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HERE IS CHARLES EDWARD RUSSELL'S MESSAGE ON THE EUROPEA

TO AMERICAN SOCIALISTS

(Charles Edward Russell, writing from the European war zone to The American Socialist, sends a message to American Socialists as follows:) TRARMESTLY hope the Socialist party will excusable calamity. It is the crowning object- gone mad. Let nobody think it had any other until mankind comes down to the level of the make its supreme appeal in this campaign lesson of the truth of all we have said. There is we can have Socialism the thing will last for to tell what I know in every corner of America.

on the basis of this world-wide and most in- nothing to this monstrous war except capitalism years and be succeeded by other wars as bad. It is life or death now for civilisation.

CAPITALISM GO

By CHARLES EDWARD RUSSELL

Author of "The Uprising of the Many," "Lawless Wealth," "Songs of Democracy," "Why I Am a Socialist," etc., etc.

why we have this war.

No one that cares to know why civilisation has been overwhelmed, Europe turned into a howling mad-house, and the Twentieth Century transformed into the Fourteenth need be muddled about it.

Millions of men are slaughtering one another, the business of the wide world is dislocated, horrible lists of dead and wounded fill the European journals, other millions are brought to starvation and acute distress, the sext century is darkened with these intolnext century is darkened with these intol-erable clouds of hatred, poverty, debt, want and pain, because competition went mad, capital became insané, militarism had its sure fruitage and imperialism gibbered in

Nothing else. We have tolerated the fantestic lunacies that make war inevitable. When they come ripe shall we stand like dull babies asking whence has come all this?

Look for a moment. It was not the murders of the crown prince and his wife. Many princes as eminent have been assassinated and no war has resulted.

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It was not Servia's failure to surrender to Austria's demands. Many other nations have rejected impossible overtures and no war has resulted

It was not Russia's mobilisation. Every European nation has mobilised at some time or another without causing war.

It was not any menace of France against Germany. There was no such menace.

EXCUSE AND SUBTERFUGE

THESE things are but excuse and sub-terfuge. The swords that pricked the bubble of a fallacious civilization and sent us helter-skelter back to barbarism and sent us helter-skelter back to barbarism and
the Middle Ages were held by Big Business
en one side and Autocracy on the other.

Mankind ought to be as careful about tolerating Evil as about committing it. There
is no such thing as a serile Evil. No Evil
is ever barren. Every Evil is fruitful in
other Evils, and these in others, with the
progeny full grown descends upon us with
disaster, great or small.

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It was so here. For many years men that knew better have acquiesced in the surviving feudalism that is expressed in monarchical institutions. We have ried to convince our-selves that if a nation had some kind of delegate assembly, a parliament or a reicha-tag, meeting to pass some laws and fiddle about the skirts of government, why, all was well though it still retained kaiser or

king.
What difference does it make, we said.
It is but a name. Each nation to its taste.
How smart is this kaiser and how clever is that king! There can be democracy in an empire, we said, and as truly might we have cald that we could breathe in a vacuum or

from darkness draw light.

What difference does it make? We can see now what difference. Men do not natur-

Russell's War Indictment Pillories European Greed

Editor's Note.-We told you we had cabled to Europe to get an article on the war by Charles Edward Russell direct from the field of this universal slaughter. Here it is! While the editors of the capitalist newspapers and magazines are asktainst newspapers and magazines are asking, "Who is to biame?" Russell answers Russell crowds the cause of this world horror into three words, "CAPITALISM GONE MAD!" Russell knows European capitalism by heart. He has written much about Europe for the magazines. Now he is writing for you through The American Socialist. He was elected a delegate of the American Socialist party to the International Socialist Congress that was to have been held at Vienna, the capitol city of Austria, in August. He was the only American delegate to reach Europe before the war broke. The American Socialist caught him by a cable at the American embassy at The Hague, Holland. This stirring and arousing indictment of the capitalist system of society should be read by every man, woman and child in America able to understand the English language. Will you help us reach them with this message, the message that Socialism carries to this western world in the hope of saving civilization. While the monarchs of Europe are calling for volunteers to die on this field of slaughter, The American Socialist calls for Volunteers to enlist in the fighting army of Socialism to win the world from this bloody horror and usher in the new civilization. Get a bundle of this issue and start out getting new subscribers. Show a copy of this issue of The American Socialist, containing December 211/2 and the mean of the start of the sta ing Russell's article, and the most preju-diced will read and subscribe. And this will mean another soldier in the army of the social revolution.

