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Discussion

Big Drives Launched for Party and Appeal as Convention Winds Up Work

Pittsburgh. May 3. - William H. ing the manufacture and sale by the principle and Income of the Americonvention here; a program was adopted designed to place the American Appeal on a self-upporting basis and give it extensive, nation wide circulation; a resolution was adopted favor-

Henry of Indianapolis, well known as government under careful regulations can Appeal. a national party organizer for years, I of light wines and beer as a cure for was elected National Executive Secre- the evils of both illegal and legalized tary on this the closing day of the traffic in intoxicants; the offer of the Communists to form a "united front' with the Socialists was rejected; and important program of organization and propagand; was launched, and other business transacted:

> Henry was chosen for the place of national secretary at a meeting of the new National Executive Committee following the adjournment of the convention, sine die. The new N. E. C. took steps to draft a new platform for the party immediately.

The debate on the resolution pertaining to the cure of the liquor evil was almost as prolonged and exciting as the one on the League of Nations. Nearly all the delegates spoke either for the government manufacture and sale of intoxicants, or for leaving this issue alone altogether on the ground that it is divisive in its nature and may tend to split the party. After several hours of discussion Joseph Sharts of Ohlo, member of the N. E. offered a substitute resolution which was adopted. It is as follows:

Liquor Remedy

In the failure of Prohibition enforce ment in the U.S., the Socialist Party sees the result of blind blundering legislature methods so characteristic of Republicans and Democratic politicians. As the one sane solution of this erious problem, the Socialist Party advocates legislation that will permit of domestic use of light wines and beer, and the manufacture for sale of alcoholic beverages by the federal government alone under strict safe-

guards and proper restrictions. The committee on the American Apreal offered the following recommendations, which were adopted unani-

For Greater Appeal Recommendations for increasing the

To Eugene V. Debs

vention on account of the death of an aunt and Illness of Ger-trude Deba, wife of Theodore Deba, The convention sent this

The Socialist Party assembled in National Convention at Pittsburgh learns with extreme regret of illness and death in the family of Comrade Eugene V.

Debs which have prevented him from attending the convention. We sympathize with him in his affliction and hope that we may again have his counsel and inspiration in party counsels

The delegates send affection

ate greetings to Comrade Debs and his family and assure him that the convention has been inspiring and its work will prove fruitful of Socialist education and organization.

The undersigned committee on the American Appeal make the following report and recommendations

voters be gotten so far as possible through the assistance of state, and county organizations; such lists to be canvassed by mail and more direct methods, to the end that individual and bundle subscriptions be increased. 2. That state, local and branch or

ganizations be urged to raise a special fund to be used by the National Office to send out one month trial subscriptions to such lists as are furnished by the state, local and branch organizations.

3. That special subscription rates be offered individuals and organizations, to the end that trial subscriptions be used to the fullest extent.

1. That specialty writers be secured, to the end that agitational, expositional and educational articles be run, such as will arouse a more milltant and enthusiastic support of the

5. That prominent speakers be outed, on nominal expense terms, definite quota of short-term sub-criptions guaranteed.

6. That a sustainers' fund campaign be launched and contributions to same be solicited by mail and through the Appeal.

7. That solicitations be made to various special funds and selected individuals with a viewpoint of securing greater financial assistance for the Ap-

8. That many short articles be run as compared to the longer articles, and especially along lines of pointed paragraphs.

9. That the problems and personal pertaining to management be referred to the national executive committee.

FLORENCE S. HALL. WM. J. VAN ESSEN.

The following resolutions offered by he Committee on Organization were

Big New Drive

That the national office raise a fund to be used to send speakers, and these speakers make a special effort to get subscribers to the Party Press.

That the National Office get in touch with the British Labor Party and with ther Socialist Parties in other Euro pean countries and arrange to get some able speakers to tour the country under the direction of the national office of the party.

Organize West Virginia

WHEREAS, The State of West Vir-Rinia has been forced to vield up its Last Reminant of Miners Organization. WHEREAS. The State is in a Chao-

WHEREAS, The Workers of West Virginia are ready to receive the Socialist Philosophy when carried to

RESOLVED. That this Convention instructs the N E. E. to ascertain if or not the Socialist Party can and will finance any Organizing Campaign in that state and make definite arrangements to route and campaign. (Continued on Page 3.)

Whole British Working Class Rises in Greatest Labor Strike in History

the most tremendous labor up commission to investigate the coal and in history, it would be well industry with the object of finding workers of America to keep the solution to this deadlock. This reactionary commission rec-...... i some of the basic facts and retances upon which the strike

ommended a straddling policy of nationalization of royalties and rents on the coal mines, but individual opwere strike primarily was forced by eration by the present owners after mination of the employers to the industry had been more thorough reduce wages and lengthen hours ly organized. in siready miserably paid indus-

The mine owners flatly refused to concede even this much. They stuck to the last ditch for wages and hours in American money would be that are merciless to the miners and their familles in order to maintain their private profits and the wealth.

Issue Clearly Drawn

Never was the essential issue involving life of the capitalist system more clearly drawn. An industry has broken down under capitalism and cannot be operated at a profit by its owners unless the workers are forced to accept a distinctly lower standard of living. It is a clear cut issue of description on such a pitifully small maintaining private profits at the cost of human lives, or of ABOLISH-ING PRIVATE PROFITS IN THE INTEREST OF THE REAL PRO-DUCERS IN INDUSTRY.

The continues reply that they can-This issue has been fought out so long; there has been so many illuminating developments out of it; the British Socialist and Labor papers carred this contention of the mine have educated the masses of Engnamers and paid these owners a subland so thoroughly on this issue, that it is understood by the workers of a This leabeldy expired recently. The great nation as never before. where immediately announced the

What of the Outcome

There have been general strikes werful Socialist movement, recent- in several European countries, but innerinced the principle that never a nation-wide general strike WAVES SHOULD CONSTITUTE involving half the nation on the side THE FIRST CHARGE ON INDUS- of labor, so definitely and clearly

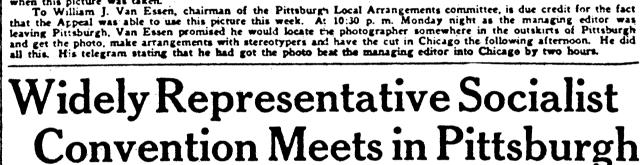
British Labor is aroused perhaps such a wide scale before. Even the proved to be one of the hottest, long printers, we are told, refuse to print est and most eloquent debates in the tish Labor maintains that IF AN criticism of the strike by the mas-

Behind all this is a whole genera-

ANIZED, IF NECESSARY, ON A steady evolution. miners and the rest of British A STRUGGLE ON THE BASIC IS present from California, Connecticut, wine time ago demanded that SUE BETWEEN CAPITAL HAS idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kenrefer to put the coal industry on COME IN THE MOST HIGHLY IN- tucky, Maryland, Michigan, Missouri, hasts of decent wages, it would DUSTRIALIZED COUNTRY IN THE Montana, New Jersey, New York, cossary to nationalize the coal WORLD.

. Secont and economical basis, Marx.

What will be the outcome? trace it democratically in the Watch! Watch! And be ready to of the people including those



Delegates of Regular Annual Convention of the Socialist Party of the United States, Pittsburgh, Pa., May 2.

1926. Members of the Local Arrangements committee and some convention committees were busy and not present

delegates from eighteen states, two regional districts and four language federations transacted the business of the O'Neal; Organization, Emil Herman, boats to overawe the Shanghai opening day of the Socialist national W. R. Snow, Herbert M. Merrill; strikers; offering fraternal greetings todastry that is allowed to exist more than any national body of labor convention today, including several Constitution, Darlington Hoopes, John to the workers of Mexico and their de is to provide a healthful and was ever aroused before. There is a important measures pertaining to or Collins, Samuel P. Levenberg. degree of class-consciousness that has ganization work and concluded a de-

minement in years. The convention was a surprise to the most expectant of its promoters THING IT SHOULD BE RE tion of education, organization and in point of a tendance. There was unusual earnestness and harmony UNDER SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES, among the delegates. Delegates were Ohio, West Virginia, Wisconsin, New stry, thoroughly organize it on a | So far, all is according to Karl England District and Rocky Mountain District. The federations represented were the Finnish Federation, Italian Federation, Jewish Federation and

Jugo Slav Federation. To such outstanding veterans of the movement as John W. Slayton, Pittsburgh, and Morris Hillquit, Chairman Julius Gerber of New York surrendered the honor of making the key-

note speeches. "If you want the keynote," said Comrade Stayton, "you will find it in ment of the present regime. There's your keynote.

On Upward Swing

is coming back," declared Morris Hillquit, in a speech following that of John W. Slayton. "None of the efforts of the past are lost. Just as certain as progress cannot be stopped. the Socialist cannot be stopped. The future belongs to the Socialist Party. "Our objectives are clear and definite. Ask any Socialist why we are here and the answer will be immediate: 'We are here to conquer the world for the men and women who inhabit it. We are part of the world-wide army of workers here to conquer for all time all the benefits of civilization. The Socialist party is the only world wide party. Think of an international congress of Re-

The permanent officers of the convention in addition to Gerber were William J. Van Essen of Pittsburgh, vice chairman, and George R. Kirkpatrick, secretary.

elected: Berger, Joseph W. Sharts, James nouncing the use of American gun-

The greater part of the first sest continued attempts of our governision was taken up with the discus sion of the agenda and the report of

Act on Agenda

resolution declaring that the causes of war are economic and that there is no complete remedy short of "replacing capitalism with a saner system" was adopted unanimously. Then began the biggest battle, so far, of the convention over the adoption of a series of resolutions defining the attitude of American Socialism toward the League of Nations and the World

The debate, which raged for three hours, was on the endorsement of the Laugue of Nations as an instrument to be democratized by the rising power of labor and eventually

controlled by the workers. In addition to Morris Hillquit, who led the affirmative side, and Congress man Victor L. Berger, who led the negative side, the following delegates spoke on the proposition: For: the present issue of the American Arthur Bridwell, Kansas; Alexander Appeal the Debs Citizenship Special, Kahn, Jewish Federation: G. A. Read it again. It is a complete indict. Hocha, St. Louis, Labor; Parlington Hoopes, Norristown, Pa.; William K Tallman, New Jersey; Joseph W. Sharts, Dayton, Ohio; Julius Gerber; William Catton, Kentucky,

The opponents were William A Toole, Maryland; William J. Essen; William Henry, Indianapolis: George R. Kirkpatrick; James D. Graham. Montana: I. G. Miller, West Virginia: Samuel P. Levenberg, New England District: Emil Herman.

