

EXTRA!

By Henry M. Tichenor

from Europe. ed in my pocket and drew forth INTERNATIONAL."

out on the bench again and prepared to read.

The first glance at the flareheads knocked all the torpor and calmness out of me like an electric shock-my God! I muttered as I sat suddenly upright.

"THE CZAR'S ARMY IN MUTINY-REVOLUTION IN RUSSIA!" stood there in great black type. I read on. "LATEST FROM ST. PETERSBURG"—
"BIG DETACHMENTS OF THE REVOLTING SOLDIERS HAVE CAPTURED THE CITY —THEY HAVE THROWN THE CZAR AND ALL THE GRAND DUKES IN THE PRISON OF ST. PETER AND ST. PAUL." "STILL LATER FROM ST. PETERSBURG"-"THEY HAVE HUNG THE CZAR AND ALL THE GRAND DUKES IN FRONT OF THE ROYAL PAL-ACE."

I went on down the black flareheads—"THE AUSTRIAN ARMY IN REVOLT AND MARCHING BACK TO VIEN-

I was lounging on a bench NA." "LATEST FROM VIEN-INTERNATIONAL." in one of the city parks. I NA—THE EMPEROR AND DON — REVOLUTIONAL." The big papers HAVE BEEN CAPTURED AND had been putting out extras HUNG." And further on—"THE every little while, and I had GERMAN AND FRENCH bought them as fast as they came ARMIES REFUSE TO FIRE from the press; so, when the ON EACH OTHER." "BOTH newsboy came along crying this ARE FLYING THE RED FLAG a nickel and bought the paper. LIN-LATEST-THE KAISER I had read so much about AND ALL ROYAL OFFICIALS the war that the first flush of ARE FLEEING IN AUTOMOexcitement, as well as horror, BILES." "PARIS-THE PREShad somewhat cooled down, so IDENT AND GOVERNMENT I didn't hurry to digest the OFFICERS HAVE FLED AND a cigar before I opened the WOMEN ARE MARCHING THE ENTIRE

"LON- GAR SQUARE." "ROME -DON - REVOLUTION HAS ITALIANS IN REVOLT-REhad been reading the war news ALL THE ROYAL OFFICIALS STARTED IN ENGLAND-THE PEOPLE REFUSE TO THE TRIPLE ALLIANCE OR ENLIST AND ARE MARCH-INGIN VAST HORDESSHOUT-ING 'DOWN WITH CLASS-RULE, DOWN WITH WAR!" "BANDS ARE PLAYING THE latest "Extra!" I naturally reach- AND BANDS PLAYING THE INTERNATIONAL AND BAN-NERS ARE FLYING INSCRIB-ED 'WORKERS OF ALL COUN-TRIES UNITE! YOU HAVE NOTHINGTOLOSEBUTYOUR CHAINS - YOU HAVE WORLD OF PEACE AND PLENTY TO GAIN!" "LAT-Instead, I leisurely lit GREAT BANDS OF MEN AND EST-KING GEORGE AND HOUSE OF paper; then I stretched myself THE STREETS SINGING THE LORDS HUNG ON TRAFAL-

became aflame. The red blood coursed through me like hot wine. The workers of Europe had refused at last to fall into their masters' bloody trap. Like a sudden, unheralded storm, they had revolted all in unison against the monsters of mammon and murder. Clasped hands of the common race from St. Petersburg to London, from Berlin to Paris, from Vienna to Rome! Spirit of the Comrade World blazing in red across the skies of all Europe! The gods of the plunderers and assassins dashed down to hell! Race hatred and religious hatred crammed down the throats of masters and priests! Strong men of every tongue and blood sobbing their native love and longing on each others' breasts! Tears—tears of unutterable joy coursing down the faces of the mothers and children! O, thou all-beholding Sun, thy grandeur pales in this surpassing glory of the earth!

FUSE TO FIGHT FOR EITHER

"THOUSANDS OF ITALIAN

WORKERS MARCHING AND

As I read on my very soul

TRIPLE ENTENTE."

THE INTERNA-

THE

SINGING

TIONAL."

Masters Fear

I awoke. I had been dreaming on the bench in the city park. At my feet lay the evening paper. Europe was being deluged with the blood of the workers, butchering each other for the masters. of bread—the demons of war—, the royal robbers on the thrones.

