FIRST VICTORY WON FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYES---CIVIL SERVICE WORKERS MAY NOW BE SOCIALIST PARTY DUES PAYING MEMBERS

FTER six months of agitation the first big victory 7 won in the big fight to free the hundreds of thousands of United States Civil Service employes from political slavery. John A. Mollhenny, president of the United States Civil Service Commission, speaking for the Commission has made a ruling that government employes may be dues paying members of the Socialist Party. The American Socialist Party, Informed of the cases of hundreds of workers in the postal service who have quit the party fearing they would otherwise lose their jobs under anti-political rulings of the commission. The American Socialist invites all the civil service workers in the employ of the federal government to join the Socialist Party and fight for the complete emancipation of these and all other workers from the oppression of the capitalist political and Industrial system.

OTHING added to nothing gives the total of what the old parties accomplished for the workers at the session of congress just adjourned.



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the people of the nation and the democratic administration has The record of the Wilson administration has been two years'

of failure. Hardly more than 18 months remain to burn this into the brain of the nation before the presidential and congressional elections of November, 1916. WE HAVE PLANNED TO START THE 1916 CAM- have given up their member-

PAIGN NOW. WE WANT TO REACH ALL THE WORK-ERS OF THE NATION WITH SOCIALIST LITERATURE IN THE BIGGEST SOCIALIST LITERATURE CAMPAIGN EVER CONDUCTED IN THIS NATION.

We know that the present industrial depression has depleted the working class pocket of its pennies, nickles, dimes and quartera. That is why we are going to sell Socialist literature at unheard of prices. When the European war broke out our slogan was "Starve

the War and Feed America."

We issued a leaflet by that name of which nearly a million and a half copies were distributed.

Now again a crisis confronts us. Big business is selling food, arms and ammunition to the warring nations. Big business wants to FEED THE WAR AND STARVE AMERICA. This is our answer to Big business.

WE ARE GOING TO FLOOD THIS NATION WITH ment employes who are now

THE "STARVE THE WAR-FEED AMERICA" PROCLAM- gagged and intimidated by the ATION.

m's are Er nd, i. o. b. Chicago, when ordered in lots of 5,000 of Thore. Lots violety appreciated by the reof less than 5,000 are at the rate of 40 cents a thousand, postage | publican , administrations of prepaid.

All the nations of the world are now talking about starving the war. The United States is especially interested. Feeding the war means starving America. But this leaflet not only demands an embargo on the shipment of food to the warring na-

tions of Europe. It declares that:

"THE GOVERNMENT SHOULD AT ONCE SEIZE
THE STORES OF FOOD SUPPLIES, THE SOURCES OF
CREDIT, THE RAILROADS, AND ALL THE MEANS OF
TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION AND USE
THEM TO BREAK THE GRIP OF THE TRUSTS AND

"THE American Socialist has shown repeated cases where Socialists have been discriminated against and old party politicians favored under the civil service rules.

The history of the campaign of

That is moving fast along the road to the Socialist cooperative commonwealth. You can do your part now by turning to the The American Socialist to emanciorder blank appearing in the big appeal to "WAKE UP!" on page four and sending in your order now. When you have distributed this leaflet as your big effort for March then get ready for the April distribution, the details of which will be announced in the first April issue of The American Socialist.

should make one determined effort to make a showing for the head-

cent in, which is a start in the right en the one day, all moneys received up to that time. It would be encouraging to be able to report \$1,000 plete victory next time.

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I believe it can be done.

March 21 was selected as headquarters day because many locals hold meetings at that particular time in celebration of the Commune. That glerious manifestation of the working-class will be remembered great revelution is accomplished. a reduction in the price while we are celebrating the from 10 cents to 7 cents.

Headquarter's Day

Narch 21 has been designated by the National Executive Committee an Headquarters Day. On this day the Locals throughout the country should make one determined effort.

Commune, a collection can be taken up to build the temple of the Revolution. The central organization of the party should be housed in an ediffect that should be built by the countributions, even though amail, of every member.

Let us prove any lamber.

Let us prove our leyalty by helping in this worthy cause. All receipts on this account are placed in a separate account and will be

didate for mayor at Elkins. West direction. Now we can atimulate didate for mayor at Elkins, West interest in the plan by sending in Va., polled 241 votes at the elec-

Socialists in the Wisconsin legis-lature defeated the attempt of the merchants' associations of the state to reduce from \$60 to \$40 a month the amount of a wage workers earnings not collectable for debt.

Socialists at Naples, Italy, have ed will be celebrated until the declared a general strike to obtain a reduction in the price of bread

WILL YOU CARRY YOUR CITY FOR SOCIALISM?

IT 18 a foregone conclusion that it will be impossible for you to "CARRY YOUR CITY FOR SOCIALISM" unless you order a big bundle of that great municipal edition of The American Socialist, dated March 26, No. 124. Capitalism has turned our cities into sinkholes of vice and corruption

The slum is next door to the boulevard.

The Socialists are trying to make the cities fit places to live. Socialists want cities without slums and without poverty and suffering. That is part of the big fight of The American Socialist.

Even if there is no campaign on in your city this spring, this "CARRY TOUR CITY FOR SOCIALISY" edition of The American Socialist makes TOUR CITY FOR SOCIALISM certion of The American Second propagands right how. Plant the need new for future victories.

It is too late to arrange for a special local edition of The American Specialist for poor city, are constituted in previous taxics of The American Socialist. But you can get a big bundle of the regular edition. Here is the order blank:

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\$25.00. Bundle Rates of Any Is- ens.—1,000. \$5; 500, \$2.50;	City
200, \$1; 100, 50 cents.	State

WAR! FREEDOM FOR THE NATION'S POLITICAL SLAVES

C ONGRESS has adjourned. It has accomplished nothing for FIGHT NOW TO the working class. War and unemployment have gripped WIPE OUT ALL **UNFAIR RULES**

After hundreds of United States civil service employes ship in the Socialist Party, fearing that if they did not do so they would lose their jobs under the anti-political proclamation of the civil service commission, a ruling has been finally secured from the commission declaring that government employes may be dues paying Socialist Party members.

This is the first big victory in the campaign to secure political justice for the governdemocratic administration unto let you have this leaflet at an cents per thous der Wilson, as they were pre-Taft and Roosevelt.

The next big step will be to prevent the persecution and discharging of civil service employes who happen to take active part in the work of the Socialist movement, men and women who are the candidates of the Socialist Party in campaigns, or hold official positions within the party organization.

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ed States government is as follows: nistory ut campaign.
Oct. 24, 1914. — Showed how the Lone Socialist In History Of Campaign: anti-political rulings of the United States civil service commission, in the midst of the congressional campaign, was cruehing political activity on the part of the civil service Wins Big Victory employes, and practically forcing hundreds of thousands into abject

political slavery. Oct. \$1.—Showed how Raymond Lawlor, Socialist, mail carrier. at Home weeks ago special stamps were sent out, and the returns on these stamps are coming in steadily.

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> employes. Nov. 7 -- Exposed ruling of U. S. Socialist postmaster in western engaged Brewer in animated state, who also happened to be a Socialist Party county secretary and

Dec. 5. The American Socialist torwards plan to 31 Socialist legislators in 13 states to abolish politicat slavery of the government em-

Dec. 12. Shows how the civil service workers at the Mare Island Navy Yard, Vallejo, Calif., are facing dismissal for attending street trade unionists.

commission's anti-political rulings. Jan. 16, 1915.—Shows how democrat is given preference over So-

legislature instructed by state par- stand his eagerness in securing the inmentary committee to fight for civil service Forkers.