Postpone League Decision James O'Neal, editor of The Leader, of the convention. New York, spoke in favor of postpone ment of the question on this extremely controversial subject until the next national convention for the purpose of giving full opportunity of the party membership to inform themselves on this subject. This motion prevailed. Decision on all questions connected with the League of nations and the World Court was postponed until the next national convention. The various agenda propositions on war debts were referred to the committee on

Resolutions affirming the solidarity

Resolution. Victor L struggling Chinese workers and depresident, Calles, and denouncing the ment to bully the government of Mexico; and re-affirming the stand of the Socialist party in favor of the immediate recognition of Soviet Russia and the opening trade relations with her, were adopted,

Action was taken fore-hadowing expanding activities for the year in or ganization and propaganda work asembodjed in the following resolu-

Campaign of Education

"The National Office is directed. and the State and District Offices are recommended, to secure Socialist Party Correspondents in unorganized towns or states, provided that such correspondents will agree to distribute our literature in campaign times, or attempt to arrange meetings during campaigns."

Four New Members on N.E.C.—Debs and Hillquit Get High Party Places

Hillquit was re-elected international Oneal. secretary for the Socialist party of This is the first time for a number the United States at the one and only of years that the majority of the session held on this the second day board consists of new members. Em-

three lowest who were tied were voted for on a second ballot.

They were James D. Graham of Montana, S. P. Levenberg of the New

Pittsburgh, May 2.—Four new mem- England District and James Oneal self nominated chairman of the So-

mittee of the Socialist party were. The new National Executive Com elected to take the place of four re-mittee consists of Victor L. Berger. tiring members: Debs was re-elected Morris Hillquit, Joseph Sharts of Daychairman of the N. E. C. and the Soliton, Ohio: William J. Van Essen, W. cialist Party of America and Morris R. Snow, Emma Henry and James

> ma Henry of Indiana, secretary of the Socialist party of Indiana and wife of national organizer. William Henry, is the first woman to serve on the board for several years. William J. the Socialist movement. The only Van Essen has been one of the most other business transacted in addition active and prominent Socialists of to these elections was the amend-Western Pennsylvania for many years. | ment of the party constitution. The W. R. Snow is well known as a national only amendment of importance made organiser and is the present secretary for the state of Illinois. James Oneal one authorizing the issuance from the is the editor of the New Leader and National Office every two months of author of that well known master a bulletin containing important repiece of American Socialist literature ports and announcements to the -The Workers in American History, states, districts and language federa-Debs was not present to hear him-tions.

cialist Party. Sickness in the Debs family kept him in Terre Haute. The meation of his name for the place caused a prolonged ovation in his behalf. He was elected by acclama-

of Morris Hillquit for the position of International Secretary elicited prolonged applause. Hillquit was elected by unanimous vote.

The convention closed early for the great May Day celebration, in which Pittsburgh set a new mark in before adjournment for the day was

Socialist Party Proclaims Its Solidarity With British Strike

Unanimous resolution of the Pittsburgh Socialist Convention.)

As the Socialist Party of the United States is assembled in national recetton at Pittsburgh the working class of England is facing one The most momentous struggles in British labor history. Unless some officeseen factor intervenes England will witness the solidarity of or million organized workers rallied to the support of the British

Moreover, the continental workers may become involved. Anticiing this struggle of the British miners the miners of Europe have mugh the Amsterdam International of Trade Unions pledged their accord. Thus the workers of England are pledged the solidarity of European workers in a basic industry and the common cause of all break down the artificial barriers of frontiers, language and nation-

Meantime the reactionary British Government, after postponing the -- table reorganization of the coal industry by a subterfuge last year, . now prepared to resort to the armed forces of the nation to drive or miners back to a miserable life in an industry that requires nationa zation. In this crisis in the economic life of England capitalist own-Thip of a basic industry as well as the political leadership of British

so talism have become archaic, incompetent and disastrous. The Socialist Party of the United States rejoices over the solidarity ticlized by the organized workers across the Atlantic and urges the American workers to render all aid that is possible to insure a victhe cus conclusion of the struggle for the miners.

The convention also instructs the National Secretary to send a

is e of greetings to the British Trade Union Congress for its magnifi-

ant decision to mobilize the workers of England for a common cause.

"We know that the Socialist Party

publicans or Democrats."

pers of the National Executive Com- of New York. Oneal was elected.

Nine candidates were nominated for the seven positions on the National Executive Board. The contest was good natured and spirited. So evenly divided were the votes that the three lowest candidates received 17 votes each, while the highest candidate William J. Van Essen of Pittsburgh, received 26. Six candidates were elected on the first ballot and the

The Signs

the Socialist Party in this country is clearly indicated (1) by the fact that thruout the

year 1925 and thus far this year

we have been able to clear off

debts and are now in better con-

dition financially than for years

past: (2) by the fact that our

membership is month by month

larger this year than last; (3)

by the fact that there is at this

time far more interest in organ-

ization and for the first four

months of this year there has

been far more activity in organi-

zation than during the first four

months of last year; (4) by the

fact that we have established a

Tusty propaganda paper which,

week by week, is increasingly

Socialist Party and Yipsels Make Good Gains Since Appeal Started

party and the Young People's Socialist League swung into the arc of progress during the past three months according to reports submitted by Secretary George R. Kirkpatrick of the Socialist party, and Aarne J. Par- New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Utah, ker, director of the Young People's Washington, West Virginia, Wiscon-League at the meeting of the outgo | sin, Wyoming. The states showing ing National Executive Committee the largest gains were: California,

The gain for the first three months | York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin. of 1926 is highly encouraging, particularly the gain showed by the Yipsels. Wisconsin gained more than 50 per in view of the fact that it is the first upward swing in years. To everybody present at the meeting the figures presented were convincing of the fact from the World War, is definitely at an end and the party is climbing now

larger volume of response from the Pritsburgh, Milwaukee. In addition, field and more inquirles about organ- there are eleven junior circles with ization than has been manifest for a membership whose average age is to the downtrodden. His work as a

American Socialist party since the growing cause in America

The states that show gains in Socialist party membership are: Callfornia, Colorado, Connecticut, Georgia, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Missouri, Montana, New Hampshire, Connecticut, Illinois, Michigan, New

The Socialist Party membership in

cent, over the average of 1925, the

first three months of 1926

Equally significant, and even more promising of future gains in America that, with the American Appeal in the | to the Socialist movement, is the field, the decline of the Socialist growth of the Young People's Socialmovement in America, as a reaction 1 st League reported by its national director, Arne J. Parker. The Ypsels started anew a few years ago after to its proper place as the political ex- being totally wiped out by war conpression of the workers of the United ditions, with one local in Fitchburg. Mass. The membership made only a Kirkpatrick's report slight gain in 1925. In the first three showed that the membership of the months of 1926 the gain has been Socialist party has made a net gain nearly 25 per cent. During the last of 4.314 members during the first week circles have been organized by three months of 1926. This gain was Director Parker in Cleveland, Ashcredited mainly to the effects of the tabula, and Warren, Ohio. In addinew party paper, the American Ap- tion to these there are circles in the peal. Not only was there this definite following places: Fitchburg, Gardgain in membership, but interest ner. Maynard, Worcester, Boston, aroused by the Appeal and the spe I Quanty, Rockland, Troy, eight circial efforts in letters and circulars by clos in New York City, Los Angeles. the National Secretary has elicited a Haltimore, St. Louis, Jersey City,

1 15 years. This is the year of a general elec . The delegates at the convention tion. With the great expansion of reel that Socialism has again begun debater he was in a class by himself. political activities that will soon resistance the young generation whose Kentucky comrades have lost a great sult, it is felt that this Appeal will in secretary spirit and enthusiasm alone champion in the death of Ben J. Robcrease vastly in circulation and that will parnish the needed-vitality that ertson and thousands throughout the the best year in the history of the will make Socialism a great and Southern States will mourn his death.

Judge Westenhaver in a New Role

Judge Westenhaver's name will go down in history as that of the man who sentenced Debs. It is interesting

"This peace declamation contest has my best wishes. Intellectual or educational contests of any kind are now eadly neglected and elicit little interest. Contests of physical prowess get most of the publicity and all of the ap-

"An enterprise which will aid in reviving interest in any form of mental effort deserves a cordial support. All such efforts are in dire need of enouragement in these barbaric days." We congratulate the judge upon the

Convention Due to Pittsburgh Local

ncky and Southern States as "Uncle-Ben," passed away at the ripe old age of 76, April 18. Had been a champion of the work-

ers' cause for the past 30 years, and was a candidate for governor, Congress and mayor of Louisville during his ac

Uncle Ben was a tireless worker for Socialism. His heart always went out soap-box artist" was unequaled in the lold Socialist party movement and as a J. L. STARK

a Party, Bronx, New York, sent for a bundle of 500. Max Probstein took 200 for the Cloak Makers Branch of New York Ben Goodman, of the New York Yitsels, says, "We are with you tributed 100 each Edw. J. Dutton, virons, New York, C Christianson and F. G. Wilson, Brooklyn, A. Koski, East Port. T Cook, Rochester, ordered a bundle of los F. Canella, straight shooter J doaded up with a hundred each

fust to keep the sharp shooters busy [of one hundred Comrade Inilia Other, Col., Max Hunteman, Bishee, i. Now that the great rush of the spe | Arizona, and Comrade Spencer, Well 14. ial is over we wish to urge these ington, Kansas, sent for too each. A. William Adams, Sidney Stark, J. W. to follow up their bundles with a close Smith. Hot Springs, Ark, each fired Joseph R. Mountain, Sarah Limbach

ough to help the again after the a to the Cook Co Socialist Party and Robert Lieberman Emil Lambach fore they forget. Those who signed to ry H is think to for Wankegan, Frank & S.lv.s Ethel Tait, and Benja Henkle, Canton, and Albert Gerber, the petition will probable want the St. went to Martin Judnich, Gus Sand | non Sign!, to whom the convention berg, Canton, distributed 100 and C. Lendered a unanimous vote of thanks them into the (rmy and you may be him hy taking care of hity S C

> ders for the May Day Special Edition (), D. C. Adams, Rosedale, Ind., writebut as the time drew near for the that there are six votes for Socialism. Shall effort, we were crowded clear off in his family. "I became a Socialist ! the page and out of the paper by im- in Arkansas, when dear ida Callery This week, for the first time we can beard Gene Deles make one of the take space to sum up the work of the greatest speeches of his life in Little Bundle Bricade and see how it was Rock. He sent for fifty to distribute to the farmers. C. E. Perry of Logansport, Ind., is another good California kept piling in the orders Hoosier who is always on the job. thing new in taith and hope and in He took care of fifty, 123 went to Line Wellons, Muscatine, lows, and in I to 1 I beininger, Lemars

The shots just keep popping in the old Hay State, V. Syrjala, Norwood, Mass, loaded up with 200 more for Norwood, O D Petro took ion for of a bundle or too. Bundles of fifty Lawrence and fifty went to Comrade each were ordered by the following Ed diacs, Louisville, Ky., R. E. Beltz. St Louis, Mo Andrew Alm, Pequot, Mmn. W. W. Gamble, Fergus Palls. Minn, J. P. Kavanaugh, Whitefish, Month: R. H. Lane, Aurora, N. C.; L. Haas, Crabtice, Ore, and Dr. A. J. Adams, Pocabontas, Tenn. Comrade Pavidson, Warrenton, Ore., took 75.

