fa .-- A vigorous campaign for the repeal of the notorious strike-breaking, union smashing Flynn Anti Sedition Act was initiated by a number of labor organizations of Pittsburgh and vicinity. A call for a conference to devise ways and means to fight this bill was sent out to all: trade unions, labor and liberal organifor 250 copies to be sent ten a week zutions of western Pennsylvania. The conference will be held at the Walton tary Elmer E. Corson of Local Bakers- Hall, 220 Stanwig street, Pittsburgh, on Sunday, April 4th, 2:30 p. m. is expected that similar conferences will be held in Philadelphia, Erie and in the authracite region.

It is pointed out in the call that "The Anti-Sedition Law which origi- eight nations were buying war sup- the Kuomintag army is in full flight lived and died for social justice. nally passed in 1919 and amended in 1921 is the product of the war hysteria. which existed at that time and is and will be used against all organized larepeater Another fifty goes to Mil- bor attempting to defend their rights labor of this state has continually cone on record at its conventions

aw although the judge declared that I mont. He is going to wake up the there was no evidence that he had broceed, other hundle of 75 goes to the Central fellow workingmen are charged with to explain how unorganized comrades the call.

the local tailors' union, two machin. munity, you want a local organizedists' locals, two locals of the United | don't you? Of course you do. Mine Workers and the International Labor Defense Committee.

# Number 3 Million

America, in spite of its individual sm, is becoming more collective every year and is marching toward Sociallam.

At least 3,000 600 American producers are enrolled actively in the cooperative movement, according to entimates prepared by the All-American Co-operative Movement. In farmers' co-operatives alone 2,700,000 members are building up the structure of a nonenrolled in 8,256 associations.

Grain societies naturally led the neld with 490,000 members, with dairy products a good second, numbering 374,000. Other important divisions in farmers' co-operatives are: Livestock, 330,000; cotton, 300,000; tobac co, 300,000; fruit and vegetables, 125,

Kentucky led all the states with 194,000 members. Iowa boasta 157,000 co operators; Missouri, 155,000; North Carolina, 138,000; Minnesota, 127,000; Illinois, 119 000; Ohio, 109,000; and Michigan, 100,000.

The total number of 2,385,000 excludes some 2,500 societies whose ington, has found another friend. "It | memberships will bring the farm total ! up to 2,700,000. Organized central cothese stump ranchers," he says, "I get operative groups in other fields such rade William R. Snow, is most unas consumers co-operation and credit usually studious of books worth while unions have 200,000 members, while and of our movement; he is not exunaffiliated groups easily roll the fig. citable, never indulges in the roseure above 300,000. Several hundred tinted, oratorically perfumed phrases

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# Weekly News Digest

Liquor Referendum

vote in bistory, in which 376 newswas 1,740,062. Of this, 864,949 favored | Mosul. modification of the present law; 545,-839 favored unconditional repeal of states voted dry-Kunsas and South Carolina. It is impossible in the face of this remarkable result to reach any other conclusion than that the majority of the people of the United States are sick and disgusted with the unsprakable governmental corruption. lawlessness, espionage, hypocrisy, drunkenness, crime and wholesale poisoning of the prople under prohibition, and they desire a change. The principles of democracy now deresolution to Congress providing for the return of citizenship to Deba. In chance to vote on this question and this proposal it is recalled that Debs | settle it for themselves. The danger has four times been the Socialist can is that it will be settled by a choice hetween the hootlegger and the saloonkeeper. One of these is about as bad as the other. Legalized private traffic in intoxicants is about as bad an illegal private traffic in intuxicants. by the Socialists and employed in more or less modified form in several countries with considerable success-COVERNMENT MANUFACTURE,

#### After September What?

The League of Nations, which has never been more than a convenient arrangement between robber governments to internationalize their system of robbery, encountered its most keep its aworn word with Germany and admit Germany to the League. meeting totally failed. Newspaper correspondents, the press and the Bendishness and barbarism have human race," and while removed to political leaders in several European never been exceeded in the darkest his activities a thousand mike or countries declare that behind this act lages of history, of Brazil was the sinister figure of Mussolini working silently toward his Latin League and his fascist empire. A few days after the meeting dis-Slavia, Greece, Bulgaria, Roumania and Hungary for the control of the

plice-Greece, Russia, Jugo-Slavia, toward Pekin before the Finland, Lithuania, Poland, Roumania The biggest newspaper referendum and Turkey. Mussolini has just decided to increase his army from 150. papers participated throughout the 000 to 250,000. France has just finished 'nited States has resulted in a vote the swiftest torpedo boat destroyer in of more than five to one against pro- the world. Italy, France and Turkey hibition. The poll was \$1 per cent have entered agreements that threaten in favor of the wets. The total vote British possessions in fraque and

Can capitalism compose its differ Can it organize a world ences? the Volstead Act and only \$29,274 league of exploiting, imperialistic voted to retain the present prohibi- capitalist governments? The latest tion law. Only one city in the United Geneva flasco raises strong doubts States-Beacon-voted dry. Only two that it can. It will try again in September After September what?

#### Marderers of Matteotti The monstrous international farce.

he pretended trial of the murderers of Matteotti, former Italian Socialist deputy, ended during the week in the acquittal of two of the accused and the committal of the other three to prison terms that will end in June. this year. With the main witnesses mand that the people be given a absent-witnesses who formerly accused Mussolini of responsibility for the assassination of Matteottiand with a fascist court, fascist witbesses, and fascist terrorism all around, facts nevertheless, came out that from the tenor of the press have convinced intelligent persons outside or Italy that fascism exists by politi-The only remedy is the one proposed all assausination and that this condition is maintained with the knowledge and consent of Mussolini. Matteotti, a courageous and splendid comrade, dared in the summer of 1924 SALE AND CONTROL OF INTOXI-, to threaten the fascist regime with an exposure in parliament of some of its, unspeakable crimes. Early in June he disappeared. Later his body was found. It was not denied in the trial that he was abducted and lost his life in the process of abduction. The fascist defense was that he died from the shock of being abducted. The verdict was "unintentional homigigantic failure at Geneva last week cide." The murderers of this heroic found sympathy of the New York when it was unable to compose its comrade, including the arch-murderer State Organization of the Socialist quarrels and jealousles sufficiently to and criminal of the age-Mussoliniwill now be free to continue their from the Class Struggle of our be bloody rule over a disarmed and de- loved and noble Comrade Swan John Brazil at the last moment refused to fenseless people. The world is wit i son. Comrade Johnson was one of make the vote unanimous and the nessing in this age of decadent and those rare beings whom somebody

#### Tragedy in China

The grievous and tragical thing has solved the fascist government signed happened in China. At a critical point | noble ones of mankind who have treaties with France. Spain, Jugo in the struggle between democracy lived here are "streame of fragrance" and militaristic reaction international capitalism managed to tip the scales The state and country of Courses Mediterranean sea. Within a week the against the people. As this is being Johnson was the whole world, and his world was startled by the news that written, reports come from China that neighbors are all hamanity who have

were deadly enemies. The workens at radical government of Canton, where Sun Yat Sun planted draphy and broadly the seeds of Socialism, has been overthrown. The democratic and Socialistic elements are every. where being crushed, their bruiere killed or imprisoned. This debusie dates from the time of the altimutan to the Kuomintang by the United States and other capitalistic powers demanding what amounted to the opening of a breach in the Kuomin. tang lines of defense. But more significant than this are the seports of the seizure of ammunition arear Theat siz on the way from Ruesia to the Knomintang. These reports state that this cutting off of ammenition from the Kuomintang army second its retreat. THE PACT THAT THE RE ACTIONARY ARMIRE IN CHINA WERH WELL SUPPLIED WITH MUNITIONS AND THE DEMO. CRATIC ARMIES, ALTHOUGH THEY HAD ACCESS TO THE SEA COULD GET NONE IS A WOOD IN. DICATION OF THE MANNER IN WHICH THE DEFEAT OF THE KUOMINTANG WAS BROUGHT ABOUT. It is reported that the Knomintang armies are preparing to withdraw to Mongolia. This is significant. Outer Mongolia is a Seriet state in league with Russia. The establishment of the Knemisticz h inner Mongolia would probably extend the Soviet league clear to the Ohinem wall. Such a situation would be packed with tremendous permibilished

all the old militariets who formed

#### Swan Johnson's Death

Grieves N. Y. Comrades The New York State Committee of the Socialist Party passed ununimous ly the following resolution: To the Family of Comrade