Feb. 20.—Shows how John H. filler, Socialist, postal clerk in fight for reconsideration, being the job because he acted as chairman or. Gibson, republican, of Craw-

ably the railway mail clerk; and the postal elephs, have made bereic attempts to organize mto labor. unions. This is also true of the letter carriers. In this they have been fought by the old party officials in the postal department. In applie of this they have been able to the postal department. In applie of this they have been able to the postal department. spite of this they have been able to build up strong organizations and The American Socialist pickers them its support in their efforts to win political and industrial emaneipation from the system that is now trying to keep them in ambiection.

The First Victory | 6,000 messages in red are now on their way to the 6,000 secretaries of the 6,000 Socialist Party local organizations scattered everywhere over the nation.

N ORDER to get a ruling from the United States civil service commission on the question of whether an employe of the government could also be a dues paying member of the Socialist Party, Walter Lanfersiek, Socialist Party executive secretary, wrote to the commission, explaining the method of

organization of the party. The letter received in reply, which is published in full, makes it clear that employes in the civil service may be members of the Socialist Party, and cannot be discharged or discriminated against because of such membership.

The letter is signed by John A. McIlhenny, president of the commission, and is as follows:

"This Commission is in receipt of your letter of February 5, 1915, asking whether an employe in the civil service may be a dues-paying member of a political party.

"In reply your attention is invited to the inclosed circular of this Commission relating to political assessments and political activity and especially to sections 44 to 56 thereof. The provisions of the criminal code quoted in the sections mentioned prohibit the solicitation of receipt of political contributions by a Government officer or employe from any other Government officer or employe the solicitation or receipt of political contributions in Federal buildings by any person whether or not a Government efficer or employe; discrimination against an officer or employe for giving or withholding, or neglecting to make any political contribution; and the payment of a political contribution by one officer or employe to another officer or employe.

"There is nothing in the civil service law, rules or regulations to prohibit a Government employe from making a voluntary contribution for any political purpose, provided that such contribution is not made to a person who is in the service of the United States and is not made in a Federal building.

"By direction of the Commission: "Very respectfully,"

"JOHN A. McILHENNY, "President."

Kansas Legislature

By GEORGE W. KLEIHEGE State Secretary Socialist Party of

After passing the Kansas House Pointed out that municipal civil sidered in the House upon metion service employes were threatened by Representative Coffin of Morris service employes were threatened of the with the same fate that was being county at the solicitation of the meted out to rederal civil service lone Socialist Representative Brew-

Brewer was the only real oppo-Nov. 7.—Exposed ruling of U. S. nent of the hill. His colleague from civil service commission that civil Crawford county, Gibson, republicservice employes must not act as an and the republican member precinct officers on election day.

Nov. 14.—Exposed brazen attempt hee, both very much interested in of civil service commission to oust its possage for political purposes. versation at the back of the hall while the bill was read and jammed into bulk roll call unbeknown to

Brewer. It is rumored about the State House that this was framed up b Senator Porter, father of the bill to keep Brewer from exposing the real object of the scheme behind the bill.

Stole Sent from Socialist. etings called by Socialists and Senator Porter in the gentleman (?) from Crawford county, Kausas, who never again could be hope to come to the senate unless he could suc presentative to the senair unless he could suc. presentative is could suc. presentative is could suc. presentative is at Dester, Kans.

Jan. 20. Socialists in Montana and thus one can readily under of the House.

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No. 123 on your address latel, your subscription expires next week. Do not fail to renew

"ELECT" DROPPED: NOW IT IS CONGRESSMAN LONDON. 14 noon, Thursday, March 4. At noon, Inursuay, March 5. Meyer London, Socialist, dropped the "clect" and instead of being Socialist Congressman-list Congressman London. That was the hour at which the old congress went out of existence. But the congressmen elected

last fall, among them London will not really go to work until December, unles President Wilson calls a special session seem likely at this time.

result being 50 for the measure and This was 13 short of a constitutional majority and thus the bill was defeated.

Most Speciacular Fight. This was, perhaps, the most spec-

acular fight seen in the Kansas that never before have such tremendous odde been overcome. lone Socialist arrayed against the cunning, oratory and the power of political prestice of a horde of the most able representatives from both the republican and democratic sides of the House; and this after the bill had once been passed by a

vote of eighty-six to six.

The measure was a direct slap at the olien Socialist voters in Crawford county and would have ruined It should be remembered that the powerful socialist strength in that section of Kansas.

In view of the extreme prejudice Dec. 18.—California Socialist state stole hir reat two years ago from against socialists in the Kansas legislators plan war on civil service the recularly elected senator. Fred Legislature the reconsideration and commission's anti-political rulings. W. Stanton, who is a socialist. Portice final defeat of the bill, under ter has known from that time that the extraordinary circumstances, t certainly a splendid tribute to Re-Brewer, both as to his nower on the floor and his personality, and popularity among members

Test Desnerate Batte Senator Porter, who after the

Representative Brewer led in the triumphant passage of the House Rill had it substituted for his cor-Wichita, Kans., post office, loses only member who spoke in its fav responding Senate Bill No. 320, has managed to get his bill resurrected of Socialist meeting and a member ford. Waggoner, republican, and at the last moment and is now, in Socialist platform committe. Harley democrat both of Cherokeel company with his fellow consulto'h of Cherokee company with his fellow conspir-The civil service employes, not, county, Lamb of Montgomery and ators in the riduse making a des-Burton of Labette, spoke against perate effort to have the law passed

not a bit discouraged, however.

THIS week 6,000 RED MESSAGES left the office of your paper in Chicago. These 6,000 messages in red are now on their way to

This is a vital message from your paper to you. When you go to the next meeting of your Socialist local remember to ask the secretary about it. Get this message before your local and see that your local falls into line with the 5,999 other locals in the nation.

Your paper wants 6,000 spirited replies from 6,000 Socialist locals to its 6,000 messages in red. You belong to one of those 6,000 Socialist locals.

The story told by the message in red that was sent to your local is as follows:

"You have no doubt read the inspiring report of the condition of THE AMERICAN SO-

CIALIST in the issue of February 6. "For the first time in our history we have a National party owned paper that is self-sustaining.

"THE AMERICAN SOCIALIST HAS MORE THAN PAID EXPENSES DURING THE LAST SIX MONTHS. Its circ.:lation

has grown from 22,847 on July 18th, 1914, to 50.468 on February 6th, 1915.

"We believe that the management of the paper has merited your support, and we ask you to help us in our present undertaking to raise enough money to practically wipe out the party debt and at the same time increase the circulation of the paper another 20,000.

"We do not ask you for a donation. We ask you to buy four forty week sub-cards. These will cost you \$1.00.

"There is not a local in the United States that cannot appropriate that amount from its treasury. If you cannot, you can no doubt collect a dollar among the comrades at your meeting. You can sell the sub-cards and get your money back.

"If every local in the United States will do that, the party debt will go glimmering and the circulation of the American Socialist will soar in a way to put new hope and courage into the hearts of the party workers who have so valiant-

ly stood by the paper." Look for this RED MESSAGE with a volunteer sub-blank attached. To reply to the message in red is the biggest work before the next meeting of your local.