> The heavy artillery of Pennsylvania keeps mounding away. Comrade Pryzbilnski, Mt. Carmel, got ready with a charge of 500, Comrade Palmer, Black Lick, sent for 300 and Ed Roth, Scott dale, took 100 200 more went to Pittsburgh to Alex G. Reid and J. E. Pettee Chris Sauers, Eric, Tony Zup ancir, Greensboro, and W. R. Brown, Bethlehem, ordered 50 each.

1500 more for Milwaukee! 500 were taken care of by the twenty-fourth branch, 300 by the Jewish Socialist Verband and 500 by the nineteenth ward branch. The secretaries, Max Elsner, Christ Holtz and J. Schwartz are good hustlers who never let anythink ket by. W. Rorig took 100 for

Great Success of

popular, growing in power.

The Pittsburgh comrades left nothing indone to make the Socialist national onvention an enormous success, to the Socialist movement. deasant and interesting time possible to provide every convenience and all information possible; to demonstrate that Pittsburgh has a real, live grow ing militant movement; and to shine as a star in the Socialist firmament and point the way to the other locals throughout the United States to show them one and all, not only that a large, growing and enthusiastic local movement is possible but that it can be built up right now under present conditions.

The program of entertainment was a lively one from the hour of the arrival of the first delegate to the moment of departure of the last one. Lunch was provided at noon hours in the convention hall to save time and expedite business Industrial moving pictures were shown and a dance giv en in the convention hall nights. The heart and soul." The young tolks took | delegates were taken on an auto ride 110 The following New Yorkers disc showing them Pittsburgh and its en-

The delegates were royally enter tained at the Pitt-burgh Hungry Club, Chester, Job Walker, Elmira, Martin a liberal society, where Morris Hillout spoke on "Our Changing Social Order" to hundreds of business and of Bayonne, N. 1, touched off 250 professional mgn who listened with rounds while Morris Moser, Trenton rapt attention, applauded vigorously and C H. Carron, Ridgefield Park, N. and questioned intelligently after the lecture. The speech was a masterly one and undoubtedly left a profound and most favorable impression.

The following are a list of the flitts J. A. Kimber, Wray, Col., took a bunch burgh comrades who made the conven tion a pronounced success;

Firt-burgh convention committee William J. Van Essen, chairman C B Fetterolf John J. Swartz, Frank 250 more were used in Chicago, 200 3 Kelmar, Mrs. William J. Van Essen.

The delegates were unanamous in , the decision that the Pittsburgh na tional Socialist convention was the most encouraging and insuring Social get convention since the war. At the last noon lunction in the convention hall James H. Magger received an ovation when he relead this fact

The spirits of the delegates rose day by day as the convention progressed until a climax of enthusiasm was honor of Eugene V. Debs. It is sate to his or her community with some spiration in b - beart

It was a convention of the tried and proven residue of the Socialist move ment of America after its supreme test. It was a convention of Social ists of a fine high, constructive type The movement had sifted down to its essentials. It had found itself. It had shaken off its former instability, its Harris of Westwood. Bundles of 50 former hysteria This was fully sensed by the delegates. The fact was fully sensed that the Socialist movement of America had emerged at last out of was sensed that this new purged force of Socialism is somehow invincible is somehow inch by inch going to win Is not going backward any more. That is why the spirits of the delegates rose day by day until the hour of part

Comrade Premier Baldwin

The latest news on the critical English coal situation is significant. Baldwin, the Tory premier, has asserted that in the event that the miners and owners cannot agree at the final conference, he will call for a referendum of the people on the public ownership of the coal mines. Think of it—a Tory government driven by dire necessity and sheer inability to settle the problem otherwise submitting the question to the people as to whether or not they shall own one of the basic resources! How this world do change! Comrade Baldwin, we salute you.

Every Appeal subscription helps The Appeal for a year \$1-less than 2 cente a week

Socialist Enthusiasm Raises \$2,500 at Pittsburgh May Day Celebration

ple poured out to the May Day mass many. Socialist convention and filled them and organized labor movement.

drew audiences that filled the houses gress

of faith and enthusiasm, aroused to est room for that purpose. When the its heights at these meetings, was the Democrats caucus they assigned a, contributions to the Socialist party slightly smaller room; but when the and the support given the American, Socialist members of Congress cau-

Give \$2,500

At the mass meeting the collection. was \$438.00. American Appeal subscriptions were sold amounting to a 034.00 was given to the Socialist party for its big contemplated drive in a whirlwind of speech making, applause for emuncipation. and enthusiasm seldom exceeded in

The climax was reached when Local Allegheny representing the Pittsburgh and outlying branches through its spokesman. Sidney Stark, presented a check of \$1,000 to the Party.

The mass meeting was given a true international character by a great audience in which many reprisentatives of various European nationalities were present

International Gathering

Mark Slonim, a member of the Social Revolutionary party of Russia. spoke in Russian and received extensive applause.

Jugo-Slav Federation, spoke in his Leisser, a Pittsburgh artist who is a Pittsburgh, \$5.

celebration today, and Pittsburgh So- Esther Friedman represented the mendous and prolonged and cialists opened their hearts and purses class conscious woman's movement. greeted the unseiling of the fe to an extent that surprised, enthused, She described the important place the ture and followed again who inspired the delegates to the national women of Europe have in the Socialist; artist, aged 82, was introduced

with a new hope and determination. Victor L. Berger kept the audience pressive and revealing, will 10 The two major events, the mass in an uproar of laughter at the ex- sented to lacks by Local Allegt meeting in the afternoon at the pense of his Republican and Demo-Lyceum-Academy theater and the cratic colleagues in Congress. He Leisser expressed the belief : banquet at the Socialist convention explained some of the more important; he were permitted to paint for hall, Chatham Hotel, in the evening measures he had introduced in Con-

When the Republicans hold a cau-Substantial proof of the new spirit cus," he said, "they meet in the largcus, a telephone booth is big enough."

The Economic Movement

James H. Maurer, president of the Pennsylvania Federation of Labor, explained the value of the organized total of \$116.00. At the banquet \$2, I labor movement in its struggle for the betterment of the conditions of the workers as a factor in the struggle

"If starvation alone would bring revolution." he said, "the slums would seethe with revolution. The ideal condition of mind is to keep the goal of Socialism always in view, but to join in the daily struggle of the work. (Teveland, \$25; August Gerber N y ers for better conditions. The organ- City, \$25, S. Gellmar, Pittsburge 1 o better and better conditions, get more and more, until they have it all."

Splendid Gift

The climax of the meeting was reached when near the close. John W Slayton, present Socialist candidate for governor in Pennsylvania, \$155 in currency. James Onesi, N in the midst of an eloquent tribute to Eugene V. Debs, drew aside a curtain and revealed a magnificent, life-Charles Pogoreles, organizer for the size painting of Debs by Martin B. Pittsburgh, \$10 and Elizabeth Earks

painting, amazingly life like

subject would be a real inspirer . him. When they met later the .. cast of Leisser was fulfilled to markable degree.

At the hanguet in the events of honor of Eugene V. Debs 1:1. persons crowded to lister appare and laugh and to cheer speech Morris Hillquit, Victor 1. Better James H. Maurer, Isna 1 . . . Lewis, Joseph Sharts, Willia H Henry, W L. Adams of Pro and others.

Magnificent Contributions

Jewish Branch, Detroit, \$50 % of the land Alleghany County, \$1,000, Process Mountain, Verona, Pa. \$10 842 Slav Branch of Western Pennsylvania contributed a total of \$100 (\$25 trum tawney Branch \$10 in currency Total

i ican governmental authorities who to peatedly refuse to recognize Russia . Although nearly every other country in the world has done so. These tims of their own lying propagands. They told so many lies about Russa that they dare not face the feeler

and slaughter in North Africa cast it wants

many by the Socialists and count nists to confiscate the estates of the Penegade former kaiser and war-lords in which 12,500 000 c.t. zens signed petitions, has pres plated o release a rich prisoner the side of the exaristocrats and warboint.

Pardons-Hope for Rangel According to a newspaper

killing a deputy marshal wi gaged in a revolutionary move free their country from the acwhich then controlled it. Tie V government has asked for lease and the Mexican Feder Labor, the American Feder. Labor, the Texas State Federation Labor and many other orgahave joined in the appeal. Rangel was paroled by a Ferguson for 20 days at Christia allowed to visit his family for " time in 12 years. His letters return to prison, tell a parter of his loneliness on going back are urged to write or wire the

prisoned in Huntsville Tt. served twelve years on the ch

Appeal Army Column

4 subs and orders a bundle of 50. His letter is so encouraging to us that with due modesty, we quote the tol lowing: "I wish to say that I have taken about all the Socialist papers in the last 20 years but find The Amer: can Appeal beats them all." Other good scouts from Indiana who have sent subs are: James Howard, Rich mond, and Oliver J. Wilson, Riley, 4 each; J. C. Tritte, Hartford, and John Klingebeil, Richmond, two.

Thos. F. Boam, Hurricane, Ala, or dered a bundle of 34 and added 5 to his list of subs. H. N. Bryant, Mena, Ark,, caught three new ones to send with his bundle-order and J. P. Barbee. Monticello, Ark., ordered a banaje of 109 and sent in a new subscriber. D Boyd each distributed Inc May Day apecials and caught a new sub R F.

The west kept things lively all week Among the five ones was A. E. M. a. maw, Colorado Springs who distrib uted lime special, and cudant a sales Ethel Lynn, San Francisco, took 100 more to add to the big burntles which went to San Francisco and she also found a new render. A new sub and a bundle of 50 were ordered by each of the following S I. Gowell, San Bermardino C A Priest, Fresno; F 11 White Los Angeles, M. W. Wegner Redlands, and Harvey Staats, Oak dand Other Californians was have here keeping busy are R 1. Johnson itediatels, who caught four! I. I. Heromen, three, and J. B. Mathis, Sawtelle, who distributed bity spe-

Just to show that Pennsylvania does not neglect to get in the regular read ers while working on her hig bundles the following sent in subs with their orders for the Mayday special. Harry Eckard, New Kensington, 2 subs and a bundle of 250; Henry Huffnagel, Ir. win, and Win, McKay, Grove, City, 2 apiece and a bundle of 25; F. J. Rappold. Erie, 100 specials and a new sub. Chas Boekler, Lykens, and J. Lighter, Philadelphia, a new one each and a bundle of 50. A. D. Stevens, West Elizabeth, added six new ones to his Home-town club. P. J. Clowes caught 6 new ones and F J Marzoff, Harris burg, 5. Three were brought in by Comrade Legara, Barnesboro, and two by I. Krausa, Port Perry,

New York isn't letting up on the sub campaign. Lillian Kaplan sent a sub with her order of 125. Samuel Orr captured 3 yearlies. Comrade. Davis, Whitneyville, sent 2 subs and a bundle order and H. J. Hilliard; Sound View, Conn. took care of a bundle of 50. John C. Lawson captured two new ones and ordered a bundle of 50 for Websterville, Vermont.

