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FAILURE to prov in the least the po. workers was safely and even so much as an insign. raged and murdered strikers failure to at least succor the

reployed is by far the greatest of the many crimes of the national democratic administration. The nation-wide protest on Lincoln's Birthday failed to affect e plutes at Washington. President Wilson was "out" when the messages of protest came. His secretary, Joe Tumulty, saw that this protest of the the official White House waste basket. Protests sent to congress will be quietly pigeonholed by the labor committee. Out of it all will not come slation providing for the much needed national system of federal employment bureaus. To the many crimes of failing to come to the aid of the outof toil from hunger and starvation. In this crisis the Socialist movement of America must continue without wavering its great mission of the democratic plute politicians, the socialist movement of America must continue without wavering its great mission of the democratic plute politicians, the socialist movement of America must continue without wavering its great mission or the socialist movement of the democratic plute politicians, the socialist movement of the democratic plute politicians and the social plute politicians are social plute politicians. the workers of the nation. The volume of the workers elected every official who now does the bidding of Big Business in the legislative halls everywhere. Every Socialist should resolve in this hour to redouble his efforts to bring the great toiling mass of humanity to Socialism. This must soon result in everywhere dethroning the power of greed and gold. Start in now to win your neighbor and fellow-worker to the Socialist cause. That is the best way to abolish the menace of unemployment forever.

CHALLENGE YOU! NATION IDLY FACES CALAN

THE POWERFUL press built up by the members of the American Socialist Party who speak foreign languages stands as a challenge to English speaking Socialists.

Many of you English speaking Socialists, who read The American Socialist, do not know that there are three foreign language Socialist dailies in Chicago; that there are three more THERE is no social conscience, no In New York City; while the Finnish Socialists alone have three:

This makes nine in all. Compared to this the English speak-country, and that is one of the causes of ing Socialists have but two dailies, The Call, in New York, and the great unemployment which stalks The Leader, in Milwaukee. In Chicago the Bohemians, Poles through the nation. It is more than that and Germans each have a daily. The same is true of the Jews, -it is one of the most discouraging ob-Germans and Hungarians in New York. The Finns have dailies stacles in the path of a solution of the

WATCH THESE FIGURES FROM WEEK TO WEEK What We Want -- \$5,000

Total Received - - - \$106 Still Waiting For -- \$4,894

at Fitchburg, Mass.; Superior, Wis., and Astoria, Oregon. Every work for speedy relief. It would use every one of them is a monument to the sacrifice and working class! spirit of these Socialists will speak foreign languages

Who I are to foreign to the federations regularly affiliated in the matthew mention of employment. This is the national Socialist Party. The recretaries of every one of the intentional Socialist Party. with the national Socialist Party. The recretaries of every one of it these federations know the value and power of a working class;

They have caught the infection and want to help boost the circulation of The American Socialist and help wipe out the party debt. Each one of them has bought a dollar's worth of "sub" and of the number of unfortunates in the lunatic cards in The American Socialist's campaign to raise \$5.000 by selling 20,000t forty-week sub cards. In addition they all joined in presenting The American Socialist with an encouraging letter BUT the worst phase of the situation is the reading as follows:

KNOW PARTY PRESS NECESSITY

NONE realize more than the foreign-born Socialists that the party press is essential to party existence. Each of the Foreign Federations has its Socialist press; but the press of American Socialists, THE AMERICAN SOCIAL-IST, should be the strongest in the country. We must struggle for our own language press, but we are glad to send in our dollar for four sub-cards of THE AMERICAN SOCIALIST.

FRATERNALLY YOURS,

A. DREIFUSS, GERMAN FEDERATION. J. F. MAKI, FINNISH FEDERATION. H. GLUSKI, POLISH FEDERATION. PAUL BRUCHTEL, SLOVAK FEDERATION.
JOSEPH CORTI, ITALIAN FEDERATION. ARMIN LOEWY, HUNGARIAN FEDERATION. JOSEF NOVAK, BOHEMIAN FEDERATION. FRANK PETRICH, SOUTH SLAVIC FEDERATION. I. B. BALIN, JEWISH FEDERATION.

remedying the condition of the uncrusader spirit in the comrades of the American Socialist move-

Every day brings its bundle of highly encouraging letters. From all over the country the "Volunteers" are sending in their dollars. Some of the comments made by enthusiantic volunteers ar as follows: "For four someone cannot do his part, I send \$2." - Mrs. F. A. Pfeffer,

"If The American Socialist does not reach 100,000 circulation by Jan. 1, 1916, I put my-elf down as a poor guesser."-James Barnes.

"If we can't get saithed it's time to quit business. Here is mine," "Find #1 enclosed for four subs to The American Socialist as per your

plan to abolish the party debt."- E. E. Eames. "Count this as one of the 5,000. We will have another one next week."

- Thomas Illegios. "Was gird to note that you had passed the 50,000 mark and hone you President to make Congress to past legislation that will put the stary

will gain faster in the future. Here are \$2."-Seymour Front. COMRADE, BE A VOLUNTEER. MAIL THE BLANK BELOW TG-LETTER WEEK . OF R DOLLAK.

I want no premium but I want to see the Party Paper big and strong

City State

n-Elect said on Lincoln's Birthday at Great Unemployment Day Demonstration in Union Square, New York City.

By MEYER LONDON

spirit of social responsibility; there is a lack of social viewpoint all over the problem.

This lack of social conscience is pitiable. Here we have all the features of a great national calamity and the country sits idly by.

This great unemployment is a calamity. If an earthquake occurred, for instance, the City of New York would not hesitate one instant. It would act immediately and would undertake opportunity to rehabilitate. This unemployment is year's as serious as any earturant, though it

erge or starvation but there are some among them that are sorely tempted to commit crime. Women are forced to go to work. Compelling these thousands of men and women, and even children to face starvation and to be starving means an increase in the number of suicid

CTNICISM IS WORST FEATURE.

cynicism of the people and the officials. The extraordinary situation becomes the ordinary in time and we are soon led to judge life by inferior standards.

Unless a positive, aggressive stand is taken against a condition where half a million people are without employment in New York Cityand that is an extraordinary condition-we will

CONGRESS IS

DEAF TO PLEA

There are no bills pending which

expires March 4.
After March 5, when the extra

to leave the workers to the exploitation of their capitalist masters.

No Word From White House,

Efforts have been made to get the

The only bill that has a chance of

passage, and which will not de-much to aid the unemployed work

Michigan last June and he has been

and the jobs riny be brought toge-

fighting for it ever since.

thing ordinary the richest city in the world, praising the se-called charitable werkshops which pay a daily

wage of 75 cents? How long do you think it will take before that insulting sum becomes the recognized standard? Here society as a whole gain anything by permitting such a deleft. That sum, 75 cents a day, is the best argument against charity.

And why must men end women who are will-

ing to work be compalled to accept it? fundamentally wrong. It is more — it is a menace to all working people.

It is the duty of the city and a promotion of its own welfare to attempt extraordinary measures.

ures which the imperative laws of life demand must be governed by the laws of life, not only by a piece of paper.

WHAT THE CITY CAN DO.

LL tell you what the city can do. If a determined stand were made by the people that their chosen officials should face the problem the administration would soon find an enormous latent power for good. If the people of this city recognized that they were in the midst of an extraordinary condition they could soon convince the city officials to take extraordinary measures. It seems inconceivable that such a rich one, cannot find enough work for inhabitants to tide them over the bitterest months. If the city acials do not attent seek extraordinary measures, the people of the

sponsible for our lack of knowledge which provails. We do not hear the true voice of misory. We are not, as a city, senecious of what is really going on within our gates.

There is no social conscience, no spirit of

social responsibility, no social viewpoint. The whole situation reminds me of a pack of dogs fighting for a bone. Nebody cares for anybody else. And this very viewpoint, this spirit of indifference and cyuicism is the obstacle to a solution to the problem and is responsible for the constant recurring condition, a condition, by the way, which becomes more intense with each visitation.