SOCIALIST STATE SECRETARIES TO THE FRONT

THE State Secremoies of the Socialist Par-I ty have responded mag, dicently to our appeal to wipe out the party debt and boost THE AMERICAN SOCIALISI'.

The State Secretaries,—better perhaps than anyone else are in a position to know the value of a strong party paper. A STRONG PARTY PAPER MEANS A SOLID PARTY MEM-BERSHIP, a membership that can be easily reached and be made to respond whenever something of importance confronts the party.

The State Secretaries also know the importance of a National Office free from debt which can come to the aid of a state when the state organization faces a problem too big for

The State Secretaries have therefore sent us many cheering words and it is to be hoped that the locals and members of each state respond in the same whole-hearted manner in which

their officials responded. B. T. TILLER, State Secretary of North Carolina: B. T. TILLER, NEW Secretary of Norm Carolina, "Here is my dollar for four sub-cards. I hope that every one will join in on this plan to increase the circulation of The American Socialist to 100,000 and put the party out of debt. Then I am in favor of raising money to buy a national home and locate same near the center of population as possible. It would be a good idea to buy several hundred acres of lend to build our bome on, then we could take no of land to build our home on, then we could take up one thing after another in a co-operative way, thus help reduce the cost of living and show the comrades that it is a benefit to belong to the party in more ways than just voting."

THOMAS W. WILLIAMS, State Secretary of Cali-fornia: "Your plan to at once double the subscrip-tion to The American Socialist is admirable. Count us in on the deal. The paper is indispensable. It brings us into touch with the general movement and rings true in constructive party work. Success and

FREDA HOGAN, State Secretary of Arkansas: "We hope that the 5,600 pledges will be in your hands very soon. More than this number can easily spare the \$1 and I can think of no way in which it could do better service to the cause." ALICE & EDDY, State Secretary of Arisona: "The

power of co-operation has, in some degree, been demonstrated by the success of The American Socialist. Let us prove that power further by helping our paper wipe out the party debt." I. F. STEWART, State Secretary of Idaho: "I trust

every party official will realize the importance of putting The American Socialist in a hundred thousputting the American Socialist in a hundred thousand homes each week, and if each worker does his part, we can easily lift the \$5,000 debt and in a short time have the paper in a position to help meet the other expenses of the national organization."

JOHN P. BUBKE, State Secretary of New Hampshire: "I have always favored a party owned press. Now, when we have an official paper, I shall do my part to make it a favor for the movement. I de-ire to urge the Socialists everywhere to rally to the support of The American Socialist. Let us also take hold and clear the party debt; say good-bye to apathy and cynicism and begin now for a giorious advance for

1. S. Wel'RHLLIR, State Secretary of lows: "The fact that the debt is no larger than it is, is most en-couraging. I shall call special attention to the plan in my next news letter to the membership and urae the comrades through the state to contribute their chare.

A. J. McDONALD, State Secretary of New Mexico: "Here is my dollar for four sub-cards in the more to raise the party debt. Why do I send it! First because debt hampers all our activities: practically throttles the party. Second, because we need OUR PAPER. The American Socialist, more than any others already agency for party building and many other single agency for party building and propa-gands. With it, all our efforts chould be reverted more effective than without it. We cannot make any mistake by puting our first and best boosts behind OUR PAPER."

The Socialists have applied for a permit to parade May Day, May 1, in Baltimore, Md Last year they hands of the party regularly and shall do my utmost were refused a permit. They are the make the comrades in Nebraska realize the impact a bit discouraged between the comrades in Nebraska realize the im-

portance of subscribing to it." Help clean up that party debt! FRED E. IRISH, State Secretary of Maine: "The Send in a dollar for four sub-cards, American Socialist Volunteer sub-plan commends itself to me very highly and I hasten to enroll myself. Included find check for \$1 in navment for four agh-cases and I wish every meeting of the party here in

Maine would follow my example. J. RAPHAELSON, State Secretary of Kontuckys "Although I still have sub-cards on hand, I wish to be one of the 5,000 American Socialist boosters. I am anxious to see The American Socialist enlarged and its usefulness extended. Five thousand dollars will go a long way in making The American Socialist big-ger, brighter and more powerful for the benefit of the working class. Every Socialist who still has a lob should join hands with me in sending a dollar for four anb-carda."

ROBERT B. RINGLER, State Secretary of Ponnsylvania: "I trust that you will meet the co-opera-tion of all prominent comrades and that the plan will be crowned with success."

MILO C. JONES, State Secretary of New Jorsey: "I fully approve of your plan of wiping out the \$5,000 debt. Here is my dollar."

J. W. RICHMAN, District Secretary of the District of Columbia: "Enclosed find check for \$1 in pay-ment for four sub-cards. Just a few words anent OUR PAPER: It is a hummer for party members who are interested in the organization and its routwho are interested in the organization and its rout-ine work. I have heard considerable comment how-ever, and agree in the main with it,—that the OFFI-CIAL MATTER carried on page 3, has a tendency to defract from its value as a propaganda medium, Official business, should properly go to and concern officials chosen to conduct same. For instance, run off a few hundred or a thousand copies with OFFI-CIAL BUSINESS, mail same to those interested, the balance till the space with pure propaganda matter. I realize it will cost more but would remove the objection. It may not be feasible. I offer it for what it is worth."

EDWARD H. KINTZER, State Secretary of West Virginia: "As national committeeman from West Virginia I favored and voted for party owned press last May. I had pleaty of misgivings then. I have now. The Imerican Socialist has exceeded my for 'st hopes. It is growing better all the time. It's nething to keep interest alive in the movement. It is a pleasure as well as a duty and a privilege to work for the things in our movement that are a SIC-CESS. My dollar and best wishes are offered in this latest effort to get \$5,000 for party funds. It is given in the hope that my West Virginia comrades particularly will respond."

MAX WILE, State Secretary of Georgia: "I am enclosing check for \$3 for list of subscribers on your volunteer plan. I feel quite sure that within the next few days I shall have another list of names. The comrades here have been pretty hard hit and money "light." However, they think nothing thits the spot like The American Socialist. It's clear cut and newsy columns appeal strongly to the wide awake comrades and we shall do all possible to assist you in reach-ing the 100,000 mork."

E. L. CANON, State Secretary of Oregon: "I hope to see all possible strength given to the party owned paper. I have but one criticism to make regarding The American Socialist. My criticism is at the local end. What we need is for the commutes of the locals to get hundles of The American Socialist and carry on a systematic (not a haphazard, guess work) distribution of them every week. I enclose ?? for subscards.

GET THAT OKLAHOMA SPIRIT Hate off to George G. Bamilton, Socialist Party

national quamitteeman of Oklahoma, who has secured 100 anti-criptions for the American Sociallet which he chaiks no as his tirst effort to help get 20,000 new subscribers, raise the party debt and start the Socialist forces working for the 1916 presidential campaign. Those 100 "subs" mean \$25. The present industrial depression does not bother Comrade Bataffini: He declared "I am so busy working for Socialism that I haven't got time to wet discouraged." Hamilton picks up a good hunch of substat every meeting he addresses He gives a little talk on The American Socialist and then asks his listeners to subscribe. He says he finds it easy work to get subs for a good paper. As we go to press the figures show \$150 received on this fund, which means that we have still \$4,620 to get. Now that we have really started, however, we are going to move forward at top speed. Do your part now! Get the Oklahoma

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MONDAY, MARCH &.