Two months ago the men new fighting in Europe would have set down together, walked and talked together, felt only kindness to one another; if in distress, gladly would have helped one another.

For no interest nor thought ner concern of theirs they go about now with guns looking for a chance to kill one another. If they have been transformed thus from men to tigers, what has changed them except decrees and orders with which they have had nothing to de?

exploit them have quarreled.

This is the war that is now upon us, compared with which Ward's Island Kankakee or Bloomingdale seems a sweet and reasonable thing. Rulers paranolac about military glory, governments that can make war with any contraction of the second of

glossed monarchy and democrats that have been untrue to democracy must have their share of responsibility.

There is no civilization but democracy.

There is no civilization but democracy. Commercialism, drunk with power and grasping frenziedly for more, saturated with profits and seeking for more business to dominate and more territory to exploit, was the next influence that brought this plague upon us. To say now that it never intended nor dreamed of the ruin it would precipitate helps nothing. Blind, as it always is; stupid, as it always is; ravening for more and more, it lunged forward for as it always is; brutal, as it always is; ravening for more and more, it lunged forward for
the one prize it wanted most and knocked
down the props of the house of peace.

Like this: The huge colonial empire of
Germany, created and developed with a
speed that astounded the world and is without analogy, brought to the country almost
fabulous wealth, that under the existing
system was absorbed by a few. As the colonles increased so rose this golden tide.

ENGLAND AND GERMANY.

HE swift expansion of German commerce turned certain German heads. In commerce Germany competed with and by resolute enterprise, playing the game according to accepted methods, outstripped most other nations except England. Between these the competition was a strugle of glants.

England's colonies made her rich. Ger-

England's colonies made her rich. Germany added colony to colony. Colonies produced trade. Long ago Germany's trade passed the point where it could be well handled by a nation gecgraphically circumscribed as she is.

The pressure of competition, the pressure of the widening prospect of more and more profits, the pressure against her sides of her expanding business, became an irrisistible force for territorial increment.

France, also, had many and rich colonies, Algiers, French Congo, Dahomey, Senegal, rich islands in the West Indies and the Pacific, and many others.

NO REASON FOR MURDER.

In the event of another war like that of 1870, France would be shown of these valuable possessions, which would then become ally hate one another nor seek to kill one another, nor thirst for one another's blood.

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German. More colonies meant more commerce meant more profits, when the prospect thus opened the mind able possessions, which would then become of the prospect thus opened the mind able possessions. We are paying today the expenses of the wars of Napoleon, a century old.

take rifles and kill him, for no reason of their own but because their king has dreams, their kaiser delusions, or the capitalists that exploit them have quarreled.

This is the way the internal way was the pressure inevitably tended, and even if no one had ever designed war nor intended it, under the existing system war was

certain, crtain,
The apparent destiny of German commercialism, exalted by its many victories,
was to annex the French colonies, to eniarge with Germany's enlarged borders, and irresponsible rule, the sheer incongruity of it, the fact that it will fit nowhere into the scheme of progress, these are some of the things for which the world is now paying down this immeasurable price, dripping with blood.