This is to convey to you the prodying capitalism acts that for sheer has aptly termed an "ernament of the more from New York state, was nevertheless an asset of prioriess worth to the New York Sectaffet movement. It was Amerback, I be lieve, who said, that the great and that flow through time and man

# Socialist Party News

An Open Letter

The time has arrived to proceed to

committed an overt act. Nine other | This news space this week is used the same "crime." George Papcun, can produce truly big news; and also 15. American born, is charged with to give you an accurate big news item "sedition" because for the last two showing that the rising party rally years he has been engaged in organ. Is a fact,-that if you want big news izing the United Mine Workers, says you can easily help produce part of it in the rising rally,

It is signed by the secretaries of! If you live in an unorganized com-Well, count upon it-other Social-

ists in your community feel as you do about a local organization: -at least they would seriously consider the matter if you would simply talk it over with them. Thus it is time to proceed with the proceedings -with the business of calling an organization meeting.

Now, right at this point the National office is at your elbow to help you. Send for a charter-application form and ten to twenty-five of the handsome, two-color, ready-to-use Special Organization Letters, furnished free. Along with the Special Organization Letters full and simple directions will be sent-to guide you in using the letters and in organizing a new local.

Now, Comrade, get busy. That's all. profit society within the shell of the TRY. If you want more good news old profit-motivated order. They are help produce the news. If you want progress, help get it. If you want the New Day, the New Courage, the New Power, the New Heart, the New Fire for our Movement, then come across as one of the One Thousand Emergency Men in the big push before the convention.

Hoping and believing that you will be loyal and true to the other 999 members in this splendid company of 1000 real comrades, I am.

Heartily and fraternally yours. GEORGE R. KIRKPATRICK Acting Executive Secretary. P. S. To convince you of the rising rally read the following:

The Big News Item

The Illinois State Secretary, Comcold bloodedly insists on the facts. Comrade Snow, as a student of our movement, has had the blues for several years. But the big rally now for them. Get subscribers for the Aprising is so perfectly evident to him | peal. Only \$1 per year.

business that rouses Snow, u

1. In recent weeks Snow has found the comrades all over the state active and smiling with a strange new hope faith and coursee for work in the business of the state movement. 2 In recent weeks the Secretary Show has secured pledges taiready

more than half paid in cash) for almost \$1,000 for State organisation work. 3. The Chicago Jewish Daily Forward has just now contributed \$400

o Cook County organization work and promises more: I. The Cook County delegate meeting, March 29, raised almost \$300 for

organization work-and absent comrides are absolutely certain to make this total \$400-"for immediate party organization work."

5. The new spirit in this Cook County meeting of April 29 was 500 per cent better than at any time for Bre years:

6. Show save this same spirit is matched down State, and that the truly remarkable increase in payment of Chicago. of membership dues is the actual, substantial proof of things done. things doing and things to be done. The tide is rising, comrades, Let's

Just a Word

The National Office address is 2653 Washington Bird., Chicago, We are always glad to hear from anybody, anywhere, anytime on anything pertaining to our movement. Our mail is rapidly becoming heavier; but never mind that-we want to hear from you

Socialists Nominated

The influence of the Socialist party, Parties have large numbers of its of Milwaukee spreads even into the representatives in the parlinmants. neighboring suburban towns, as the The Socialist movement is the biggs primary elections, Tuesday, in North thing in the world today. Milmsukee and West Allis show. In North Milwaukee Comrade John

Wickert received 237 votes and his then there would be no strikes, but name goes on the ballot to be voted for on April 6. Fred Schallert was other battles going on between 'A." placed on the ballot by 127 votes. In West Allia the present Socialist aldermen were renominated. Alderman F. H. Oakley received 568 votes. thousand more participate in labor of optimistic delirium, and always Alderman Vern Rogers received 390 Totes.

Don't wish for better things, work

Sincerely and traternally yours. HERBERT M. MERRALL Mother of Comrade

James Oncal Dead Comrade James Onesle comrades in the national office and his many had his courage wonderfully multiplied. The big news, the sum of the country, would have him and his their deep sympathy for them in the loss of their mother, Mrs. (Sara Oncal, who died in Terre Hanta bd ana, at the age of 75, last Wednesday, March 25. Mrs. Onest was \$2 but a few days. Jimmy, editor-in-chief of the New Leader, had not quiverenced her bedside when one ded.

> Palestine Labor Fund Grows The \$250,000 fund of the United He brew Trades to aid the erganized workers and co-operatives in Publisher and to start Palestine on the roul to become soon a co-operative commes wealth, is being raised with morroct ed speed. It is believed that Coleurs will have raised more than half o. M quota of \$25,000 at a banquet on April 17. Labor organizations are respecting generously. Entertainments for swelling the funds have been organ ized among which is an eriental midnight frolic, Central Park Thester. April 10. On May 2, hundreds was sell flowers in all the Jewish district

## On the Firing Line

By William H. Howy You can't have success in big game with small abots, the same holds true in gaining ground for year, cause. A local organization of Socialists can use big shot and get results

If there is anything of more benefit to the workers than Socialism we have not heard of it; have you"

In most nations of the world. there is a big, well organized floa! ifist in Primary Election Party. In most nationa the Seculiat

> If there were no classes in society outs, injunctions, and all the winn't

> who have and those who have not The Capitalist Class is not a bit scared of the workers, when there we no working class representative !! the law making bodies.

> A Socialist unorganized is helple-Ind you ever see a Lion rum away from a flock of sheep?

## Buckshot

By August Claessens

#### Progress?

distant is a record of human strugdes marches and retreats, victories and devicts, achievements and fail-Pistory appears to some peo-, senseloss zig zag. a drunken put it a crazy dance across the ages. ther main it appears to others as if here may be some sense to it all and the sorv does indicate some progand some evidence of order in the mids' of its seemingly hopeless disarter of that social institutions do with growth, advancement and imsevere at. Socialists are not numsord arrong those philosophers on Restricts who seriously question shelber there is such an animal as sich progress, They aftern that there - Socialism advances a theory descript progress and it is by far the with theory in the whole

New their progress is proof of imgreyement Social progress is evisecontrus may be created and the their borings. Millia. In the learning of how best to the surplus energy and time hat to left in our laps after the day's work is done. That's about all there s to social progress in a nutshell. you ters crack the nut.

#### Theories

There are many theories of social more as The most ascient one is he theological—the theory that the ed- direct or guide the struggles of was and that the destiny of the human cure is as fixed as the stars. a. !! there is very little evidence thywhere these days to support this theory except down there in Tennesand Mississippi and there ain't eny evidence down there at all. Then here is the theory that great men nake history and that if these gents min't lived many great events would mye been still born. That is, indeed, very flattering to the great men but its not exactly true. Often it is the creat event that makes some small a-n famons. A beautiful frame sets a a bum picture. A crowd of boisere a kids often heads a dignified.

