

# SPEAK YOUR PIECE

## What About IWO Insurance?

BRIDGEPORT, Conn.  
Editor, Daily Worker:

Will someone please bring me up to date on what is happening to the insurance policies that several thousand IWO members surrendered, myself included, over two years ago. I am amazed that with all our new modern calculating machines that like UNIVAC do thousands of mathematical calculations in minutes, they have apparently not yet figured out the policies' cash surrender value that we are entitled to. What I am afraid of is that at this rate our policies are paying off some nice juicy expense items and salaries of insurance officials and instead of getting some cash on these policies I may end up owing them some money. Please enlighten me.

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## Suggests Socialist Education

DENVER, Col.  
Editor, Daily Worker:

For those who are more or less in sympathy with socialism and fairly well acquainted with the general idea, the Daily Worker

answers the purpose of mental stimulation. We love this paper for its quality and give it our support, although not always as it really deserves. We need the paper as a flower needs sunshine. To this all supporters will agree. What we do not agree on is how to build up a mass circulation for the Daily Worker and a mass following for socialism.

We seem to be stumped on this question, at least for the time being, when the need for mass socialist sentiment has become a necessity for further development and the people's welfare.

The idea of Marxian socialism is over a hundred years in existence. It made great progress in the Soviet Union, China and smaller countries, in spite of opposition, boycott and war. Mistakes and other shortcomings are being adjusted. Even the fascist uprising in Hungary will be fully conquered by the socialist forces. The capitalist press has been gloating too soon.

In the U.S.A. in spite of its large labor unions and large mass of workers the idea of socialism has penetrated slowly and only to a small portion of the population although no other country in the world is more

ready and industrially advanced than the U.S.A. for socialism. No doubt the capitalist press is responsible for subverting the minds of the average worker.

I worked in shops and of hundreds of workers I met, not one knew the meaning of socialism. Most of them understood it to mean: whatever you have you divide up with others; only the capitalist press could concoct this.

Now here the Daily Worker can step in to offset any wrong notion on socialism. I suggest that in every issue there should be a box in which socialism should be explained in simple language. The box could take up about a quarter of a page. All this is to attract workers who do not know or have the wrong ideas about socialism. With insecurity, unemployment, strikes, war and H-bombs we must the workers some realistic understanding of a better society where the ills of capitalism would not exist, where the brotherhood of man will become reality. Only the abolition of the exploitation of man by man can bring this about. These ideas must be in the Daily Worker in every issue.

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