Four subs and a bundle of 50 went to Comrade Daggett, St. Joseph, Ore. and two new ones with a bundle of 100 to W. W. McDugle, Sedro-Woodev. Wash. To help them in waking up the northwest H. L. Uehmann, Helena, Mont, sent for a bundle of 150 and just load and fire the May Festival of the German

I. S. Walker, Anderson Ind., sends | Torkerson Minneapolis, sent an order for 50 and a sub

> The Epworth, Ga. Homestown club has three new members went in by J. F Trantham Comrade Linden, Jet sey City, caught two new readers and E H. Brocks, Camben, two Jennie, L. Harvey, Cleveland, sent three new ones. Two each were sent in by the following Martin Johnson, Des Moines, lowa; Dr. A. C. Jenner, Durant. Okla. and I. N. Johnson, Doxey.

comrades who have worked so hard R. Wholey, Eagle, Col., and G. A.; shayton, Julius Weisberg, June Tait, and thorough campaign. Thousands fifty shots of sample copies have been mailed to McKaig, Gillespie, Ill., and Roy F. those who sound pattions. That ! Chicago, each sent in two subs and a paper to hear she scory. When they some this will disass thank-you

> We reported the first big bundle or percent news and propaganda articles.

up to the last minute. In addition to the his fundles reported, an order for 1200 came from the Los Angeles Soqualist Party. San Francisco came in the last week with an order for Die more, for to be distributed by the Socialist local and too by H. Koblick. Contrade Cland, W.Imington, took care each wege sent to Comrades Ben Goggin and R I Hesseltine, both of Stockton, John F. Longer, Santa Bar bara A Toffriess, Paso Robles; Geo. F Arthur, Onkland, and Mrs. M. Mason San Inego. . These, in addition to the landles ordered before, ought to go a long ways toward waking up California A good live Socialist movement and a big vote would have more influence than anything else in freeing California of the disgraceful condition caused by her abominable aurilaus still in force.

A thousand for the big guns on the northern boundary. A. Rubinstein Sec. Local Detroit and F. Kuhovski See of the Jugo Slav Branch 114, sent for 500 each. That's the way to do it Ohio was one of the states that ordered early and often 150 went to Comrade Weltlick, Massillon, A bundle of 100 was ordered by S. B. Smith of Newark, who says he is or ganizing a local and "wants to give the comrades something to do." Comrade Segina, Girard, and Comrade Heskett, Pleasant City, distributed fifty apiece.

The gunners along the eastern coast are keeping up a steady cannonading. he caught a sub to go with it J C Jagain David Kasson, Sec. Socialist branch.

to read, in a newspaper account of the Peace contest started by the Ohio Council of Churches, that the judge is supporting that contest. In a recent speech he said:

plause.

evival of "Any sort of mental effort

B. J. Robertson Dead

Ben J. Robertson, known in Ken-

Stavler Galesburg, took too

and C. C. Bartels, Marysville, Mo. treated his home town club to 25.

LISTENING IN ON THE WORLD judgment on private morality and bar immigrants on that ground. In

Speaking of Treaties

more cold-blooded, cynical, selfish procedure than the agreement between the Italian and Greek dictatorships to divide Turkey between them, a nation with which both are at peace at this time? No matter how invinc ible a military machine these new Pascist dictatorships may build up to keep the workers in bondage at home. their atrocious war-like international morality is bound to destroy them in a short time

A Good Remedy

in Great Britian. He suggests the fol- while

England's experience. This nation should fight Socialism with the weapon of prosperity. Keep the Amertean workers prosperous and Socialism cannot prevail."

Brayo, Captain' That is the first sensible remedy we ever heard from canitalist sources. Now it is up to the Socialists to become more active in America, so that the capitalists will keep giving the workers more prosperity

Fooling the Farmers

In the meantime, what has become of that agricultural bill laid before congress several months ago by the leading farm organizations as expressive of the demands of the farmers: What has become of the vociferous promises made by the Republican leaders at that time? The only answer has been a substitute "relief" measure offered by the administration, which is nothing in the world but a harmless cooperative aid bill. The Republicans are between two tires. Their industrial masters in the east who furnish the campaign funds will have nothing to do with the sociálistic" farm measure which aims to get rid of the farm surplus through a government agency. The farmers in the West and South who have the votes have been promised relief and are not getting it. The rawest attempt to fool the most widespread farmer uprising in the history of the country will be made by the lackeys. of the industrial interests in Washington. Can it succeed? The situation is the most interesting in the political history of the United States.

"Moral Turpitude"

Moraf Turpifude" has been removed by congress as an immigration bar. This is the aftermath of the recent encounter between Lady Cathcart. who was barred from this country for "moral turpitude." This event put that congress has quietly hastened peasant population with modern ma. A Ferguson, Austin Texasthe cause of labor. Are you helping? to protect itself against future embar- chinery, and not a thing stands in her to pardon Rangel and the rassments. There is no record of any the way of this but ignorance, bigotry, victed with him, at the earlies other government attempting to sit in prejudice and cowardice of the Amer-

possible except our land of freak legislators and Ku Klux Krusaders. What do our rotten law makers know about "moral turpitude" anyway? A Sublime Martyr

no other country is such am attitude

corld wide cause of Socialism Shao | and Spanish lines, says a dispate Puso-ping, editor of the Peking Press, | from Oujda, French Morocco later This comrade was arrested and shot because he courageously continued to support the Kuominchun, the peoples' army of China and continued to ex-Captain Gilbert Frankan, the Eng | press sympathy for soviet Russia glish envoy of capitalism to America after the reactionary capitalist armies with the Kaiserish name, is tremend, had captured Peking. We are sorry ously excited for fear Socialism will we did not know this fearless comobtain the hold in America that it has rade. It would have been worth

"Democracy" Exposed

This is how Abdel-Krim, uncon- a bitter fight in the Riechstag Taquerable hill tribesman, and foe of parties of the workers are the sig-French and Spanish imperialism and parties willing to obey this manualswered a petition from wealthy and of the people. Even the security aristocratic Frenchmen and Spaniards Democratic party of Germany - 2 to release a rich prisoner

of Spain and France solicit the re- and rulers all over the world are so lease of my prisoner. Lieutenant strong for cancellation of deles and Cesar Herrals. Yet he is unmarried for taking property wholesale if # and a rich man's son, without any others by strictly capitalists metafamily responsibilities of any kind. I ods but are terrified at the wire. am a little surprised that in this age [fiscation" If the Socialists of the of European democracy you ask me many can beat them on the ear to free him instead of some poor they can take over the while was Spanish soldier whose mother or wife by asserting their rights as a training needs his support and who yearn for and that is just why the opposit him just as this great lady of Spain is determined not to yield it to yearns for her son."

Financing the Enemy

Mussolini charges that the U. S. minigration laws restricting immigration to the United States constitutes a cause for war. It may be that our debt commission and senate which practically cancelled the Italian debt also financed a war against America

Labor War in Norway

One of the greatest labor wars in the history of Norway is pending The employers in the leather, mining and textile industries have attempted to slash wages 25 per cent. A goverament arbitration commission has allowed a slash of 10 per cent. The workers in the industries to the numher of at least 30,000 have resolved to strike, rather than submit to a lowering of their already cruelly low wages. There is a general lowering of wages all over Europe. Capitalism has broken down there. Watch for the big changes soon.

Victims of Own Propaganda

Four thousand square yards of American agricultural machinery are on exhibition in Russia. The soviet cell after his taste of freedets government, wants, this, machinery, letter signed by Caroline $\Lambda =$ the American government in such a They want to trade with the United torney, Pittsburg, Kansas ridiculous position before the world, States. They desire to equip the great

Brunch, Pittsburgh, \$25, France Hall, Chicago, \$5; Morris Hangar, \$50; Victor L. Berger, \$.5 1 R Rohnovitz, Weirton, W. Va. 12 N E. District. \$25; Finnish Bring h ized workers in this way will win Jugo Slav Branch, Hermine, P., 425 E. Shub, Braddock, Pa. \$16, Adven Halpern, Brooklyn, N. Y. \$160 toza Hermine and \$75 in cash : Philosophia Ward Jewish Branch, Pittsburgt, gate Y. City, \$10. W. R. Snow, Chicago F. Braddock, Pa., Branch, \$75. Alexander Kahn, N. Y. City, \$50; Jos. Daw-95

> United States officials are the vithey themselves incited against R s Reason of the Slaughter

Here is the reason there is much-

before the war it became known that the mountainous Riff country is a treasure house of copper, gold all silver deposits. Armles of prospec tors representing the great capitals Another sublime martyr to the interests are now behind the Frea.: national capitalism is now so pertioned behind governments that it and cause a war any time it sees anything

They Dare Not The referendum put over a ber

"Ma" Ferguson Promises

the prisoners at the Texas : tury were told this week by a Miriam A Ferguson that, "co. 202 upon good record, prisonerwitness a new record in the of pardons granted." This promise on the part of ernor holds out hope for the

Rangel, Charles Cline and contact

The Wealth Worth-While By Charles M. Weaver.

By Charles wi. vvents.

It possessed—e'en from my birth—
shotcous store, the wealth of earth;
ever, by heart had never felt.

I tender touch to make it melt
couse the tear of sympathy
of tor poor humanity
test toy sout with ardor, stirred
it toy voice to speak some word
east Man's Money—just and greed
est made the Wilow's heart to bleed
expected eier haunts her door;

evel tout I was very poor.

perchance, had fallen' heir ist Estates and Castles, fair could, at will, my wants supply to stof all that wealth could buy; cet, my Soul so calloused be, ever hear and never see through plight of those in rags husging close, my Money-Bags the children starve and die at enquiring where, nor why ever nought else but lustful greed; at that I were pair indeed.

wealth that's real and worth-while relither Moths nor Rust defile there can ne'er purion and steal of compassion one can feel compassion one can feel compassion that's sorrowful and sad along the sures they have been dented to the their hitter tears have dried to his he whose heart can feel conderness that love can yield the Heggar in his state; page in purse, his wealth is steat.

It Is This

By Glengarry. PROMINENT persous VEANT well in saying

That CAPITAL and LABOR HAVE common interests. CAPITAL seeks CLOTHING or the BEST materials; F. FOOD must be CHOICE, And its HOUSING superior. LABOR is mentally enslaved THEREFORE IT OBEYS . WASTER'S Wishes And HASTILY supplies Parrything to SATISFY NEEDS. I'S LUXURIES And its HEAPED treasures.

LABOR lives on SCRAPS. Cathes itself in RAGS Vist RUIIDS itself A wanty SHELTER out of SODS and SLABS-APITAL graciously VILOWS the giant LABOR T. TAKE all these things W. S. JUST SHARE (it what IT produced.

