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GREED AND GRAFT WIN WHEN 1,200 DIE AS S. S. EASTLAND CAPSIZES IN CHICAGO RIVER

Corruption and Inefficiency in U. S. Inspection the "ORGANIZE FOR 1916!" Service Joined to Insatiable Hunger for Profits fund of the national Socialist of Transportation Company Cause Appalling Disaster to Picnic Crowd in Heart of Busy City.

The Steamship Eastland, of the St. Joseph-Chicago Steamship Company, capsized in the Chicago River at 7.40 a. m., Saturday, July 24, as it was about to start for St. Joseph with a picnic crowd. Nearly 2,800 persons were aboard, and some 1,200 to 1,500 lost their lives. The following vivid description is by one who arrived shortly after

Never was there a more impressive demonstration of the effect of Capitalism's hunger for profits, regardless of human lives. The horror of the Eastland surpasses that of the Slocum, the Titanic, the Iroquois Theater. Gross neglect and corruption on the part of the United States Inspection service is charged by Victor Olander, Secretary of the Illinois Federation of Labor, and for many years Secretary of the Lake Seamen's Union. Investigations are under way by city, county, state and federal officials.

The description is in the short verse-form which makes its easy to read and remember. None of the Chicago daily papers carried a story of the disaster anywhere near so vivid as that which follows. It was too big for them. The American Socialist believes that it's account of the horror will live as a piece of literature, as well as the

best story of the catastrophe. The mere recital of the circumstances should make Socialists of all who read it. Pass your copy on to some one else—some non-Socialist—that he may see things as they are.

By IRWIN TUCKER

Crushed into the oily ooze, a thousand girls, mothers, babies and men

Struggled and choked, suffocating and strangling in the black cold water;

A solid writhing mass of fighting, drowning humanity, wiped out of existence into cold, sodden death, all in an instant;-Only a moment before, they were gay with expectation of a day of pleasure, while the Eastland began to throb beneath them,

ready to depart. White dresses fluttered in the morning breezes, bright with

Treasured chains and lockets and strings of beads, brought forth for this occasion, glittered in the light;

Spending-money in their purses, carefully hoarded up during weeks and months of unremitting toil, was to unlock the gates of merriment for this one longed-for day;

Friend called to friend from boat to dock and back again, waving farewell, shouting gay messages, quips and jests;-

THEN—the boat heaved over, crushing a thousand of them and more into the oily black mud at the bottom of the river, at the mouth of the sewer.

The boat was top-heavy and lacked beam and depth; it had been built cheaply to save money;

Ballast had been removed to make room for a few more

What does safety matter? They're only common working-people— We're out to make money.

The wives of the directors of the shipbuilding company

needed jewelry and Pomeranian dogs; And the son of the president of the transportation com-

pany simply must have a new model automobile;

Business is Business; the more people get on an excursion boat, the more money it makes-let them take a chance on drowning; we risked our money, let them risk their lives—it's all they've got.

They were dragged up, one at a pathy for the grief-maddened crowds me. for days thereafter; pathy for the grief-maddened crowds to be so; but it would have cost that fought to find their dead; too much to abandon it—some

off the bruised, swollen and blackening bodies:

starting out into womanhood — eyes wide and unser mothers gray with the weight of staggering, helpless; years and care-

Young men, stalwart and handsome; boys, important with their first real vacation; elder men, fathers of families, going along to take care of the folks;—
They were hauled out of the steel

hull, wrenched loose from the mass of clammy death that had so shortly before been a joyous crowd of picnickers-

The Western Electric Company, so many said, had warned all its employes that they must attend this picnic or lose two weeks' pay.

They wanted this picnic to be

the biggest ever seen in Chica-go, for they needed the adver-tisement. And the boat made big money with the sale of tickets, and the

stockholders of the transportation company needed the mo-ney; they have to take opera seats next winter, and simply must have opera cloaks and jewels:

And the transportation company cannot be sued for more than the value of the hull;

So that by building a cheap boat and crowding on thousands of passengers, they get almost enough to maintain their position in society.

III.

I saw the excursion agent, the man who was responsible for chartering the boat for this crowd; he wept like a baby. Unable to speak, to tell his wife

how it had happened, he sobbed with eyes staring at the horror of what he had seen. I saw the captain and mate of the

boat, heavily guarded by police to keep the crowd from lynching them, because, driven mad by the suddenness of it, they forbade rescuers to chop holes in the boat. (Oh, yes, undoubtedly THEY will bear the blame: you cannot expect those who ade money off it to be dragged

rough the vulgar law courts): saw the policemen who kept the crowd, themselves men g down under human sym-

time, for days thereafter;
The gay white dresses, fluttering ribbons, jewelry, and plumes and Chief of Police, his eyes swollen and lace, were draggled and torn and red, doing his best to preserve order pay any attention to the protests of full of mud, or were ripped clear in the jostling mob;

I saw crazed relatives, blind in the and a fool, led around by the nose vast crowd, weaving from side to side with unsteady footsteps, their While organized Capital pays good Little babies—young girls, just side with unsteady footsteps, their eyes wide and unseeing; sobbing,

I saw the crowds, mute, open for them and help them through;

But They will not think this next winter—the stockholders and their wives-when they dine at the Blackstone or at-

end a dinner-dance,
While the snow beats over the graves of the thousand who went to their deaths-

thousand graves, a thousand tombstones, a thousand emp-ty places at the table, a thous-- ten thousand breaking

What the devil does this matter to them? They needed the money, and they do not care where or how the money comes.

IV. I saw trained nurses in their uni-

forms hastening by brigades from every hospital in the city;

I saw the companies of sisters of Charity and the black-robed nuns, kneeling beside the poor clammy bodies, trying to work breath back into them-

I saw the doctors with pulmoters, dragging lives by the score out of the black abyss of death;

I saw wagon-load after wagonload of the dead, piled in even rows, rattling away to the improvised morgues, the corpses covered with I saw the crowds pressing by to identify them, staring, sobbing, screaming, fainting;

I saw the crowds in the street the elevated railroad structure, on the bridges, along the docks, cling-

ing to the piers; saw them fishing for bodies in hose was rotten and crumbled at a the river from boats and rafts and touch bridges;

I saw the crowds of rescuers on the sanded side of the overturned hulk, chopping holes in the boat; I saw them drag up body after body; Limp, distorted, bruised, ghastly, pitiful, terrible; growing monotonous in the horror of it-

But the most pitiful, horrible, ghastly thing about it was that nobody seemed to understand that it was all for PROFIT. That somebody makes money By J. L. ENGDAHL

The Finnish Socialist Publishing Company of Fitchburg, Mass., has contributed \$100 to Party. By this act the Finnish Socialists have again set the pace and furnished the inspiration for all other Socialists. They have come to the front in this big effort for 1916, taking the place they have always held in most party activities.

In America as well as in Eudifficult road toward the social ican working class.

itical and industrial emancipa- | Michigan two years ago. tion; all their failures have been but the beginnings of ever established four successful Canada. greater victories.

The record of the Socialists maintain a solidarity of organi- page for page, of the volumin- with a check for \$100 which we slavery.

off the cheap, flimsy, overloaded excursion boats;

That Government Inspectors,

commissioned with the solemn

duty of protecting human life, are easily bought, or more easily fooled, That the horror which they

saw lurks behind every one of them every day, every hour, so long as Business is run for

The crowds were not raving with anger, the were dumb, curious, interested—but not en-

THAT was the ghastlest thing about it all—

The Eastland had been condemn-

ed for years. Two years ago the Federation of Labor had protested

to Washington against it and kind-

It was unsafe when built, and

grew more unsafe with every year

Money was spent in remodeling it

—a small part of the money it brought in was used to tinker it up

But still it was unsafe, and known

But why should the Government

money to officers of the Government,

and labor merely growls and grum-bles, and forgets—(Capital never

forgets, and it knows that Labor is

Nothing will happen-no rich

people were lost—What does it matter if a few stenographers

and common workmen get

The wives of the contractors.

and the stockholders, and the

Transportation company directors, will get a new dress apiece,

And a French poodle, and a

ew high-powered car;—Labor

is insolent, and a menace to Prosperity!

VI.

After the Lusitania horror we

thrust our fists into Germany's face,

Although the passengers were rid-

munition to blow the entrails out of Germany's soldiers, be And although Britain had stolen by

ing in a British ship filled with am-

passengers and bullied our trade:

lost on the Lusitania—hence we will sink a dozen battleships unless they

are allowed to ride on dynamite

through the war-zone, in safety whenever they get good and ready. After the Titanic disaster we passed laws about the number of

life-boats each ship must carry at

Because several wealthy families

vere represented among the victims

But the victims of the General

Slocum were all poor; and although

it was shown that the life-preservers

were loaded with lead, and the fire

We did nothing, because the liver

of the poor do not matter.

The Eastland victims were all

poor-this was the one bright spot

And our own officials and million

aires and business people are guilty

of this disaster-hence we can of

VII.

course do nothing.

But there were a few millionaires

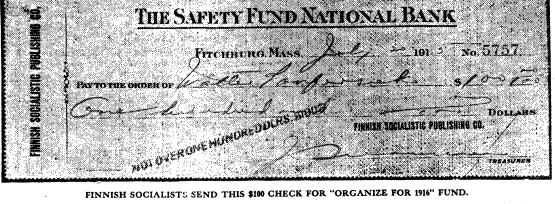
and threatened war,

a little from time to time-

dividenda would have been

that passed:

a fool).