Another theory proclaims that progcan in the product of ideas. Well, there is something in that. Ideas, mi great men also, for that matter. ertainly do influence events. That is juite . . id. n. Mon and ideas are alvays prodding us, always imposing bemselves upon us and our times. 1/30 are powerful torces molding words. They are but reflections cast you fellows will back it. mt of an environment. Ideas are not ein anti conditions give them subwere to Eskimo has neither the metarund, training nor equipment er electrical invention; or, a Hottenor one astronomical discovery.

## The Socialist Theory

thief among which is the tions of economic determinism. This . e. wealist view of social evoluyes sell it has gained a wide popuares in modern thought. It pro-1. and the most important ele This will noing human progress are cap . forts, activities and improvegert. &, the methods of obtaining a twitter I and the influence of these correspond changes upon him. The were a contends that the prevailing the consequence, that is, the method h wealth is produced, distribnet but exchanged in a given period if the form largely shape the mode of type of social organization. to en after of institutions, the va-.... of hehavior and the ideas and " of the people of that time. Semulte peoples who rove across treat plains following their herds of and neturally built few cities. The

have no great admirals. Great The same int civilizations rose in " valleys. Sea coast peo-The more great fishermen and adven-"" . Worm enting birds are early ner while owls stay up all night. is .... words, our habits are very with related to our grub-getting ac-

## An Outline of History

"man wate few tools. He seem fittle about agriculture and to no animals. Hence he had litdecrementy and needed no legislacourts or jails. His ideas were : le as his methods of obtaining ir and as he had a darn tough willing that, there never were of him at any one time in any the He saw the logic of birth o' and he carried it out with an in the state. fact as soon as be learned to till and domesticate the beast he down and built himself a And as soon as primitive man around for George to do it. there were no newspapers to with each other. to for help and no unemployed for class, law and order, war | tary of the newly created state orhinder, police and jails, churches ganization. " relitive for the wicked. Began

was for the inferiors to slave for the superiors for mere soup so that the upper crust could support the chocolate icing. On some occasions the slaves revolted or beat it for other haunts but most of them thanked their gods for their prosperity, and if they only could, they would have votea the Republican ticket.

Feudal Times

Well, there is an end to everything except a sausage and that has two ends) and so the slave empires grew, flourished, decayed and died. Came the feudal age with its Lords, Dukes and ducks, Counts and no accounts. We fellows were the sorfs. We clung to the soil as it clung to our boots. The big chief owned the whole shebang, the land and cattle, and we serfs owned the right to live provided we handed over to the landlord most of our produce or worked on his soif course in our spare time. There were so many lords and loafers, priests and monks that we were mighty busy raising feed for them all. And they had so much leisure that they were everlastingly scrapping among themselves or making crusades for God and plunder. The serfs learned a few more how of human advancement, the evduties of social, cultural and political than did the slaves and there were estitutions, the perfection of tech- several lively set-tos between them mile in hattling the elements of na- and the lords and these battles the shaping of the tools by brought some changes. The worms chieb an ever creater abundance of ate into history and its pages show

Modern Times Came the 18th century, the use of coal and steam and the invention of machinery. Came navigation, com merce, immigration and colonization. Came more wealth, more grub, more people and more ideas. Came science and political economy and the divine right of robbers was seriously questioned. The mingling of great masses of toilers gave birth to movements for education, organization and democracy and the printing press sowed the needs of daring dreams. With improved transportation and communication the world became smaller and the workers of all countries began to swap notes and experiences and the vision of Socialism peeped over all horizons.

The Future

Thus the history of social progress relates the story of the conquest of nature by man, the enslavement of man by man, the creation of the machine by man, and if we see clearly, the eventual ownership of the mahine by all mankind and the end of human exploitation. That's Socialism. You can call it by any other name-but, it's a-coming! Nor will social progress stop with Socialism. No. sir! Only then will it get a real start. The production of wealth for the use of all and a fuller enjoyment of life by all is possible, imperative and inevitable. That's also part of spinion and arousing action. But the Socialist theory and it will blosdone and ideals don't rain out of som into a fact as soon as emough of

#### Young People's Department

Tothe Profiles sec. LEAGER Anres J. Perker, Nat. Direc

#### Fifth Anniversary, New England Y. P. S. L. By Savele Syrjala

(District Secretary) Five years ago, on April 16 and 17. 1921, fourteen delegates representing tive newly organized Massachusetts Y. P. S. L. circles met in Fitchburg. Mass, for the purpose of discussing the possibilities of uniting these five circles in a state organization. On April 3 and 4, 1926, delegates from eight circles, situated in three states, will meet in Gardner, Mass, to hold their sixth annual convention and at the same time celebrate the fifth anniversary of the Y. P. S. L. of New Eng-

The New England District Y. P. S. L. has been one of the most important factors in rebuilding of the national Young People's Socialist League since the internal dissensions of 1919, which ravaged the ranks of both the old and young Socialists

Prior to the reorganized Y. P. S. L. the movement in Massachusetts and Story of Coolidge New England was fairly strong, but the dissensions and strike, and the wartime mania shattered the Yipsei

movement to smithereens In the meantime the Finnist Socialists had for ten years been conducting Socialist Sunday schools to make Socialists of those who would continue their work for the great cause. It was the young people who had received their A B C of Socialism in these Socialist Sunday schools who began to rebuild the Yipsel movement

During the fall of 1920 five circles were formed in the state of Massachusetts, namely, Fitchburg, Gardner, Maynard, Chester and Springfield. red work, lo and behold, he Through publicity in the Socialist was the commissioners' duty to prepress they finally came into contact

On April 16 and 17, 1921, delegates the in those times, and so, our from each of these circles met in fative had to go out and hire Fitchburg, Mass., and decided to form with a club. Began slavery, a state organization. Comrade Aarne after, came a property owning J. Parker was elected the first secre-

Tut on Came also the wise guys newly organized Massachusetts Y. P. lesser person Mr. Coolidge's action in rail; and the climate of Florida is Florida is a continuation of a process

ferior races and on how necessary it | rains of the old national organization found the Y. P. S. L. circles of New York City, and established a close relatiouship with thera.

The New York city and New England circles met December 23, 24 and 25, 1921, in New York City for the Durpose of uniting the eastern circles and to rehabilitate the national organization. This attempt at the unification of the eastern circles was abandoned during the following late summer, but it served as an important factor in making possible the first national convention of the Y. P. S. L. the following winter.

Comrade Parker, elected secretary of the Eastern States Federation, was forced to resign his position as state secretary shortly before the expiration of his first term, and the writer was selected to finish out the term. When the second annual convention of the Massachusetts circles was held, the writer was elected state secretary During the first year considerable number of circles. The convention's crutic senators. petition to have its territory extended to include the entire New England States except Connecticut was grant-

On December 30 and 31, 1922, and vention of the Y. P. S. L., since its building of the national organization. At the third annual convention,

which was held in Worcester, Mass., on April 7 and 8, 1923, a new district constitution was adopted. The writer was re-elected secretary. During the year other activities compelled his resignation, and Comrade Toivo Tikkula served a half year as secretary. In 1924, the fourth district convenon was held in Fitchburg, on April 5 and 6, 1924, and again Comrade Parker was elected secretary.

The New England circles played no small part in the national convention New York, January 1, 2 and 3, 1925 when Comrade Parker, the first secretary of the New England circles. who had for the previous month acted i as temporary national director, was tional Y. P. S. L., and simultaneously appointed by the Socialist Party as National Director of the Young Peo ple's Department.