CAPITAL weeks the WORLD. LAROR builds it And RELEASES it ALL To ITS master. Age for that reason CAPITAL and LABOR Have TOMMON interests-The LION and the LAMB Storp percently TOGETHER -When the LAMB 1 South SNUGLY STOMACH.

A SECTION or the SELENE horizon Of the MASTER and SERVANT PROFIT and LOSS problem is a MERE handful OF FIVE MILLION (or so) NITED WORKERS, "radicals," Whom GRASPING capitalism STREET WITH LESS THAN THE WHOLE S WHATEVER they THE MSELVES produce

Socialist Convention

Widely Representative (Continued from Page 1.) to National Executive Commitdirected to draw up leaflets on WINLISM AND THE FARMER."

dist position on Foreign Affairs. very Income and Glant Power." tie National Executive Commitof the nationalization of the railnationalization of the coal nationalization of electric r and unemployment insurance. - the bills themselves or ab-... of the bills with the argu-- for them should be printed as

" or pamphlets."

Resolution from San Francisco: ome means of holding the or and active allegiance of the rds of persons who join the · Party for a short time, and low their membership to

Ned, That the National Conof providing for a system of er traternal insurance to be of the obligations and privit membership. Said commis-. Il have full power to draft a see scheme of insurance and to the necessary amendments to to not Constitution to the next come of the Party, or with secontent of the National ertion to a referendum vote of

... hership. "A. L. SCHONEK. see Party of San Francisco." Sessiution from Local Bronx, New "Local Bronx recommends the National Office shall negowith the I. L. P. of Great a to obtain the services of one or of their speakers, each year peaking tour in this country. speakers need not necessarily be and prominent of our British West Younger men and women the type of Rennie Smith or the are very effective. The and Office shall guarantee such · · r · a definite number of weeks' to be agreed upon and the Branches and non-Party organizaand Office shall have exclusive tions."

Young People's Department

National Office TOUNG PROPERS 800. LEAGUE 20 Townsend St., Fitchburg, Mass. Aarne J. Parker, Nat. Director.

With the Circles

New York City. - Circle 5 Manhattan arranged a successful entertain-17. Both events took place at the you give him. Fifth Avenue hall of the Finnish The circle has permanent meeting headquarters in the same building, and is constantly engaged in various activities.

Rockland, Me. The formerly snow ind ice bound Rockland circle is just Reginning to see signs of spring, in the the membership comes from the rural districts meetings have been severely handicapped, but greater cheer is now evident, and activities are sure to pick up.

Fitchburg, Mass. A propaganda and entertainment event was arranged by the Fitchburg circle April 18th. The meeting was one of the Sunday evening affairs given each month by the circle. The circle also meets for regular meetings each Wednesday.

National Office.-The National Executive Committee has decided to join with the Socialist Youth of the world n celebratius International Youth Day. Simultaneous with the demonstrations staged in the countries of Europe, and especially Amsterdam where the International Youth Congress is to be held, the Y. P. S. L. will arrange in the various parts of the country special Youth day entertainments, propaganda meetings, and other forms of appropriate celebration. Announcement of the program, and instructions for preparation will be sent to the circles in a few days.

Coal Pickers

Passing through the railroad yard of any average sized industrial city, one who is keen of observation may become acquainted with a pathetic example of poverty Creeping between the loaded coal cars, and slipping under others to cross the tracks, perhaps emerging from under the dangerous trucks we will see raggedly clad little tots carrying, or half dragging a burlap bag, basket or other receptacle capable of receiving lumps of precious coal. Shaken from the transient cars, and frequently unloaded to the ground by the very same small hands that eventually gather it, the treasured fuel is transferred to the shacks, ironically called homes, of the unfortunate parents.

These children, seldom over 7 years of age, must make as their daily playground the treacherous network of yard trackage over which the shifters are continually rolling relentlessly, dangerous freight cars. The child we are apt to see is hardly old enough to appreciate the danger, although something instinctively warns him to run when he sees either a man or a moving car. Somehow he has learned to evade the eyes of any persons seen on the tracks, often sacrificing his innocent life to escape being apprehended. Yet regardless of the con stant hazard, the child will accept as matter-of-fact the command of the parents to go out picking coal. He does not understand "stealing"; he does not differentiate between right and wrong. He barely knows why the directed to draw up bills pro- black stuff is needed, to say nothing of understanding why it should be acquired in such a fashion. Little expersence in the yard teaches him the strategies of the art of picking coal. and he soon takes it as a necessary part of his existence

While contemplating this pitiful sight you may hear another passenger. Propose Fraternal Insurance perhaps a business man, traveling salesman, or just an ordinary worker. who has also observed the same incithere is great need of de dent cheerfully exclaim, "Well, for the luv o' Pete. Will ya look at the little crook!" You will then listen to an enlightening discussion upon the development of criminals, why the "kid should be pinched," that the d -- d foreigners ought to be kept out of the country, and see some tears shed for where a commission of five the poor roal dealers that are losing tigate the feasibility and ad- thousands of tons of coal through such "stealing."

> Isn't it miraculous how the average person will always content himself with some most far fetched statements and opinions, rarely striking the root of the evil? While one person may find amusement in the misfortune of others, another with a warm heart and an open mind will commence to seek the causes of such wretchedness. and learning them will devote his efforts to their banishment. And even amongst those who are too ready to condemn, too willing to censure, there are many whose sense of justice has not been killed by influences of the present society, but who do not dare to search outside the rigid code, for fear they may find themselves alone.

> Such hypocrisy must reach its climax, sooner or later the person guilty of it will be forced to throw aside the cloak of falsehood, and rebel. He has then begun to understand Socialism.

command of their services, distributwork at a salary and exling same among our Locals and

The dreams of the workers are getting sweeter, while the dreams of the masters are turning to nightmares.

It is not much worse to sell little girls as wives, as they used to do in China, than to sell them to the mills, as we do in America.

The farmer of the farmer is the man who makes money, whether he be railroad prince or land-lord.

Both the tramp and the capitalist are parasites. The only difference is. the one lives on a big income you pay ment and banquet on Saturday, April him, and the other on cheap charity

> It is not a change in human nature that will be required to make people self-respecting and decent, so much as it is change in the pocket.

Half-way measures may inspire the bumptious spirit, but never enthusiform of muddy unpassable roads, . As asm. Only the prospect of full liberty can do that.

The Filipinos ask for independence. flut the American people prefer de pendence on the master for a juli.

> Women's Department Josephine Conger

About Ten Cent Stores

With the prices we have to pay nowadays, it is lucky that we have the ten cent stores to fall back on. That with our diminishing purses and the increased cost of living we still can find a place where we can buy a granite stew pan for ten cents, which in most places would cost us twice as much And if it were not for the ten cent stores, the other places likely would charge us more than twice as much. The ten cent stores are like the un ions in that they help the working class by forcing others to sell lower. The unions force non-union concerns to pay their help more, just by their mere existence.

But speaking of ten cent stores, do you know WHY you can buy a pan. or a piece of ribbon, or a pound of candy, cheaper there than you can elsewhere? Did you ever stop to think that it is not mere accident, nor kindness of heart, nor anything of that sort that built up Mr. Kresge's and Mr. Woolworth's business to such enormous extent; and still permits them to make money?

Outside of the fact that these store pay low wages, there is one big, main reason why they can sell so cheap.

These men and others like them got something of the idea that is promulgated by the Socialists. They figured and found that by MASS production and MASS distribution, they could do a splendid business, and still charge a nominal price for their goods. They sell direct from factory to store, and they usually take the entire output of a. factory

Now there is no reason why all business can't be done in this way, and as a matter of fact a great deal of it is That is, such businesses as the Standard Oil, the Atlantic and Pacific) stores the steel corporations, and t others are founded on the principle of MASS to hoge quantity) production, and MASS distribution. And they ers. Her the trouble is their owners are a few individual men and women who keep the profits for themselves and make the rest of us pay much more than is really necessary for what

we get. Now if the people, which is the government, owned these big mass-production concerns, prices could be made very much lower to the consumers which are you and I, and others of us who must buy the goods and better wages could be paid, and there still would be a nough left to keep the business going, and to put away

a penny for a rainy day and repairs That is what Socialism stands for Big husiness production on a big scale so that small profits can keep it go ing. But Socialism says that the people, or the government by the people should own and control such business

What do YOU think about it? Do you enjoy paying ten dollars for an imitation silk dress, and a cheap imitation at that which cost the producer a dollar and a quarter, or some thing like that? Are you contented to feel that a half dozen in-between men have had the advantage of that difference in the cost that you pay. and the actual cost of production, and that they get their living out of charging you too much for a garment, too much for groceries, too much for a

house, too much for everything? I am not speaking now of the work ers in the factory who actually produce the goods. Nor the clerks who sell it. They get the dress out for a dollar and twenty-five cents. But the profit between that and the ten dollars you pay goes to some unnecessary source, and this is what makes conditions so uncertain a profiteering source that can speed up and close down, hire, and lay off, raise and low-

er prices, at will. So It is that LITTLE in the business world today depends upon what is good for the masses, their needs and demands. It all goes as the owners and controllers of the vast industrial concerns see fit to manipulate their personal and business affairs. We who buy the ten dollar dresses, the slazy coats, are but pawns on the chess board of their desires.

The Filling Station LINCOLN PHIFER

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"Leave them alone." remarked the Man from Oklahoma, to Joe, the Standard serf, after they had discussed the flurry in Wall street, resulting in the loss of billions of dol lars in paper values and consequently a similar loss in cold cash to holders of tumbling stocks, "leave them alone and they will defeat themselves."

"Yes, and wreck the nation besides. You are old enough to remember the panic of 1893, and how it affected everybody. Well, that came about in precisely the same way that this furry on Wall street started."

"But the people now are bigge than Wall street." "Is that so? Wall street has been

running America absolutely for the last six years. If she had not been these fraudulent stock issues could not have been made."

"Well, we can elect a Democratic congress next time and put a stop to that.'

"You think so?" Joe asked. His fighting blood was aroused. "Why land. didn't some Democrat expose the fraudulent stock issues while they were being made? Will the election of a Democratic congress put an end to the collection of interest on the eighty thousand millions of dollars of bonds that have already been issued by nation, states, municipalities and industrial concerns"

"Of course it can't do that. You can't expect the impossible."

"Then the remedy lies in the election of a Socialist congress, followed by the election of a Socialist presi dent. Such an administration can make money what the constitution provides it shall be, an absolute government monopoly. It can provide for real national banks in place of private banks called national. When that is done, the people's money will he deposited with the people's govern ment, and the borrowing of money to carry on public needs will end." "Oh, shucks!" And the Man fron Oklahoma turned away.

Splinters

our blundering efforts lead at last to right; Stumbling in darkness brings us to the

Beware of sure things. How can the good liar be a bad

Public office seems to have littered So many people argue by abouting and pounding. Little men have wishes, big men

The pessimist does the other man' It sometimes seems that everyhod;

« down on the farm. Among the most popular books are the dictionary and the pocket book.

One cannot see a better world by ooking in a bottle. The plutocrat is a pimple that runs orruption.