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This Week's Editorial From Socialist Press

THE LATENT BOMB PARE.

(From The New York Call.) Inere was a tremendous bomb exmion in the newspaper beedlines cesterday, a story that on the face of it looks to be one of the rawest and most vicious fakes ever perpetrated on the public. Patrick's Cathedral was just paved from being blown to the pro-

verbial smithereens. The "anarthe dastardly act was just about to set the bomb alight with his cigar nd when he was pounced upon by the "detective," who, it seems, had helped to manufacture the bomb.

> financial districts, bands of men armed with rifles and revolvers were in appear suddenly and loot the banks and stores, and start an in mediate massacre of the rich.
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> "It is said" that the police say
> all these things. Vast stores of
> bumbs have aiready been manufac tured, and a general looting of the city was under way as the next immediate step, when the villians- two por them, beardless youths of 18 and d 19 years—were suddenly stopped in their career of crime before they

really got started.
This story has already been wired

instructions of explosions that were to come, and leaving the impression In U1.000.000 earge of foodstaffs in frome, and leaving the impression that "Bocialists" were implicated in them. One peculiarly idiotic journal of this kind came out plumply with the accusation that the Socialist party was responsible for the Bayes.

I Bayes have destarts Mannes destroy the sacret ediff. We have the sacret ediff. noticed the accusation editorially at the time.

> ranged for the purpose of rehabilitating the church in the minds of its own people and others who may he credulous enough to accept it as he credulous enough to accept it as fact. Already, hefore the report was an hour old, came the contraliction that Rockefe'ter and Carnezie had not been threatened, and that most of the hair-raising conspiracy was a pure fake, but the story has already gone abroad. The church will be haited as a navine of speciety as a miller of the settle. of society, as a pillar of the state and nation and preservor of our in-etitutions against "anarchists," and in view of the present anti-clerical agitation that it is confronted with. t to timely enough.

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gerald bill so that they can prevent from going tartungs they do not like.

Some time ago, the "Agitater" of Washington was forbidden to be published because its editor was accused of printing an article that its religious enemies said "encouraged disrespect for the law."

The enemies of free speech, free press and religious liberty are quietly but industriously at work in different parts of the United States to account the manual from executions these sacred rights, and the more in-

prevent the people from exercising those sacred rights, and the more in-discreet once boast that they will accomplish their purpose at no distant

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l'NDER THE DECISION of the Supreme Court there is not an honost outspoken newspaper in America that cannot be easily supressed. The decision virtually is that if an editor prints an objection to any law enacted by a legislative body, his newspaper may be suppressed on the charge that it tends to "encourage disrespect for law."

Under that decision of the highest court in the United States, every paper that opposed slavery before the war might have been put out of a business and all papers new that advesses the prohibition of the salour or oppose laws which make it unlawful for women to vote, might be suppressed. Every republican newspaper that criticises laws enacted by the democrats might be suspended under that ruling.

Our forefathers of the Revolution fought a war of seven years duration to maintain the right of freedom of speech, free press and religious liberty, and for more than a contury the American people have convened every in Fourth of July to hear read the Declaration of Independence and rejoice that there had been bequeathed to them the right to exercise those prior-

This story has already been wired over the entire country, so that militions of credulous Americans can dispersion of credulous Americans dispersion of credulous dispersion disp

If Big Business enacts a law and some editor of a paper, friendly to working people, criticises the statute, it is proposed by the Colorado Rouse of Representatives to authorise the Governor to suspend such newspaper (whether such statutes are good or bad) "tends to incite riots." From my view point, such propositions are fraught with a thousand fold greater dangers to our country than was the infamous "Dred Scott Decision" which was that a negro had no rights that a white man was

bound to respect.

The enomies of free speech, free press and religious liberty are busy new and the signs indicate that they are making substantial progress in their schemes of underty with the principle of the pressingues, a year out tire great shamples at democracy and lover of the revolution. Boots, Thomas Jefferson, says— "ETERNAL VIGILANCE IN THE PRICE OF LIBERTY."

THO WANTS A SOCIALIST PAPER?

By JOSHUA WANHOPE

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THERE ARE MILLIONS of people in this country who know that the press is viie, corrupt, lying, rotten and dishonest, who nevertheless always fons of one and the same spirit of read a capitalist paper and would never think of subscribing to a Socialist journal. But they do not necessarily think the paper they read is useless to them on that account, for their favorite paper serves up some particular thing they have been trained to want. And nine times out of the ten that thing has nothing much to do with other politics or economics.

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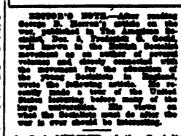
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ternational Socialism in Surope had no power of resistance against the tide of race-jealousy and military passion which rose suddenly last carpage? Ima't murder for your carpage?

Among the nations at war, the to do this? Among the nations at war, the blow on the last income of the Prussian policy. The war party in England has fomented ill feeling against Germany for the last fifteen years, and the policy of the ruling classes has been to encourage ecoperation with France, and therefore with Russia; and, even if Germany had not violated Belgian neutrality, the British war-naty neutrality, the British war-party would have endeavored to draw this

So spoke Fred D. Warren, the fighting editor of "The Appeal" by a spoke Fred D. Warren, the fighting exclusively. The fig

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foller is "Foursquare with God,"
while the Subcommittee on Mines
and mining before the House at
Washington finds Rockefeller "morally culpable" for wrongs perpetrated in Colorado. It looks as if
that Sunday feller was after some

sea of doubt, while the interests send out their liars, like submar-MARY'S LAMB. The floore was white as enew. The boar trust publish it one day; How much does Mary own?

Woman suffrage is going right ahead winning the support of all real men. The imitation kind of men are still trying to look dignised while they talk like fools.

The Ward Baking Co., avers that it raised the price of bread to help the small dealer, who, if he could not charge six cents a loaf, would fail. Now will you dare any loager to asperse the poble character

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TET YOUR PRINCIPLES RIGHT

By JOHN M. WORK

N APOLEON Benaparts ence delivered himself of a wise remark. 'Il Will Min: "GR your principles right, and the rest is a see

When a man once comprehends the principles of Socialism, when he when a man once compresses the principles of stokalism, which is ease realises that the evolution of society makes Socialism inevitable, when he once sees that Socialism is the true and only solution of the great industrial problem, he no longer worries about the details of the Socialist commonwealth. He knows that those details will be worked out estima-

terily when the time comes, and that in the nature of things they can not be accurately outlined beforehand.

But these who have not given the subject much thought am Hable to consider Socialism as an arbitrary scheme or plan, instead of the natural final stage in the evolution of society. Consequently, they are very much concerned about the details.

MOST OF their quanturies arise from a lack of comprehension of the changed conditions which will be brought about by the abolition of private ownership of the means of production and distribution and the hitroduction of the collective ownership and control of them.

For example, I heard a man say that if we had Socialism, a few men would save their money and loan it to the rest of the people, so that is a short time they would have the people in general paying interest to them and we would have exploitation the same as ever, only in a superwhat different manner. what different manner.

That man did not realize the changed conditions that will e

Socialism has been introduced.

In the first place, a man will not cave much money when he only gets what he is entitled to. Hen do not get rich by accumulating their own money. They get rich by accumulating other people's money.

to loan.
Who will borrow it from them?