With the aid of an assistant, Comrade Parker was able to finish his term as accretary for the New England District organization while also national director. At the district convention held in Fitchburg, on April 4 and 5, 1925, the writer was elected for the third time as secretary and will serve through to the convention that meets on April 3, this year.

Socialist Youth of

nual convention here on April 3 and 4. The two day session will be opened by the district secretary Savele Syrials at 2 P. M. Saturday afternoon, at the Finnish Workingmen's Society, at 21 Ash Street, Gardner, Mass. A. J. Parker, National Director of the T. P. S. L. will address the convention in the afternoon.

The important business coming before the convention will be the draftfrom eight circles, situated in three numerous party locals anticipating the formation of circles. Large numbers [TO of Yipsels and party members from ist candidate for governor of the state. will officially represent the Socialist Party of New England, Comrade George Makela; editor of the Finnish Socialist Daily "Raivania" will address the convention Saturday after-

This is the sixth annual convention of the district. A banquet to celebrate the fifth anniversary of the district organization will be given late Saturday afternoon. On Saturday evening. the third annual declamation contest. in which ten contestants from various circles will participate, will take place. The convention and associated activities promise the most interesting event of the year, and is being looked.

# Bribery Charge

(Continued from Page 1.) before him an adverse opinion as to Mr. Culbertson. When they asked for delay in order to present their views in writing, Mr. Stone refused to hold the opinion because he had been or dered to send it to the president at

President Uses Threats

(d) The next day (July 25, 1924) eh?" Mr. Culbertson was summoned to the white house. Mr. Coolldge discussed with him the attorney general's unfa-only speculative purchases are at an gold and the opening of free homevorable opinion as to his lecturing and with it as a threat asked Mr. Culbertson to delay the sugar report which it go floory?"

(e) Mr. Culbertson refusing, be was later appointed minister to Ru- and overcome all the difficulties conmania, but not until the sugar-tariff fronting them by getting ready to raise fresh vegetables, it may be used to report had gone to the president, who early vegetables. There will always give New York still further hold on pigeonholed and did not act on it for be a good market for vegetables and the business of the country and thereeight months, that is, until the presi- citrus fruits in the big cities of the fore on its politics and industry. The dential election had come and gone. It seems to us that there is no mis- money in raising them, because they tion by and for the east and northeast During the first year of work this taking the facts here set forth. In a may be shipped either by water or almost exclusively. The seizing of

might easily be termed blackmail. Yet because of the paralysis of the critical faculty in our press and our public men, and the partnership of the Republican organs, there has been scarcely any editorial comment upon this performance of the president. Had such a charge been brought against Grover Cleveland or Benjamin Harrison or William H. Taft or Woodrow Wilson, it would just about have wrecked their administrations. Fortunately, for the sake of the truth. Senator Norris has lived up to his reputation of fearlessly defending our American institutions and castigating misconduct in office, whether in the white house or anywhere else.

#### U. S. Senators Hide Behind Secret Ballot

(Continued from Page 1.) would be beaten by 8 to 10 majority. Thereupon the influence of the White House was exerted to postpone progress had been made in both in a vote and in the meantime "prescreasing the membership and the sure" was exerted on various Demo-

Strong-Arm Senate

Then it was that Wall Street, emboldened by the backing of the most subservient administration in the history of the United States descended January 1, 1923, the first national con on the senate and instituted strong arm methods worthy of Mussolini. It reorganization was held in Fitch- is charged that one Wall Street magburg, in honor of this circle which had nate, impatient over the delay in the so largely contributed toward the rethe vote, menacingly asked a senator from an eastern industrial state. "WHY IN HELL ARE YOU OP-POSING THIS CONFIRMATION?" On Saturday the trembling Old Guard of the United States senate

> Fifty-two were present. THEY CAST A SECRET BALLOT CONFIRMING PRESIDENT COOLIDGE'S APPOINT-MENT OF MR. WOODLOCK, THE INTERSTATE COMMERCE COM-MISSION.

called an executive session.

This secret ballot was one of the treasonable and dastardly most blows that was ever struck at the people of the United States. It was one of the most raw and brazen attempts in the history of this country elected executive secretary of the na- to deliver the goods to Wall Street and escape the just vengance of the voters who elected these men to office.

> Cowardly Act By virtue of that secret ballot, no

ne can definitely know who these all senators are. No one can definitely know who delivered the interstate Commerce Commission over to Wall Street and who voted against this out-

The upshot is that President Coolidge, the most servile and obedient chore boy that American capitalism ever had, has had his way. Wall Street and the railroads have had their way. The reactionary Old Guard of New England to Meet the senate has had its way. Cowardly Gardner, Mass.—The New England and treacherous Democratic senators District Y. P. S. L. will meet in an have had their way. The people and their defenders alone are the losers.

The Real Meaning

in the uproar following the vote, let loose by the progressive senutors, in which most of the Democrats were guiltily stient, Senator Norris tore the mask from this outrageous procedure. Fointing an accusing finger, he

"Why, and why again this secrecy! IS IT BECAUSE THOSE ON THE ing of an extensive plan for educa- OUTSIDE WHO CONTROL THE MAtional work, and the election of a dis- CHINERY ON THE INSIDE ARE TETTING MORE AND MORE tee. There will be official delegates IT IS SO, THEY ARE SAYING, WELL TELL YOU HOW YOU CAN states, and fraternal delegates from TRANSACT BUSINESS HERE! THAT'S WHAT WE ARE COMING

Here at last is a clear contession all parts are preparing to be present. from an honest sensior that the eco-Comrade Walter S. Hutchins, of numic masters of America have Greenfield, Mass., many times Social-Treached that point of power where from the outside of the American senate they control the machinery on the inside. This same economic power now appoints its own agent to investigate itself, sit in judgment on itself, to regulate itself.

LINCOLN PHIFER

The Filling Station "Are many going to Florida these controls those islands completely and is a history maker."

#### for gas. forward to with great expectations.

tays?" asked the Man from Nebraska has enslaved the workers who once of Joe the Standard Serf as he stopped lowned most of the land there. Even "Not so many as last year," replied the sugar trust will not. My interpre-Joe. "I reckon the real estate boom tation of the Florida racial drift is

has collapsed." Yes," said the man from Nebraska, York city; that the state has now "I hear that most of the little fellows fallen into possession of New York

who bought options on land expecting capitalists chiefly; that it will be used to cash out are cloaned completely, to raise citrus fruits and vegetables; and many can't get away." "You are just back from Florida?"

"Make anything?" "No. I didn't bite. That is why I fect on the workers of America?"

am able to get away." "Business is pretty dead in Florida.

"Not at all. The building boom is july as it did. There was such a rastill on and business is still brisk, cial drift because of the discovery of end." "When do you think business will

"Possibly not at all. They who remain have enough means to build hotels and really plant orange groves.

Atlantic count, and there will be big last ten years has seen an administra-It desophized on superior and in- S. L., while searching through the threatening Mr. Culbertson as he did equal to that of California and Italy, that may mean tremendous changes

Letters to Judd By Upton Sinclair

#### Letter XII

My doar Judd: I have said that unemployment is able under that system. I am now going to show why, and I consider understand. They are perfectly simple—any child can grasp them; yet they are never mentioned in any newspaper, and never taught in any school. The reason is equally simple any teacher who teaches them immediately loses his job.