- something the English speak- strategic points are to the mil-

On you rests the guilt, so long as you agree that money is more im-

So long as you consent to the pro-

blood-guilt of these lives rest on

of cattle to their gods to placate

We offer up human lives by the

thousand to our great god PROFIT

—And all of you who do not fight that god are his worshippers. And as for you—MURDERERS! CRIMINALS! IDOLATERS! BLAS-

PHEMERS! who whine that this was the "Will of God," and is a

"lesson to the thoughtless,"
You preachers of sermons who see

in this horror only the lesson that "life is short," and that we must

be "prepared to die a good death,"

You too are servants of the grin-

ning black monster, Greed, enemy of

Judases worse than Iscariot! for he had the grace to hang himself!

You are sharers in the murder,

that it is possible for him to be or society as a whole will never reach

To argue that the old is sufficient

because it one time served is to set

a barrier on progress. The ox wagon

and tallow candle served at one

time, but they are antequated now.

Science has shown that the reas-

on there is unemployment is because

employment is in private hands, and

these monopolists of labor will not

permit all to work, since if they did

There is no sin, there is no crime.

demonstrating how certain forms

the past, through partial socializa-

There is nothing sacred about so-

cialization. We have a right to

merely the only method that has ever succeeded in ending exploita-

tion. If any other sure method can

be found, we should not hesitate to

take it up. But so far no other plan

Capitalism has made the courts

Capitalism employs secret diplom-

a grim joke, with the point always sticking into the worker. Social-

change our statement of it.

has been discovered.

so wicked as exploitation. Indivi-

dual theft wrongs one; this robs all Individual murder is disastrous to

the price of labor would advance

and endanger their profits.

wicked wars.

our cargoes and sidetracked our of exploitation have been ended in

Now hearken, all you who are cest, because it contemplates busi-

so long as Gold is Golives are the sacrifice—

and partakers of the crime!

God and Man;

The ancients offered up hecatombs

to the Eastland;

portant than life;

the sturdy trail blazers on the and boast of the entire Amer- sued by the national Socialist producing on this page. This Party.

working class daily newspapers | In a greater sense, these the Socialist Party in Chicago.

rope the Finnish Socialists are zation that should be the pride ous "1914 Campaign Book" is take considerable pride in re-\$100 will be a powerful weapon revolution. Opposition has brilliant labor struggles this nathrene them as the force of the most the heart of the Finnish Social for the epoch making 1916 nathrene them. streng thened them, persecu- tion has ever seen when they re- ist movement in the East. Sim- tional political struggle now ration has made them more de-sisted the onslaught of the pow- ilar centers are found in the pidly approaching. Yet it must termined to win complete pol- erful copper barons of upper middle west at Superior, Wisc., be only the rock that will looson the Pacific Coast at Astoria, en the avalanche of funds that The Finnish Socialists have Oregon, and at Port Arthur, must sweep toward the common goal — the national office of

Emil Seidel, member of the in Finland is a long list of ing Socialists have not yet been itant Finnish Socialist move- National Executive Committee, achievements. They have fought sachievements. They have fought sachievements. They have fought successfully against the Czar of and the expenditure of huge small or large local or branch 1916" on Page 3 of this issue. Its side in the Chicago river. Thousands of men, who working the familiary of huge small or large local or branch 1916" on Page 3 of this issue. all the Russia's under the bigsums of money. The Finnish is to the national Socialist There you will also find the class, escaping for a day from their gest handisages any records over the pages of the week's contributed labors at the big Chicago plant of gest handicaps any people ever Socialist Publishing Company, movement. Therefore, when the names of the week's contributknew. The Finnish Socialists of Fitchburg, Mass., publishes National Executive Committee ors to the "Organize For 1916!" did not cease to achieve when they emigrated to America. Although scattered through also does a big book publishing though scattered through although scattered through scattered through although scattered through although scattered through scatte states of the union and through ments was the translation and of them, the Finnish Socialists the complete emancipation of all the provinces of Canada they publication, word for word and of Fitchburg, Mass., responded the working class from wage the jobs of the dead.

TO THE WOMEN AND MEN

OF NEW YORK, NEW JERSEY, PENNSYLVANIA AND MASSACHUSETTS

position that business should be directed to the making of private HE FIGHT for socialism in your states this summer is particularly So long as you, by voice and will vital. It involves the political emancipation of one-half of the and vote, uphold industry for private profit, just so long does the population.

The Socialist Party from the beginning has stood for complete adult suffrage. We men have the ballot, so the fight narrows down somewhat

VOTES FOR WOMEN! It is a big issue, and one worthy the effort of any man.

No man can claim to represent politically the interests of the millions of women in industry. They are in the sweat-shops, the mills, the factories, the offices, on the farms, and only the women can know what is best to enable them to escape the peculiar problems they face.

THEY SHOULD HAVE THE BALLOT FOR THEIR OWN PROTEC-

Even from the selfish view-point, men must realize that they cannot hundreds and hundreds. The little help themselves, as long as there are women who, unprotected by the laws, army across the street watched the

come in competition with them.

Every man should consider it a duty to himself to work with energy for the constitutional amendments granting suffrage to women. The women of the Socialist Party are making the campaign. They want the ballot. They need the ballot. And yet they have no way of getting the ballot, except by the votes of men! You men must vote the ballot to wo-

Judases worse than Iscariot! for he had the grace to hang himself!

You who cannot see that the ringing challenge of this disaster is that ductive life of the nation. She has shown her ability to fill the place she has won. At least she is entitled to an equal opportunity with men. Wolong as Gold is God, human man's place is at the side of man, enjoying every opportunity with him. whether economic, political or social, in order that she may be as free as man. She is entitled to her place "in the sun."

Suffrage for woman is one step nearer the great goal. Liberty, equal-The individual must be the best ity, fraternity—but let us add, for men and women.

For full emancipation,

WALTER LANFERSIEK. NATIONAL EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, SOCIALIST PARTY.

UR BIRTHDAY By JOHN M. WORK

I HAD THE pleasure to be present as a delegate when the Socialist Party was born. It was born at the Unity Convention, held in Indianapolis, Indiana, beginning July 29, 1901.

There were about 125 delegates present, among whom were the following women: Corinne S. Brown, Martha A. Biegler, Margaret Haile. Elizabeth H. Thomas, Sula Lowrie, Mrs. Max S. Hayes, Martha H. McHugh, and Carrie Rand Herron.

THE UNITY Convention was called for the purpose of attempting to unite the various Socialist parties of the country. The largest of these one; this endangers all society with were the Social-Democratic Party and the Springfield wing of the Socialist Science has shown that it would be possible to end all exploitation, part in the convention. State parties in Iowa, Kentucky and Texas, not ine that does not serve should be be possible to end all exploitation, affiliated with any national organization, were represented.

The various factions that united in calling the convention had patched up their differences sufficiently to support the same ticket the year before. Animosities were very bitter, however. Had it not been for the withdrawal of various local and state organizations from the national organizations, thus decreasing their membership, it is hardly probable that the two national organizations could have been persuaded to consent to try to form never has failed.

THE MAIN actions of the convention were the adoption of a National institution. It is always made to Constitution, a National Platform, a Resolution on Socialism and Trade serve. If it does not serve, change Unionism, a resolution on Injunctions, and a resolution on the Negro Ques-

The platform came in for a hot discussion, especially the immediate The resolutions were also warmly discussed.

In fact, everything was warmly discussed, Socialists are always very sim will again make the judges re- earnest in their debates, and the bitter feelings which the delegates brought spectable by causing them to do along made them especially earnest at that convention,

BUT THE great debate came on the constitution. Hot does not begin Capitalism reveals its criminality to express it. It was scalding, vitriolic, All the rancor in the hearts of by suppressing free speech and buy-by suppressing free speech and buy-to ing up the press. Socialism courts the most optimistic that unity was hopeless and that we must disperse in the summer for a good many of the strength of its sinterest vacation.

In the summer for a good many of the strength of its sinterest vacation.

In the summer for a good many of the strength of its sinterest vacation. But, out of it all came agreement on the famous Section Four of

Article Twelve, which now appears as Section Four of Article Ten. Get must be no institutions. out your National Constitution and read it. It is historic. It is the state acy, or deceit and lies, in conducting business for the few. Socialism has and will have nothing to concern because its contemplates business because its contemplates business because we bore the glad tidings of a recommendate social in our hearts because we bore the glad tidings of a recommendate social in order that every individual

thrilled with horror at the disaster ness for the whole seconds. I have united at the beauty

Rockefeller's Mayor Tries To Bar The N.Y. Call From Strike Ridden Bayonne-Fight Is On

As this issue of The American Socialist was going to press, we received a telegram from Chester M. Wright, managing editor of The Call, the Socialist daily of New York City, reading as follows:

By CHESTER M. WRIGHT

Rockefeller Mayor of Bayonne, N. J., today ordered The Call suppressed in that city where ten thousand oil works' employes are on strike. We outwitted him today and smuggled one thousand copies to the strikers who grabbed them greedily. Detectives made the rounds of all news stands to see that no Calls were sold. Detectives almost discovered method by which the thousand copies were smuggled in, but were outwitted by narrow margin. We are now asking our readers to contribute to flood the city with individual subs through the mail, a month to each worker in the

The American Socialist expresses the sincere hope that the workers everywhere, especially in the Eastern states, will rally to the support of The Call in this great effort. It is waging a magnificent battle and no sacrifice is too great to enable it to win this fight against Rockefellerism and the profit system. The working class is fortunate in having a fighting daily like The Call on the ground in this great emergency and it should make the most of the opportunity.