When the great majority of the people are working in the callective industries and are no longer running private businesses on their own book, why should they want to borrow money? Their incomes will be amply large enough so that they will not need to borrow meansy for household purposes, and they will have no occasion to herrow it for business purposes.

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muchly with coining the labor of little children into profits for the mill swarm of not only Georgia but of other states.

Like Heary of Tunns in the Woman Suffrage debate he harked back to the Fathers of the Constitution. He was not opposed to profecting the little enes. Had be not sought through the Legislature of the state of Georgia to protect children under 14 years of age from being "improperly worked?"

We however called the attention of the House to the fact that they

were now trying to protest the children of Georgia in "an unconstitution-He told his horror stricken audience that they were going to lay

their hands "on the secred Ark of the Covenant and invade the liberties of the people of the States." But Bartlett has hopes that this petarious plot to interfere with the

But Bartlett has hopes that this actarious plot to interfere with the at the same time; they will necessarily seemed and souls of little ones in opposite in opposite in opposite in the party is the will not succeed.

When asked by Murdock of Kaness whether he expected the Supreme Court of the United States to hold the child-labor law "unconstitutional" hope party! Much better to be law as it has bereichere declared it, and to say that you cannot exercise the intersection of the Court of the Constitution to regulate the police laws of the Supreme Court of the Constitution to regulate the police laws of the Supreme Court of the Supreme Court of the Supreme Court of a socialists can be pulled in one direction, even a pulled in one direction, even a such a union. We hardly see where young and public servants of Capitalism apart.

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the States."

Congress might think that the lives of little children were more idea has caused the formation of important than the/Constitution but Bartlett evidently has faith in the American socialist party along like the Owle who have the last say. And his faith is justified. It is the line of a union of states. One state is controlled by the radicals, another state by the conservatives;

Here we have all been believing that the engineers who designed and the workers who built the great canal had the "distinguished" part in the "construction" of it and Martin comes along and destroys this

Well, \$100,000 will sure buy some "luxury" for Bill, Ted, Doc., and together, and determine upon a new party. That this amount would also relieve some of the meery caseed by with the Finnish radicals, and memployment we suppose is beyond the understanding of a body of wise manners who shrick "polaralism" every time a measure is presented that not make progress in both directions. The party will ought to be expressed the suppose of any measure designed to further the interests of "business."

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Foulon of France.

Camby came to New York and gave voice to this, "The poor will not stop esting bread because it is raised one cent a loaf, BUT THEY WILL MOT MAT SO MUCH OF IT."

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pointed Courados Miliquit, Stedman, Bag-dahl, Branstotter and Lanfersick to re-present the Party at the Conference. Of course it is quite understood that the Par-ty is not beamd in any way by any action of the Conference. A platform was adapt-ed, copies of which will be forwarded to

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Committeeman.

Immediately following this event, the relations between the Secretary and the Blate Executive Committee became strained to the point that the Secretary refused to Committee access to the records and refused to meet with them. He sent out a second belief repeating Evan's name on the belief although the Committee claims Evans was elected on the first belief. The Committee, thereupen sent out a se-called 'corrected belief' without Evan's name; thus two different beliefs were returned, the first to Warneck, the accend to Evans, who was appointed Secretary pre tem by the Committee.

On the 30th of February, a state convention was held, which sent a communi-

I am unable to available Committeeman acceptance as National Committeeman to instruct this office who shall be recognized.

advice.

QUERY: Shall Joseph Warneck be recognized as the State Secretary or shell I recognize the person designated by the State Executive Committee!

QUERY: Shall Frank Astronam or Joseph Warneck be recognized as National Committeeman!

Praternally submitted,

Walter Lanfernick, Executive Secretary.

Chicago, Ill., March 5, 1914.

cherted lacity.

Dear Cemerals: Tas Reseine in-irfint Branches of the Party by a referendum vote decided to organize themselves
in a federation under the name, "The
Pederation of the Russian Socialists."

The following branches voted for a
Russian Federation:
Chicago Re 1. 17 members
Chicago No 4 17

Minnespotis, Minn. 19

New York 49

Newark N. J.

Providence, R. I.

Please bring this fiatter to the next scales of the Escutive Committee of the Party and the decision of the same kindly send to the above address.

Fraternally.

E. LAVETER, Secretary.

Since the morting of the Executive Committee has been postposed, I am submitting this to you by correspondence. Kindly rote upon the following:

QUERY: Shell the request of the Russian branches he granted?

Praternally submitted.

Watter Lanfornick, Executive Secretary.

THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE. Rome of the members of the National Committee do not first the right hand of fellow-donal Committee do not first the same upon 772 kg ownership have the Committee reduced to a BHIP whenever private ownership been in the past, we have had two organs performing the same functions, with equal powers. The con-stitution specifically gives the N. E. two committees trying to function at the same time; they will neces-

SMMATOR Martin of Virginia has startled us. Appealing to the Senate the other day to give President Wilson \$140,000 to pay the expenses of a Passens Party to celebrate, in a "fitting" manner, the completion of the Canal, Martin said he weald be very much surprised if Wilson didn't invite Taft and Reservelt to the aferencial party.

He said "that the courtesy of the occasion would require that they be haveled and that they be provided for in a LUXURIOUS way in view of the distinguished part they took in the CONSTRUCTION of this great work."

Here we have all been believing that the angles.

The party should gather its forces together, and determine upon a line clearly, and no trifling should be permitted once that is established stand, and vice versa. Let the will of the majority rule. There is plen-ty of room in the S. L. P. and the Bull Moose party for the two ex-

Rut when the party has once spo. The states involved. Busine the pro-Rut, the least one can do is to work posed change Bt Ende it would be Rud, the least one can do is to work posed change Bt Ende it would be Rud, the least one can do is to work posed change Bt Ende it would be Rud, the least one can do is to work posed change Bt Ende it would be haps the policy will go the other way, and then the other fellow must laws, also should the chemical manner of the present state machinery in order to comply with the requirements of state submit.

Let us have party loyalty first and loyalty to our own particular brand of tactics second. No matter what shade of tactics we may advocate, let us give one another cred it for honesty of purpose. Between National meetings our every effort should be spent in building the party, not in fighting the other side W. B. LANDELL.

HATCHES UNRULY BROOD.

The Capitalist her has hatched an unruly brood of ducklings that are constantly distressing her by disporting themselves in a most unchickesly fashion in what she considers the perilous ponds of Public Ownership. The fussy and eack-ling old "Sun" is in a frenzy of perturbation because the "World" has been playing around the edges of these ponds and cautions it that the "Bocialist bogy, is not a wraith or a thing of mist or imagination." Says the "Sun" to the "World." "We are afraid of every further step toward the well-known ideal, which if realized, would centre in the Government the multiform proper to individual initiative and effort." "Right y'are" answer the "World." "We believe in private ownership whenever it." but "We believe in public ownership when private ownership is in-

adequate. Private ownership is "inadequate" whenever it does not prowide the necessary shipping facilities for transporting various American products to foreign markets But, we arise to ask the "World." is it more important that the surplus products produced by American workers should be transported to foreign markets than that the Amerioan workers should be so employed as to be able themselves to purchase and consume the major part of these products? Is private ownership "ADEQUATE" when it fails to furnish the opportunity for employ-ment to millions of able and willing workers, which in turn become the cause of greater and greater exploitation of the employed workers resulting in the creation of more and more surplus value and the of the private owners who are thereby forced to seek Government aid to help them reach foreign mar-