Then for such a caseal and street world in hand with a press, and mounted the press, and to raise Germany above all competitors to the supreme commercial command of the world. It saw nothing but easy victories, added provinces and added pressed to the supreme commercial command of the world. It saw nothing but easy victories, added provinces and added pressed to the supreme commercial command of the world. It saw nothing but easy victories, added provinces and added pressed to the supreme commercial command of the world. It saw nothing but easy victories, added provinces and added pressed to the pressed to the supreme commercial command of the world. It saw nothing but easy victories, added provinces and added pressed to the pressed to

added provinces and added business. Controlling a great part of the press, and moving hand in hand with a government sympathetic and lusting for war, it dragged the sane part of Germany into the struggle, and down came the red deluge.

Then Germany, declaring itself to be threatened by an attack from Russia, rejected all proposals of arbitration and all appeals for peace, and met the alleged Russian attack by moving a million troops upon France before she had declared war against that nation, and while her ambassador was still in Paris.

ONLY PART OF BLACK NIGHT.

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HE shuddering horror with which we read of battlefields whereon the dead lie piled in heaps, of torn and mangled youths shrieking with the torture of their wounds, of towns burned and peasants put to death, is only a part of the black night that has come upon us. Not only this year is dreadful but the years to come will be. For every shot that is fired and every march that is made the future must pay and pay again and there can be no payments of this bill except from the products of industry already bent to the ground under the nurden of past follies. of past follies.

Before the war began the economists had uttered solemn warnings against the heaping up of the debts of the nations. They related out that the interest charger citiere debts were steadily mounting to a sum that could not be paid. They showed that because of their interest charges the poor were still further impoverished, ignorance and darkness were spread around the world, and want threatened the toilers in every land.

These were the results of the existing system, of the debts of former wars, and of the huge armaments that the nations maintained.

Think, then, that this war is costing these nations Sixty Million Dollars every day, that practically all of this staggering sum must take shape in national debts for succeeding years to pay, and that these debts and the crushing interest charges they will entail can be paid in no way except by the

OUR SIGNED WAR STORY FROM BROOKLYN. NEW YORK. SOLDIER

Here is a signed war story. It doesn't come from the European slaughter house. It comes from a soldier in the peaceful war against war waged by Socialism in the United States. The American Socialist party needs one million such soldiers. Read the story and then enlist as a soldier. Here is the story.

BY JOSEPH BRENER.

Brooklyn, N. Y.

Last week at a Socialist street meeting

I purchased a copy of The American Socialist. It was very interesting and convincing. And after I passed it along to three of my friends each one handed me his quarter. I highly appreciate the work of the comrades who made it possible that such excellent issues should be published. And in order to show my appreciation I am going to get after the Dubbs and get their subscriptions.

Should the present system last, three centuries hence men will toil and children be reared in ignorance and insufficiency that the monstrous bill for this day's insanity may be paid.

BACK TO SAVAGERY.

ROM such a buiden piled upon the debt burden the world thready bears could come but a line t. Mankind would revert to savagery. Knowledge, progress, hope and light would be overwhelmed in one sbysmai catastropire.

Instinctively we cry out against this prospect. We declare that such a thing must not be. That this war must be stopped. That all war must be abolished.

Then, if we really mean what we say we must set ourselves to great and enduring changes.

We see now the certain results of the present system of Business founded upon grab and gain, the cut-throat system of com-petition, the deadly system of Business con-ducted for private profits.

Let the competitive system survive, and whichever way the present war results it will assuredly breed other wars as gigantic or worse. From that conclusion there is no logical escape. The same causes will produce same results, always, automatically, irresults by the following states of the following states of the following states are secretarily as the following states of the following states are secretarily as the states are successful to the states ar irretrievably, as certain as night follows day, as certain as the stars travel their roads. No man may sow his field with any faith that he can reap it and no man can look forward to a year of peace. So stands the terrible fact that now confronts man-

kind. We can shut it from our minds if we are cowards, or try to forget it if we are fools; but refute it or deny it may no man living.

CIVILIZATION'S ONLY HOPE.