GREED FOR PROFITS

Greed for profits took more than 1,000 lives when the Excursion its side in the Chicago river. Thousthe Western Electric Co., were crowded into the unseaworthy hulk

from shop to shop and store to store looking for jobs. Every day they read the 'want ads,' and ride out hopefully on 'the hunt.' They are classified as the shifting, desperate army in the city's economic and so-ciological reports. Usually they hunt alone in every part of the business and factory districts. They pop up in this office and that with the monotonous refrain, 'Got a job open?'

"Many Apply for Places. "Today they came to the Western

Electric at 48th avenue and 22nd street. While it was still hardly light they gathered in front of the superintendent's office. At first there were only fifty. In fifteen minutes there were a hundred, then 200. By 7 there were 400. There would be jobs in the Western Electric—lots of jobs. The police pushed the crowd across the street. Then the workers started to arrive— hundreds and hundreds. The little procession dully. It watched the drawn faces move past, the falter-The ing steps of stricken parents and laughing along the whole line. For minutes the procession filed t. rough the gates, silent and stoical - some

weeping.
"Little Army Waits. "The little army waited. There would be jobs-hundreds of them. Every bowed head meant an open-When the last of the workers ing. had passed through the gates the little army moved. It crossed the There were some who hung back, shamefacedly, and others who weren't going to move. But slowly and hesitatingly the little army left the sidewalk and moved across the street. It stopped at the door of the superintendent of employment. The superintendent saw them coming There was nothing disorderly about the little army. Their faces were as drawn and earnest as the faces that had passed through the gates."

You cannot accomplish results without organization. But worship of the organization is degrading.

If any organization, - church or party or nation — absorbs energies of its supporters without doing definite service for them, it ought to perish.

You would not keep a machine which took the energy of many men to run and then furnished no power smashed.

Churches have gone down in the past and religion did not end. Parties have disappeared, but the social machine persisted. Nations have ceased to be, but social organization Do not become the slave of any

it so it will serve, or make a new institution that will serve. The social machine that grinds for the few only is no longer a so-

cial machine. Having excluded the people, the people ought to discard If there is not equality before the

law, if there is not equality of op-portunity, if there is not employment for everybody, the social organization is a failure. Declaring that present institutions

have failed is not saying that there insisting that there must be better

may have opportunity.

equipment that has been introduced in the iron and steel mills for the purpose of manufacturing war munitions for European belligerents, ar sounding a warning note to their comrades and other foes of militar-ism that Schwab and the other profitmongers who have installed the machinery are not going to throw it upon the scrapheaps after the war is over. It is rightly concluded that the munition manufacturers are cleaning up such enormous profits that they will be able to spend mil-lions of dollars in "educating the public" to the necessity of the United States being prepared to drive away was the scramble of the living for the jobs of the dead. A writer describes this scene as follows:

"Chicago has a great list of unemployed. They walk the streets from short of short and store to store the scene as follows:

"Chicago has a great list of unemployed. They walk the streets from short of short and store to store the scene and scene a their murder machinery in operation. The Pennsylvania Socialists urge that their fellow-members in othe States take up this phase of the question also when dealing with the subject of war, and show how the capitalistic high-binders are plotting years ahead for the enormous graft that they can and will obtain from their politicians at Washington unless the country is thoroughly aroused to a clear understanding of the situation.

Prominent Pennsylvania Socialists,

who are acquainted with the immense

Criminal proceedings have been instituted against four well known German Socialists including Rosa Luxemberg and Clara Zetkin, on account of alleged treasonable articles in the monthly Internationale.

In Holland the Socialists held a national convention, denounced the scheme of the government to increase the army to 700,000 men and add more ships to the navy, and called upon the working classes of Germany, France and England to make a determined stand for peace.

A MASTERLY RETREAT.

Slipping quietly from his intrenched position at Pocantico, General Rockefeller has just completed an orderly and most masterly retreat upon Cleveland, using motor, elecgetaway and baffle his supposed pursuers. The best military authorities agree that the foxy old general has no intention whatever "luring them on," his tactics being avowedly designed to throw them off the track .- New York Call.

Capitalism is predicated on robbery and could not exist apart from exploitation. Socialism will open the way for progress and plenty, by stopping every form of loot.

THE SAD DEATH OF **COMRADE HOFFMAN**

By EUGENE V. DEBS

THE painful and shocking news of the sudden death of Comrade C. B. Hoffman of Kansas City has just been received. The death of this noble comrade is keenly felt by all who knew him and is an irreparable loss to our movement. Comrade Hoffman achieved large success in his early busines life but the sordid rewards of commercial success did not satisfy the yearnings o. his great heart and lofty mind and in due time he naturally found his way into the socialist movement. F many years Comrade Hoffman labored faithfully and unselfishly to spread the light and prepare the people for the better day. In many ways this beloved comrade served the cause. O the platform he was eloquent. forceful and convincing, and as a writer he won wide renown Chicago Socialist, and to the hour of his death he seized with eagerness every chance to serve

The beloved wife of Comrade Hoffman was his inseparable companion and co-worker and to her, upon whom the blow falls so cruelly, we tender our deepest sympathy in her great bereavement.

A brave, loyal and devoted comrade has gone to his reward. He served faithfully and well through all his years and will be lovingly remembered by all

his comrades.

made to make peace dependent upon all

kinds of conquests. From the beginning we have made it clear that we condemn every

Christmas number of the Labour Leader, the

organ of the British Independent Labour Par-

Our warmest sympathy is extended in this

fateful time to all endeavours which have as their purpose a speedy termination of

this men-murdering struggle between the

a manifesto which declared as follows on the

The Socialist Parties, which have worked

o the longing for peace. This longing is

inspired by a determination to maintain

national integrity and not by a feeling of weakness, and thus it follows that peace is

only possible if it does not humiliate any

people. Only such a peace can guarantee the lasting co-operation of all civilised peoples. The parties represented at this

conference stand true to the resolutions adopted by International Socialist Cong-

resses, particularly those adopted by the Copenhagen Congress of 1910. In conform-

the settlement of the war should include

The development of the present Interna-

tional Arbitration Courts into compulsory

institutions for the purpose of deciding all

The subjection of all treaties and agree-

The international limitation of armaments

The recognition of the inviolability of all

by agreement, with a view to general dis-

nations.

Further, the representatives of the Social-

ist Parties of Germany and Austria-Hunga-

ry declare that the fact that the Socialist

Parties of the belligerent countries are de

fending their countries and peoples should

be no hindrance to the maintenance of in-

ternational relations between all Socialist

Parties nor to the continuance of their act-

ivities in fayour of international institu-

But the German Socialists have in no way

contented themselves by giving verbal expres-

sion in such public announcements, constantly

epeated, to the desire and will for peace which

animates the working class of Germany. With

of the efforts to stop the realization of our aims,

perseverance to restore the international rela-

the outbreak of war, and to negotiate with our

deavours of the Socialists of neutral countries

national made the suggestion that it should dis-

cuss with the Socialist parties of the belliger-

ent countries separately the possibility of inau-gurating a common peace campaign, the Exe-

cutive of the German Party agreed subject to the agreement of the French Party. Though the consent of the French Party was not to

hand, members of the German Executive went,

on an invitation, to The Hague in March, where

they learned that the British Section had agreed

Nevertheless, they discussed with the members

to the proposed discussion, but not the French

of the Executive Committee of the International

in a friendly way, and gave expression to their readiness to help at the first possible moment

to secure a meeting of the International Bureau

and to support all measures which may be tak-

countries to promote the spirit of peace

tional Congresses, have striven for peace.

en by the Socialist parties of the belligerent

Thus the German Socialists, faithful to their

nrinciples and to the resolutions of Interna-

ATTITUDE OF FRENCH PARTY.

ledged against this that up to now all endeav-ours to secure an international understanding

have failed, chiefly because of the attitude of the Socialist Party of France, which has iden-

tified itself, by the entry of certain of its prominent members into the Ministry, with a Govern-

The French party continues to justify its

and is therefore opposed to a meeting of the

After the pronouncement of our Reichstag

party in favor of peace, the French President

on December 22 made the following statement

At the present hour only one policy is pos-

sible: a fight without mercy until Europe be definitely liberated by an entirely vict-

orious peace... Faithful to its signature to the agreement of September 4, in which it

pledged its honor and therefore also its life, France will only lay down her arms when she has revenged the rights which have

been violated, permanently regained for the

French Fatherland the provinces which have been forcibly robbed from her, re-

stored heroic Belgium... and broken Prussian militarism, to build up on the basis of

Against this unmasked proclamation of a

fight to total exhaustion neither the French

Socialist Ministers, the Socialist Parliamentary

Party, nor the Socialist Party Executive raised

Faithful to the discipline of unity which

the nation has adopted against the enemy, the Socialist Party in Parliament did not want to disturb by any word the solidarity accepted by all Frenchmen. With the de-

cision of general co-operation it has ac-

justice at last a new-born Europe.