As Lincoln once said "This is a world of compensations." Through the neglect or suppidity of organeter an idle class is created aled forthwith analitates in east stages from beggary to roobery and from assault to homicide and suicide. Nobody and nothing ought to be safe while employment and adequate in any Socialist Party Organization npensation is dealed a single for a period of five years from and

human being. Therefore, since private owner- of the preceding section of this ship as an industrial system has constitution. gone bankrupt, the safety of person and property demands that bears. forth such private industries as are necessary to the employment of all the people must be regarded as our organic Party Law, but the PUBLIC UTILITIES, to be conducted members of the Local Organizations ted by society for the physical and throughout the Nation who are sim-moral preservation of its units and cerely opposed to War, Militarism the perpetuation and perfection of and in favor of Disarmament can civilization. To reduce it to a syl- do so and thereby give the rank logism, the safety of person and and file of the party an opportunity property requires employment; pri- to declare themselves upon these rate ownership falls to provide it; all important and vital questions. public ownership guarantees it: ownership is necessary to the security of person organization to permit its official: and property.

or so-called Leaders to commit it.

Eureka! The basis of union has to any sort of program on these

been found! Comrade "World,"

W. W. PASSAGE, Brooklyn, N. Y. MAINE-NEW HAMPSHIRE-VER-

MONT UNION. c. all the powers of the National Committee between sessions. If hope that my Comrades will not this means that both committees have full powers at the same time it means a ridiculous thing. There it means a ridiculous thing. There it means a ridiculous thing. There well as learning that both Maine priations for so called "wars of dead of the proposed party district having a paid secretary, as Constitutional Amendments, appropriations for so called "wars of dead of the proposed party with the manufacture by a library that my Comrades will not be persuaded to exempt from the provisions of the proposed party district having a paid secretary, as Constitutional Amendments, appropriations for so called "wars of dead" that the Kaiser led our German control of the proposed party with the party with the committee of the proposed party district having a paid secretary, as Constitutional Amendments, appropriations for so called "wars of dead of the proposed party district having a paid secretary, as Constitutional Amendments, appropriations for so called "wars of dead of the proposed party district having a paid secretary, as Constitutional Amendments, appropriation of the proposed party district having a paid secretary, as Constitutional Amendments, appropriation of the proposed party district having a paid secretary, as Constitutional Amendments, appropriation of the proposed party district having a paid secretary, as Constitutional Amendments, appropriation of the proposed party district having a paid secretary. and New Hampshire have a referen- fense," it was through this "back dum before their members on this door" that the Kaiser led our Gerdum before their members on this question, the state committee of execution, the state committee of consideration, the state committee of consideration, to assortain what advantage if any there might be in such a union. We hardly see where every common took the question under such a union. We hardly see where every content to be a war of invasion and consuch a union. We hardly see where every content to be a war of invasion and consuch a union. We hardly see where every content to be a war of invasion and consuch a union. We hardly see where every content to be a war of invasion and consuch a union. We hardly see where every content to be a war of invasion and consuch a union. We hardly see where every content to be a war of invasion and consuch a union. We hardly see where every content to be manufactured for 6 mills per k. w. h., sold at 2c per k. w. h., and pay more tran 6% on a liberal capitalization on the object of the calgary exchange from the Bell to Calgary exchange from the Bell on a liberal capitalization on the object of the calgary exchange from the Bell on a liberal capitalization on the object of the calgary exchange from the Bell on a liberal capitalization on the object of the calgary exchange from the Bell on a liberal capitalization on the object of the calgary exchange from the Bell on a liberal capitalization on the object of the calgary exchange from the Bell on a liberal capitalization on the object of the calgary exchange from the Bell on a liberal capitalization on the object of the calgary exchange from the Bell on a liberal capitalization on the object of the calgary exchange from the Bell on a liberal capitalization on the object of the calgary exchange from the Bell on a liberal capitalization on the object of the calgary exchange from the Bell on a liberal capitalization on the object of the calgary exchange from the Bell on a liberal capitalization on the object of the calgary exchange from the Bell on a liberal capitalization on the object of the calgary exchange from the Bell on other two states would be benefited. and public servants of Capitaliam a full monopoly of all responsibility mont for the past year (206) would give \$10.30 monthly that is received FRANCIS M. ELLIOTT, from dues. The proposed referen-dum calls for an assessment of \$10.00 monthly from this state. Where there is now left a small sum for campaigns, state conven-tions, correspondence, literature, printing, etc., we in Vermont would have nothing, and would be comnation, which exists in no other so-cialist party in the world. We per-mit every crank to exploit his own particular fallacy, and the party as a whole goes in no certain direction at all. This is neither efficiency nor sense. members (total in the three states) of other comrades. We, of course would amount to \$65.45 monthly, cannot all agree with all that is leaving \$5.45 after paying secretadone and said by the officials in the ry's salary, for office supplies, due stamps, secretary's expenses while oppose their actions in a more dig-cut organizing. An organizer would nified manner, than charging prej-

sired end, (organization work) would be any better accomplished at no cost to this state at least. would be thrown upon the shoulders of the paid secretary and if he had to attend to this he would have little or no time left for organizing or propaganda work. Again would it not be undemocratic to do away with many officers and establish one office with one paid secretary? Would it not establish an autocracy over the three states? This at least we must avoid. Were it possible for these states to have an organizer for a limited time in the year who could devote his entire time to or-

ganization while engaged, the de-sired result might be much better accomplished. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of the Socialist Party of Vermont

VAST DIFFERENCE OF OPINION. The various views expressed and positions assumed by some of our party officials and so called party leaders on the question of War, militarism and disarmament, indirates a vast difference of or the opinion of the writer there is no question about where the and file of the organized Socialist tions but for the purpose of permit ting the said rank and file to settl according to the views of the the matter both for themselves an for their officials and "Leaders propose the following two sections he added to the Vational Constitu ion of the Socialist Party of the

'nited States Section One. That from and after the adoption of this and the su eeding section of the National Par ty Constitution, by a referendur vote of the Party Membership, any public official holding an Execu tive or Legislative public office, as a Socialist, who officially approve of or votes for any appropriation public money's in support of th Army or the Navy of the United States or of the military forces of any state or Territory of the Nation, as such Army, Navy or Milit ary forces are now constituted shall by such official approval of vote, thereby voluntarily cease to be a member of the Socialist Party and the political subdivision of the Socialist Party in which such publi official has theretofore held member ship, shall at once take up cancel such official's card of mem bership in the party organization. whose membership in the Br Party has been forfelted through violation of the foregoing section of this constitution shall be re-instated

after the date of his or her violatio Since the writer is a member-at Arisona, he cannot move the adoption of the proposed amendments to It appears to the writer to be

so-called Leaders to commit

questions but the membership should ut once take steps to defend its po-sition on the questions here involved and to enforce its mandates upon party officials and public servants alike.

Furthermore, it would appear to upon the part of American Socialists to seek to instruct our European Comrades in these important mat-ters or to proffer our services in settling their internal affairs until we have taken a definite and settled Seeing in a recent issue of The position ourselves upon the ques-

FRANCIS M. ELLIOTT, Los Angeles, Calif.

DIVERGENT VIEWS.