Then we are determined that when this whirlwind of bestiality shall have passed we shall not have another, if we wish a condition under which the structure of society shall not be blown down, human intercourse shall not be destroyed, civilization shall not be set backward, and the earth shall not be bathed in blood, the one possible way to that condition is to eliminate forever the causes of war. forever the causes of war.

Instead of business for private profits we must have Business for the Common Good. Instead of private ownership of the means of life we must have the means of life owned by the public for the public welfare. Instead of gigantic fortunes gathered at the general expense and used for individual power we must abolish poverty, and give to the poorest child in the land all the education that can now be secured by the rich-

instead of outworn feudalism we must have the full measure of democracy for mer and women.

ABOLISH CAPITALISM, TAKE AWAY THE HUGE, SELFISH; RE-MORSELESS, SAVAGE POWER OF PROFITS AND PROFITS CAN NO LONGER PLUNGE THE NATIONS INTO WAR.

GIVE TO THE PECPLE THE SOLE CONTROL OF THEIR OWN AFFAIRS AND THEY WILL NEVER LEAD THEMSELVES INTO WHOLESALE SLAUGHTERS.

ducted for private profits.

A few made rich and the many poor; a few made powerful and the many made the battle-pawns of these; the resources of the world and the strength thereof controlled by a few for their own benefit and the rest obliged to go out and fight the wars engendered by the competitions, jealousies or maniac dreams of their mesters.

Meantime, the masses sinking to lower levels of existence and the joys of life more and more restricted to the beneficiaries of the Surviving Savagery of Competition.

TO SEE CIVILIZATION CRUSHED AND YOUR OWN COUNTRY WITH THE REST REVERTED TO THE STATE OF THE CAVE MEN.

WHICH SHALL IN THE PROPERTY OF THE CAVE MEN.

We've got a war on our hands in this country. We've got a battle against the power that is behind thrones and generals and armies. That power is coming down with its steely hand of greed to every fireside in America.

During the Civil War a few men stayed at home and gambled with the necessaries of life while the soldiers were fightinggambled with bread and flour and meat and sugar and shoes and clothing and blankets-and in this way, history tells you, they laid the foundations of the great swollen modern fortunes.

Today this same band of looters, these polite robbers of the

American people, have discovered in the tragedy of war in Europe the most gigantic chance to plunder the people that has been let loose in half a century. It is common talk that one business house in Los Angeles

has cleared \$1,000,000 in the first week of the war in one commodity. San Francisco is coming close behind. We don't want these men in prison-we don't want them to corrupt the average sinner who is in there. We don't want to give them our advicethey've never taken our advice.

The place this thing hits you and me is in the cost of living. This increase in prices is going to continue; tomorrow's news

J. Stitt Wilson intensity of our struggle for bread. It is the plain people who are

to be exploited, while the magnates in the saddle glean incal-

They are already gloating over the prospect; they are already leaping like tigers on their prey at the thought of what is to be made—what is to be made—out of this struggle. Every trust in America has been "investigated"—and what

It's all right to boast and bluster about the coming prosperity. These liars would deceive you until your blood ran into

We want food. We want to do exactly as the speculator is doing. He sees the people's need and says to himself, "We must get hold of that stuff." We want to do the same thing, except that we want to do it for the public good and not for private plunder. The greatest thing we can do for peace is to take hold of the market for the good of the human race.

(Turn to the last page and see how you can join the war for food.)

MILITIA AT BUTTE—NOTHING TO

WHAT CONGRESS OUGHT TO DO * * * NOW THE TRUSTS GET IT ALL

By CARL D. THOMPSON

mind to. But it hasn't.
The Haited States Cooptees so at present constituted will selve nothing.
ONLY SOLUTION—NATIONALIZE THE TRUSTS.

What we need in Congress now is men who have a real solution for these problems. Men who know what is wrong and just how to go about it to put things right. Men who have a definite, concrete and constructive

in southern Colorado, has been thrown open esponsing the cause of the coal barons.