Party"-(Humanite, December 28, 1914).

nent allied with the Tsar.

International Bureau.

in the Chamber of Deputies:

With heartfelt regret it must be acknow-

the Executive Co

ments to the democratic control of the re-

disputes between the different States.

presentative bodies of the people.

the following securities:

with these resolutions they consider that

and are working for the brotherhood of the peoples, are justified in giving expression

ty, the following statement:

peoples.

subject of Peace:

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Our Slogan ORGANIZE FOR 1916!

NEWS OF THE WEEK

Here is all the week's news worth while boiled down for workers so busy fighting for Socialism they do not have time to read the daily cap-

MONDAY, JULY 19. Incendiary fires discovered on U. S. bestleships Oklahoma, New Jersey and Maddana. British discover device to make astheships immune from submarine at-

Wilson cabinet decides on note rejecting conditions on which Germany is willing to accord immunity to Americans on the high

Beported that 3,000 men have gone on perice at Krupp works at Essen, Germany. Knitsty threatens to put them all in prison.
One hundred thousand lives lost in China facods. Like number homeless and in heed of food.
Five thousand men on strike at Bayonne,
New Jersey, Standard Oil plant.
WEDNESDAY, JULY 21.

THURSDAY, JULY 22.

THURSDAY, JULY 22.

John Wanamaker, department store in the spect template.

Morty with \$100,000,000.

Plan erection of \$2,500,000 flat building in a w York City.

Turks messacre tens of thousands of aymentians charging they were plotting pro-Eassian revolution. FRIDAY, JULY 23.

Prediction that Swiss will protest to Gaman government against cutting of barb wires put up by Swiss troops along frontier One thousand men and boys stop conscription mass meeting at Montreal, Can. They shouted, "We won't have conscription!" tion!'

President Wilson's note, intended as final warning to Germany to spare lives of Americans in its submarine war on commerce, made public.

Extitate plan to borrow \$100,000,000 in the United States.

SATURDAY, JULY 24. Excursion steamer turns turtle in Chica-b River in heart of Chicago. Bodies of 5 dead' recovered. Germans smash Russian forts before War-w. British beat back Turk rush with

Germans smash Russian forts before wath saw. British beat back Turk rush with machine guns. London press divided on Wilson note; London papers pleased; Paris satisfied but disappointed; expected more.

With the death toll in Chicago's excursion steamer disaster now put at 1.000 lives lost, the usual investigation is prom-

SUNDAY, JULY 25.

German submarines resume activity in English waters, sinking a French and a British steamer, and four British trawlers. Schwab declared to be uniting incompats in effort to build up rive the weel trust.

. NATION PLEASED?

The headlines tell us that the na-President Wilson has sent to Germany. This startling poll of public opinion was taken by selecting favorable extracts from the daily newspapers voicing the general opinion,
"Whatever he (Wilson) does is

The opinions voiced by the growing Socialist and labor press are ITICS." omitted. It is the capitalist press alone that speaks. And the capitalist press is always unanimous in administration of society.

The Literary Digest, for instance, claims to give a weekly review of newspaper opinion on the big ques-tions of the day. Since the war began it has paid no attention to opin-ions voiced by the Socialist and labor press. One million votes were cast for the Socialist ticket in 1912 and three million workers are organized into labor unions. The plute press does not speak for these when it says the nation is pleased with Wilson's message. It speaks only for big business and the plundering interests that profit by international slaughter. These interests alone are pleased at the prospect of becoming embroiled in the European war.

war, with its ghastly record of human dead and human suffering has know. There is but one answer. It will go on just as long as the great mass of the peoples of the warring nations permit it to continue. The rulers must quit when the people rulers must quit when the people call a halt—when they refuse any longer to do the fighting and the

The Socialist Parties in the neutral and blood spilling nations are end when the oppressed class learns

JOHN D. ORDERS WATCHDOGS. John D. Rockefeller has given or-ders to all tenants on his estate at

This Week's Editorial From Socialist Press

(From The Montana Socialist.)

former Milwaukee Socialist congressman, has been elected President of the School Board in Milwaukee. Mrs. Berger, so far as we know,

is the first Socialist woman in the United States to be thus honored.

Apparently, the people of Milwau-kee are not at all terrified at the prospect of having a Socialist, and a woman at that, to direct the polnot appear to be aroused over into the schools.

to a realization that our public schools are, or should be, the bul-wark of democracy, and that if they are to fulfill their function as educators of our youth, they must be intelligently, efficiently and demo-

The first step in this direction is to have a school board that is not controlled by any corporate or commercial interests. The second step is to have as board that is not controlled by any corporate or commercial interests. The second step is to have as board that is not controlled by any corporate or commercial interests. who know something about schools

Mrs. Berger's long association with the Milwaukee schools, and her political affiliation as well, have made her particularly qualified to fulfill these two requirements of democratactic ideals and the efficient working

this latest incident in the fight for free schools and then to contrast WEDNESDAY, JULY 21.

Kings of Roumania, Bulgaria and Helletice will soon meet in Athens, Greece, to
disques the war.

Strike of Weish coal miners ends. Men
The against British government. The 843,
600 British husbands in the war costs
government \$125,000,000 for wives at home.

THURSDAY JULY 22 The spectacle is too painful to con-

> In the Legislature of Saxony, Ger many, the Socialists, during a discussion on the subject of deferring the State election to October, 1917 made the proposition that the age limit of voters be reduced from 24 years to 20 and that woman suffrage be also inaugurated. But the Con servative, Liberal and Clerical parties at once opposed the suggestions and nothing came of them. The Socialists argued that the war is decimating the ranks of the common people, and consequently the right of suffrage should be broadened proportionately.

The next of the important criminal trials in connection with the Colorado coal strike has been set for Aug. 23, when Edward T. Doyle, district treasurer of the United Mine Workers of America, William T. Hickey, secretary of the Colorado Federation of Labor, and three local mine union leaders will be placed on trial.

Movies depicting various phases of the labor problem will be a feature of this year's campaign in Brooklyn, N. Y. Last year the plan was tried toward the close of the campaign and was found to be quite a success and now the idea is to be considerably elaborated.

to say about Robert Hunter's justly famous book, - "LABOR IN POL-

by Robert Hunter is aptly named. matters affecting the big business It is a review and a very thorough and illuminating one of labor in politics in the United States. It easily it can be made strong in the future. It exposes the futility of the Gompers pure and simple craft union policy of "rewarding your friends and punishing your enemies" by supporting capitalist candidates who are "the friends of labor" while at the same time they are committed body and soul to capitalist par-ties that are the deadly foes of all that organized labor stands for.
"Robert Hunter shows clearly in

The end of the first year of the held in contempt by the very politifinally come. All the world is ask- until they sever their relations once ing the question: "How much longer and for all with capitalist parties

and aspirations. With deep interest and special satisfaction have I reviewed these interesting pages by Robert Hunter and I thank him for having contribtral and blood spilling nations are and I thank him for having contribetion of all wars. The ruling atture to the labor movement. He class thrives on war. The oppressed class is further enslaved by war. This war and all wars will facts are well worth knowing for the contribution of the the weakness and failure they lay

Tarrytown, N .Y., to purchase first- tion and Robert Hunter's book will class watchdogs at his expense for be a material help to the workers additional protection to his estate.

This expense will of course be battlefields of the future." LABOR

MILWAUKEE'S NEW SCHOOL BOARD PRESIDENT.

Mrs. Victor Berger, wife of the

She has been a member of the School Board of Milwaukee for some time, and her election as head of the board comes as a recognition of her ability and her proficient knowledge of educational problems.

icies of the school board. They do danger of having "politics" injected It looks as though they had come

cratically managed.

and school problems.

out of those ideals. Butte voters would do well to note

BOOK IS TIMELY AND EXCELLENT

Eugene V. Debs has the following

"This timely and excellent book shows clearly why labor has been weak politically in the past and how

these pages why the working class has nothing to expect from capitalist parties; why the organized workers betray themselves in dividcians and parties to whom they give their votes, and why there is no hope for them on the political field

bare and for the solidarity and victory to which they light the way.

The working class must develop political power as an essential fact-or in their struggle for emancipa-This expense will of course be different of the future. Datternmentately saddled onto the oil IN POLITICS, Paper 25 cents. Pubconsumers or the oil producers, thus making it harder than ever for them cialist Party, to keep the wolf from the door.

THE PEOPLE WANT PEACE This is the end of the first year of the

great slaughter in Europe. No confident prophecy can be made predicting when it will all end. As the first year of universal murder came to an end the biggest note of hope for civilization was sounded by the German Socialist Party in a demand upon the German government to show its readiness to enter upon peace negotiations. It calls upon the Socialists in other countries to make similar demands upon their governments. In commenting upon this declaration, The Labour Leader, organ of the British Independent Labor Party, urges the organized British Socialists to fall into line with the Germans and make similar demands upon the British government. One of the steps leading up to the action of the German Socialist executive committee was the publication of an open letter from 700 officials of the party and of the German trade unions. This would indicate that the movement for peace in Germany has gained considerable headway and should be an inspiration to the Socialists of the United States, who make up the only organized movement in this country interested in keeping this country out of the European war. The people of the United States, like all the people of Europe, want peace. German declaration for peace, which has just been received in this country, reads

F OR ALMOST a year the tury of the war has now raged over the earth. Hundreds of thousands of promising human lives have been annihilated, innumerable works of art and culture have been destroyed, a terrible devastation has taken place of the fruits of human toil. Millions of mothers, wives, and children cry for their sons, husbands, and fathers. Distress and wretchedness accompany the grief which weighs so heavily upon the peoples.