I put them into a series of short sentences for you to paste all around coment. First, then: THE BOSS IS NOT IN BUSINESS

FOR HIS HEALTH. ASK HIM! And then, equally easy to verify: THE BOSS WILL MAKE NO MORE TOODS THAN HE CAN SELL AT A PROFIT.

And so, plainly enough: PROFITS FOR THE BOSS, WAGES FOR THE WORKINGMAN: NO ATION AND DEATH FOR THE WORKINGMAN.

So far, every business man will agree; in fact, this is the doctrine they hammered into your head during them seven million plurality. All right, Why, obviously the poor wouldn't have Judd, the Secretary of the Treasury \$22,700,060.000-and with millions of

families lacking bread! comes a glut of goods, and factories have to shut down, and we have "hard times." Just what are "hard times." ludd? Paste this in your hat now:

HARD TIMES ARE TENANT CHINAMEN, WHO ARE SO POOR he be persuaded to take your money.

FARMERS STARVING BECAUSE THEY CAN'T AFFORD BUT ONE but takes only checks, and does not THEY HAVE RAISED TOO MUCH SHIRT AT A TIME.

TOO MUCH CLOTHING: And again:

And finally:

PLANET!

You will say, Jedd, that such absurd maswer, very simply: THEY ARE HAPPENING RIGHT

AND NOT FINDING THEM:

and a great deal closer to the center

"Looks like it will hurt California-

"It is bound to, when the new busi-

nesses get to going good. The Span-

ish American war opened Hayti and

if Uncle Sam should let loose of Cuba

that it was engineered from New

and it will mean practically enslave-

ment for the workers who do the

"Then it will have a disastrous ef-

That is only part of it. The fact

in, New York and the northeast never

did intend the west to develop an rap-

steads that the west almost escaped

control. It built cities and business

and became radical. Now, the west

is already being punished by unfair

owners. When Florida is well in hand

as a winter resort and producer of

Cuba to the sugar trust, and it now

of population of America."

doeun't it?

actual work."

This insanity of "bard times" comes perioically in our affairs, in great waves known as "business cycles"; they are due at intervals of from a disease of the profit system, incur- seven to ten years, and are just as inevitable as the tides of the sea. Learned economists study the history these facts the most important in the of these tides of ruin and make charts whole world for a workingman to and diagrams of them; but if you state the cause, you become an out cast from the business world: and so naturally nobody does state it-except a few outcasts like myself.

The professors of economics admit -any editor who publishes them, or that this trouble is caused by "overeconomics, ask him about it:

can't buy our own product, the owners of the product—that is, the rich have to look elsewhere for customers. the Coolidge campaign, and it got and so comes the hunt for "foreign goods abroad—and take nothing back, markets." Understand me. I do not then, and now let us suppose, just for object to our going abroad for the CANDIDATE OF THE RAILROADS the sake of arguing, that the Coolidge things we can't raise at home; to ex-AND OF WALL STREET FOR THE administration believed in allowing change automobiles and moving pic- vote for Coolidge; and they did so, the rich to charge as high prices as tures for banauas and coffee- that is they pleased for goods, and to break normal business. What I am talking to deliver it. The way of "presperity" strikes and beat down the wages of about is a glut of goods that we can't is to keep them working to feed and the poor; what would happen then? sell at home, but must sell abroad, Why, obviously the poor wouldn't have under penalty of seeing our workers the money to buy so much goods or turned off to starve. We don't take to furnish so much profits for the goods in exchange—oh no, that would send us a beautiful engraved sheet of bonsees; it would be only the rich who break down our home industries, and had the money, and goods would be we protect them by a high tariff wall. from now! To be exact, Judd, they more and more for the rich, and less | What we take are paper promises to | don't even have to engrave the paper; and bess for the poor. Take notice, pay us at some future date; we go we do that in Wall Street, and they on continually selling more than we send us a "mission" of white or yelestimated that in 1919 the amount buy, and filling our bank vaults with low or black gentlemen in frock coats, spent for luxuries in our country was these paper promises, and that is to sign opposite the red seal. Se called a "favorable balance of trade." here, Judd, you have this wonderful

But all the highly developed as-But with the flood of goods pouring | tions, Britain and France and Germany out from the machines, the rich find and Italy and Japan, are is exactly it harder and harder to consume the the same plight as ourselves; they surplus abroad, so that our rich mea product, they take to reinvesting their, also have more goods than their halfmoney, that is, using it to make more starved workers can purchase; they machines, to turn out more goods, to also are looking for foreign markets, be sold for more profits. But already to save their business system from there are more goods than can be collapse. Each finds its chance of far from taking any more, we have to sold; there are no longer enough salvation in selling to the backward ship some abroad now and then, to profits to supply the demands of the nations, which cannot yet do their keep some debtor nation from geing great mass of heaped-up capital. So own manufacturing. So we run upon bankrupt! this curious situation:

THE EXISTENCE OF AMERICAN INDUSTRY DEPENDS UPON OUR do business with you on this ultra-SEILING COTTON SHIRTS TO And now, see the next step! Try-

HARD TIMES ARE WEAVERS IN we threaten ruin to the business sys-RAGS, BECAUSE THEY HAVE MADE tom of some other country, say Jupan. Naturally, the business men of Japan truckload of goods, to pay off at least don't like that; so we have trade HARD TIMES ARE CARPENTERS rivalry, and out of that we have war. FOMELESS, BECAUSE THEY HAVE The cause of modern war may be put he couldn't think of taking goods, # into one sentence-and I beg you to would ruin the people inside his store realize that it's no loke, but the HARD TIMES ARE WORKING grimmest of grim realities:

MEN WHO HAVE FINISHED MAK- IF WE DON'T GO TO WAR WITH away your truck," he exclaims. "Jest ING THE WORLD FOR THEIR OTHER NATIONS. THEY WILL mail me another paper premise, and MASTERS, AND ARE ORDERED TO TAKE AWAY FROM US THE anything in the place is yours!" MOVE ON TO SOME OTHER CHANCE TO SELL TO CHINAMEN THOSE COTTON SHIRTS OF WHICH OUR WORKERS HAVE things could never happen. To that I PRODUCED SO MANY THAT THEY HAVE TO GO IN RAGS.

NOW TO SEVERAL MILLION AMER- making funny sentences about this OTHER SOAP-BUBBLES IN JUST ICANS WHO ARE HUNTING JOBS funny system. I could tell the bilar. ONE RESPECT-IT IS AS BIG AS lous story of how Britain and Ger. THE WORLD.

tion of the fight the south made for

political control the first half of the

much the same now that the capture

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are ready for it."

many went to war to take away from each other the chance to sell shirts to Chinamen-and to Hisdoos and Persians and Arabs and Tarks, of course. When they had destroyed 30,000,000 human lives and \$300,000, 000,000 worth of goods, you might think they would have cured their "over-production" for quite a while; but they had made a miscalculation, and fought too long, and borrowed too much money from us, and se their governments are burdened with enormous fixed charges, and there is chronic unemployment in beth Britain and Germany, and almost a cellapse in

And how about us? We have that "favorable balance of trade," so ardently desired by the prosperity boosters; indeed, we have get such a bellyful of it that for the first time we are forced to realize that it's nothproduction," and we must get straight | ing but wind. Europe owes us, in one exactly what that means. It doesn't form or another, some \$19,000,000,000. mean that we have produced more and can't even pay the intercet; they than we need; on the contrary, we made no pretense of trying-until have millions living below the wage they had to borrow some more! Italy you are sawing timbers and mixing level of common decency—our aver- came, bowing low and grizning behind age wage is \$1,200 a year, and the its cap, agreeing to pay several bilcost of keeping a family on the bare lions in the course of 65 yearsnecessities is \$2,000. But it coesn't on condition that we lead asmatter how much people need; the other \$200,000,000 right eff! Gerthing that counts is what they can many did the same thing, and buy. I give you another slogan, and France will be doing M, probably next time you meet a professor of before these words see the light of day. Our great financiers accept these IF YOU'VE GOT THE PRICE, paper pledges, for the reason that YOU'RE A CONSUMER; IF YOU they are stuck with \$79,000,000,000 PROFITS FOR THE BOSS, STARY- HAVENT GOT THE PRICE, YOU'RE of them already, and can't contemplate what will happen when the whole Well, since we American consumers thing turns out to be wind. We go on adding about a billion a year, because the only way we can keep our factories going is to ship our surplus because that would stop the factories!