Wholesale arrests are the order of the day and the Las Animas county jail at Trinidad, is daily demanding new vistim by a constable, under offers from Major Cabel, in charge of the United Mines Schloss socialist in the struggle, was seatened to 15 days in the county jail for picketting, Major Schloss with other women pickets and in a recent article told of joining the wives of the strikers on the picket in a recent article told of joining the wives of the strikers on the picket in a recent article told of joining the wives of the strikers on the picket will be a recent article told of joining the wives of the strikers on the picket will be a recent article told of joining the wives of the strikers on the picket will be a recent article to the Socialist Party Press Bareaus and in a recent article told of joining the wives of the strikers on the picket will be a recent article told of joining the wives of the strikers on the picket will be a program.

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MILITARY RULE JOKE: "AMALGAMATED" FEARS SOCIALIST STRENGTH

CENSOR RULES IN BUTTE By CARL D. THOMPSON

Author of "Public Ownership of Stallways."

Editor's Note.—Here is one of the opening guns in the Socialist march on Washington to capture Congress. Now is the time to show the workers "HOW THE TRUSTS GET IT ALL!" because they have voted Republicans, Democrats and so-called Progressives into power. The workers want to know "WHAT CONGRESS OUGHT TO DO!" and what it will do with the Socialists in the majority. It is planned to issue this "opening gun" as a campaign leaflet.

Congress is the supreme governing body of this nation.

It ought to do something for the people.

We pay our congressmen \$7,500 a year aplece, and altogether these \$31 fine gentlemen cost us \$3,267,000 every year. And what do we get?

Rothing—the trusts get it all.

Congress is the supreme governing. It ought to break the grip of the money power. It ought to sentle the strikes and bring about industrial peece. It ought to improve labor conditions and open opportunities free and equal to all. It ought to open the way to greater progress, general prosperity and a higher and nobler civilization.

But it does nose of these things. It dilly-dallies, fusees and putters around, does nothing of importance and gets us nowhere.

Congress could solve every one of these great social problems if it had a mind to. But it hass't.

The United Jasses Congress se-et present wonstituted will selve nothing. Editor's Note.-In an effort to se-

They have taken possession of the Court House for reximental head-quarters, and military courts have been substituted for civil tribunals.

ORDER BUNDLES EARLY! When you have decided to order a smalls of Phy Issamina 90 callet don't delay sending that order to Chicago. After our Labor Day Edition had been exhausted Saturday numerous additional orders arrived. It was impossible to get pressmen to work Sunday and Labor Day. Our September 12 edition went to press Tuesday, so we are filling those orders with this issue, continuing Russell's starting article, hoping that the comrades getting those papers will put every copy to work during the remainder of Socialist Work. Also remember in ordering bundles to send the mency to pay for them became the National Office cannot afford to de business on a credit basis. When you have decided to order

To join the party today is your highest duty to yourself, wife, children and followner.

JAILS PILL AS NEW CIVIL
WAR NEARS IN COLORADO. troops.

Colorado coal William Diamond, international of the Light & Wise American

were manhandled by the federal "PROGRESSIVES" HAVE NO CANDIDATE IN WISCONSIN. WAR NEARS IN COLORADO.
Conditions in the Colorado coal for the coal barons.

William Diamond, international or the strike of twill war. The federal troops are at last completely in the open espousing the cause of the coal barons.

Wholesale arrests are the order of the day and the Las Animas county jail, at Trinidad, is daily demanding new vietims.

Arrested by a constable, under orders from Major Cabel, in charge of the United States soldiers at Ludlow, Miss Helen Schloss, Socialist nurse from New York City, who came to Colorado several months ago to help in the struggle, was sentenced.