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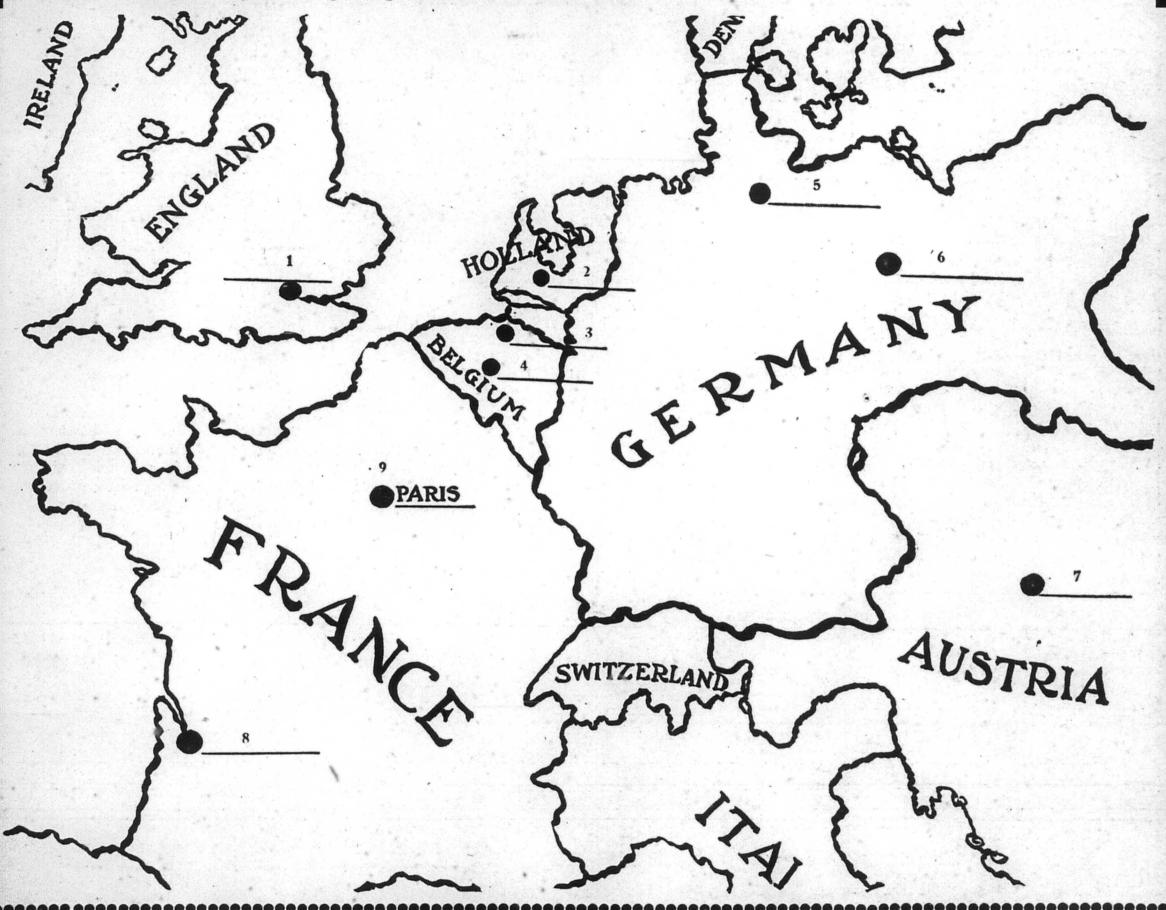
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Section

By EUGENE V. DEBS

PIOUS MONSTERS

The Czar of Russia and the Emperor of Germany profess to worship the same God and to believe in the same Christian religion.

These pious savages daily appeal to their God to bless their murderous expeditions and to help them kill and maim and destroy one another from the face of the earth.

What a spectacle for civilized human beings to contemplate! With the Bible in one hand and the sword in the other they lift their voices in prayer and supplication that the slaughter of their sign this prostitute proceeding and every assassin connected with neighbors may be complete.

If this be not blasphemy; if this be not an insult to the Creator and a monstrous perversion of all that is holy in religion, we know

not what else it can be.

These pious monsters have not a vestige of true religion in their cruel and sordid natures or they would not be the patron saints of human slaughter and have the shameless hardihood to call upon the Almighty to bless their multitudinous crimes against humanity.

IF ONLY THEY KNEW

The common soldiers of all nations are drawn from the "lower class" and but for war would be engaged in the peaceful pursuit of producing wealth for the "upper class".

They have no more voice in declaring war or in planning cam-

paigns or managing battles than if they were so many cattle.

They simply obey orders.

When the order comes to go to war they go.

They are perfectly trained in the noble art of killing.

Poor, servile lackeys, they do not think, and all they know, or are expected to know, is to blindly do as they are told.

But for these common soldiers, drawn from the working class,

armies would cease to exist and war would be no more.

If only these common soldiers knew what they are soldiers for and why they fight and bleed and die!

But they don't, or they would not be soldiers.

Their poor brains are just doped enough to make them servile to their masters and to regard their servility as patriotism.

In the frightful war now devastating Europe the common soldiers are murdering one another with a ferocity unknown to savages or wild beasts.

Thousands are being shot and sabred, maimed and mangled,

torn and disembowelled, but what matter!

They are but common soldiers and that is what common soldiers are for.

And why not?

If the soldiers of one nation are not to hate and kill the soldiers

of another nation, then why soldiers at all?

The soldiers now slaying one another with such fiendish ferocity on an hundred battlefields in Europe never saw one another and yet they fall upon one another in a fury of passion that makes men monsters and sinks them lower than the brutes.

Alas, if these soldiers only knew that they are but the tools of their aristocratic and soulless masters and that they are fighting and killing, bleeding and dying to perpetuate their own slavery and

degradation!