There is no doubt that the municipality could do much to relieve the distress. Schools could be huilt, a loan of funds could be placed in operation. The city need have no fear for its funds if it leaned out money direct. It is fully operation. protected by the Garnishee Law and could at-

COULD COMPEL OBEDIENCE.

FURTHER, the municipality could urge em ployers to divide their work among a greater number of people. This would prevent extreme distress and compel all the people to share the crisis. If the employers refused to recognize the municipality's right to formulate and enferce such an order on the ground that they will "run their business to suit them-selves," the city could threaten to compete.

But what is the use? You can't patch up a system which is founded upon the individualis-tic philosophy of "dog-eat-dog!"

There would be a little relief in taking children out of the factories. It would be a beneat to the child, of course.

To take the child out of industry and replace

ft with an adult would, naturally, increase the income of some of the families a little. But you must bear in mind that the child has been put to work only because it was necessary for it to help earn enough for the family to live. Not until the adult workers can earn enough to support their families will children be kept out of the workshops.

HOW TO SOLVE PROBLEM.

THE only thing which will solve the problem of unemployment is for the government to compete in all lines, until it has taken over whetherstries of the nation by driving out vivate profit seekers and explifers of human

By producing for service and not pro fit, the government can pay good wages and institute the eight-hour day. By driving the philocophy of wage slavery out of industry it will solve not only the unemployment problem, but to recognize this principle of social co-opera-tion we not only fall in our social duty, but shake the foundation upon which civilisation is

erected.

The one great, immediate need of the nation, one upon which I intend to concountrate in Congress, is a comprehensive, national unemployment insurance measure. This is one of the most important measures for relief before the people and should be gancted at once. It is a social recognition of the principle that a worker must be protected from starvation, suicide and lanacy when the capitalistic method of production falls to function.

The nassace of such a measure will be one

The passage of such a measure will be one of those based upon the principle that we are one people and are ruled by a social consciouce.

THE ROCKEFELLER-BELMONT CONFESSION

By EUGENE V. DEBS

THE testimony of the Rockefellers, senior and junior, and of August Belmont before the Federal Commission of Industrial Relations is conclusive. Not a shadow of doubt remains. By their own confession they and their class are leeches upon labor and parasites upon society. Not only have they admitted it but they have sworn to it and their confession under oath is now a matter of record with the federal govern-

All three of these eminent multi-millionaires testified under examination that they knew nothing about the industries of which they are the titular heads - that they had not the remotest connection with the employes engaged in such industries and that accordingly, they functioned solely in robbing these employes of the wealth earned in the sweat of their

This is the sum and substance, the pith and purport of the Rockefeller-Belmont confession now on file in the archives of the federal government. Thus is the contention of the socialists, so long and persistently and indignantly denied by their brood of retainers, confirmed in the sworn confession of

cess, of all useful or responsible connection with productive

ORGANIZE YE WORKERS, INDUSTRIALLY AND

WORKED FOR SOCIALISM; LOSES FEDERAL JOB

But Politically Active Democrats and Republish cans Are Not Discharged From Federal Civil Service at Wichita, Kansas.

Wichita, Kanesa, has been discharged from the postal service on the charge of "political activity."

It is shown that the "political activity" charge is made only against So-

Democrate and republicans may hold their positions in the class service of the government and still he as politically active as they choose.

the United States civil service com. meetings, and as a member platform mission, which is being used to gag and posing as a leader of the mofederal employes, seems to apply to

Socialista alone. "The attached correspondence is

"Here is a clear cut case of political activity." I desire to say that tical activity on my part," he continues, "and a brazen attempt at the department as unjust and unthe enforcement of the gag rule by American. the postal department.

ill alter my stand in this case. and my advice to every other para will alter my stand in this case. discontent in general among the people in the classified service. I be- to control the political liberty of in lieve a wonderful battle can be employed in nothing short of brutal waged against the gag rule and the No such authority has ever been

ment service. Miller was notified of his dis

charge from the federal service by ice over the arbitrary enforcement Postmaster John H. Shields in a of the 'gag rule,' rather than loweretter reading as follows:

"I am this day in receipt of a wholesale and unjust dismissal of

letter from the Hon. First Assistant Postmaster General directing your removal from the service on the ground of undue political activity will secure my reinstainment in the advise you of the reasons for the department's action, which are as of Socialism did not interfere with

Tain la the Crime. "Acting as chairman of political"

In a letter to Postmaster Shields self explanatory," declares Miller. Miller protests against his discharge in forwarding to The American So-cialist copies of letters that passed between him and the postmaster at of my dismissal from the classified

"I do not and never have re-

after March 4, with the Socialist the same thing, whether he be So-press in action, with the seething cialist, democrat or republican. "The attempt of the department

political activity rule in the various conferred upon it by the constitu-departments of the federal govern- tion of the United States, by any act of congress, or by public sentin The chances of course are that "As for me, I am going to stand "Permit me to suggest, Mr. the steel trust will promote rather for what is right, regardless of the Shields, that the department had

based on the report of a post office, government service."

I am further directed to

SOCIALIST FIRED; OLD PARTYITES HOLD JOBS

Bo JOHN H. MILLER Who was dismissed from the postal control Wichita have because

he is a Socialist. I am being dismissed from the classified service, not because of

undue political activity, but because I am a Socialist. Four years age an employe of the Wichita postoffice left his desk and made active campaign for mayor. He was defeated in the primary and was back at his old position the next day. Last fall another employe of the office was in the race for clerk of the city court. One of these men is a Republican, the other a democrat. Both are still in the government service, no action of any kind having been taken against them by the department.

AMERICAN SOCIALIST VOLUNTEER SUB-BLANK

The American Socialist, ses W. Madison Street, Chicago, III.

Enclosed find \$1, for which please send me four American Socialist sub-cards. I am an AMERICAN SOCIALIST VOLUNTEER. and the party out of debt.

Yours for Socialism,

..... Street No.

DO YOU WANT YOUR OWN LOCAL

OF JOBLESS The municipal elections are approaching. How would you like to have a special issue of The American Socialist for your own only? The pictures of your candidates and all sorts of local matter edited by your own local on an inside page. We can arrange this for you if you Special to The American Socialist.

Washington, D. C.—Legislation to matter in The American Socialist.

Washington, D. C.—Legislation to matter in The American Socialist; two columns will cost you \$8.00; three columns, \$10.00; four columns, \$12.00; AN ENTIRE PAGE ONLY long of unemployed men and women in the United States will not come from the present ession of Congress, Big Business rules in the green, Big Business rules in the municipal election, dated March 20, to contain many special articles, that will help carry your city for Socialism this spring.

Bundle orders of the paper will cost \$5, per thousand as usual. This is a great opportunity for every community in the United States that has a municipal election, this spring and does not have a local verse.

Senate and House of Representatives, a municipal election this spring and does not have a local paper. ACT AT ONCE. TIME IS PRECIOUS. will remedy unemployment to any appreciable extent and there is no UNEMPLOYMENT DAY SAW MANY to bring before every member of possibility of bills being introduced MASS MEETINGS AND PARADES. Congress the sentiment of the men and passed before this Congress: Early reports received tell of and women who want work.

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New York had its big meeting in

cialist Congressman Meyer London will be in his sent in the House of Representatives, looking after the interests of the working class.

Radical legislation to provide job, the Bronx and in Brownsville.

Radical legislation to provide job, the Bronx and in Brownsville. for the unemployed will not be. ('hicago opened its spring municipassed at the next session of Con. pal campaign at its meeting. Radical legislation to provide job-Parades were broken up at Degress, for Big Rusiness gained tr

No ald can be expected from Presfuture are under way.