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AMERICAN WORKERS BATTLE

IN FOUR WARS. War at the Ballot Box. The November elections will be by far the most important ever held in this country. It will measure the

growth of American working class political strength and indicate whether the toiling masses are prepared to seriously menace the political strongholds of capitalism in 1916. The Progressive party is a thing of the past and professed reaction is in control of all the old parties. "New ideas" to combat Socialism have failed in their mission. Note the wreckage of and worked by "big business," is just as much in evidence as ever in the Demo-cratic and Republican parties and the aroused workers must wage a verita-ble war at the nation's ballot box this fall in order that they may secure con-trol of government, county, state and national. This war is now on. It will continue to demand the best energies of the workers for the next two months. Every day in this campaign should mark signal progress made by the working class in its untiring advance toward the ultimate capture of all the governmental functions of the Have you enlisted in this war?

2. War Against Food Trusts. There is but one big issue before the American people today. That issue is, "Shall the American people starve?"
There is only one reason why the American people should starve—the food trusts now have the power to wring profits from the suffering of the many. During peace times the American can working class remained docile. The workers are now aroused. The food trusts sounded their doom when they used the war as an excuse to levy increased tribute upon the nation's kitchen. The war of the Socialist party against the food trusts and all the other exploiters of well-nigh crushed humanity will soon result in the complete overthrow of all forms of ex-ploitation. The Democratic party is in control at Washington and it is the chief ally of big business in robbing the people. In the present crisis it has been the big bulwark of Wall street. It has not raised a finger to fight the mounting cost of food. It is denoting its energies to finding is devoting its energies to finding markets abroad in order to give the money interests a better excuse for boosting prices as a result of the depleted food markets at home. Read in

war for food? 3. War on Industrial Cars. The present national Democratic adat Paint and Cabin Creek and at Calumet are now history. We are still fighting the Colorado campaign in the great industrial war. The Wilson administration bent its knee at Rocke Caller's throng and the federal troops.

There are few readers of Leslie's

Women Join War Against War

BY WINNIE E. BRANSTETTER Socialist Party Woman's Correspon

Women, you who have had no share in the world's slaughter of me herald your message of life and peace to America through the Woman's Anti-War Edition of The American Socialist which will be issued Sep-

Every Socialist local in the United States and every Socialist Woman's Committee should carry the message of anti-militarism to the doors of women workers. The woman suffrage organizations, civic leagues, Woman's Christian Temperance Unions and women's clubs throughout the United States are waging a campaign against militarism, but this edition of The American Socialist is the first and only special woman's anti-wer edition of any publication in the United States.

We have already been promised an article for this issue by George R. Kirkpatrick, althor of "Wat, What For" Debe has already sent us a stirring appeal for this issue concluding with these burning words: "The working women organized in the Socialist movement have the call to service in this crisis that comes but once in a life-time and I shall believe that they will rise to the demand and do their heroic part to save the day for a saner civilization and a happier world."

ORDER BUNDLES NOW. Organize your literature committee to cover the entire community with the Woman's Anti-War Edition of The American Socialist. Special bundle rates, 1,000, \$5; 500, \$2.50; 200, \$1;

One of Our Testimonials

The Socialist movement has always been charged with trying to create their mission. Note the wreckage of the La Follette idea in Wisconsin and the nomination of standpatters as candidates for head of the state government. The machine in politics, oiled and worked by "big business," is just as ignorant of the land with its Socialist message, then the great mass will realize that capitalism is the greatest crime of the day and will abolish it forever. Read this letter:

August 15, 1914.

WATSON G. HARMON Civil Engineer 48 Lane Survey old Guston House

The American Socialist, 803 W. Medison St.,

Your weekly paper has pestered me at 1445 Cass Ave. Detroit, ever since the demise of that most unhealthy "Party Builder" I have not subscribed to either but I suppose that some wisguided victis of your folly has paid for me. If it is possible, I would like to know who this person is.