One of the chief objections made

take a long organising trip and do udice, unfairness, Boss rules, etc. a lot of important business on \$5.45. Let us give others credit for being Vermont is not in a position at pres-as conscientious as ourselves and ent to carry on the work as it should I believe better results will be be because of lack of necessary shown. Personally, I would like funds, and if this burden of \$10.00 our party platform to be more exis added it would mean a constant plicit on Industrial organizations, assessment or the Vermont Socialist as well as to come before the people Party would go under. The present with a clear cut method of acquir-state committee has held monthly ing the industries of the nation. Let meetings to conduct the work in us all units together to carry the Vermont at no cost to the party. Any expense incurred has been met into our own movement, by reason out of their pockets. We feel that a combination of this kind would questions, etc., ought not to be a only create a job for some one at bone of contention with Socialists. the expense and to the detriment of OHN SPENCE, Mason City, Icwz. At the municipal election held at

Barre, Vt., Robert Gordon, the So-cialist candidate received 595, comply with the requirements of state pared to 912 cast for the "citisen's" laws, also should the change be candidate. This is the largest Socialist vote ever polled in the city. In Poland, the Russian, Jewish and Polish Socialists, who have albecause all routine work now done ways been more or less at odds be-by state secretaries and committees cause of nationalistic and racial prejudice have united in one party organization for the purpose of looking after their own interests and crippling militarism as much as possible.

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Make your letter clear and to the point without making it too long d we will put it at the head of de column.

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g for our party paper. Here is a

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PAUL J. PAULARN, Rock Syrings, Wyo., will go after the Heavy Dubbs this work and bell 810 worth of sub-cards purchased from us this week. eBO. B. MILLER. Boston, Pa., gots an expiration notice thin work and immediately sends in a dellar for the paper for fur paper, Be says the paper grown better with every home.

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Shots At The Enemy

By DURCAN M. SMITH Nothing from nothing leaves the

Socialism will help the common can to belp himself.

One would think that with the object lesson before it, Europe would abolish war and that with the object lesson on this side Amer-ica would abolish capitalism.

ing Rockefeller for his benefactions we should remember that if it were not for the workers who make profit for him he couldn't give a cent.

They continue to coin profit from

Young Rockefeller is going to Colorado to investigate the conditions of the miners but he will not take nick and shovel and look at the

By threatening and pleading and using the great power of his office President Wilson was able to force the democratic congress to keep s there were others that went by the hoard. The reason for this is apparent to the Socialists. Regardless of the sincerity of those who write the platforms, the members of congress will act in the interests of the forces that elected them. We car have no genuine working class legbacked by the workers themselves

workingman builds autos and walks away. home. Worse than that. He is

of it is being manufacured in the interests of American capitalists.

The Illinois penitentiary is so full that there is a waiting list. Few of the new recruits would have chosen that boarding house if they could have found work. It is a matter of statistics.

stump and it is a high one. Hav-BOREST J. SEELTON, H. D., Apple grove, Va., writes: "I wast to do some missionary week among the beathen in this boughted and projection neck of the words." We send him some sub-cards to The American Socialist for his dellar which we think will do the work. ing been organized for no purpose and not men.

the game what is to become of the little fellow who only has \$100,000?

demands action joins the party.

keep the workers fighting over relfgion they can divide the spoils.

Judging from the reports going to war is as hazardous an occupation as working in an uninspected factory in the United States.

spend a dollar surely should reinc department. Just think what 26 min all in a bunch would mean.

BEBEL ON WAR | By ROBERT HUNTER

F OR MANY years August Bebel prodded and tormented the War Party of Germany.

Like a toreador facing a mad bull he toesed before the war lords the City Charter so that the minor par- Minnesota legislature, The Minnesota red rag and at the sight of him and the movement back of him the War, Party of Germany often acted like an infuriated buil.

Again and again he challenged them to start their world war and again and again he warned them that if such a war were ever started and they came back to Germany defeated they would be face to face with the social revolution.

actually afraid to put their big war machine into action for fear of the consequences when the war was over.

He asserted that the next great war would be preliminary to the ich, Irish, Italians and other nation-establishment of the United States of Europe. The Junker and Militarist altitles in the audience. We stand classes with all their feudal retainers would be swept from power and a first class chance of electing the the masses would rise to establish the social republic.

IT IS A SAD thought that Bebel and Jaures are now gone and that thes who own most of America do claifsm should not be heard. It is sad too that our dear and great Keir not feel the pinch of hard times. Hardle should also have been struck down and now lies narely and to the pinch of hard times. Hardie should also have been struck down and now lies paralyzed in Old

Tolstoi is sone from Russia. Bebel from Germany. Jaures from France, and perhaps soon to follow is Hardie of Englan These four great antagonists of Militarism could have joined their voices at the present time in a way to have made the whole world listen.

The general views of all of them are well enough known, although Bebel's point of view is being much distorted at the present time. To be sure he said that in case Russia should ever march upon Germany, he, old as he was, would shoulder a musket to defend his Father-land. From what we read in the papers and magazines these would seem because the papers and magazines these would seem because the papers. to be about the only great words that Bebel ever uttered.

stood by France in 1870, and that both of them in 1866 would have welcomed the defeat of Prussia by Austria. It was Bebel's opinion that a nation existing in an unfree state may actually be benefited by a defeat

"Victories." he maid. "make a Government that stands above the people arrogant and exacting. Defeats compel them to approach the people and to win their sympathy. This is taught in the case of Prussia by the war of 1806-07, in the case of Austria by the war of 1866, in the have no genuine working class leg- case of France by the war of 1870, and by the defeat of Russia in the islation until we have a party war with Japan in 1904. The Russian revolution would not have ocacked by the workers themselver curred without that defeat. It would have been made impossible for many year by a victory of Tzarism.... If Prussia had been defeated in 1866 Bismarck's ministry and the rule of the aristocracy which weighs like a night-mare upon Germany to this day would have been swept

These words throw light upon the present situation. Millions

often run over by the very cars he lives and billions of property are being destroyed.

The only hope for us would seem to lie in one direction, that every nation involved in this war should be defeated; that all the nations should fight each other to a stand-still.

cialism but every time a gang that

Just as the Germans cannot force their way further into France, let

proclaimed upon many occasions.

In the state of the sta looked it is a jump in the right dir-, their way into Germany and Austria.

et us hope that the Allies can drive every German from Belgium; The monarchs who rush to the that Servia can keep every foreigner out of her dominions; and that on ront are careful to apply the great the border of every nation shall stand helplers the invaders.

Now that the thine is heren let us hope that the immediac services. of life and property shall be made to prove one ining, that no one great nation can be ascerning in invading int until of another great nation, no matter how powerful her that the war will go on until the people of And let us hope further that the war will go on until the people of

every nation involved shall be filled with such leathing and disgust of those responsible for this world catastrophe that they shall tour to pieces the Junker-Militarist castes in all the countries which for their own gain; have incited the present war.

DEACE PROGRAM-THE TWO MAIN IDEAS

By CARL D. THOMPSON

I N THE study of the war situation and the consideration of the problems involved, two main ideas emerge. The first is the necessity of formulating a program that shall serve as a basis for united, concerted and constructive action on the part of all socialists and socialist organizations. ing to the propaganda in a very The second is the necessity of federating the various peace forces, espety for aid and comfort. A party to cially the organized labor and socialist organizations, and — so far as peace — the non-socialist peace forces as well.