When you wake up we shall have : better government. The way to freedom lies through

books enlightened books. If we lay our heads on the block we may expect to get it in the neck. Competition makes men scoundrels. The workers gather the nuts and

t the shells as ware: Capitalists take great interest in the workers, but still greater interes out of them Capitalism is the thing that make

the builder live in a rented house and the maker of automobiles walk. Governments derive a good many of their unjust powers from the consent

Ninety nine out of every hundred ouls starve to death. Most people re soulless now

Saving money until you get rich before you enjoy it is like saving butter for years so you may have a good but sometime, and then disc ment overing that it is rancid

The Deposed Lion-A Fable. Two wild beasts were wandering ver the yeldt in Africa when one o them said to the other:

"And to think that the Lion used a he called the Kits of Renata" "Why, isn't he?" asked the other,

"Not any more," was the reply. Just then two mer came into view n the tall grasses ahead.

"Run for your life" cried the first there is the real king of beasts." But both fell before they had made the second leap. The new king was more dangerous than the old.

A bad government may make good people bad. A good government can make had people good.

There could be no oppression if the oppressors were not criminals and the oppressed careless or cowards.

American banks are lending money your money to Europe, that Europe may with that money buy arms with which to fight America, when she feels it will be easier to fight than to pay. When the war comes, Amer ican banks must lend money to the American government on your security or the government cannot defend

If we had Socialism everybody would also have a job. It couldn't be

If your neighbors do not read the Appeal, you are not doing your bit. Only \$1 for 52 weeks.

Letters to Judd

By Upton Sinclair

Letter XV

We are going to take over the industrial plant of the United States. and run it as one planned enterprise for the benefit of the whole people.

Just what do we mean to take Roughly speaking, all railroads, telegraphs and telephones, all banks, the mines and large factories, the large oil fields with pipe-lines and refineries the large packing and canning plants. the large warehouses and stores, and what office buildings are necessary for these enterprises. We do not want the homes, nor the personal property. nor the automobiles, nor the live stock; nor, if I have my way, shall we want farms. Some old-time Socialiists will contest this, but the new generation will agree, I think. The reason is interesting, and it may help to clear up the whole matter if we begin by considering the problem of the

Karl Marx thought that the farms would go the same way as the factories; that is, they would get bigger and bigger, under capitalist ownership. He failed to allow for the essential factor -that no capitalist can work his employes so hard as the small farmer works his women and children. So the small farmer has stayed on his small farm; a free man -except that every year he is deeper in debt to the hanker, and in a larger precentage each year he loses the ownership, and s merely a tenant, supporting an absentee landlord. The modern Socialist, recognizing that situation, does not propose to walk into the trap, but seeks a different solution of the land problem

The single taxer comes, urging us t take the burden of taxes off improvements, which are made by human labor, and put it on the land, which is the gift of Nature. He points to the rise of land values in cities, the socalled "unearned increment"; values go up, because people crowd into the city, and private owners get a colossal increase, which they have done nothing whatever to earn; their gains make a heavy burden on production, which the whole community must pay. That sounded reasonable, and so for a while I was a single taxer; you'll be interented to know. Judd, that the reason I gave it up was you!

here in California in 1916, and I put in And it is this weapon-I want to turn some bard work at it; among other things I spent a day arguing with my friend Judd. We were sitting on the and riots when by means of this modroof of the garage, laying shingles, ern Aladdin's magic we can walk in the las Angeles. "Times" that it the magic lamp for us this wonderwould increase the taxes on your two ful new Federal Reserve System: All lots, and that had made you mad: we have to do is to turn out the pres-also, you had read that it would take ent board of bankers' bankers, and put the taxes off the rich man's bonds, and in a new board of workers' bankers. off his wife's jewels, and that had and create a hundred billion dollars made you madder I tried to get you of new money, and pay for the industo see the absurdity of believing that tries, and there you are! Not a court keeping any taxes on the rich; I tried | italist tries to, he is a revolutionist. to show the actual reason, that the and we have criminal syndicalism laws tax collector couldn't find the rich for him!

man's bonds, nor his wife's lewels But you didn't get it. Judd, and when I saw the votes of all the other Judds in that election, I decided that the single tax is a tactical blunder. Never again will I be caught proposing to take any taxes off the rich; from that day forth I have been a multiple taxer I want to put just as many kinds of can invent.

Joking aside, Judd, I changed my off on Wall Street! I know some young workers in our

revolutionists, and are impatient when I lic, and all is serene! they hear me talk about compensation for the capitalists. These young people feel ugly towards the capitalists. and for this I do not blame them, seeing how they have been treated. But the point of my criticism is that these voung enthusiasts want to be ugly to the capitalists in an old-fashioned, out of date way, with guns and barricades. while I want to be ugly in the modern way of high finance.

What is it we really want? Is it to kill the capitalists? No, but merely to take from them their power to exploit labor. And how do they get this power? By guns and barricades? They hold it that way, of course; but inside each modern country they have devised the new and infinitely more effective scheme of financial manipulation, the creation of imaginary money We had a big single tax campaign with which to buy everything in sight against them. Why, for heaven's sake, do we want to have insurrections and all the time I tried to make you peaceably into every factory and take 'see" the single tax. But you had read | charge? The capitalists have created the "Times" could be interested in in the land can stop us, and if any cap-

This is "inflation," we are told; and inflation raises the cost of goods, and so brings no benefit to the worker. Yes. Judd, but get the point clear-inflation is one thing if you use it to buy goods, and quite a different thing if you use it to buy factories. In buying goods, you buy on a rising market, but in buying factories you buy at a fixed price, and so it is the owners who suffer the loss. And that is the beauty of this scheme I am unfolding: these Wall Street gentry have "passed the buck" to us and we pass it right back

The Russian revolutionists made a grave mistake in their dealings with world capitalism; they were too hontaxes on the rich as the finagination est. They repudiated the debts of the Tsar's government --declaring that the money had been spent to enslave the whole strategy as result of that day Russian workers, and they would never on the roof with you. For twelve or repay it. Therefore world capitalism thirteen years I had been expecting to went to war with Russia, and is still see Socialism brought about by some at war, and that error in tactics has sort of tax on wealth; but you made cost the new government many times me realize how passionately every hu- the debts of the old regime. But how man creature hates taxes. Could one much more clever were the capitalist not find some easier way? I realized governments of Italy and France! that all men like money, the more the | They also owed us money; but they merrier; and then came the war, and were so polite-they are the politest I saw our government making money people in the world! They owed it. by the billions, just by acts of Con- of course, and they would pay, of gress and the waving of a presidential | course; never would they dream of pen; then came the panic, and I saw; failing to pay their debts; but just our wonderful Federal Reserve Sys- now they were very poor, and couldn't tem making more billions for the use pay, and wouldn't we please lend them of the big bankers and the trusts; so a another hundred million or so? We great light dawned upon me, a heaven- | loaned it-because if they go bankly light! I see now, Judd, that we rupt they will also go Bolshevik, and shall forget taxes altogether, and take; that scares the gizzard out of our a leaf out of Wall Street's new book; | bankers. So these smooth capitalist we shall make as many billions of new nations have never paid us a dollar, money as the emergency requires, and , but their credit is still good, and we instead of having Wall Street put that I never think of them as criminals and new money off on us, we shall put it murderers -oh, nothing like that, it is all between gentlemen in Wall street, and the worthless bonds have country who call themselves social been worked off on the general pub-

> So. Judd, I say, let us be gentlemen, too, and pay! Pay any price the capitalists ask- anything to get them out of the factories, and get the workers in! It will mean that we support a horde of parasites for awhile; but we are doing that, anyhow, and can do it better then, because we shall double production: Young Johnny Coaloil will still be able to keep his yacht and his chorus girls on the Riviera, and Mrs. Silly Splash will continue to wear diamond-embroidered bathing suits at Palm Beach; but notice the difference. Judd -- from now on they can buy nothing but goods with their money, they can no longer buy the means of production; and so they will not be able to increase their income!

> On the contrary, we can proceed at: once to cut it down, by means of an inheritance tax. We already have such a tax-the Coolidge crowd is trying to get rid of it at this moment, and likewise the publicity clause of the income tax, which exposes the big exploiters to uncomfortable daylight! But we can put it back, Judd; we can make the provisions that gifts in anticipation of death count as inheritance: we can register the owners of the bonds, and so wipe out that whole mass of privilege in a generation or two. I promised to show you how the useful workers of America can take possession of their industrial plant. and here is the way. Nothing prevents them but lack of knowledge: and that is why I am writing these letters!

Big Drive Launched for Party and Appeal Continued from Page 1.)

To Have New Platform

WHEREAS, an important Congres ional campaign is fast approaching and the Socialist Party of America has formulated no National political plat l form since 1929, he it therefore RESOLVED, That the N. E. C. be instructed to formulate a platform suitable for use in the carrying campaign, and to issue and publish such platform at the earliest possible mo

Language Federations RESOLVED. That in matters con erning problems within National groups, the N E C, shall consult the

Language Federation in question before taking any action. Systematize Work

That the National Office is directed o draw up a system for exchange of reports, etc., for, state, district and foreign federation offices the purpose being to gather information and get closer contact and better co-operation n all sections of the country.

The following is the reply of the Socialist party to the Communist offer for a "united front":

For Real United Front

The Socialist Party in National con cention has received from the so-called workers' (Communist) party a letter urging that the Socialist Party join with the Workers' (Communist) Party in establishing what the latter calls a "united front" in congressional and state elections this year, and in soliciting the co-operation of economic and political organizations of the work-

We are for a "United front" of all working class forces. We have always been for it both before and since the Communist International started their campaign of disruption among the working class organizations of the world.

But this invitation comes to us while the official organs of the Workers (Communist) Party constantly malign and libel the Socialists individually and collectively, calling us "labor lieutenants of the bourgeoise"

t and "traitors to the working class." doubtful on account of their attitude to-The purpose of the Workers (Commanistic party is to "bore within" any organization that trusts its offers of riendship, to organize stealthy cliques and factions, to sow suspicions and harrods by talschoods and intrigue and thus serve the enemies of the working class. All this is done sys ematically as its standard factics.

Such an offer under such circumstances cannot be accepted. There s no reason for believing this proposal more sincere than similar proosals in the past. Moreover the Workers (Communist) party has by ts disrupting tactics isolated itself from the American workers, and deserves its isolation. Its alliance would braising of the necessary funds." be a hability and not an asset to the cause of working class unity. Coloberation with it would alienate and not attract the American workers. Cooperation with it can lead only to disaster. A united movement can be realized only by ignoring it

For Radio Station

The Committee appointed in 1925 to avestigate the question of establishing a broadcasting station owned by the party, submitted a report through its secretary, H. M. Merrill of New York, which was adopted.

In substance Comrade Merrill reported that the enormous increase in the number of autos had with their demands on parking space made street meetings almost impossible: the public parks are too inaccessible to be successful for meetings; and that the Socialist movement is left with but two alternatives—the printed word and radio.