A more detailed report of these ident Wilson, because he will not admit that the problem of the unemployed is serious and is willing ican Socialist next week.

their tobs in the House of Reprosentatives and the others firtific over petty appropriations and pa tronage and with Republicans far i. taz enemployet to nork, but no wind has come from the White the minosity it will require from sentative MacDonaid to get his bil-

Then the bill must go to the Sen era, is pending in the House of Representatives. This was introduced by Representative Maclionald of Michigan less time and the second formula of New York Smoot of Utah, Gallinger of New Hampables and others are the working class arrayed against any legislation which will make the This, hill would create an em-ploymen dureau in the liepartmen Labor in order that the workers, by their capitalist friends.

ther. No rectrictions are placed on Letters and telegrams containing They also got we the Department of Labor in extends petitions, adopted at the national same conditions. must be passed before March 4, and to have every one of them printed in lar amount to him. I can swear to from nominating a candidate against the odds are against it. With a the Congressional Record in order, these charges under oath with him.

employment bureau bill, which provides only that men and women be The creation of jobs by federal

and arrests made. Plans for other capitalist congressmen that such redemonstrations in the immediate [5]] would be fought bitterly if it ever escaped the pigeon hole in the committees on labor.

the every of Peter Hajdu, who paid stricted suffrage for men and wo good money for the privilege of be-ing exploited by the Inland Steel The local paying the freight of

in the sheet mili department as fore- "How To Do It," by writing to H. man and coal shoveler. My number M. Sinclair, secretary of the Sowas 2620. I received the position cialist party of Oklahoma, 220 Scott upon the payment of ten dollars to Thompson Bidg. Oklahoms City for toredika, Sam Philips. This I Comeade Sinclair also has a numwas told by other workmen there; ber of the posters, "Starve the War must do if I wished to secure work. —Feed America," which he wisher Protests To Labor Committee. must do if I wished to secure work.—Feed America," which he wish letters and telegrams containing They also got work there under the to dispose of in the same manner.

time getting something to ent for your wife and little ones, go ever to Heiggs Wharf or along the beach south of the Cliff House and learn what a land of plants this is " cave the land of plenty this is," says the San Francisco Bulletin. "There

*Each day a hundred and more boxes of herring - 00 to 30 pounds to the box - are being lumped into the bay. Aiready the gulis are gorged, and still the feast is spread which only they may eat."

o prevent the wholesale price from falling below \$1 a box. There is no capitalist law, either city or state, to stay the waste.

willing to wager that Congress will man did promise that I would be ack my job, but he did no: keep his promise." The chances of course are that

> New comes The Philadelphia, Pa., Enquirer and declares that, "So-cialism and the woman suffrage

('c., of Cary, Ind. It is as follows: express may have any quantity (up "In the cummer of 1914 I worked to 200,000) of War Leaflet No. 2,

"On September ? the foreman has been elected President of the ing the work of such a bureau. Free demonstrations of the unemployed "On September I the foreman has been elected President of the transportation to job., free employed in Lincoln's Pirthday, Feb 12, will without any reason discharged me City Council, his party having the ment bureaus in postoffices, invest, be referred to the committees on and put in my place a man who largest number of members in that igation of employers, and offer labor in the Sonate and House of paid him more than I did.

body, but not a clear majority. Four more than the last out of 10 local judges were also secretary of Labor to the Representatives, as they come in isation of employers and other labor in the Senate and House of paid him more than I did.

body, but not a clear majority. Four phases of the work is left to the Representatives as they come in "I am not the first nor the last out of 10 local judges were also Secretary of Labor to organize

If the unemployed are to get any meeting, were held on Friday. Reliaborer who works in the sheet mill; by, a Socialist has been elected Majority from this bill this year it presentative MacDonald is prepared to phase in the passed before March 4, and to have every one of them printed in lar amount to him. I can swear to still be constanted in these charges under one with him.

FISH TRUST FEEDS SEA WHILE POOR GO HUNGRY "If you are out of work and

The fish trust has combined

twenty other workers. "I am a poor man with a large family and since I was discharged

than number a foreman who has representation in the House and trolt, Mich, and Asshville, Tenna legislation is so repugnant to the shown himself so expert at explot tation.

> THIS TELLS HOW MAN PAID FOR campaign are twin political move PRIVILEGE TO BE EXPLOITED. ments and a menace to the country. Capitalism at its worst is to be according to a statement issued by seen in all its horrors about the big pients of the steel trust. Here the conditions of the steel trust. Here the conditions of the supported workers in hardly less pitiful than that of the steel trust.

; In Munich, Germany, a Socialist

these industrial potentates themselves. It now remains only to take these eminent labor robbers at their word and relieve them of the burdensome function of relieving the working class of the wealth they produce, even as they have long ago been relieved in the evolutionary pre-

POLITICALLY, AND DEVELOP THE POWER OF A CLASS CONSCIOUS, ENLIGHTENED PROLETARIAT TO TAKE POSSESSION OF YOUR OWN!

NOTHER Socialist, John E. Miller, for five years a postell clock at

In this case, as in many others reported by The American Social

The anti-political action edict of |

which he affiliates."

Will Not After His Stand.

"I do not know how this case will be settled, finally, but I will forfeit my position or go to jail before I ways done as I pleased, politically, will alter my care of the complete the politically, ways done as I pleased, politically, will alter my categories to the complete the complete to the complete the complet

better turn its attention to curbing the secthing discontent in the serv-

this work as a pointal clock is shown (Continued on Page Two.)

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SATURDAY, PERSUARY SOIL 1915

NEWS OF THE WEEK More is all the week's news worth while bedied down for workers so busy fighting for Bestalam they do not have time to read the daily cap-ficket prote.

TUBSDAY, PEBRUARY 9 Twenty-one one inners around by a si of water at South Wallington. Erition of the Portio. III.
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nen B. Bossi, one of nation's 25 Mineral supreme operit levies fines of gallings on five large posking firms. WHENTHERAY, FREEVARY 10.

ane. made in Objects election purchase bill thought to have been by smalle. May be resurreded in cassion. id besided. In the rates fund of \$11,800,800 for all Mathedart ministers and for vri-and orghous of Mathediat ministers.

THURSDAY, PERSUARY 11. United States conde notes of warring to breat British and Gormany reparding too if flag and protection of chipping. Gormany place to rates now wer loan g \$1,350,000,000. Heavy war tax put on

lt. utilant Wilson receives delegation of Secute and tells them to keep swake PRIDAY, PRESUARY 19.

Reported that King of Poland has been fested and that he will be ereward in w days at Oncow. There-fow British air craft sweep over the of neithern Belgium held by Gorfaced four and perhaps five neutral is will support the demands made affed States upon Great British and ming. relibition and woman suffrage enderred

SATURDAY, PERSUARY 13. mater and a protoco and Parepo for age of the Los Transports of the Los to Times Building, arrested in New to Times Arisona supreme court upholds prohibi-len law that Went into efforts Jan. 1

SUFFDAY, FEBRUARY U.S.

Investigation shows bobies in Bolgium so born in yis piece and coope.

Provided Wilson and cabinet declared a house ground on policy which will keep lattle out of European war tangle.

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Frunk P. Walsh, chairmon U. S. Institute Occamination in Givage appears defined considering conditions in the boar's a car that can be brought beans, fortilizer and mining industry

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A little old sate for sele. British savy to blocked German coast.

When President Wilson said a few weeks agd that he saw prosperity seems Patr seem to see as Sea France, daining it sets sew gradest reals: tic prosperity.

PRESENTAR AS CRUAL" (From The How York Call)

Over at Roosevelt, N. J., where the strikers were shot some time. It would be a real act of charity There has been no more shooting to call in a few mousand of the unsupport several of the strikers have the \$2 witness fee Rockefeller and been neatly blackfacked by the Carnegie don't need the money. eperators, and arrested afterwards One heroic thug made a desperate frontal assault on about 100 women rental assault on about 100 women

wives of the strikers, who were

cylinder that the Rockefeller money trying to keep the scale on hy shaming them—and the gallant fellow clubbed a swath into them for ton feet or so, and was then pulled down and trampled upon by the infurieted females, and only rescued with the greatest difficulty.

with the greatest difficulty.