We promised our people "prosperity," you remember, if only they would good, patient souls; so now we have clothe Frenchmen and Germans and Italians and Chinamen and Guatemelans and Haytians-anybody who will paper promising to pay us 65 years jazz system in its final, delirfum stage -our whole people starving them selves on half wages, and sending the may fill their vaults with pieces of paper which they dare not permit to be redeemed! We already have more than half the gold in the world, and

Don't you wish, Judd, that you could find some benevolent storekeeper to modern jazz basis? Never, never can cash them for 65 years; and if at any time you need money, yen threaten ing to save our own business system, to go broke, and immediately he gives you cash and takes some more checks; and if ever you try to send him a part of the debt, he holds up his hands in a fit of high tariff horror and says who have the jobs of making that same thing! "For God's sake, take

I conclude with one more sentence for you to learn, Judd:

OUR PRESENT SYSTEM OF HIGH FINANCE" IS A SOAP I could go on like that indefinitely, BUBBLE, WHICH DIFFERS FROM

in American politics. It is a repeti-Knowledge is the only solde to history of the United States. Means

of Missouri meant then, or the capture of Kansas by the slave oligarchy DO YOU USE TOBACCOT # would have meant had it occurred. It so, then you will want the old mellow, natural-leaf tobacco, direct from the grower. Fill out this order blank: "Suppose you read this. I think you

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# New York Housing Plan Marks Basic Capitalist Breakdown

grained individualism of this own- PLANT IT.

Governor Smith of New York to behind a bill for the housing of the more poorly paid work they are in eight. the great cities, by means of state MA, BOCKERS PRIVATE CAPITAL WHEREIN IT CANNOT HOUSE as "socialistic" in one of the biggest THEM AT A PROFIT AND CONDI- furores that has been raised in the TIONS ARE RAPIDLY DEVELOP. ING IN THE OVER-CROWDED METROPOLITAN DISTRICTS NOT ONLY INIMICAL TO THE WORK-ERS AND TO CIVILIZATION, BUT INIMICAL TO THE PRIVATE PROFITS OF CAPITALISM.

# Significant Development

Behind Governor Smith's plan is one of the most significant economic and nocial developments in the histery of this country.

Gradually within the crowded sections of the large American cities the workers has become the serious busireal wages of the workers have dedined in comparison with the real cost of housing and the dizzy climb in the price of real estate to the point planned a state building and renting where private capital can no longer beild and rest decent and livable gressive" Governor Smith with fear. homes for the workers at a profit. TO IT, THE WORKERS ARE NOT ABLE TO PAY THIS RENT AND OCCUPY SUCH HOUSES. The result is miles of ancient and equalid. yet over-crowded, dwellings untit for human beings to live in are left standing in poor repair for the workers. in his message, Governor Smith describes these tenoment areas "in New York and elsewhere" as a "men-

## A Fateful Deadlock

ace to the health and morals of the

community.

condition under the conditions of Only if private capital fails to take AND GIVING AWAY TO SOCIALespitalism. CAPITALISM. H.A.S advantage of the opportunity thus ISM.

American capitation is breaking REACHED ONE OF THOSE PATE- period will the state go farther, and three elemental necessities—shalter, TO DESTRUCTION—IT HAS action. As a result, the first step is being REACHED A POINT WHERE This looks like a cautions, consertance to the substant in Assertics toward the sociali- SOCIALISM HAS TO BEGIN IN vative scheme, if the state is to take preme court. They themselves are

the two other elemental necessities, have shifted their offices to Albany,

This fact is seemed by the capitalists and their papers in the financial stronghold of America, and Governor REACHED THE POINT Smith's housing plan is screamed at vicinity of Wall Street in many years. On the other hand the sheer necessitles of the case appeals to an amazingly wide audience, and it is not improbable that this first wedge of Socialism will be driven firmly into the once solid capitalistic structure of America.

#### Plan Not New

State and semi-state housing plans are not new except in America. European capitalism is so far on its way to the ash heap that housing the ness of many governments and coadministration of Great Britain has program that would paralyze "pro-

Governor Smith's bill provides for IF IT CHARGES ENOUGH RENT TO the creation of a state housing bank, MAKE SUCH HOMES UNDER PRES. authorized to issue bonds and to han-ENT CONDITIONS. PROFITABLE | dle all financial details of the project. It provides that under specified circumstances, the state may condemn land for housing. The state re- After making the state the owner of tains title to this land, and invites the real estate and the provider of private capital, organized in limited the capital, it sets up limited private

#### Dividends to Be Limited The tenements will be under priv-

be over \$12.50 per room, and dividends though just where the limit shall be Nothing can be done to remedy this drawn is still a matter of debate.

down to the prevision of one of the PUL DEADLOCKS IN ITS PLUNGE undertake housing projects by direct

mation of housing, despite the in- SOME MODIFIED FORM TO SUP- notice of housing matters at all. But ruled by others. And it is possible it is met with cries of "socialism!" While such deadlocks are not here and "bolshevism!" Big real estate of the people who govern their acin the provision of food and clothing, interests of the metropolis seem to tions.

> The Republican majority in the legislature denounces the bill-apparently because Governor Smith is backing it. Outside the legislature, however, there is no partisan line up. Save for real estate interests, which do not want low price dwellings cut ting down their extortionate rents and state ownership of land interfer ing with their speculations, everyone who has any knowledge of housing conditions in New York city seems to

favor the housing bill.

Plan Has Strong Support Organized labor is strong for it John M. O'Hanlon, secretary of the State Federation of Labor, appeared at a committee hearing to give the bill indorsement. John Gill, executive secretary of the Bricklayers' union, pledged the "maximum operative societies. The present Tory efficiency" of his associates, including conflicts would be unknown on the state's housing project and other building trades talk in much the same

action on the bill. Governor Smith's plan fails far short of any plan of the Socialists dividend companies, to build modern profit making companies to operate the project. This is absurd. It is the usual absurdity of capitalism trying to escape extinction and Socialism at the same time. IT IS CAPITALISM ate management, the rents must not ACCEPTING AS LITTLE SOCIAL IZATION AS IT CAN AND YET to private management are limited. CONTINUE TO EXIST: NEVERTHE-LESS, IT IS CAPITALISM BREAK-

ING BEFORE SOCIAL EVOLUTION

house workers, health officials all ap-

peared to urge prompt and favorable

# Capitalist Paper Sees No Remedy for Monopoly But Public Ownership

Among the few social invitations the president may accept is dinner with the vice-president. On such occasions the president, so Ruth Finney informs us, must first see and approve the names of other guests.

A week or two ago Vice-President

James G. Harbord-Radio Corporation of America.

w Three very estimable gentlemen. Three very able and honest men. Three men representative of institutions engaged in gathering to themsolves the financial and economic power of the world.