Is it not time that this horrible drama, unprecedented in tragedy in the history of the world, came to an end?

The Socialists have seen this ruinous world catastrophe approaching and have predicted it. They have in all countries opposed the Imperialistic policy of territorial expansion and its consequence, the pernicious competition in armaments, which is the root of this terrible war. The Socialists have worked incessantly for an understanding between the peoples in the common work of culture and the common service of humanity. Tens of thousands of meetings, millions of leaflets, the International Socialist Congresses, and the German-Franco conferences of understanding in Berne and Basle bear witness to this fact.

RECORD OF GERMAN SOCIALISTS.

WHEN IN recent years the threatening clouds of war gathered on the political horizon, the German Socialists stood with all their strength up to the last hour for the preservation of peace. To the misfortune of the people, the Socialists in all countries were not yet strong enough to hold back the terrible fate which has come upon Europe. The torch of war flared up sharply and set the whole world on fire. When the Cossacks of the Tsar passed over the frontiers plundering and burning, the German Socialists proved true to the word which their leaders had given to the German people. They put themselves at the service of their country and voted the means for its defence.

The fate of East Prussia shows what would have become of Germany if the German people had not been unanimous in holding back the Russian aggressive invasion. According to action might be taken for the achieving of peace. official information, 400,000 people in East Prussia have been forced to flee as refugees; 1,620 civilians have been murdered and 433 wounded; in the same direction. men), 2,587 women, and 2,719 children have been removed to Russia; 24 towns, 572 villages, and 236 farms, totalling 33,553 buildings, have been entirely or partly destroyed, and about 200,000 homes have been entirely or partly plundered and devastated. The death-defying courage of our armies, which in self-sacrificing devotion have overcome the fearful hardships of a winter campaign in the east, has resulted, after months of fighting demanding heavy sacrifices, in the liberation of East Prussia from this evil.

But it is not only in the fight for the national integrity and independence of Germany that the Socialists have done their duty. Within our country, particularly in connection with the feeding of the people and the provision of the needs of the families of soldiers, we have with all our strength represented the interests of the working class in opposition to the gambling with food prices and the petty practices of the

bureaucracy. Faithful to the duties which their principles and the resolutions of International Congresse impose upon all Socialist parties, the German Socialists have striven from the first days of this fearful war-tragedy for the realization of an early peace. When agreeing to the first War Credits on August 4, 1914, the Socialist Party in the Reichstag made the following de-

claration through Comrade Haase: We demand that an end be made to the war as soon as the aim of security has been reached and the enemy is inclined to make peace, and that the peace shall be one guaranteeing friendship with the neighboring peoples.

This declaration was repeated by the Party when it agreed to the further War Credit on December 2, 1914, and when the Reichstag met for its third War Session, Comrade Haase said on behalf of the Party:

My Party, as representing International Socialism, has always been the Party of peace, and we know that this holds good for the Socialists of the other countries equally with ourselves. Our desire is a last-ing peace, a peace which does not include new complications and does not contain germs of new discord. Such a peace will be obtained if no people violates the inde-pendence of another, if each people sees their duty to be, rather, the peaceful ex-change of goods and the mutual development of culture, . . . The strong nation will be the one which first stretches out the The strong nation

INTERVENTION OF ITALY.

ON MAY 29, after the intervention of Italy, Comrade Ebert declared in the Reichstag, hav-ing expressed regret that the area of hostilities should have been extended, since it made the situation more severe and lengthened the war

The desire is felt everywhere and more and more finds expression that an end should be made at last to the horror of the way. Despite the state of the horror of the way.

faithful to our Socialist convictions, we believe we ought to voice this longing for peace. In taking this stand we know ourselves to be in agreement with powerful sections of all the nations which are at war

with us, who desire with us a peace without violation of the independence of other na-tions, a peace which makes possible again a 8,500,000 men killed; 8,500,000 wounded, about a third seriously, of whom a large proportion lasting co-operation between civilized peoples. Therefore we protest energeticalhave died. against the attempts which are being

the side of the allies. \$25,000,000,000 spent for military purposes. Uncounted billions in destruction of proper and loss through trade disorganization.

war of conquest, and we stand firmly by These statements were strongly re-emphasised on the same occasion by Comrade Schei ers, 233,000, Total, 1,572,000. demann. Our Party has also given expression Austria-Dead, 341,000; seriously injured, 83,to its desire for peace in the Prussian Diet.
The Executive of the Party published in the

Total, 1,225,000 France—Dead, 464,000; seriously wounded, 439,000; slightly wounded, 718,000; prisoners, 495,000. Total, 2,116,000.

Total, 2,485,000. Great Britain—Dead, 116,000; seriously wounded, 49,000; slightly wounded, 185,000; prisoners, 83,000. Total, 433,000.

On April 12 and 13 the representatives of The average number of casualities thus shown is 41,300 daily, of which the allies had 28,000 the Executives of the Socialist parties of Germany and Austria-Hungary met in Vienna, and and the Germanic empires 13,300. their discussion resulted in the publication of

duty as follows:

duty as follows:
Germany, 5,400,000; Austria-Hungary, 3,600,000; Turkey, 1,000,000. Total, 10,000,000.
France, 4,500,000; Russia. 3,500,000; Italy 2,000,000; Great Britain, 1,500,000; Serbia, 400,000; Belgium, 100,000. Total, 12,000,000. At least half of these are believed to be on the

STAGGERING COST OF WAR.

As to the cost of the war, the governments have been candid only so far as float great public loans. As to what has been done in the way of private arrangements for credits and issues of currency and short time notes little has been told. Figures obtained from Wall street financiers in position to know, coupled with those obtained from good sources of information in Washington, however, would appear to justify the estimate of \$25,000,000,000 In the matter of public loans these stagger-

ng figures for the year up to July	5 are shown:
reat Britain	2,947,400,000
Total	

Total \$4,701,000,000

debts contracted by Japan, Turkey, Italy, Serbia, Belgium, Montenegro, and the British colonies. These could easily bring the total to \$2,000,000,-000. Home credits and the extraordinary taxes that have been imposed in all the nations could account for \$7,000,000,000.

mean a daily average expenditure for all the nations of \$68,500,000. This figure is not unout consideration of all difficulties in our path, or of the insinuations cast upon us, the Executive of the Party has endeavoured with strong Asquith on June 15 that the British war outlay from April 1 to June 12 had been \$13,300,000 a day, and that thereafter it would be \$15,000,000 tions which were intercepted so suddenly by sister parties of all countries in order that joint

cepted the watchword which the responsible Covernment has formulated.

rades, the chairman of the International Socialist Bureau, Comrade Vandervelde, who had also entered the Government of his country, stated on April 18 in a speech in Paris:

I come to-day to speak about the war and for the war... As an Internationalist and Socialist pacifist, I am in favor of the war to the finish... I feel anger against those of our comrades who would like to make peace. Oh, no! Upon the crime must fol-

are in Britain as well as in France Socialist groups which work for the spirit of peace just as do the entire Socialist Party of Germany and its leaders. But this cannot deceive us about the sad fact that the great mass of the Socialists of Britain and France who are affiliated with the International Socialist Bureau their organizations and representative bodies, want, with their Governments, to continue the war until the absolute subjugation of Germany has been obtained.

nymous leaflets and pamphlets, the international situation and the proceedings of the Party are decribed in such a way as to justify the re-proach that the Executive of the Party is not doing enough to give expression to the will of the working class for peace. Those who seriously desire at this time the unity of the German working-class movement, so essential now and after the war, must in decisive terms op-

The Parliamentary Party and the Party Executive have always unanimously opposed the policy of conquests and of annexations. We raise once more the sharpest protests against all attempts to secure the annexation of foreign territories and of the violation of the rights ef other peoples, particularly as they have been expressed in the demands of great Capitalist Federations and in the speeches of leading capitalist politicians. To make such attempts delays more than ever the peace which is strongly desired by the whole people. The people do not want any annexations. The people want peace.

If the war, daily requiring new sacrifices, is

not to drag on without end, one of the participating Powers must stretch forth the hand of peace. Germany, which has been attacked by overwhelming Powers, which has victoriously resisted all enemies up to the present, which has defeated the plan to starve out the people, and has proved that it cannot be defeated, should make the first step to bring about peace.

ness to enter upon peace negotiations in order to make an end to the bloody struggle. a word of protest. Why they were silent they explained a little later in a "Manifesto to the We expect from our comrades in the other belligerent countries that they will bring pressure to bear upon the Governments with the

STAGGERING COST OF WAR FOR ONE YEAR

And the cost of all this!