Also, the management of the Agricultural Chemical Fertilizer Works, ewaed by the Rockefelier Fundation, refuses to recognize that there is a strike of any kind on. "Business as usual." is the mette of these heroic souls.

And it may be mentioned casually that Antonio Winter, the fertilizer workman who testified before the ladustrial Relations Commission.

Relations Commission how he and his family starved on \$1.60 a day, has been attended to He has been fired. is blacklisted, and, besides, is under arrest has ing been selected by the company's ate as an underirable person to are mightly interested in the tariff have running around loose. He is

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MASTERS WINED AND DINED---WORKERS LANGUISH IN FILTHY DUNGEON

Bu FRED W. HOLT

M TRELP and comrades are doing the very best we can under the surrounding conditions. They have all nine of us in one cell, ten ha thirteen fret, including sine banks, tollets, etc., which makes as want very much for exercise. Of course H'in very hard." but these sacrifices have to be made and some worker has to make

I presume I might have been permitted to go free with the payment of a heavy fine but for the fact of taking advantage of the opportunity of putting a Federal Judge square up against the class struggle, which I was unable to resist.

When this coal corporation first started to shipping in guan, and guamen and secured an injunction against myself and comrades, I forced these murderers to admit before this same court that they were at that time shipping in guan and amunition into this peaceful and law abiding mining camp, and in the face of those facts the injunction was granted as usual. Then it was that I removed to do the same thing that the Court was permitting the coal company to do. COMPARY to do.

company to do.

I started at ence purchasing all the high powered rifles and ammunition that I could get and furnished them to the men to protect their homes and they did it nobly. In the meantime, the company had shipped in about a hundred things who began their usual tirade of abuse upon the helploss (as they thought) women and children. When they finally attempted to shoot up the camp one night they were met by men who had an equal opportunity to defend themselves. The result is now history — but thank God, not such history as that cancel at Ludiow.

WHOLERALE ARRESTS followed and indictments by the score. Detective stories surrounded hundreds of our comrades with the possibility of terms in prison, backed by a hostile court. This forced some of us to make the sacrifice to save scores of our innecest brothers from doing terms in prison.

There never was, nor never will be, a finer illustration of true class solidarity than was demonstrated when this band of brave hearts was called upon by Counsel for the minors and informed that eleven men would be required to take sestence, or all go to trial in the face of a projudiced court.

A vote was taken with nearly a hundred defendants present, not one knowing upon whom notiones would fail. The vote was manimous in favor of the eleven making the sacrifice in order to spare the many which included many brave women.

When the names of us who were called on to go were read alond a stillness cropt over that audience that was only broken by whispers of regret from those who were fortunate, each sorry that—the burden could not have fallon upon him. Hany of them begued that they might be permitted to take the piacen of some of us who were taken from our families.

We were marched into court and pleas of guilty entered. Sent-ence with passed, all receiving six months and a thousand dellar

By DUSCAN M. SMITH A TRAGEDY.

thirm's in both sections.

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if the Industrial Commission were

Even while Rockefeller Jr. 1

It might bring sunshine to some

souls to know that the only pros-

tion as to whether a president

HERE IS A message to the working class of America from a dark cell in the county jail at Fort Smith, Ark., where nine members of the United Mine Workers of America are confined because they revolted against the system that op-

Chief among the victims of the mine barons is Fred W. Helt, who last November reserved searly 60,000 votes as the Socialist candidate for governor of Oklahoma, six Socialists at the same time being swept into the Oklahoma state legisat the same time being swept into the Oklahoma state legis-lature. Holt is also the scentary-treasurer of the Southwest District of the United Mine Workers. The story of the re-volting Arkansas miners has already been told in The Amer-ican Socialist by Eugene V. Debs and Freda Hogan. Here is a story that tells how the masters, when they com-mit crimes, are wined and dine; while the workers, when they seek to protect themselves, their wives and children against the assassins of the mine barons, are sent to prison.

fine, except two, one getting two years and a fine, and one with a fine of a thousand dollars.

WHILE STANDING before this corporation tool, waiting for WHILE STANDING before this corporation tool, waiting for him to ask me that last question ... "Have you anything to say why soutence should not be passed upon you?" ... I could not resist the tempiration of putting one Pederal Judge square up against the issue. The court was packed to enfocation. The fact that I had done nothing that this same court had not permitted the Coal Operator to do was burning deep into my revolutionary soul. I sold him that I had no horror of the sentence he was about to impose, but that I wanted to call to the attention of the Court that he was passing sentence upon me for having done that which he had permitted the Coal Operator to do without the alightest protest upon the part of the Court.

mitted the Coal Operator to de without the slightest pretest upon the part of the Court.

I had no opportunity to finish my remarks before he began to belch forth his tirride of abuse, striking best like the screent he is. He had been hit with a fact that his little, decomposed brain cells were unable to combat, and he was compelled to recert to the usurpation of the power vected in him, which permitted him to access any amount of punishment that his infuriated brain night suggest. To esticity his majesty I am to do six months.

I believe I would have did with the cramps had I not get to tell him and his chosen household those cold facts.

Lying in a fifthy dungeon is no more than hundreds of others have done, and I can observably bear it if I can only be the means of arouning some worker to a realisation of his or her own perfix in this great class struggie.

It serves to bring out the significant fact that laws are made to protect the Capitalist and to punish the Workingman. In this case: If Law has been violated both have violated it in the same manner, yet one is wined and dired — the other languishing in prices.

By ROBERT HUNTER

Shots At The Enemy

of Socialism had a grand time over the "blood-red flag."

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John H. Beffel, a mayoralty candidate, shouted at the top of his voice "Shall the blood-red flag of the French Revolution be thrown at the mast head of our city ball."

the state legislature, are fighting two others, The Weimarische Volks-Intervented are setting and The Elsenacher Volks-Intervented are setting and Intervented are setting are setting and Intervented are setting and Intervented are setting and Intervented are setting are setting are setting and Intervented are setting are setting are setting and Intervented are setting are se head of our city hall?"

The Wisconsin Socialists have as their emblem the red flag. They In Lefore their belief out, carry it in their parades and wear

Bill Johnson was a working men.
Who tried to live in style.
He bought himself a little ear.
Although it strained his yile.
One day the bose came 'round and said
'The work to getting slow.
It breaks my beart to day it Bill.
But you will have to for. it on their party buttons.

The red flag is in Wisconsin the symbol of Socialism. One rarely sees the red flag elsewhere but one cannot visit Milwaukee without seeing a goodly number of red flags.

There's a little old Tord on the market, A little old auto for sale, BE Johnson and Co. mast walk when they go Alsa. 'the a secrewful tole. There's a little old Pord on the market A little old auto for sale. Now it is curious that the Milwaukee movement, which is said to be Now it is curious that the Milwaukee movement, which is said to be membership. 'This fact, more than the most opportunistic portion of our movement, should be so active in any other." says the Berlin Vor-

In fact some critics go so far as to accuse the Milwaukee movement of being "bourgeois." Well, I see only ONE evidence to support that accusation, and that is its use of the red flag.

In one sense of course there is really nothing in a flag no matter what its color, just as there is nothing in a name.

But a flag is a symbol, and a symbol may or may not have something and tireless advocates."

SYMBOLS HAVE PLAYED a tremendous role in all religions. In the We shall have Socialism upon us SYMBOLS HAVE PLAYED a tremendous role in all religious. In the owner of the cross became the supreme symbol. Even today every in irresistible force before we awake great church is built in the form of the cross.

And as Christianity came to rule Europe it increased its symbolism until nearly every bit of color, and every window and pillar became a the southwest is certainly throwing entering Lyceum and Chause of THE WINNING METHOD

symbol of some article of the faith.

The early Protestants of course began their crusade by tearing out of additions. The early Protestants of course began their crusade by tearing out of editors.

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The democratic party is gry in and God. They said that men worshipped the symbols not what was back establishment of an organisation of mountant police for New Jersey sim-

wet in the north and of the symbols. They declared they wanted to win the people away from the old symbols and idol worship in order that they might seek the truth.