I have read your paper carefully at times and I am convinced, that to circulate it among the moor and ignorant working classes, constitutes one of the greatest crimes of our day, and I for one would join any movement to stop it. You merely breed dis-content and unhappiness and offer absolutely no

You don't know what Socialism is, your doctrines are merely lies and anarchy and snything to cause

How if you will kindly cease sending your elserable sheet to my address, I will be greatly indebted to you.

this issue what is being done in California. The national government must starve in Europe and feed the people at home. Have you enlisted in this local feed in this letter by going out and getting all the "subs" you can for the American Socialist.

by the European maelstrom of blood The present national Democratic administration is subservient to the industrial cases that reign in Wall street. It has shown this in West Virginia, Michigan and Colorado. The struggle will continue to grow until it is the Paint and Chin Creek and at Calus.

Letters from "American Socialist" Readers

DARTY EXADQUANTERS.

I was interested in your talk about a good headquarters. This is something we need an one the list of the search of the s

WHERLY SOCIALIST BULLBYING. Local Bergen County, New Jersey, with a membership of 23, adopted the following resolution, which it desires to have published and submitted to the National Executive Committee at its

I.ocal Bergen County, New Jersey, with a membership of \$22, adopted the following resolution, which it desires to have published and submitted to the National Executive Committee at its next meeting:

"Resolved That the National Executive Committee consider the advisability of publishing in connection with The American Socialist, Weekly Socialist Bulletins' on paper the asme size as a page of The American Socialist, to be printed in large heavy type. These bulletins to contain comment on topics from a Socialist point of view, and to set forth in interesting style the Socialist remedy for the avils of capitalistic society. These bulletins or posters could be displayed in barber shops, on hulletin boards, on fences, trees and in shop windows. The novelty of this form of propaganda will appeal to many and will get the attention of thousands who could not be induced to attend a meeting or read a book. These posters could be sold by the National Office to Locais in bundle lots or issued as supplements to The American Socialist to be circulated and displayed by the readers of that paper."

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ARTHUR S. Secretary.

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party reorganizes in the near future on more democratic lines there is going to be a spilt in our ranks, a thing which is greatly to be deplored. COM-RADES, YOU HAD BETTER DO A LITTLE GOBER THINKING.

STATEMENT BY THE RIP-CAW.

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I am enclosing a clipping that will be enjoyed by you. Five years are this could not happen here. Our party is growing rapidly. I hope the day will soon come when every party member

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Here again we could rakes wages, chorten bours and improve conditions in Colorado, Calumers in America. We could grant every demand of the United Mine Workers and the Western Federation of Miners, and thus have peace in Colorado, Calumers and west Virginia.

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So from the revenues of those three trusts alone we would have another \$264,000,000 every year to raise wages, shorten hours, improve conditions and reduce the cost of living.

TAKE OVER THE TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE.

Read, the Socialist administration would take over the telegraph and telephone business. The profits of these trusts are \$58,700,000 every year.

(Allan Benson in Pearson's for June, 1914.)

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Kindly vote upon the following:

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The following telegram was sent to the Executive Committee at the request of Comrade Bergeram)

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Chicago, Spot, 2, 1914.

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civilization. This is our plea—that in the midst bread that is left in the world be put in order. now they take advantage of a world extremity that we be not robbed."

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100,000 Subs SOCIALISM IN AMERICA DECLARES WAR ON FOOD PIRATES POSTE By Jenuary 1, 1915

Last week	
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Total this week	38,548

We just nesed it out this week didn't we?

For awhile we were afraid that the gain for the week would be less than 1,000 and that simply must not happen. The large number of expirations is due to the fact that many of the short time subscribers of the Old Workers' World (Chicago), which we have taken over are coming off. Of the 828 expirations, 595 are in Chicago. The Chicago comrades evidently have not quite got the pace, but just wait till they catch the spirit of The American Socialist hustler bunch and things will be doing in Chicago.

YOUR LOCAL NEXT. The list of locals that have decided to send THE AMERICAN SOCIALIST for 40 weeks to all new members is as follows:

Local Arcadia, Mich.
Local Minneapolis, Minn.
Local Fort Pierce, Pla.
Local Rochester, N. T.
Local Verington, Mev.
Local Bear Lake, Mich.