22,000,000 men in the armies: 12,000,000 on

Detailed figures of the Red Cross report are: Germany-Dead, 482,000; seriously wounded, 97,000; slightly wounded, 760,000; loss in prison-

000; slightly wounded, 618,000; prisoners, 183,-

Russia—Dead, 773,000; seriously wounded, 482,000; slightly wounded, 1,500,000; prisoners,

MILLIONS IN THE ARMIES.

Figures received in Washington divide the armies in active service in the field, as reserves, in garrisons on home guard, or on supply

battle lines on the various fronts.

ing figures for the year up to July	
Great Britain France Russia	2,947,400,000
Total	\$3,491,000,000

Grand total \$16,788,400,000 In this calculation nothing is included of

HUGE COST FOR BRITAIN.

Putting the figure at \$25,000,000,000 would reasonable in view of the statement by Premier

And the representative of the Belgium com-

We acknowledge readily enough that there

It is an act of irresponsible misrepresenta-tion on the part of German Socialists, if, in ano-

policy of carrying on the war until Germany be defeated and German militarism annihilated.

In the name of humanity and of culture, supported by the favorable military situation created by the bravery of our comrades in arms, we call upon the Government to show their readi-

same end in view. THE EXECUTIVE OF THE SOCIAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF GERMANY. June 28, 1915, Berlin,



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cannot be altered.

been received enthusiastically by

Kansas and Missouri. As he is

dated to speak in Boston in Octo-ber, Lehane's western trip must be

completed by then, and locals de-



CORNELIUS LEHANE.

Socialist locals, labor unions and the Irish societies. He has been re-

tour. He will travel west through enthusiasm, and his service are Wisconsin, Minnesota, North Dako-proven to be of real value in bringta, Montana, Idaho, Washington, ing Irish Catholics and labor union-Oregon and California, returning ists into contact with the socialist Cornelius Lehane was bern in Cork, Ireland, and with James Con-nolly founded the socialist movement in his native land. He was the siring a date should apply at once first socialist member of the Irish as when the route is made up it Federation of Labor fourteen years ago, and so well was his work done

na-Gael Guards of Providence and

Since his arrival in America from that today the entire Irish labor the European war zone, Lehane has movement is dominated by Socialism. He organized the retail store workers in Ireland and in Britain and was one of the first national organizers of the British Union of Retail Store Clerks, a body that has a membership of over 100,000 men and women.

He was the first secretary of the Socialist Party of Great Britain, and

the first editor of the London "Sobanquet given in London to Comrade Lehane by the socialists and labor unionists of Great Britain and Ireland, many of the most promin-ent men in the British Isles took part, among those present and on the committee of arrangements being:-J. T. Bain, Secretary of the South African Federation of Labor: James Larkin, President Irish Federation of Labor; W. A. Appleton, Secretary British Federation of Trades Unions; Ben Tillett, Secretary London Dockers' Union; Robert Williams, Secretary International Federation of Transport Workers; John Stokes, President London Central Labor Union; William O'Brien, President Dublin Central Labor Union; John Turner, Secretary British Union of Retail Store Clerks; Socialist locals, labor unions and the Irish societies. He has been received by the Boston Central Labor Union, the Boston Gaelic League, and the Irish Volunteers of Boston, also by the Chicago Federation of movement in Great Britain and in abor, the Chicago Teachers' Fede- Ireland.

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THE AMERICAN SOCIALIST ration (which gave our Comrade a public banquet), the Associated Gaelic Clubs of Chicago, the Clan-

ORGANIZE FOR 1916!

EDITOR'S NOTE.—The slogan of the Socialist Party, "ORGANIZE FOR 1916" is being heard in the land. The forces of progress are railying everywhere in the campaign to prepare for the 1916 presidential struggle. The Appeal to Reason, the great Socialist weekly, at the request of the National Office of the Socialist Party, is publishing a series of articles on organization. The first of these is by Emil Seidel, Socialist candidate for vice president in 1912, which The Appeal states "will convince any Socialist sympathiser that his place is in the Socialist Party organization. The American Socialist herewith reproduces this article. After reading it, and if you are not now a member of the Socialist Party, drop a postal card to the National Office, Socialist Party, 803 West Madison St., Chicago, Ill., and you will receive immediately the necessary information to get you in touch with the nearest local secretary.

to sap the very vitals of their

Every new recruit must; from the

lows:

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By EMIL SEIDEL

THE LAST national committee of the Socialist party at its neeting in May transacted much mportant business, some less imortant and some that might have vaited indefinitely. However, one imely step it has taken in adopting a report which contains many suggestions, all of which have a searing upon the further building ind strengthening of our organization. In summing up our needs of he present, the slogan adopted for our party for the ensuing year is. DRGANIZE FOR 1916.

We may petition or remonstrate—as long as we are not strong—hese will carry little weight. We may die we must, issue war-manifestoes or draft peace-programs — without the mass behind us — we have spoken to the winds.

MANY GRIEVANCES.

MORE locals and individuals have come during the brief term of the "new treedom" democratic administration. Complaints of the "high cost of living" are followed by wage-cuts and still higher prices; strikes recuts and still higher prices; strikes of the strike and individuals have come of living" are followed by wage-cuts and still higher prices; strikes recuts and strike recuts and still higher prices; strikes recuts and stop and recuts and strike recuts and strike recuts and strike recuts an of the Socialist party at its first feel that he is a worker - a

tion. Complaints of the "high cost of living" are followed by wagecuts and still higher prices; strikes brought about through despair are answered with gunmen, militia and the regulars; boycotts as a last resort are replied to by robbing in-nocent childhood, pregnant motherhood and aged infirmity of its homes and saved pennies; murderous, incendiary thugs are acquitted and go free, while guiltless men are convicted and incarcerated for

crimes never committed by them. To add insult to injury, court decisions are rapidly rendering the rights of the workers to organize, to free speech and to free press a hollow mockery and a sham; the right to the ballot is curtailed by cunningly devised election laws; applicants are denied the right to citizenship for failure to answer some frivolous question to the satisfaction of a smug, well-fattened

BUT ONE ANSWER.

TO ALL THIS-what shall our answer be? There is but one effective, but one telling answer that we can make. That is to go to the polls in 1916 — two, three and more — millions strong and cast our votes for the emancipation of our working class. This would be more than a slap — it would be a kick — it would be a smashing blow at fake "freedom" administrations, at cor-poration terrorism and thug-rule, at cowering and corrupted judiciar-ies. This is the only proper answer - the only answer worthy of our class- the only answer for the very purpose of which our party was founded. We must make it or quit and we surely cannot be QUITTERS.

ORGANIZE FOR 1916.

TO PROVE OUR party capable of existence we must grow and to grow we must henceforth wage a aign of organization. If we. each and every one of us, are sincere with our class, with our party, with ourselves, then from now on our every thought, our every passion must be to ORGANIZE FOR

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in a community they must try to discover each other and arrange to meet in the same manner as above. Let them also get in touch with the state or national office. They may not be strong enough to maintain a regular organization and they should not start one before they are sure that they can maintain it. But they cannot be too poor to give at least a few minutes of their time each day to speak to another worker and another, and so on. They can WOMAN'S NATIONAL COMMITTEE ind another, and secure literature (free, if must be, low that's what the national office is for) and pass it on, always being careful not to offend. Only atter they are sure of their ground is for) and pass it on, always avoiding expensive hall rents as long as possible. This leaves more energy and money to go to the right source, i. e., propaganda. When they are strong enough let them center their fortune the first spreading out as their strength will permit. At no time should they undertake to do more than they can will only madell do. III-done work leads to failures and failures to bitter disappointments. Also let them be allow and make the worker of his life.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE CORRESPONDENCE. Chicago, Il., July 24, 1915.

To the Executive Committee. To the Executive Committee.

Dear Comrade:—It is with feelings of the deepest concern, and only after much thought that I address this communication to you, and through you to the membership. It would not be written if conditions did not warrant this unusual procedure.

I am convinced that the expense of maintaining the National Office is out of proportion to its income. I am not alone

be dues the following figures are offered:

| DUES. |
Jan.	Feb.	Mar.				
1913	\$5060.35	5521.45	5258.40	4751.80	4071.35	4048.05
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For the first 23 days of July, receipts for dues have been \$505. less than for Jule, and \$299.50 less than for Jule, and \$299.50						

if this were the whole of the story, it might still not justify the warning I am sending out, although the showing is bad enough. But it is not only the present that is at stake, it is the future as well.

The National Convention next year will the National Convention next year will open the convention of 1912 cost \$18,000, but then no per diem was paid to delegates. Adding the per diem will bring it close to the figure given.

What are the prospects for raising this money and the additional sum needed for the campaign; They are not brilliant. We have taken two years to pay off \$10,000 of the party debt, in better times than these.

HUMAN LIFE MORE PRECIOUS THAN DIGNITY OF NATION

Every Socialist local in Iowa is being urged by the state committee to send a letter to President Wilson declaring that no development in the European war can justify this nation joining in the slaughter now deluging the nations across the Atlantic in blood. The letter prepared by Committeeman L. M. Farnsworth, of the Fifth District, and signed by Chairman W. M. Whitenack and Secretary I. S. McCrillis of the state committee, which has already been forwarded to President Wilson, on behalf of the Iowa Socialists is as follows:

T HE PRESS informs us that, "questions concerning domestic affairs among those who have scarcely touched the edge of your mind," so grave is the international situation, that "you have been much impressed by the practically unanimous verdict of the American editorial comment regarding the evasive reply of Germany to your recent note." It tells us also that "you hope to have the widest counsel in the present situation."