And as a matter of fact nearly every symbol, political or religious, Pennsylvania.

to call in a few thousand of the un- sion. At first, when it represents revolt, it calls forth its martyrs. Later it At first, when it represents revolt, it calls forth its martyrs. Later it omes popular and it is then caught up by every scroundel to be used Study Socialism a power to rule over the passions of man.

as a power to rule over the passions of man. And in the later stage it becomes a veil and cloak for every iniquity and villainy because the oppressor realizes that the masses absolutely refuse to look beyond or beneath that symbol.

A symbol substitutes a form or a color for ideas and principles.

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I Elements of Socialism talking so feelingly about peace and

And men gradually come to consider the symbol as the thing to which they should be devoted rather than to the idea or the program that the is stalking through the halls of the they should be devoted rather than to t Colorado legislature seeking whom symbol was at first meant to represent.

> THE AMERICAN FLAG is a symbol that is used today chiefly to foo the voters and to whoop-it-up for patriotism and men will lay down their lives to preserve that symbol without considering in the least what those

additional for individual students.

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The red flag is no different from the star spangled banner. It can be as much descerated as the star spangled banner and all the passion that today blindly follows that flag may tomorrow blindly follow the red flag.

The world changes. The Democracy of today becomes the Oligarchy tomorrow, the Republic of today becomes the Empire tomorrow. Justice today becomes injustice tomorrow.

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tomorrow, the Republic of today becomes the Empire tomorrow. Justice today becomes injustice tomorrow.

Yet the same flag waves over it all and the people who are devoted to a symbol are usually blind to the fact that that symbol does not change when conditions change. It won't change color or form. Nor will they readily learn that that which is loved today must be hated tomorrow.

Flags are useful to those who want the people to remain ignorant, they are siright in politics for capitalist politicians and party crooks.

But in a thinking, scientific movement, such as we wish ours to be, there should be no availed. The Socialist party is the only for the unemployed problem. The other parties think that hungry men

there should be no symbol worship.
Indeed there should be as little as possible in our propagands to arouse that besotted, fanatical, bigotry that goes to the scaffold for a symbol even when it is employed by knaves to blind men to reality. possiless and might in something almost desperate. No more \$1.60 and adverted the couldn't get it is a day for him. He couldn't get it is a day for him. He couldn't get it is a day for him. He couldn't get it is a day for him. Anybody that goes to the scaffold for a symbol even when it is employed by knaves to blind men to reality.

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Advers place of the Mill house, Miss.

Prosperity is so long is coming. "Press' on Rarch, also "to the what it may be afraid the done and and the Shrikes all that they each grow that it may be afraid the done and the Shrikes all that they so would pick its pockets before it got around to the common people till got around to the common people.

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Massachusetts red flag law is the center of considerable excitement at the state capitol in Boston. Some the law repealed, some demand that it be amended. The So-cialists, with Charles H. Morrill in

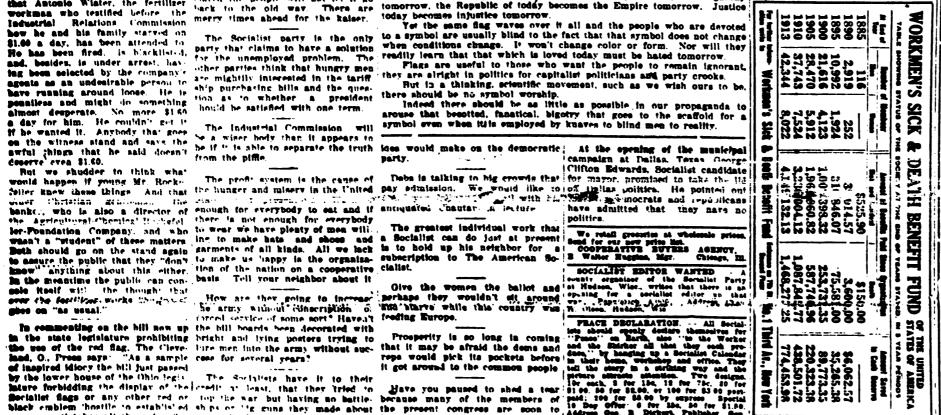
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outbreak of the European war that
they now point to an increase in
Britain are urging that the govern-

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of thousands of civil service workers in the employ of the government The American Socialist has en-listed the support of the 31 Socialists in the 13 state legislatures in the fight to force the federal civil service commission to recall its anti-political rulings. Socialist Congressman-elect Meyer London will also take up the question when his term as congressman begins next would be.

Mayor Blankenburg, of Philadelphia, recently received a visit from tow Socialists, representing the Philadelphia Socialist Party. They were Charles W. Ervin, member of the Socialist Party national committee, and Henry John Nelson, counsel for the party, and they demanded that Blankenburg recommend to the city council an appropriation of \$2,000,-000 for the immediate relief of the

unemployed.
Socialists of Passaic, N. J., when

The military censor has been very busy lately in Germany. One So-cialist daily. The Gothaer Volksblatt, has been suppressed entirely.

tation of wheat and control its distribution.

The Ninth Annual Conference of the Christian Socialist Fellowship more, Md., beginning Feb. 23.
Socialist Mayor M. E. Kirkpatrick of Granite City, Ill., has been renominated and local Socialists are mak-

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THE COMEDY OF CAPITALISM

By CHARLES W. ERVIN

THEY ARE trying to talk the Shipping Bill to death in the Senate. The enemies of the measure have organized a talking team that's some pumpkins. One member talked for nine hours, another for seven bours and any team-mate that gives out in less than five is in danger of getting his release. The paper pad ink business is boursing...The Congressional Record has grown so fat that it will have to be sent by parcel-post if it puts on much more fatness. One hundred and thirty pages of duly the classified service which prohibit drivel is going some.

They talk about everything, even of something they seem to think

if it puts on much more fatness. One hundred and thirty pages of daily opponent of the measure had said that it was a "Socialistic." With statesmanlike sarcasm he inquired of his friends, the enemy on the other side of the Senate, if the business of owning ships was "socialism" what the business of insuring ships was?, and reminded them that they were very

postoffice clerk during his five years service in this office."

In another statement published in these columns, Miller shows that a democrat and a republican were very active politically and that they were still permitted to hold their lobs.

business of insuring ships was?, and reminded them that they were very much in favor of it.

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What's the matter with the same argument being used to justify the These gag rulings affect hundreds people of the United States in taking over all the industries to protect thousands of civil service work, themselves from the "mercilese combination" called capitalism, Senator Reed?

What's sauce for the robbers is sauce for the robbed. Incidentally here are two nice little tid-bits of "senatorial courtesy." Describing a speech against the measure that consumed about nine hours, Reed said: "It ran and ranted up and down the scale, through the falsetto, the ore-tund, the guttural and all intermediate noises natural and supernatural". Speaking of Root, this Missouri word artist said that he spoke "with a pious unction that would have done credit to the original Pharises on the streets of Jerusalem." We wonder what "senatorial discourtesy

LIE-VY LEE IS smooth, very smooth but be slipped up on his own grease the other day. Scene: Industrial Commission. Lambkins Rocke-feller Jr., in charge of the new Publicity nurse whom papa Rockefeller had bought for him.

Lambkins on the witness stand the day before had bleated so pitifully that Nurse Lie-vy was evidently worried about what Papa might say of the manner in which his lambkin was treated in the public press. A brilliant thought came to Lie-vy. Mother Jones was in the audience. Why not lead his lambkin over to Mother and show her what a harmless

oresture his charge was.

If this could only be done with the eyes and the ears of all the press men of the country focussed upon it what a story it would make to go out to the country. "Capital and Labor find a common meeting ground". "Mother Jones and Rockefeller Jr., clasp hands," etc., etc. And with Nurse Lie-vy there to lead the conversation along the lines that were Socialists of rassair, No day ware they demanded that city appropriate \$200,000 to furnish work for the unemployed were told that this could not be done without special legislation. And the non-Socialists showed no inclination to pass this largislation. of the Rockefeller Press Bureau.