These two ideas have been in mind in all the work done by the various committees and individuely who have a superstant of the politicians and lawyers are almost synonymous committees and individuely who have a superstant of the politicians and lawyers are almost synonymous. hat must be founded on principles they may be made to serve in a genuine way to advance the interests of

If George Gould couldn't last in committees and individuals who have worked upon the party's peace up against the same problem as are up against the same problem as are itle fellow who only has \$100,000?

As to the necessity of a carefully formulated and comprehensive peace; their brethren in Ohio. A couple of making

Anarchy in distribution means starvation for the workers.

Poets and dreamers see a heiter way of running the world but the man of action is the only one who are to the control of the co man of action is the only one who will bring a different condition about. That is why the one who about that is why the one who about that is why the one who about the large that is the one who about the large that is the one who mediate crists precipitated by the outbreak of war, but also with regard the large that a section will be a new that the scheme hasn't appropriately be the outbreak of war, but also with regard the large that a new that the scheme hasn't appropriately be the outbreak of war, but also with regard the large that the scheme hasn't appropriately be the outbreak of war, but also with regard the large that the scheme hasn't appropriately be the outbreak of war, but also with regard the large that the scheme hasn't appropriately be the outbreak of war, but also with regard the large that the scheme hasn't appropriately be the outbreak of war, but also with regard the large that the scheme hasn't appropriately be the large that the scheme hasn't appropriately be the scheme hasn't appropriately appr to the more general problems of the international organization of the

ment as to what should constitute the socialist program, was revealed in a most surprising manner the moment we of the American socialist ing the non-partisan law. THIS LACK OF a clear conception and especially the lack of agreeparty began to discuss the question. Of the scores of letters and articles and communications both personal and published that have come to our war is as hazardous an occupaand communications both personal and published that have come to our
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In department Just think what When people demand of us how we are going at it to ret our ideas point, thanks to the misrepresentain operation, we pride ourselves on being able to point out quite definitely tions and fabrications of the great and in terms of exact measures and methods, just how it is to be done, metropolitan dailies. London ex-Archie We'Arthur. Minneapolis, And so we should be able to do when people demand of us how socialism Minn. has just sent us a message will bring peace upon the earth and how it will keep it.

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Minn. his just sent us a message will bring peace upon the received from James Keir Harther received from James Keir Harther still, the Shelalist member of the SO WE NEED a peace program. The one suggested by the sub-combining to the Socialists is that the world is disappointed that they did not untiring war against the war in as a basis for study, criticism and revision. It was not supposed for one make a stronger stand against war, but no one expects the church to but no one expects the church to anything. "Socialists are described of negative and exemples." Europe, until he was struck down moment by the committee that its first draft would be final, or that it put no one expects the church by a stroke of paralysis. Hardie would be satisfactory to all elements in the party. On the contrary, it do anything. "Socialists are departed, it have been, but will feel on till the end comes." "Feelt" is the course, that recasting and restating would follow until at least some defourches which have been preaching the first land the world, a concrete, constructive program for have the course of the protest against the shows that he is internationalism and peace.

tional place in that its Board of Aldermen contains a Prohibitionist, a Socialist and a Democrat, as well as four Republicans. The Republicans are trying hard to revise the in the county option debate in the tics will be excluded. But they will apolis Daily News de probably fail.

Socialists at Barre, Verment, closed their municipal campaign with a big meeting addressed by Cornelius Lehane. John C. Callaghan writes that, "Lehane's speech was the sensation of the campaign. The Vermont Yankees were tickled to death, also the Canadians, Britwhole Socialist ticket. The Michigan Socialist Party in

convention at Lansing nominated candidates for state offices and adopted anti-war resolutions declaring, "That, in case we, the Socialists, are forced to take up arms, we agree to use said arms wholly in self-defense, considering as our enemies only those who rob us of the products of our toil, or who attack us personally to do us bodily harm or to deprive us of liberty." In Oklahema and Texas many henefit of the party. Some member donates the use of a small tract of land to the local. The members organize a "bee," plant the crop, take care of it during the growing senson and harvest it when ready. This not only results in substantial additions to the cash in the treas ury but serves as a good excuse to bring the members together several times during the summer season.

A French Socialist serving in Fort Irving was angered by something that occurred and gave vent to his feelings by shouting: "Long live the Socialist Republic! Long live the International!" He was arrested and sentenced to a month's imprisonment, and now many of his comrades demand to know why he was punished for expressing what two members of the Cabinet—Gues-de and Sembat—believe in and have

The total vote cast in the National Parliamentary election last fall in Australia was 1,052,614 for the Labor party and 941,140 for the fusion Conservative-Liberal party, or a clear majority of 111,474 in favor of the Laborites. The Labor pa. 175 basis is socialistic and it in fought to the tusion publicland and the capitalists as the official auvocate of socialism. And what is more, the leaders of the Labor party and its newspapers do not deny the soft impeachment.

For the first time in its history, Richmond College at Richmond, Va., has had a Socialist lecture. Harry W. Laidler, organizer of the Inter-collegiate Socialist Society, was the speaker and Jesse C. Duke, State Secretary of the Socialist party. was chairman. The students seemed very much interested, but the faculty was conspicuous by its ab sence. The Solid South is respond-States, notably Florida, Texas and Louisiana.

the Socialists elected Dan Hoan as City Attorney in Milwaukee — the powers that be will put another

Meyer London bears the distinc-

SOCIALIST MAKES BEST TALK ON COUNTY OPTION.

After pointing out that speakers consumed nine hours saying nothing O. Devold, the Socialist, from Minneapolis, made the speech that, "sticks longest in the memory."

"He didn't speak on option at all," declares The Daily News, "but on Socialism. Socialism being a ra-ther novel subject in the Minnesota legislature, and Rep. Devold being a mighty earnest and rather skillful a mighty earaset and Father skillettle speaker, his talk unquestionably made the impression of the day. "His reference to county option was tenuous. He assumed that it would throw many working out of work, and, granting himself this nise, urged that a proviso added to the bill requiring that should also vote in, automatically the six-hour day, that all its citizens

might be sure of jobs. into his favorite subject, temperance ly, he made some mighty fattering references to The Daily News as the only Twin City paper which could even glimpse and voice the views of the workers. But he drove home emphatically his contention that drunkenness was the result of overwork and poverty. He quoted the late Frances E. Willard as eaying on her death bed that poverty and crime were not so much the drunkenness was the result of nov-

"That speech of Devold's was the only excusable outburst of the day simply because it voiced a novel and sincere view of age-old problems and carried a note of personal

HANILTON TO TALK GOING AND COMING PROX BIG NEETING. George G. Hamilton, Socialist Party national committeeman of Oklahoma, is planning to make a speaking tour through Kansas, Missouri and Illinois, going to and returning from the national committee meeting in May. Locals desiring to get a good speaker who can talk Socialism and at the same time tell the inspiring story of the growth of the Socialist movement in tixinhoma, should incrediately valt is couch with the drade Hembi-ton of 118 West Louis St., Okhihoma City, Okla.

Comrade Hamilton is now having a successful lecture tour in Oklahoma speaking at Henryetta, March 11, 12 and 13, at Weleetka, March 14, 15 and 16. "Pete has done us good in Oklahoma and only good declares Hamilton, in telling of the success he has had in turning the anti-Socialist speeches of Peter Collins, the anti-Socialist lecturer into good Socialist propaganda Hamilton will speak at a flat rate of \$5 a date.

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