There were no grocery clerks present at the dinner Dawes gave for Coolidge. Either there were none on the invitation list submitted by Dawes for approval or else Coolidge crossed them ed. All of us grocery clerks were growded out before that game began. k would have been interesting if we could have heard the discussions of these ave men. What would three med representing economic power in America have to say to the two men representing political power?

. . . . . The Secialists have a theory that in due time private capital will have power sites available in America. We become completely consolidated. Then, can put Muscle Shoals-developed with everything organized into one machine, with all waste eliminated, the people and all the industries of the people, through the government, that section. Later we can do the

has happened in human bistory.

If the Socialists are right, they were wrong when, and if, they voted against Calvin Coolidge.

No man ever in the White House. has done more to hasten the process! The principal thing that has been of consolidation. His latest efforts proved, in the American cities, by Dawes entertained President Coolidge. have been devoted to the aid of con- these public power plants has been take his subscription later. solidated capital in the electric in the value of competition. In every Dwight Morrow -J. P. Morgan & Co. dustry. He is bent on turning over Owen D. Young "General Electric to this private capital the great power city, projects have compelled the project at Muscle Shoals. A commit- frivate power concerns to bring toe of the United States Senate was consisteir prices. Private power sells up the enterprise for which their makes money, in nearby cities where money had paid. Coolidge called the there is no public competition, prices Senators to the White House and told | are very much higher. In some cases them to stop obstructing the scheme. The Senators stopped obstructing- high for the moment, at least.

> Well, what about it all? If complete domination by private capital is to be forced and if the socialist

millennium is a long way off, what can we grocery clerks do about it? Possibly this: We might, as a people, through our government, hold on to what we've got. We might hold on to those valuable resources which private cap-

ital hasn't yet seized. The best example of the moment, of course, is Muscle Shoals, although it occupies only one of a thousand valuable already with our money-to work for will take ever the whole works. Social same with our remaining power sites. got!

Every public power project thus far attempted in America has been successful. They have all made money. Seattle, Tacoma, Cleveland, Los Angoles have proved that cities can do this job successfully, can produce light and power, sell it cheaply-and make meney The Canadian province

engaged in seeking some safeguard as cheaply in Seattle, for instance, as prices are two and three times as

> For a generation now the government has been trying, through anti-! trust laws, to compel private capital to compete with itself. The failure has been pretty complete.

Seattle, Cleveland and the other cities named have compelled private capital to compete with public capital. The success has been just as complete. The best of service has been given and the lowest of rates charged. Nobody has lost money, not even private capital-its profits have merely been brought within reason

Teacher (sternly)-Give me what you've got in your mouth Johnny-I'd like to, sir, but I can't Teacher-Why not, pray? Johnny-Cause it's toothache I've

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WHEREAS, Eugene V. Debs was deprived of his citizenship when he was sentenced to a federal prison for opposition to the World War, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dobs was sentenced under a special emergency law, and this law and this emergency no longer exist, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Debs is a man of loftiest and purest motives, devoted whole-heartedly to a lifelong work of making this country, as he sees it, greater and better, and

WHEREAS, amnesty 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. DERS HIS FULL RIGHTS AS A CITIZEN.

# Indirect Appeal

#### The Rulers-A Parable How many of you know the named

of the rulers of America? No, not the president; or the sena

We are not ruled by the thousands and are moving heaven and earth to who imagine themselves to be capitalists, except in a way that they can't belp themselves. These capitalists are paying tribute to the bankers, and the many bankers play the game according to the rules laid down by a very few bankers whom most of them never saw and cannot name.

Someone declares that eleven bankers in the United States control the banking system, which means all other banks; and these many banks control the business situation under the direction of the eleven; and business FOR PRIVATE OIL OPERATORS BY controls senators and congressmen and judges and the president. Fifty bankers run and rule the world.

Can you name even one of them? the few people who have absolutely "run" the world and made history for the last hundred years. A very few have controlled the lives

of the many absolutely and kept them an arrangement by which industrial poor by directing the robbery of unfortunate victims. The whole system is one of conceal-

nient, of fakery, of robbery and Philanthropists, settlement crime.

And you stand for it, merely be cause you are ignorant of it

#### The Wise Silk Worm-A Fable

A wise Silk Worm that in some way had got next to the situation called to the thousands of other Silk Worms in the mulberry tree:

"We are feeding that we may spin; and what we spin will be taken from us and go to clothe men and women. They will roast us to death that they may get our property from us-that which we have spun out of our own bodies, and women will wear that which has been toru from us with violence, thinking themselves innocent and beautiful."

But the other Silk Worms were too busy making allk for others to pay attention to the words.

A nation in debt is a nation er

Armies and pavies are collectors ribute for big business.

Government exists to protect the robbers from those who are robbed.

The federal courts point out the paths to wholesale robbery that are

The outlook is "promising" That is, another election is near and the of Ontario has proved it on an even candidates promise anything and any-

Give your Appeal to a friend and

## Liberty in Hungary

Amercian Socialists have no idea of the cruel and terrific fight Socialists have to make in Europe in those for the people in the process of giving public power. And the private concern countries that have established capitalist dictatorship. Hungary is one of these countries. A Hungarian comrade writes The Appeal about some examples of Hungarian tyranny of the rast two weeks as follows:

Il Comrade Peyer, who dared to criticize publicly an amnesty-decree of the government, was sentenced to prison for six months, fined ten million krones and his citizenship was suspended for three years. Comrade Peyer is a member of the Hungarian parliament and an executive member of the Social Democratic party- of

2. Comrade Knaller, also a member of the parliament, was recently fined three million krones because he committed the crime of making a remark about a ridiculous situation which arose when Horthy was travelling through a railroad station. A big crowd together with Comrade Knaller were driven into the depot, and locked

up. 3. The editor of the dally Social-Democratic paper, Nepszava, was recently sentenced to three years imprisonment because he wrote that Hungarian Justice is rather "queer." The whole world knows what to think today about Hungarian courts. In that country the worst crimes are committed and tolerated, what is more-are often done with the assistance of the Government; as in the ranc counterfeiting case!

But when a Socialist tries to criticize with only a word the "justice," above described, he is bounded and the courts pass sentence upon him. Next to the courts is the person of Horthy, the infallible Hungarian. The criticism of Peyer about the Amnesty decree was an injury to the most sacred person, the viceregent of the empire. Six months, a fine, and loss of all political rights; follow the atterance of a single word of criticism of Horthy.

Socialists are outlaws in Hungary and Italy. But oppression brings re action. The rule of the Horthy's and Museolini's cannot last.

Sociation is the hope of labor. Enlist in the Appeal Army and spread

# Indian Bureau Fosters Bills To Rob and Oppress Own Wards

made the victims of two most victous measures unless the friends of liberty and justice in this country prevent the passage of bills promoted by Commissioner Charles H. Burke, head of the Indian Bureau, and Edgar B. Merritt, a commissioner in the Indian Bur-

cau for twenty years. Ostensibly at the behest of oil indevelopment of new oil fields on Indian reservations, one of these bills proposes what amounts to an income tax on indians that would greatly exceed the tax paid by white men. THIS TAX WOULD PRACTICALLY RELIEVE OIL MEN LEASING IN-DIAN GROUND FROM TAXATION AND WOULD MEAN THE PILING UP OF MANY MILLIONS IN LOOT THE GOVERNMENT.