> CANNIE CARNEGIE WAS on the stand before the Industrial Com-mission the other day. He escaped by his usual trick of doing a mono-logue stunt. He made everybody laugh. He laughed away every damn-ing incident in his career. He even laughed away the infamous Hemestead massacre.

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We believed, in this instance, the engaled members took the anily course open to them in opposing such as undemocratic, amendalization, and uncodurable attitude on the party of the Party, logother with the future loss of the Party, together with the future loss of the many flowends which must necessarily follow such a cases this, is a calansity. The above sighed attitude of core losses which makes such a cituation passible, should not be televated.

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Section S. Article H. Notional Constitution of the Socialist Party should be repecied; and turker be it
RESOLVED: That a copy of this recentrious be sent to the Executive Departigans of the National Organization, for
the guypone of initiating a referendum on
white question.

COMMENST:

The defection of our German comrades in their reseast hear of trial should give our food for thought. Their organization, which was the cavy and wonder of the bout a refusingly perity, and constraint petitical perity and constraint petitical perity is developing the same weakness. Our party effices are being filled by men who appear to be far mere solicitous for the prolitical affices, and the good opinion of our encourage of the prolitorial and strateging to ger seandard a weak-kneed element which is a source rather of weakness than of provided the prolitorial, and attracting to ger seandard a weak-kneed element which is a source rather of weakness than of provided the prolitorial perity. An unsocialistic gard degratic consorvable is being exercised even the Socialist press. literature, thought and estions, tending toward the ultimate stagmation and demoralisation of the measurement. As one means to curb this mand actions, tending toward the ultimate stagmation and demoralisation of power, and washed to contrain the ultimate stagmation and demoralisation of the measurement was an expensive to the prolitical and demoralisation of the measurement and constitution.

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By Local Omaha, Nobr. That in the matter of securing a Partyewaed Hendquarters, that ten thousand
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as to natural resources, he procured and
a headquarters building he building a Roeialist city and country-side radiating
from such Party Headquarters.

COMMENT:

This lead acres that the such as t

REFERENDIM

This local contends that after the hulld-ig of such a headquarters had gotten fair, ander way it would become aelf-supby taker way it would necessary artically perting.

Our plan is to build near but not on a relired and promote auto and aerial transportation.

We individual ownership of real estate, so taxes or rents, all this to be taken care of in establishing hours and wages.

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month the total arsets were \$28,600.63 and the liabilities were \$2,752.55.
So we have gained \$2,621.71 in assets and have decreased the liabilities \$2,872.44 or a gain of \$5,994.15 for the mouth. This is due to the increased dues and the American Socialist Jecture, course. The not assets of the National Office are \$24,270.52, which is the net "worth" of the National dues in December. We are glad to show the receipts for January. Total receipts for January were \$5,500.64 against \$5,612.55 for December, and the duce for January were \$4,245.05 against \$6,050.00 for Decomdone-decrees one month winds up poors than another is Milbadi let The situation continued good, from the financial standpoint, and if it were not for the National Committee meeting in May, we should see the National Office out of debt this summer, preparing for the big Campaign

Executive Committee has made arrangements for the affiliation of the Young People's Leagues, they paying to per month per member.

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MATIONAL COMMITTEE MOTION NO. 5
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"LETTERS COLUMN" OMITTED. NOTE .- Owing to the great amount of official business this week the editor was forced to emit the "Letters

LATIMER: The term of the present Woman's Committee expires with the meeting of the National Committee se that it appears to be a further expenditure of mousey without securing any results. While not in sympathy with the treatment they received at the hands of the Executive Committee, I do not believe that this metion will do mere than to add to the great expense of the National Committee.

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I appeal from your ruling that my lamotion, That Rule No. 13 (former number liber) of the National Committee he stricken out. I is out of order.

STATEMENT:

And rules

able consequences in Europe.

Cincinnati, O., Pab. 6, 1918.

Mr. Walter Lanfersiek, National Secretary.

Revisite Party. Chicago. III.

Dear fit and Comrade: We are preparing various circulars for different states on the question of The Temperance of mailing list of the Socialist Party, respective she branch secretaries, for the purpose of mailing matter of this matter to them.

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Chicage, Feb. 15, 1915.
To the Executive Committee:
Deer Comrades: — 1 beg to report

On Germer's motion. tional Executive Commi on wormer's motion. That the Na islanal Excouries Committee publish a samphles of about the same size as the "Bombshell," dealing with action of the last A. F. of L. Convention on the question of an Eight Hour Law, Duncan Germer and Maurer voted YES, Wilson attack that he was willing to leave the question of publication to the National Office. Berger did not vote The multion has therefore carried.

On amendments to the Manifester.

just where and how we are entitled we atrike in order to protect ourselves fund this appeared of assault?

W. J. BELL, Tyler, Texas.

No action has been taken upon the above questions.

Fraternally yours,

Walter Lanfersiek, Executive Secretary.

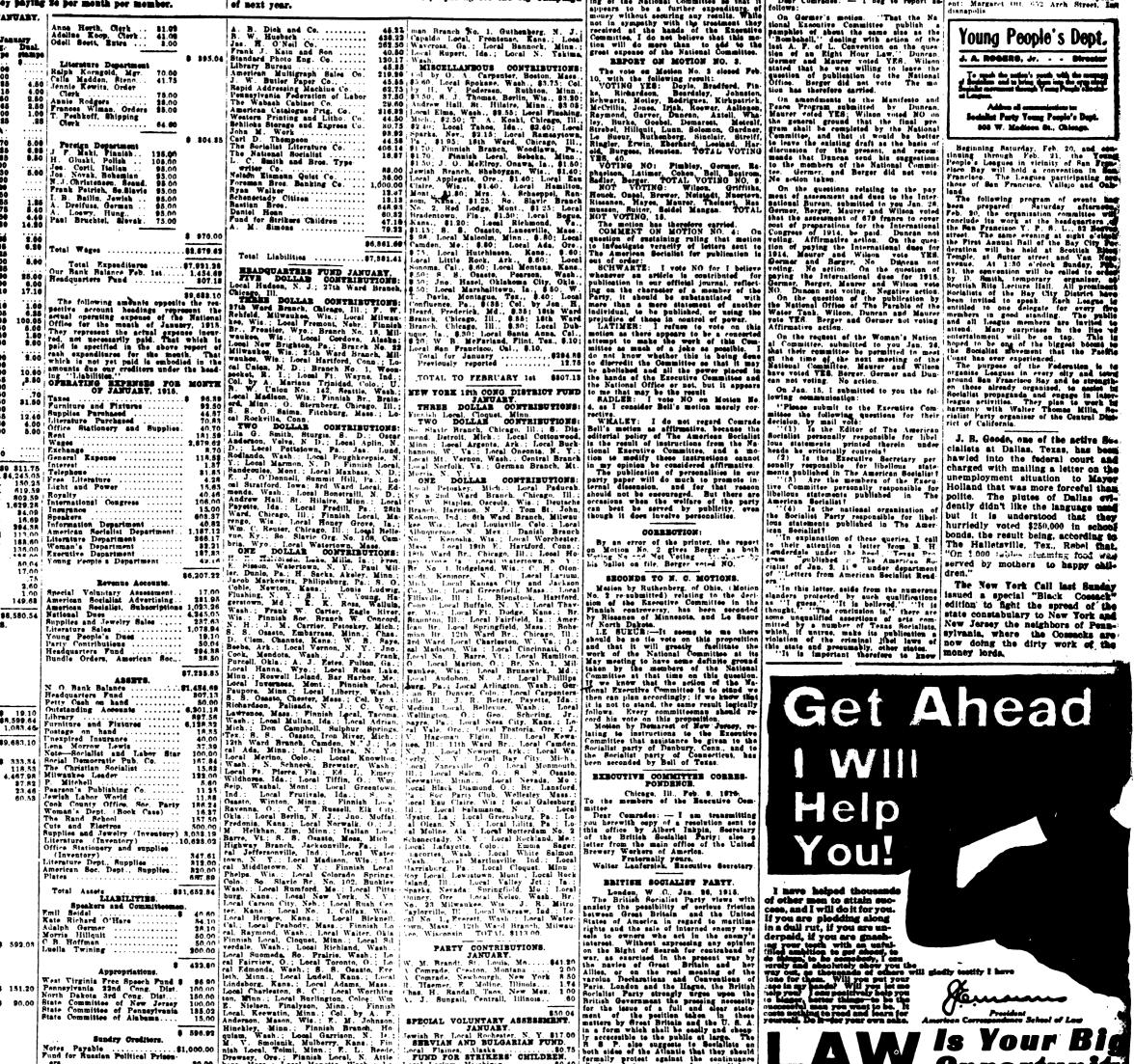
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The gain this week was not quite as satisfactory as it has been for the past few weeks. It is, however, a gain, nevertheless.