There are 4,000,000 radio sets in the United States and the number is rapidly increasing. Farms have a million sets, the number having doubled during the last year. It is the new medium to reach 100,000,000 peo-

The committee discovered a great difficulty in the shape of the overcrowding of the ether by long wave stations; and long waves are the only ones that are able to reach near and far places under all conditions. This condition may be considerably remedied soon.

The utilizing of existing stations is

ward the Socialist movement and the trade union movement. The cost of acquiring a broadcasting station would

The recommendation was as fol

"In view of the unsettled condition of the radio control problem, as well as the manifest impossibility of securing a license at present for the Socialist Party to use one of the long wavelengths, your committee can only recommend that your National Executive Committee be given full power to act in establishing a centrally-located party ownest station the moment a license can be secured, including the

Kirkpatrick to Stav Awhile At the meeting of the new National Executive Committee, following the adjournment of the convention. George R. Kirkpatrick, former acting Executive Secretary, consented to remain in the National Office and work in cooperation with the new Executive Secretary, William H. Henry, until a permanent business manager was selected for the American Appeal

More Next Week Additional news about the Socialist national convention contained in the reports of the Language Federations and reports and resolutions not in this week's issue of the Appeal will appear

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Capitalist Politicians Say Public Berger Explains Ownership Big Success in Detroit

of the city-owned and city-operated ble for the conduct of the railway system of Detroit, a city of more than a million inhabitants, is particularly significant because \$t\$ comes from capitalist sources. The Chicago city councils transportation committee is now investigating city transportation. This account is from a Chicago Pally News reporter traveling with this committee. This account follows several press of lying attacks in the capitalist drailes to discredit the public ownership system in Detroit)

After a calculation of the success of the conduct of the railway countils and a charge of 1 cent for transfers, and a charge of 1 cent for transfers, no charge being made for transfers on transfers. The city has for the lines in excess of \$500.

Can't Play Politics Easily
"Suppose," several of the Chicago company, formed to supplement service when the old privately owned street-railway system was limning to the conduct of the railway system was limning to the city-owned and city-operated and are responsible to the cents, or nine tickets for 50 cents, and a charge of 1 cent for transfers, no charge being made for transfers on transfers. The city has for the conduct of the railway cents, and a charge of 1 cent for transfers, no charge being made for transfers on transfers. The city has for the business being operated as feeders to the street cars and as part of a trunk-line bus system. A private bus company, formed to supplement service when the old privately owned and the conduct of the railway system was limning to the city council has one function—the approval of all contransfers, no charge being made for transfers, no charge being made for transfers, no charge being made for transfers, no charge to transfers, no charge being made for transfers on transfers.

Can't Play Politics Easily

"Suppose," several of the Chicago transfers, no charge being made for transfers, no charge to transfers, n

After stating that more than half the visiting Chicago aldermen now "believe that Detroit has turned a difficult trick," Richard C. Burritt, the reporter answered the usual capitalist objection to public ownership--that politics can't run business in this

Politics Banished

Mayor John W. Smith asserted with all the sincerity he could command that the municipally owned and operated local transportation system is "paying out." Associates unblushingly confirmed his statements. The street railway manager, Col. H. U. Wallace, at one time chief engineer of the Illinois Central, brought out

Wherever they due for information the Chicago aldermen struck the vein that Detroit is getting along because the city has not smeared the surface lines with spoils politics. The lines are operated by a general manager appointed by the street railway commission, a body of three well known Detroiters, who are appointed by the mayor without approval of the city council and who serve without pay. One is a wealthy publisher, one a contracting engineer, one a leading

Administrations come and go in city politics, but the commissioners have not yet been disturbed by incoming or outgoing mayors. They and their general manager fix the rate of

ian debt or a billion and a half dol-

lars of it, was ratified by a vote in the

triumphs of the Coolidge administra-

The vote stood 54 for ratification

and 33 against. Reactionary Demo-

crats vied with Reactionary Repub-

licans in giving the seal of approval

ship, the most monstrous despotism

in the world and literally transfers

more than a billion and a half dollars

from the pockets of the taxpayers of

America without their consent to the

benefit of a government whose avowed

purpose is to destroy democracy

Amazing Revelation

No act since the beginning of the

Coolidge administration reveals so

strikingly the victorially reactionary

the present government and its shame-

ful subservience to international fi-

This vote expressed itself in the face

of the following well known facts and

beneficiary of this enormous debt can-

cellation. destroyed representative

government in Italy, freedom of

up the labor movement, destroyed the

co-operatives, abolished general elec-

tions by the violent and lawless force

This government has openly pro-

claimed its leadership of a world

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of an armed minority.

developments:

was elected to office by promising a cheap fare and had the commissioners fix one just to be popular with the voters, then what?"

"Any mayor who'd play politics either with the fare or the system would be either a knave or a fool," Mayor Smith replied. "Such a condition is unthinkable here."

"What's to prevent some spoils politician in control from building up political machine by loading down the pay roll with henchmen?" the alderman asked.

"Elections are not won or lost in Detroit on that basis," Mayor Smith oplied. "Results still govern here." here is in sharp contrast to that of Chicago for the reason that the city some time ago discarded the muchabused system of council representation by wards -there were once fortytwo ward aldermen -and substituted therefore a body of nine men elected at large. Being elected at large, they have to please the entire city and the my ward" has ceased.

men representing fifty city wards?" necipally owned utility is through."

Has 6-Cent Fare

end. It has assisted in four success-

and in an equal number of unsuccess

It has become the arch-disturber of

international peace, plotting against

the League of Natione; seizing new

colonial possessions in Africa; form-

Paying for Militarism

versal and compulsory, beginning

It has increased the standing army

of Italy from 100,000 to 150,000 and

The Italian debt cancellation was

pressed by J. P. Morgan and other

high financiers and as soon as the

commission, Secretary Mellon and Sen-

ator Smoot, made the atrocious deal

with Mussolini, Morgan and his finan-

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Are the members of the United

States Senate majority Fascists, or

are they merely weak tools of Wall

Juring the debate Senator Reed of

Missouri characterized the debt can-

Surrender to Dictator

"It is testation this moneter (Musso

lines, to strengthen his arm, to sharpen

his sword, that you grant him one and

one half billion dollars in a manner

"This is a surrender, not a settle

ment, a demonstration of poltroonism

to a dictator. It is the foulest blot

placed upon the financial record of

the United States. It would give mili

nothing short of grand larceny.

cellation in the following language

with young childhood.

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CHARGING ITALY.

CAGE OF 31 PER CENT!

It has made military training uni-

Monstrous Fascist Debt

United States Senate which is de- ful attempts to overthrow representa-

scribed as "one of the most signal rive and constitutional governments

to a debt cancellation that financed ing secret military alliances and de-

and is saving the Muscolint dictator stroying all efforts toward world

character of the present majority in president and chief figures on the debr

speech press and assemblage, broke PER CENT THE CANCELLATION

Street?

ful attempts.

164 busses being operated as feeders this week.

toward franchise expiration and oblivion, will one day soon be added to the city's quota. When street-car trucks wear out in those wide streets in which they are located, Col. Wallace said, the tracks will be torn out and all replacement will be with busses. In traffic-con-

the wider streets. Street-car tracks in the narrower streets will be retained. "It is getting so now in our wider streets that passengers experience The physiognomy of local politics great difficulty in passing through motor lanes to the street cars in the

gested streets of the future, he said,

it will be found more economical to

employ express and local busses in

Property Valued at \$75,000,000

center of the street."

Capital account of the property as of the last report is shown to be vanimering for "the poor people of \$41,321,981; Manager Wallace asserted that the property would be given a "How would you get along," the valuation of \$75,000,000 by any fair writer asked Col. Wallace, manager appraisers. Platform labor received of the surface lines, "if your boss a maximum of 73 cents an hour and directly or indirectly were fifty alder-the system is now being operated on men representing fifty city wards?" a car mile cost of about 31 cents, the "We'd be sunk," he rejoined, "The manager states. When he took over moment, politics gets a grip a mu- the management a short time ago he I separated from the pay roll jobholders who were receiving \$160,000 yearly and the passing of none of them was Detroit gets along very well with a felt, he asserted.

Deal Ratified by Senate The infamous Italian debt deal, a movement to overthrow democratic i tary support to the most dangerous man now living, the man who has the which cancels 80 per cent of the Ital- governments. It has been caught redcruelty of Caligula, the monstrous egohanded in international plots to this

> If plutocracy does not bring another war, it will be unable to lend out all you deposit with it, and then the stagnation will ruin you. If plutocracy keeps on lending your money, the time will come when you will be unable to pay interest on the money you own and which plutocracy lends, and stagnation and ruin will face you then. You get it going and coming.

the fires of war to sweep the world."

Here is a resurrection note: The Easter egg is liable to be colored with poisoned dyes, and make you dead has planned vast military and naval rather than alive. Profit, you know.

> Be an optimist. You are not so watchful of your pocketbook when you are, and the profiteer looks out

> It is not strange that the old pirate vas religious. The profiteer steals a housand fold more than he did, and the profiteer we know is religious. Here is the big fact: They do not

> sale of liquor This is a government of checks and

> want return of beer one tenth as much

on the side of the few against the There are no newspapers now They I

Whenever more stocks and bonds

The more the railroads merge the

nore the railroads charg

To build the inland waterways will makes every good thing had.

American nation hated by the world, with the decision of Station WGN to some day the people must bleed terminate their agreement.

planation of why Fascist Italy was their way. The American people may American people, but it was clearly that the American people should finance violent overthrow of radical-

The United States was once the haven of the oppressed. It is now the place where political prisoners are persecuted.

It will not be long until the criminal syndicalist law will be enlarged to other sources of education and pubmake it a crime to vote the Socialist licity. ticket-unless you dubs get awake

Socialist Aims Before Congress

Washington.-A picture of what the Socialist party would do if it controlled congress was given in a speech by Representative Victor L. Berger,

Pointing out that as the only fullfledged representative of the party in congress, he could not get legislation enacted whether Socialistic or otherwise, Mr. Berger referred to the bills he has introduced in this session as an illustration of what the party would do if it could.

This, he said, was the main purpose of introducing these measures, for it showed the public, which generally knew little or nothing of Socialism. what the party stood for

Outlines His Bills Mr Berger then discussed some of

the feading measures he had spon sored. Among them are: A resolution for the recognition of

A resolution expressing opposition o the Fuscist dictatorship in Italy. A proposal for the nationalization of the recently formed food trust. Another for the nationalization of he hard coal mines.

And a third to establish old age pensions. Other bills and resolutions cited by

the Milwaukee man as representative of Socialist philosophy were: A measure to restore this country

as an asylum for political refugees from old world autocracies. Touch Many Subjects

Another for restoration of seizes liea property: A third for restoration of the right of citizenship to Eugene V. Debs. And a fourth for revision of the Corsailles treaty in conformity with

Other bills introduced would. Repeal the Espionage act. Amend and liberalize the immigra

he Wilson 14 points.