In view of this expressed desire this committee, representing the Socialist Party of Iowa and the working class in general, submits the fol-

lowing to you for consideration:

No violation of International Law, no crime by Germany however foul or inhuman can justify the wholesale slaughter of American life, which must be the inevitable result if the United States becomes involved in the harvest of death, that has stript the shell of civilization from humanity and hurled mankind back into the abyas of savagery.

and hurled mankind back into the abyss or savagery.

Regret for those who fell is shared by all. Yet if Americans had not been among the number our regrets would be as great. Human life is naught but human life and equally precious regardless of nation or race.

Ten thousand American lives are ten thousand times more precious than one - infinitely more precious than that monstrous fallacy "the dignity of the nation."

We say to you Mr. Wilson that the workers of the United States, those whom the privileged and propertied few always look to, to do the fighting and dying, declare "We will not kill nor will we die in a fight that is not ours." The workers, men, women yes and children of the United States have

a fight that is essentially theirs. A fight in which HUMAN rights are arrayed against PROPERTY rights; a fight to conserve, not to destroy human life; a fight against economic privilege and oppression, against poverty, misery and disease.

We say to you that the working class of the United States will not allow its attention and its energies to be diverted from its fight by the utterances of a fingo and subsidized press which reflects not public opinion, but the desires of those whose mouth piece it is.

The workers are in their fight to stay. We hope it may be a blood-California 145.55

The workers are in their fight to stay. We hope it may be a bloodless fight. We hope human intelligence may triumph over brute force, the machine gun and the hired assassin. But if blood should be spilled in this, the workers' fight as it was in West Virginia, Calumet and at the machine gun and the hired assassin. But if blood should be spilled in this, the workers' fight as it was in West Virginia, Calumet and at Ludlow it will crimson the hands of those entrenched behind property and privilege, hands yet dripping red with the blood of Ludlow's victims.

Again Mr. Wilson we say to you that "questions concerning domestic affairs," are of much greater importance than the "international situation." It would be well if such questions would not only "touch the edge of your mind" but penetrate to the very center of your brain.

"HENCEFORTH WE WILL FIGHT NO FIGHT BUT OUR OWN FIGHT" is the slogan of the working class of the United States.

MANY ANTI-WAR MEETINGS HELD.

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SOCIALIST LOCALS in all parts of the United States rallied to the call of the National Executive Committee and held anti-war meetings Sunday, July 18. The issue of The American Socialist last week went to press too early to give any mention of those meetings.

At DuQuoin, Ill., the Socialists distributed leaflets advertising their meeting that carried the national anti-war proclamation. The capitalist press at San Antonio, Texas, gave considerable space to the demonstration held in that city. The police at Rochester, N. Y., are evidently in favor of the war since they arrested the Socialist speakers addressing the open air meeting held in this Socialist stronghold. Resolutions adopted at the meetings held at Rockwood Pe. Kirkwille, Me. and other states.

nad declined to about \$2,500. The National Committee meeting cost about \$5,000, which immediately raised the debt again to the present figure, \$8,713.68. Had receipts from dues and literature sales kept up, this gradual improvement could have been maintained. But they have not. In order to show the trend of the dues the following figures are offered: ALASKA: Charles Ganty of Valdez, as been elected Territorial Secretary for

SCOTTALISTORS OF 28. Long No. 19. Long No. 20. Long No. 2 imum Wage and Maximum Day and we will get the help of voters from all parties. Undermine capitalism but don't waste time fighting the results of capitalism. Fight where we can get the most help and whose

tional unity" and intervention. The socialists in Greece were subjected to the most unbearable treatment on the rost unbearable treatment on the rost unbearable treatment on the rost will awaken the sleeping indifferent classes to a realization of things-they did not know existed. ny, corruption, terrorism, intimidations, abuses, illegalities were used In addition to Sinclair's suggestions June 26 for banner draped in mourning — it might also be appropriate to carry white flags or banners commemorating some victory printed thereon: signifying —

proclaim against Russianizing this much-boasted land of freedom. During the time that I spent in in the service of the United Mine Workers of America, I frequently met Prof. Brewster and learned to know and admire him. He was a man that possessed sterling qualities and no one ever ques-

tioned his sincerity, honesty or ef-

ficiency.

His every heart-heat is for justice and when he saw the money power banishing every vestige of law from the state and establishing instead a reign of indiscribable crime, he took his rightful place among those who expressed words

This made him a marked man by the Rockefeller minions. It was then only a question of time until the execution would be performed. The hour has come and Brewsster, the man with the noblest impulses is the victim of Rockefeller's ax, while Gen. Chase, the military satrap, the contemptable specimen of God's carlessness who places no value on the lives and liberties of the workers is retained by the Board of Regents, made up of those who hold labor in contempt. By this act they have placed an eternal stigma of shame upon that institution.

But Prof. James H. Brewster will live and be adored when the Board of Regents and their coterie will be long dead and forgotten. — ADOLPH GERMER, Mount Olive, Ill.

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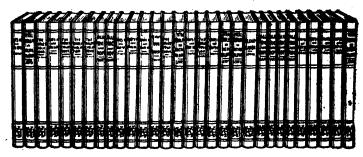
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Last Week 58,859 Off 1,866 ************ Loss

NEWS FROM THE FRONT -

Headquarters of General James Higgins. The "Off" Army commanded by General Plute and General Henricus Dubb is still pressing us severely. The enemy took several trenches. The Dubb brigade delivered a frontal attack in the hope of breaking our line. They were met, however, by a terrific fire of subs delivered by the Hustler Brigade and were compelled to retreat toward their own lines.

We are retreating steadily but with our line and spirit unbroken.

As soon as re-enforcements arrive tion on the jitney is but one of the ing our army considerably. All lov- rich and poor. ers of liberty for whose cause we are fighting are asked to contribute capital and the jitney for labor in munitions in the form of subs in any this fight. To put it in another way quantity they can spare.

PEORIA, ILL., SIGNS PLEDGE. "I believe it should be my duty to inform you that the enclosed pledge which is filled by me is to the credit of the Y. P. S. L. of Peoria because of the Terre Haute Tribune.

Common people.

I have just read Mr. Beasley's of his fellow-townsmen. Why does to he not protest against his own clients for the same reason? Is it issue of the Terre Haute Tribune. five members of the league volun- For unadulterated gall this stateteered 25 cents every five weeks and I, as Literature Agent of the League company is certainly a prize winwas instructed to collect the sub ner. Mr. Beasley does not say so from the respective member every but he and the exploiting eastern week and send it to the National Of-capitalists he represents, who have

OTHERS SIGN THE 5,000 PLEDGE THIS WEEK AS FOLLOWS:

George Shaffer, Arcadia, Ind. E. L. Cannon, Portland, Ore. R. Sehron, Detroit, Mich. John J. Vaugh, Redlands, Colo Walter S. McComb, Buffalo, N. Y P. E. Klein, Syracuse, N. Y E. F. Wickman, Pocatello, Ida.

ROLL OF HONOR

"Please find \$2 enclosed for which you may send me some sub-cards. I wish all those who can afford to do so would send you a dollar now for cards to put the paper in the shape it ought to be for the great campaign that is soon to open and that will be by all odds the greatest in opportunity in which the Socialist party has ever had a part."—EUGENE V. DEBS.

E. R. ARMSTRONG, Illinois, orders 21 initiation cards for his local. EDWARD PUGH, Missouri, marches to the front with 16 volunteers.

J. F. FO 3, Pennsylvania, finds 6 ger comrades ready to join in the at-

"You certainly are getting out an interesting sheet and no Socialist can afford to be without it."—W. E. COLLINS, Michigan.

"I am trying to organize a little force of Volunteers for The American Socialist. I have held two meetings in our county school-house. Please send me 7 cards."—
R. J. LANDGRAF, Mich.

J. J. PRUCHA, New York City, who has now been on the firing line for years or-ders 21 initiation cards for the new mem-

Joyfully join the forces.

A Lucky Brigade of 13 is organized by WILLIAM WORRAL, Ohio.

State Wild Price and With the red light as its political ally, had this city by the throat and controlled it as organized. Pive husky Westerners from Montana ruptly as any city has ever been join the 5,000 brigade.

"I am going to try to get the knife. I hope this will help some to keep the subscription list from falling below 50,000."—F. G. BAUMAN, Pa.

D. I. TODD, North Dakota, brings in a core that is well to be proud of. A brigade of 26 asks for a place on the firing

Tarentum, Ps., purchases a supply of initiation cards for their Sunday meeting. Frederick Strickland will speak for them. DAN O'BRIEN, Ohio, brings in a club of 4 this week.

J. FORREST POTTS, West Virginia, presents us with a list of 12. We will send him two of our attractive pennants for his good work.

A Campaign Book of 1914 goes to H. MEANS, West Virginia. He secured subs for The American Socialist.