Since The American Socialist was started, the circulation has gone back only one week. It quickly recovered itself and went on climbing. We are expecting great results from our campaign to get 5,000 hustiers to take four sub-cards each. We have little doubt but that we will succeed. Hustlers should make it a point to take the matter up at their local meeting. It would be a good idea for each local to take a dollar's worth of sub-cards and for as many individual members to do the same. Remember that you are mot donating your dollar. There isn't a subscriber to The American Socialist who cannot get rid of four anheards at a time. If we could maly inspire all of our subscribers ste take part in this campaign The American Socialist would soon be the greatest political paper in the

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Hilds F. Mills, sends us a list of names shat makes our hearts thrill. The list consists of 43 names which were secured by a small group of special workers in the comwal district of Oalifornia. Walter Thomas Mills is organizer of that district. "Hurrah for The American Socialist.
s getting better every day " C. A.
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"Someone sent me the paper and my subscription has run out Hera is 50 cents, send it on." J. W. Smith. Gibsonville, N. C.

"I am very much pleased with the pa-ger and shall do what I can to help it grew. Okiahoma comrades find the com-ments on the activities of our six mem-hers of the Okiahoma legislature very in-herseting." J. O. Welday, Okiahoma City, "The American Socialist is very much

neverted by the local comrades and in

end sends in a now or two numbers of The American Socialies has I could not help that as I had to wait till I could earn the dollar." Dora Millard, Ericada, Ore. Wishing The American Socialist more ower, Leo Welsh, Troy, Mont., sends in

"Let us all pull together for a mighty party press that will not only be a me-dium for publicity but a great revenue for the party." O C Brooks Dixon, Ill. "These are all new and I think you of the socialists for can rely upon them as steady." S. B. peace and concluded:

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"Number 118 was the first copy of The American Eocialist I have ever seen I never want to miss another one." Ben Wilson, Bigge, Cal

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SOCIALISTS IN GERMANY WANT PEACE

Socialien de Europe, la beginning to sound a new and stronger antiwar note. Following the reports that the Socialists in the Prussian diet had taken a strong position for peace, came the report that the International Socialist Bureau has summoned delegates both from belligerent and neutral nations to meet at The Hague. It is declared that these delegates will confer separatei) and later hold a general assembly. one can be arranged.

Conservative, capitalist press re-ports declare that the German No-cialists, while not desirous of presenting any partisan issues or of taking any other action during the present crisis which might militate against the harmonious co-operation

of all parties, have surrendered none of their views.

This is shown by the attitude of the socialist members of the Prussian diet. Herr Hirsch, a socialist delegate, read on behalf of his party a declaration which in part fol-

"The Socialist party maintains its opposition, based on principle. the former government policy, which policy has remained in all material things unchanged. The party, however, refrains in this critical time from introducing discussions of a polemic nature into the consideration of the budget on its first read-

Wake Demands on Rulers.

later would call attention to complaints concerning the provisions for soldiers and for dependents, the food supply for the nation and retrictions on the free expression of thought.

He could not permit the occasion to pass he continued, without giving expression to the demand of his party that the government, in consequence of the situation brought about by the war, should certain measures desired by the certain measures desired by the certain measures desired by the same—that it is all well United States, according to the to be charitable and to feed starving census of 1910?

A.—The Census Reports of 1910

the labor movement in general and in particular against the Socialist Party and other socialist organizations.

was opposed to political oppression B. W. Jerdan, Springville, Utah, shows and contended that the basis of all the sperciation of The American Socialist and contended that the basis of all and sends in a good sized list of subscrib. Political reforms must be their political reforms must be their equal application to all minorities as in the case of the Danes and Poles

Voices Desire For Peace. His party had hoped, Herr Hirsch continued, that the government would, at the session of Oct. 20 1914, fulfill its duty by granting uniform suffrage, with the secret direct ballot. He mentioned the desire of the socialists for an honorable

"We know that this war is desired by the people in none of the sired by the that the voices demanding peace and that under the influence of this congress.

burg. Kans.

Ross B. Anderson. Ottomwa, Ia., after reading our circulation column last remarks: The Wilson Prosperity seems to be working presty well for Socialism The situation, he said work in this neck of the woods.

The little old sheet is doing good work in this neck of the woods.

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PEACE CRY OF GERMAN SOCIALISTS HEARD IN PRUSSIAN DIET

WE KNOW that this war is desired by the people in none of the belligerent lands; that its end is everywhere longed for by the people. We cherish the considence that the voices demanding peace will grow more numerous in all belligerent lands, will make themselves heard in influential quarters and that under the influence of this desire

for peace, especially of the laboring classes of all lands, an assured peace may come speedily, to the well being of the German people and of all humanity.—Statement by Herr Hirsch, Socialist member of the Prussian diet, read in the diet on behalf of the

or in that of complete independence and that throughout, from Alsace-Lorraine to the Balkans, those populations that have been annexed by force shall receive the right freely

to dispose of themselves." The resolutions also delared that the allied Socialists had resolved "to resist any attempt to transfer this defensive war into a war of con-

CONGRESS HEARS AMERICA IS STARVING TO FEED EUROPE.

Even the capitalist press is beginning to recognize the "Starve the War — Feed America" campaign is higher than for any similar started in The American Socialist riod since 1908, when it was 34.7 during the dark days last August cent. The percentage for 1918 was when the bloody war in Europe first got under way.

This percentage for 1914 is based

respondent recently sent a story to ities and represents approximately his paper that the congressmen are 100 different trades and 25 per cent being told that Americans will starve while Europe is being fed.

The report states:

"Protests against the exportation concurrent rise in prices in the United States, are coming in with such rapidity that Demogratic limits of the trade to suffer the most limited states. of foodstuffs to Europe, with the Herr Hirsch added that his party our thought to the advisability of ing and furniture followed with shipments.

ing that something be done, and on unemployment no. 3. done immediately, to preserve the American food supply for the Amer-

Europe, but that charity begins at A.—The Census Reports of 1910 home, and some attention should be Abstract, page 259, give the follow-

products and foodstuffs, since the beginning of the war in Europe. For several years prior to the outbreak of hostilities the American exports of these commodities amounted practically nothing, because of the demand for them at home.

"Although The wheat crop last

year was a record breaker in the 1914, 277 pp. \$1.50, annals of American production, the surplus over normal years and mil-lions of bushels in addition have: nately Congressman-elect

London will not take his seat in time to speak in behalf of these petitioners. The Socialist Party na-"Exclused find 25 cents for which renew my subscription for 40 weeks to The
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INFORMATION DEPARTMENT CARL D. THOMPSON, Director.

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This percentage for 1914 is based
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QUESTION AND ANSWER.

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AMONG BOOKS

"Why the ('apitalist?" By Frederick Haller. Published by the author, 210 Pearl st., Buffalo, N. Y.

Examining economic data in this book the author inevitably reaches already been shipped to Europe."