Judson King, Washington, D. C. Executive Secretary of the Popular Government League, in an effort to History has nothing to say about arouse sufficient opposition to kill these bills, says of this measure:

#### Gross Discrimination

"H. R. 9133 proposes to levy a tax of 37% per cent on oil and gas royalties received by Indians living on unallotted lands in Executive Order reservations. The money is to be turned over to the state where the reservations lie.

and those set aside by the President, 'would be spent."

indians living on reservations in | Unallotted lands are those which have | the United States and exercising the not been parcelled out to individual present conditions in the Oklahom rights of citizens since 1924, will be Indians, but are owned by the tribe oil fields, Ohlaboma levies a state take collectively.

"When an oil promoter secures a lease on such land he must pay the pay 3 per cent on royalties received tribe a royalty, say, of 12% per cent and the producers 3 per cent or the on his gross production. Heretofore, the Indian tribes have been allowed to keep this money. Now Mr. Burke proposes to turn 371/2 per cent of it 000. They would pay 2 per cent as over to the states. It is gross injuserests in view of the prospective lice to take from the wards of the Federal government so large a portion of their income for state purposes—a tax white men would instantly declare confiscatory if applied to themselves, and it is a further injustice to tax indians at a higher rate than white man for state purposes.

#### Jokers in Bill

"But there is a larger thing. Skilled attorneys and those familiar with tax legislation and Indian matters declare there is a joker here which amounts to a new departure, and that this law is clearly open to the interpretation of exempting oil producers from taxation on their gross production upon such dian in jail for six months without a reservations by either the state or Uncle Sam.

joker that this money is to be used to build schools and build and maintain roads in the reservation" and public roads tributary thereto and officer, failer, prosecuting attornes at forming a part of the same highway torney for the defendant, appelies and system. A child's knowledge of the supreme court. Commissioner Barke "Indian reservations are of two way the white man treats the In- would make this "administration of kinds; those established by treaties dian would suggest where the money justice" even more personal and ar

of 3 per cent en gross oil production On the treaty reservations the indian gross, LESS THE INDIAN TAX Co a \$1,000,000 production a 121/2 per est royalty would give the Indian : \$126 this to the state, or \$3,750. The perducers would pay 3 per cent or the whole million less the Indian tax, or \$26,250. Total \$30,000.

"Applying the new scheme to the situation, the Indian Bureau would pay direct to the state 3714 per cont of the \$126,000, or \$46,875. THIS E MORE THAN THE WHITE MAN'S \$30,000 TAX. ON THE WHOLE MI LION THE WHITE PRODUCER WOULD PAY NO TAX AT ALL STATE OR FEDERAL!

#### Make Agent Dictator

The other bill Mr. King says, "wells empower an Indian reservation agent or any of his subordinates, as a mertiof personal judgment, to throw an in warrant or stated cause. The Indias may then demand trial before a Fee "The bill contains another little eral judge."

Under the existing system of a called "reservation courts," the root vation superintendent is arresting

# **British Political Situation**

By Arthur Henderson, M. P. (This article by Arthur Henderson, errotary of the British Labor Party, the first of a series of special article on the Socialist and Labor situation on the Socialist and Labor situation in various countries throughout e world.)

Agriculture, coal and electric power are the three principal industries where economics and politics converge on the battlefield of British party politics. The Party allegience of the rural population of Great Britain, will determine the political history of the next generation, and an alliance of the industrial workingclass with the rural worker would bring greater possibilities to the Labor Party than to any other Party, A Liberal revival in the countryside may transform the Liberal Group into a Party. A Labor revival in the countryside would bring Labor into

power. Conservatism-the citadel of the landlord and the farmer -is strongly entrenched in the torpor, ignorance and fear of the rural worker and the landed gentry. But the English countryside is awakening. Even the Conservative Government must pretend to possess a national agricultural policy, They feel obliged at the outset to abandon their favorite remedy -- protective duties or some form of sub- not promise a living wage to the electrical generation and distributer sidy—the remedy of their kindred in coalminers, nor coal at a reasonable both under private enterprise all countries. I will quote their con- price to the consumer, and the rel- Mr. Baldwin's Government is to ression ported corn would be contrary to the British capitalists as regards supply lem, and purposes to create a sm pledge of the Government and to the ing new capital has gone. In May, the public authority which would have policy of the other political parties." This is a measure of the Opposition an industrial upheaval or reorganizad lines between the large and econ z strength. For the Conservatives, tion. therefore, the right course is to buttress the system of occupying ownership by coming to the assistance of the farmer who is short of working capital, and to offer help to the as-

## pirant for a small holding

Labor's Land Program On the other hand, the whole super structure of the Labor Party's policy for the countryside is based upon the public ownership of agricultural land. Mr. Lloyd George is now of the same opinion. All schemes for the marketing, distribution and transport of farm products, agricultural credit, insurance, education, research and communal drainage, will only yield their highest economic possibilities to the rural worker when agricultural landlordism is abolished and the community takes over the functions of the landlord. The economic reorganization of this primary industry is therefore becoming one of the big issues

of the British party politics. British journalists recently found a good market for hints and prophecies of a Liberal-Labor rapprochement when Mr. Snowden and Mr. Lloyd George both advocated public ownership of agricultural land in the House of Commons.

No League With Liberals No official of the Parliamentary Labor Party and no one representing the National Executive has ever been directly or indirectly associated with

secure a majority, the Party will not purchase Liberal support by the be- | Editor) trayal of its principles, the lowering of its ideals or the mutilation of its program as set out in its Constitution and the decisions of its Annual Coal and Electricity But an even more urgent political problem is the future of the coal and

#### pelling a Conservative Government to study the fundamental problem of the organization and control of a great

electrical industries. Here again the

failure of capitalist enterprise is com-

Coal Industry in Chaos About 1,000 separate and competing ! undertakings, operating about 3,000 hic ownership of the mining rights at British coalpits have reduced the the compulsory amalgamatical of mining industry to a state of chaos grouping of coal mines within and bankruptcy. The coalowners can- large areas, and a national system of "Protective duties on im- ative attractiveness of the industry to electrical power as an isolated pronation will have to face the issue of power to establish intercena fix-

In the meantime, the industry gets tributing agencies, and coordinate a along on the crutches of a State sub- | large areas both the existing large sidy. The coalowners would prefer modern stations and others va. h w: to do without the subsidy, and in be required. The primary object is it crease the working hours of the coal- close down a number of small dataset miners, at the same time reducing producing at an unnecessarily her their wages. A fight to the death with cost. The common factor in all the the British Miners' Federation is their | proposals is a large measure of State contribution to economic progress and interference with the enterprise industrial peace. The Government dare not encourage them, although tions and Labor Party propaganta they too would like to relieve the tax- are making the capitalist po tica payers of the burden of the subsidy. parties consider facereaching schemes So long as the industry is unorcanized. of socialization and offer plans of a and the subsidy drops like rain from reorganized capitalism, using the ma heaven on to the coal owners who chinery of State to coerce the w

sidy as nothing but a premium and organization and inefficiency.

At the moment the Government has no policy. They are waiting far : any conversations regarding such an tegim and ultimate solutions from alliance. Labor will engage in a non-political Commission which has clean, straight fight for a majority at been studying the problem. The the next election. If Labor fails to commission has since endursed a patial program of public ownership-

#### Labor Party Plan

Labor's scheme is framed with the object of transforming the municipal dustry from a coal extracting to a coal utilizing industry. The productive of coal would be combined with a comprehensive national scheme for the scientific pre-treatment of one asthe production of electrical power, ; contemplates the complete inversities of coal production, power speci transport and the manufacture of by products as a single national service under the control of a public bod composed of experts.

The Liberal plan is one for the put

ically generating stations and the deprivate capitalists. Economic condmake profits and the coal owners who ween of capitalist interests.

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