Provide federal punishment for lynch mobs and derelict officials. Establish federal aid for schools in states where illityracy is high, and Enforce the first amendment to the

Capitalists Fight Labor Radio Station

The Illinois Manufacturers' Association has asked its attorney for ai opinion on the legality of the Chicago tism of Nero, who possesses the soul Federation of Labor's permit to erect of a monster and who would again set a broadcasting station upon the Municipal Pier. Sometime ago the city council unanimously passed an ordinance giving the trade unionists permission to use the pier John M. Glenn, secretary of the Illinois Manufacturers' Association, is alarmed for fear that labor propaganda may go on the air

> This is not the first difficulty which the labor organizations have encountered. When they applied to the United States Department of Commerce for the assignment of a wavelength their application was refused on the ground that, because of interference, no more stations would be permitted in Chicago. In spite of this was continued. Chicago labor unions with a total membership of 300,000 have been asked for contributions of \$2 per member. They are responsing generously and the success of the plan seems accured

A recent decision by Federal Judge Wilkerson in the case of the Zenith (WJAZ) state n bits the authority of Secretary of Commerce a severe blow I This station was denied a wave-length and it "went on the air" with a "doas they want a return of profits on the nated. Canadian wavelength which was not at the time in use in either the United States or Canada When the case was bought before Judge balances bank checks and balances Wilkerson, he ruled in favor of the company. This decision demos the right of the Department of Commerce to assign, arbitrarily, any wave-length The labor one inizations are not the are all propaganda organs of big only ones whom the air monopolists rago Tribune station, this week terminated its agreement with the Illinois

are trying to silence. WGN, the Chi are issued, it means further obliga- Agricultural. Association on three tions for the people to pay returns on a hours' notice. This organization redeently opposed the administration measure introduced by Representative Tincher and supported the Federal Farm Bill, known as the Haugen Bill in the House and the McNary Bill in nake more bonds for the people to the Senate. This bill incorporates the pay interest on, and still there will principal suggestions of the corn-belt he no assurance that transportation conference at the Meines. By suprates will be lowered. The system porting this program the farmers have won the enmity of the National Live Stock Producers' Association, which American bankers are making the is said to have had something to do

So the farmers and workers are to be kept silent if the great newspapers There is still no "authoritative" ex- and the powers back of them can have forgiven" so much of her debt to the listen to the sighing of the saxophone and the beating of the drum. They may hear hymns, sermons and "patriotic" addresses. They may tune in and dance to the music of the jazz bands or they may hear the shouting of the crowds at ball cames and prize fights; but if they wish to broadcast any information in the interest of the organized workers or farmers they are told that the air belongs to the same capitalist monoply which controls the

> The fight of the Chicago Federation of Labor and the Illinois Agricultural

American People Pay 6 Billions Yearly on 98 Billions of Debts

By Lincoln Phifer

How Much "We" Owe

The National Debt, twenty thousand million dollars. State Debts, two thousand five hundred million dollars. Municipat Indebtedness, six thousand million dollars. Total Public Indebtedness, twenty-eight thousand five hundred million dollars.

New Stocks issued on which "we" are held to pay profits. forty thousand million dollars.

New Bonds issued in reorganiz-

ing industry, on which "we" MUST pay interest, thirty thousand million dollars.

Grand Total Indebtedness. ninety-eight thousand five-hundred million dollars.

Total Interest, yearly, at 6 per cent, five thousand eight hundred million dollars.

The figures on national ladebtedness are official, from Secretary Mellon's report, and do not include the interest already paid nor a part of the principal about which so much has

indebtedness appeared in a story by A lon A. Genson, in the Dearlearn Independent, and had been gathered with great care. However, they are six months old, and it is probable the figures today would run at least half, indebtedness is, a billion dollars higher

Mr Benson comments: "If the memsers of the state legislatures and muston this indebtedness at six per cent. I tem plutocracy is-for the plutocrac

lunatic asylums, they might have spent more. Yet they could not have spent much more, because there was not much more to spend."

Commenting on the municipal and state indebtedness, a bulletin issued by a number of railway officials, entitled "Railroad Data," saye:

"From January 1, 1920, to January 1, 1925, the National debt was reduced by about 54 billion dollars.

"During the same time the debts of state and local governments increased by about 61, billion dollars. "During this period our state governments contracted new debts 20 times as fact as they paid off old

"During this same period state and local government« combined were going into debt mere than 452 times as fast as they were before the war. "The total public debt of all forms of government in this country is higher now than when our war debt

was at its peak in 1919." The figures on industrial paper issued during the most remarkable reorganization program in history, covering the last five or six years, is more of an estimate than official, but is believed to be fairly accurate. In the case of public indebtedness, either the people or their representatives, must vote on it, so that it is comparatively easy to obtain the figures accurately. But industrial stocks and bonds are issued without such vote. consequently it is harder to determine The figures on state and municipal | the exact facts, if it can be done at all. But though the issuance of such paper is not authorized by vote, still they become a real indebtedness against the people, part of it protected by "bonds," just as the public

Let us figure up the interest charges

one thousand two hundred seven mil-

lion dollars. On the total industrial stocks and bonds it is four thousand two hundred

million dollars. On the total public obligation P is seven thousand eight hundred mission

dollars.

"We" pay this immense sum of money every year and have not a penny to show for it, because the obligation remains just what it was be-

It is payment for nothing received, How much does this lack of teeing slavery? Is this not a bond-age?

But this is not all During the last fiscal year four thousand million dollars of European indebtedness "forgiven" by "us." It is a tora, less. The bankers have their mone but "we," the American people of an agreement entered into by the great dent and his cabinet, and not ye ratified by congress, were "jipped four thousand million dollars

This is not all. The indistrial stocks and bonds mentioned sove have to do only with corporate a la addition, there are numerous shall business institutions that are a vincorporated, and all of them much have their toll of profit, while recent them have debts that are not reduced to bonds, which must be part and paid by "us." This obligation and burden on the producers of Animal cannot be accurately measure: Bit it is a big thing, a terrible out carea. Every man, woman and child a

America, is obligated to pay interest on not less than eight hundred de are and the obligation does not pure of a penny of the principal What a wonderful "successia" sys.

Great Events in Crisis of Social Change Related by Socialist Judge workers (12,523,939) have signed a pe-

By Jacob Panken

Monicipal Judge, New York City.) The cleavage in Society is becoming more marked. The old and the new are gripped in a struggle for life. Since the end of the last World War capitalism seeing its doom has snatched at every possible means to maintain itself.

The more powerful capitalism beomes the more acute become the evils that come in its wake.

Unemployment is the legitimate child of capitalism. Throughout the ful owners, the people. industrial world unemployment is unemployed are the unconquerable power can be relieved of its rulership fores of capitalism; for self preserva, and property by the will of the people tion they will conquer and master it. expressed at the ballot box in a peace-

Italy has resorted to Facismo and The United States is also awaken

walls of capitalism there. Nero is called up to establish a dicta- the ranks; but it is constantly increastorship, to destroy the democracy for ing its numbers. which the Mazzinis and Garibaldi have

The workers realize the menace in Pacismo, whether it is called K. K. K. bankers of the world. Usurious inrovalism or what not. They know comes is their objective, the collection the salvation of the world lies in Soc, of interest from the rest of the world cial Democracy, in Socialism ever their purpose. The welfare of the larger numbers of workers see the mass of the people is not even thought only guarantee for world freedom. Socialism, or Facismo, Democracy or Potatorship, to an incident of the control of

Musselini and the Facisti Socialism, financial oligarchy. sits strength in the Labor Party of ! England, the forceful Socialist moves investments multiplied six fold, texment of France in the powerful work- cluding the National or Government ing class activities of Austria, and in debts due our Government). Our unthe militant Social Democracy of Germenployment will rise as the foreign in many, and in the ever tightening class stracgle the world over:

The most heartening demonstration on the part of the working class in vindication of Socialist thought in the will destroy itself. ing.

Association, backed by their membership of hundreds of thousands, to use the air, is a most important struggle every city block. Get after them, comand one which may be far reaching in rades. The Appeal is your paper. its significance to labor.

tition to initiate a referendum for the confiscation of the property of the erstwhile ruling houses of Germany, Eight and a half million more than were required to initiate the referendum. The principle of Democracy has been

vindicated. The possibility of a peaceful revolution from Capitalism to Socialism has been demonstrated. If the referendum wins, and it

seems that it will win, the private property of a ruling class will have been taken and returned to its right-If royalty ruling by the grace of stalking its parent. The armies of God, and holding property by divine

Where apitalism was developed ful manner; then the rulership of Capmost fully it failed most disastrously. Ital and the use of it for the enslave-That fact sealed the doom of capital- | ment of mankind can in like manner

its outrages to prop the crumbling ing. The Socialist movement has passed the ebb-tide. It is witnessing Out of the dead past the ghost of a revival, not only of enthusiasm in

The extreme reactionism of the present National Administration of our go to church or the theater. But for Everywhere dictatorship instead of government is hastening the growth the sake of law and order I must fir Democracy is preached to save capital- of progressivism in the country and radicalism in the Labor movement. Our Capitalists aim to become the

Our surplus capital instead of being Inctatorship, is the question of the invested to find employment for unemployed American Labor is sent Capitalism has its trump card in abroad to bring interest to the rising

> The last ten years saw our foreign vestments of capitalists increase. Emigration of capital must bring unemployment as its consequence Capitalism in America as elsewhere

last year comes to us from Germany. ... Tomorrow is ours. Let the past bury More than twelve million German itself. The new World is in the mak-

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Dangerous Free Speech Must Be Controlled

(Under the above head, the article below appears in the Schencraft Union-Star as a Daily Interviewed torial by John Sparko, who descrid the Socialist movement and with the Socialist movement and with the trates how low a Socialist renexade can sink.)

The Union-Star's Daily Interview-Editorial. John Spargo.

Reading the constitution of the United States is an admirable exercise but there are times when reading the constitution may be closely allied to treason.

All believe in free speech. But all believe also in common seuse. But free speech untempered by comma sense may at times be treasoners. Take Herrin, for instance. There were iots in that town that it was the duty of the authorties to put down the riots and fr tect property there. In doing that the authorities make restrictions against holding meetings and being on the streets after a certain time. I may consider it my constitutional right to the time being waive these rights and

remain off the streets. Take Roger Baldwin. He assi ered it his constitutional right to go out on the streets of Paterson, N J and read the constitution along Now it was not because he read ". stitution that he was arrested. Put it was because he chose a dancerent time and place to bring together a crowd which may be easily too had off in time of trouble.

All of us agree that freedom of the ligion is an important constitutional right. Yet can we not concerve (4) time say during a Ku Klix Sidriot when it might be necess to close a Negro church?

Of course, the right of free so at may be unjustly currented in the authorities. But who is the best of when it must be curtailed. The authorities who know the contact the As to the man who deliberate and vocates the violent overthrow of any ernment, by all means shut her or But of course I admit it is not east

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