The "Food Petition" circulated by the Socialist Party is now ready for the Socialist Par the Socialist Party is now ready for shipment to Washington. Unfortu-Meyer proofs of his contentions, drawn from facts which are largely or wholly outside the range of the mind. Haller adduces merely suffi-Not the least of the achievements accomplished by "Why the Capital-list?" is to establish firmly the iden-"We are overloyed to read the encouraging report of the increased circulation of The American Socialist and that it is a paying proportion. In it, lies our assured peace may come speedily to the well being of the German to the well being of the German to the well being of the German to the hands of the meaning of the real meaning of the substitute of the well being of the German to the well being of the German to the well being of the German to the war.—Feed American: The American Socialist's "Starve and against the expropriating and the War.—Feed American: resolutions proved too strong for the total meaning of the book, and particularly ford County." Caroline A. Lowe. Pitts. tity of interest between the small tions proved too strong for the ters of the book, and particularly The bread line through the snow.

> clusions reached are the same as the conclusions reached by Marx; but the argument is greatly simplified.

MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP PAYS. Pasadena has a municinal light

It also has a management Socialists Vect In London. annual conference of the London that believes in municipal owner-Representative Socialists of the and Home Counties Federation of ship. As a result the rate for electricihas been reduced from 15c. per k. w. h. to 5c., thus saving the

> "Municipal Engineering." a technical municipal magazine, quotes from the annual report of the Pasadena plant, as follows:
> The operation of the municipal lighting plant in Pasadena has cording to the annual report.

UNEMPLOYMENT AMONG LABOR Among other things it says: "The trilons in NEW YORK CITY." to \$557,588.90, plus the saving for the past year of \$174,000, making a

total saving of \$721.082.96. The rate was 15c per k. w. h when the city began talking about When the rate was lowered to meet the Sc rate established by the city, the 12%c rate was continued in force in other southern California cities by our competitor.

Chant Of The Unemployed

By William Francis Barnard

Boast not ye hold Great hordes of gold Within your easy clutch; Unt empty bords Through all earth's lands Prove that ye boast too much.

Nay, be not vain O'er all your gain, With fluent voice and pen; But hark the moans, The curses, groans, Of a world of hapless men.

Nay, tell not here Of feast and cheer With which ye grace your lives; See these that mourn, And mark their scorn, ---Wild mothers, maddened wives.

Of strength or power, Nor prate of all your case; Hear these instead: "Why the ('apital-Our children, on their knees. They beg for bread,

Nay, name no laws To make us pause, Nor rattle justice scales. Your prison peni

Five million men

Will more than crowd your jails. Nay, bring no might Of guns to fright, Nor march your steel-armed m With bosoms bared

That power we've dared. And will dare it once again. Nay, scoff no more,

As ye have before, At a world that tolls and delves; Shall the lions help And men not help themselves?

Turn not away; Be warned this day. Look at us, eye to eye. Work! give us work. Think not to shirk; We will not starve and die!

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BY SHAW DESMOND.

in dividends.
Nobody would believe how the fellows "get away with it." The Liberal government, "friends of the a municipal plant. Then it dropped to 124c, while the plant was being saved the bankers and the financiers. saved the hankers and the financiers. They have put the "big besses" on velvot. They have kew-towed to the captains of industry. New they have put the "food pirates" in charge of the situation by driving 4,760,000 tons of German shipping from the seas, and by commandor-time a large symbol. "Subsequently the base rate in some of the other cities was reduced to 10c, and so remained until January, 1913, when a rate of 2c was established. On April 1, 1914, a base rate of 7c was made by the city's competitor in various other cities. However, this is considerably higher when compared with the rate of 5c charged by Pasadena's municipal plant."

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FROM THAT POINT he got off to a tearful plea to the seven to "remember the wrongs of the Old South, and come back, for the honor of transpert of treeps. So the seas he Democracy," and more of the same bunk. By the time he had wight over seven desks and streaked his red whiskers his audience had forgetten their sad thoughts on government ownership.

But folks who watch and listen to this debate, in all its imbediffy, these precious workingman's friends have actually secured the ship-ship, government operation," running like an eternal theme through every serious utterance made upon the bill.

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navy has swept the seas clean of commerce destroyers, and the only the British workingman. It is

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A clipping from the local paper at Allentown contains a good account of the meeting.

SOCIALISM! "CRIES ROOT, "IT IS REAL SOCIALISM!"

66S OCIALISM:" rasps out Root of New York, in an almost frensied have rangue to the Senate against the shipping bill. "It is real excisirangue to the Senate against the shipping bill. "It is real social-

If you've got anything dictor on the other side of the Atlantic than the British "feed pirate," I should be glad to have a lock at him.

New, I'll tell you what is imposed ing in England. If the Liberal government in the direction of state socialism in recent years."

Root—he of the much-touted brains—makes no distinction between real socialism and state socialism. He is not interested in the genuine-ness of the socialism and state socialism. He is not interested in the genuine-ness of the socialism and state socialism. To him the deal is just as wicked if the sailors are exploited or well treated by their public employer; it is enough for Root that the Morgan family is not to draw the profit from their labor. Anything that puts an industrial profit into any but a privilege investor's palm is socialism.

Bo a shudder ran through the Senate, as the lean wolfish face of the New York lawyer grimaced its fears of government ownership.

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Socialist Party Information as they may need in Miners are en the raw edge of the New York lawyer grimaced its fears of government ownership. Everybody was impressed. The galleries were filled with anxious folks who looked around to see the spectre of red anarchy stalking in from most anywhere.

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this socialistic deal.

The thing got so serious that Jim Ham Lewis of Illinois, sleek machine politician and lawyer, champion word-spinner for the Democrats when occasions are dramatic, decided to answer Root. He holdly asserted that the Democrats were indeed going to undertake government ownership. He explained that the shipping trust was a particularly wicked trust, that the shippers of the United States were being outrageously treated, and that the language has been possible to the salf-grant deals. and that Uncle Sam would have the help of the self-sacrificing Democratic patriots in giving "justice to the people."

Lewis was brief on government ownership, which he hastily covered over with an attack on Root's personal record and on the rebellion of the seven Democrats who went over to the standpat Republicans to save this wicked shipping combine.

ests have their representatives in gentlement, who see that they don't get the werst of any deal.

But the cream of the whole dirty preliminaries are well advanced, it would appear from this anipping debate. The Wilson administration has become the helpless bystander, knocked about by the real combatants. Behind the shipping bill is only one issue just now—government entrance into profitable industry. The unconscious socialists are working for it; the anti-socialists are all Under existing circumstances in American politics it would be teo

much to expect a triumph for the principle in this Congress. A MONG the measures of interest to the workers of the country that are apparently to be smothered by the Republican filibuster in the Senresult is that the "black-flag" men shove up the freight rate, up goes the order of bread, and down goes the order of bread and the order of b figured and describe till problibility the employment of gunmon in in dustry. The latter measure has not been reported from committee, and will not be reported during this session because public attention has carefully

been led away from its neighborhood. The conference report on the seamen's bill hangs fire in the conference room because Rep. Alexander of Missouri, chairman of the House Committee on merchant marine, is trying to kill it. He has joined with Sen. Wm. Alden Smith of Michigan in asking for a lot of "information and data" from government officials, in order that he may make up his mind on the treatment to be given the Great Lakes shipowners.

Alexander is tender hearted toward these Great Lakes shipping magnates since a delegation of them has spent a social six weeks in Washington. Alexander can be counted on, with Sen. Smith, to die in the last ditch in opposition to the "Sailors' Magna Charta." CONSERVATION LEGISLATION, which would start the process of saving the "unearned increment" of developed natural resources to the people, is of course killed for this year. So is every proposal to grant

retirement pensions to old civil service employes, and to better the conditions of government employment generally. Incidentally it may be noted that Postmaster General Burleson, through his first assistant, Roper, is instructing postmasters to dismiss their aged clerks when the latter become too infirm to compete with younger men. He insists that the government shall not take any care of

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