To the above list we will send initia-tion stamps. We will be glad to enroll your local next week.

ROLL OF HONOR

Joseph Rashn, Orlando, Fla., is so pleased with The American Socialist that he subscribes for 15 years.

"We have a good chance of carrying the 14th ward of Indianapolis, Ind.," writes Grover Wilson of that city. This does not surprise us for only this week we received a list of 56 subscribers to our paper. Indianapolis 15 proving loyal to our party-owned paper.

Alice S. Eddy. Phoenix, Ariz, sands Alice S. Eddy, Phoenix, Arix., sends in a list of 40.

Fred L. Fairchild, Weilsburg, S. D. lands this week with a list of 34. Right after him comes Alphonso Olbrich, Philadelphia. Pa., who presents us with a list of the same number. Rudolf K. Vollgraf has good luck in selling subscription cards for The Amer-ican Socialist. He asks for 28 cards this week.

"Local Morgantown, W. Va., will give a good account of itself Red Week." Gad to hear it. Gual to hear it.

"You will note that I am sending The smerican Socialist to all our town papers. I believe it is a good move to be them see how we stund on this war question. We should be proud at our paper. We will try and furnish the recruits and you do the shooting."

—R. L. Catheart, Clearfield, Pa.

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Fight the Food Pirates With

TAR has been declared in Americal It is the war of the masses against the food pirates. The success of this war depends upon the militant, fighting, war spirit of the Socialist soldiers of the

The 100,000 Socialist dues-paying members and 1,000,000 Socialist voters constitute an invincible army. The food pirates must go down to defeat before the terrific onslaught of this army. The Socialist party National Executive Committee has shown the way to fight. It has outlined the campaign against the food speculators.

Read the accompanying coupon. It contains the resolutions adopted by the Socialist party National Executive Committee on this crisis. After you have read it carefully, cut it out, paste it on a piece of ruled paper, and then go out and get signatures.

Take it to the meeting of your Socialist local and get Socialists intensely in earnest about it. Take it to the meeting of your trade union. Get the unions aroused. Take it to your lodge meeting. Take it with you whenever you expect to meet with your fellow-men. Women must also enlist in this fight. It is their war, too.

When one petition has been filled, send it either to the state or national headquarters of the Socialist

Workers' Monster Petition

TO PRESIDENT WILSON AND CONGRESS TO ESTABLISH

Food Supply Depots

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, WOODROW WILSON:-

Whereas, The speculators are arbitrarily and unnecessarily raising the prices of the necessities of life; and

Whereas, The United States government should conserve and protect the interests of the Producers and Consumers as against these Speculators who are robbing the people, multitudes of whom are already in dire need;

Therefore, We hereby petition the President and Congress of the United States to establish SUPPLY DEPOTS in the strategic industrial and agricultural centers of the nation for the purpose of maintaining a just market for the producers and for the purchase of food products and for the sale of these Necessities of Life direct to the people.

Name	Address	Occupation
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Paste the above on ruled sheets, secure signatures, with addresses and occupation, and forward the same, bearing your name and address, to either the Socialist state secretary in your state, or to the national headquarters of the Socialist party, 803 W. Madison street, Chicago, and they will be immediately sent on to Washington, with thousands of other petitions.

Campaign Now On That Will Sweep Nation and up, 1 cent each.

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The record for the 11 months just ended of the fiscal year of the United Charities of Chicago show 20,441 families have applied for help. The organization's figures for the average family is four persons, hence the means that in the 11 months appeals have been made by and in behalf of \$1,764 individuals.

For the same period last year 13,-820 families, or 55,280 individuals, called for help. The increase for this year is 47 per cent.

"We had thought that the high water mark had been reached last January," confesses Superintendent E. T. Lies. "We are face to face now with a cumulative problem. It began with the floods, continued with last year's unemployment, and now cli-maxes with the conditions produced by the European war and resultant and related unemployment."

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