On the ground that the introduc-

and other matter at the trial, tended the sanction of the courts simply Indiana governs Indianapolis."
to prejudice the jury, Charles Cline shows to what extent the courts The author urges commission to prejudice the jury, Charles Cline has been given a new trial by the Texas court of appeals. The Rang-this greedy and conscienceless corlishing both an efficient and a deel-Cline Defense Committee writes poration which has absolutely no mocratic municipal government.

The American Socialist from San interest in Terre Haute beyond ex-Antonio, Tex., that the comrades important and prisoned wish to express their apmilking the people to a finish. preciation for the assistance given

A TASK FOR SOCIALISM. The Farm, Stock and Home, one of the most widely read of the nation's farm publications, recently published a long editorial showing that the control of the countries of

Europe, is falling into Socialist hands. It concludes by saying that:
"In short, in Germany, France and Great Britain, the control of affairs appears to be passing into new hands, and out of the struggle there seems destined to arise the Socialist state—a Socialism tempered by responsibility and burdened with the great task of reshaping local govern-ment to meet the great problems of national rebuilding."

DEBS IS FOR THE JITNEYS

NOTE.—Eugene V. Debs finds time to fight the plutes in his own home town of Terre Haute, Ind. Readers of The American Socialist will remember his article in the "CARRY YOUR CITY FOR SOCIALISM" issue of last March, in which he wrote about the Terre Haute vote frauds. The fight of the jitneys against the traction corporations is nation-wide and we know you will be glad to read what Debs has to say about the fight in Terre Haute.

we intend to deliver a counter attack modern phases of the age-old strugthat will sweep the enemy before us. gle between the strong and the Shortage of munitions is bother- weak, the cunning and simple, the

the former represents what we know as Wall street and the latter as the common people.

company is certainly a prize winner. Mr. Beasley does not say so but he and the exploiting eastern capitalists he represents, who have been looting this city for years, want the jitneys suppressed. That is the way they want them 'regulated.' They want their owners, who are not as rich as Mr. Beasley's plutocratic eastern clients, loaded down with license fees, indemnity bonds and other legal extortions suppressed and other legal extortions suppressed. Baseley's traction clients every one list of the miners in capitalists he represents, who have been looting this city for years, want the jitneys suppressed. That is the way they want them 'regulated.' They want their owners, who are not as rich as Mr. Beasley's traction clients every one list of the miners in Colorado, was sent to the penitentiatry for life by a Rockefeller judge in a Rocke

Complying With Law.

Oh. abused traction company! Mr. Beasley's plea in its behalf is almost pathetic. As if we, the people of Terre Haute, were all feeble-minded and insensible to the great "I am not in a position to get many benefactions Mr. Beasley's corporaberibers but will send you one dollar thelp the paper. We use his dollar to p buy ammunition?"—FRANK BURN.

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During all these years this fran-

the commission form of government. It contains a strong plea for municipal self government. On this the eight-hour day. Union officials say ed it in all the history of the United author says:

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ate gunmen loose to rob and kill ing cities in the world that are denied the right of self government ... inal operations. Not a policeman English cities since 1832 have been could be appointed without its sanc- among the best governed in the among the best governed in the world, and American cities have been among the worst governed. office make the transfer and issue And one reason for this is that English cities are self-governed and American cities are state-governed tion company is one of shameless It has been well said that the citition of the Industrial Workers of fraud and downright robbery. That zens of Birmingham govern Birmthe World's preamble, constitution this fraud and robbery have had ingham, but that the legislature of

would be possible for every person was contributed ungrudgingly. There living to have abundance of support of all comrades and friends is not necessarily required to be a day. The fact that this condition in their struggle for equity and citizen one wonders at the low estidoes not prevail proves maladjustmate he places on the intelligence ment of things.

The Gunmen That Shot Up the Strikers at Roosevelt Are at Bayonne for John D. Today,

"Come On, Boys, Another Job" ROBERT MINOR

perchance because he shares liberally in the proceeds of the sale of on, from strike to strike, always on his neighbors and townsmen to the rich men of the east? hand where there is shooting of workingmen to be done.

bonds and other legal extortions sufficient to 'regulate' them out of of them would serve a life sentence Beasley's traction clients every one of millions.

Beasley's traction clients every one of them would serve a life sentence of the life in the state prison.

Plea to Organize.

law," he insults the intelligence of every citizen of this community. Mr. Beasley is a corporation lawyer and a very shrewd one. Will he dare to defend that proposition in a public discussion before the people of Terre Haute? I will gladly offer my humble services in behalf of the jitrust commissions of that character are controlled by the corporation lawyer and their friends the common people, would better prepare to rely upon themselves in this fight. They have no reason to new and nothing would suit me.

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his petition in behalf of the traction
company before the public utilities
his statement in support of that petition

trust commissions or courts when on — and everywhere it marches an issue arises between themselves workingmen go to their graves.
This is inevitable under capitaldock laborers continues good. The
increase in wages gained in May
amounted to \$940,000 a week, 970,000
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AMONG BOOKS

"There appears to be no reason

"Ours are the only English-speak

Science has demonstrated that it

JOHN D.'S ARMY MARCHING ON. THE WORLD OF LABOR

John D.'s army goes a-marching

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stand why this underhanded attempt is being made to strike down the jitneys and give Mr. Beasley's corporation clients the absolute monopoly to pluck the people of Terre Haute.

I am for the jitneys.

BAYONNE, N. J. — Situation in the strike at Standard Oil Plant still tense; sheriff has 300 special deputies about the plant in final effort to avoid calling for troops and strike.

L in San Francisco, next November, when Purit Survivi and Vorke Medical Plant Strike and S

eight-hour day. Union officials say on the Pacific coast. strikes will follow in Springfield, Providence, Hyde Park, Boston and other cities where munitions are being made. PALMER, Mass. - The Wright

Wire company's plant closed, following strike of employes demand-wages and the regulation of other

of wages ends threat of strike at
E. W. Bliss company torpedo plant.
NEW YORK. — Two thousand
longshoremen out, say strikers at piers of Mallory and Clyde steam-ship companies; 1,200 out, say employers, and 700 strike breakers at The New Era, the Socialist week-

paper to give up the ghost, the old stereotyped reason given being that of financial embarrassment The and much of the work done on it is a possibility that the N. E. may them and to ask for the continued jitney driver on the ground that he thing desired, working but six hours resume publication when business resume publication when business reason why the worker is poor is has improved, and here's hoping that because he is "tolled" on everything the expectations of its promoters may be realized.

(From The New York Call.)

By MAX S. HAYES

army of the system's broken and the building trades have enlisted in twisted derelicts out of New York large numbers, with the result that, over to New Jersey, it is not to be although building operations have Socialist. The others are two

The internationality of labor will retary. to avoid calling for troops and strikers have obtained many rifles. Rockefeller secures more gunmen. Half a dozen strikers have already been murdered by the Rockefeller wounded.

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> In the face of the severe suffering to which they are naturally miners in a dozen different districts ing eight-hour day.
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> BROOKLYN, N. Y. — Concession ditions reached the point where the of eight-hour day without reduction men simply would not work, preferring to starve rather than themselves out for next to nothing. Latest accounts have it that the mine owners are making satisfact ory settlements.

> The Co-operative Commonwealth is the name of a small, neatly printed, monthly magazine put out comrades of South Dakota. It conly, printed in Pittsburg, is the latest tains all official state reports, party news and propaganda suited to the northern farmer. The state office handles all business matters. Sub-New Era was one of the best Socialist papers issued in this country, and subs to The Socialist Party, Sisseton, S. D.

> > Science has demonstrated that the he produces and everything he con-

> > > I'M OPPOSED TO

The New York Volkszeitung remarks that at the outbreak of the European war the little army of Denmark was mobilized along with the rest, although numbering less than 10,000 men. The 15th Infantry Batallion was stationed at Lyngby, a rural town. Now 143 young women in that district have appealed to the government to help support the "war babies" they are bringing into the wor'd. So that Denmark is having "war babies" without any war. But the accursed uniform will continue to be worshipped just the same by hypocritical knaves and

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or failure. Get that straight, too. All of you have the interest of the Y. P. S. L. at heart, I know that. Now let us make sure that we will This from the British Board of all work in harmony, each in his or

among the members of the Y. P. S L .-- WM. F. KRUSE, National Sec

From Detroit, Mich., comes a sug-Now in its favor we can say that it will probably bring in a good many members that we might not otherwise get, and that, at a very reasonable cost. It would stimulate interest in the organization, and give our members something to work for.

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zation and not in the hope of a bit of tinsel for their lapels. Then there KANSAS—Ness City, Utica, Pittsburg. is always a grave danger attached to MARYLAND—Baltimore.

MASSACHUSETTS — Worcester, Springany membership campaign, it engenders rivalry, and often draws a genders rivalry, and often draws a kegon, Traverse City, Owosso, Battle very undesirable sort of people into the organization, for in times of contest we do not watch the membership very closely.

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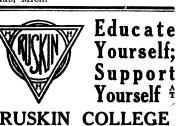
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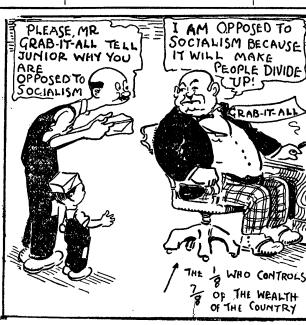
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