THE LUDLOW FIENDS ACQUITTED

Twenty-two officers and members of the Colorado national guard, tried by court martial for the massacre at Ludlow, have been acquitted, and these fiends, charged with murder, manslaughter, arson and larceny, and guilty beyond a doubt, now go scot free. Among these gunmen was the notorious Linderfelt who murdered Louis Tikas, the Greek striker, who pleaded that the women and children be spared.

The court martial, needless to say, was a roaring farce and the climax of this prostitute proceeding was reached when Governor Ammons, the Rockefeller hireling, approved the finding.

The court martial which tried (!) these red-handed fiends consisted of their own pals and accessories, so that as a matter of fact THEY TRIED AND ACQUITTED THEMSELVES, and if the proceeding of itself was not utterly infamous, it was made

so when the unspeakable Ammons affirmed its finding.

Ludlow now stands redeemed. The stamp of approval of Rockefeller's governor and gunmen has been placed upon the mas-

sacre committed there.

The murderers of women and babes are now heroes and their victims were rightly slain.

Praise be to Rockefeller's court martial for the acquittal and

vindication of Rockefeller's noble assassins!

But the blood of the women and babes that perished so cruelly in the flames of that tented hamlet still cries from the ground and that cry will one day be heard by an aroused and enlightened working class and then another verdict will be rendered that will conit to eternal infamy.

PREVENTING THE EUROPEAN MASSACRE

One of the most frequent charges brought against socialists is that they are "irreligious," that they are the enemies of the church

and of Christianity, and that they are infidels and atheists.

And yet these "infidels" and "atheists" to a man and woman, throughout the civilized world, protested against the war now deluging the old world with blood and did all in their power to prevent this monstrous massacre of human beings, while the churches and the so-called religious people were either doing nothing or giving their consent to this crime against humanity and praying to their God, with Wilhelm of Germany and Alexander of Russia, to bless their side and to enable them to carry death and destruction to all the rest of humanity.

In the name of humanity the socialist "infidels" and "atheists," as they have been called by the sanctimonious pietists, protested against this frightful war and the massacre of countless human beings; in the name of civilization they cried out in the vain attempt to stay the impending slaughter, while "Christian" statesmen and editors were inciting the people to a frenzy of blood-lust and the church, if not openly sanctioning their savage appeal, tacitly assenting to the program of the war lords, and becoming a party to the crime of the ages.

Never before was the utter moral and spiritual impotency of the church so flagrantly revealed, nor the hypocrisy of professed

Christians so completely exposed.

And these are the pious perverts who roll their eyes heavenward while denouncing socialism for its "irreligion" and accuse

socialists of being infidels and atheists.

If the abhorrence of war and the love of humanity is infidelity then are socialists infidels; if standing for what Jesus taught is atheism then are socialists atheists, and they are willing to be called such by the church of mammon and its pious worshipers who while professing to be followers of Jesus would, were he to appeal on earth today, crucify him again as did the Pharisees of twenty centuries ago.

COFFMAN'S VINDICATION

The case of Waldo H. Coffman and his scandalous persecution is remembered by many of our readers. Coffman was a solder who was committed to the federal prison at Leavenworth upon the charge of having insulted the flag and making some disparaging remarks about the vice-president of the United States. These charges were trumped up for no other purpose than to disgrace him because he was a socialist and had the courage to say so. Upon the flimsiest of evidence and in a trial that was the merest travesty he was dishonorably discharged from the army and sent to prison for two years. It was the most outrageous frame-up, but the victim had no way of making the facts public. Fortunately about this time Fred Warren and Jake Sheppard heard of the case and opened up on the conspiracy in the Appeal to Reason. Other socialist papers took it up and soon there was such a cry for an investigation that it could not be denied. In the hearing that followed Comrade Coffman was acquitted and absolutely vindicated and now the congress of the United States has rescinded his dishonorable dismissal and given him an honorable discharge from the army.

Coffman was imprisoned solely for being a socialist, but justice triumphed at last and both he and the cause are the stronger for

the attempted outrage.

THE MASSACRE OF THE AGES

The European war now running its bloody and barbarous course will pass into history as the massacre of the ages. The daily toll of human corpses, of mangled victims, of broken hearts and blasted lives, of ruin and desolation, grief and horror exacted by this whirlwind of destruction staggers the senses and defies cal- they will but get together, present a solid front, and pledge themculation.

Terrible it is to think that this is the fate of our common humanity, yet more terrible still that its countless murdered and mutilated victims are but the puppets in the gory and ghastly massacre plotted for them by their lordly masters.

Capitalism, stripped of its mask and its tinseled drapery, is

here on exhibition before the world.

It is not capitalism gone mad, as some would have it, but capitalism perfectly normal and completing the final chapters of its despotic and despoiling regime in the blood and tears of its numberless victims. The war in Europe between the most highly developed capitalist nations and Christian powers is the logical, inevitable climax of capitalist misrule, based primarily upon the robbery of their own working classes and secondarily upon the invasion and plunder of one another.

And the sum of this national and international villainy has been for centuries masquerading as CHRISTIAN CIVILIZATION.

Behold the triumph of this insatiate monster, this arch-hypocrite, bathing its slimy and soulless carcass in the blood of its million slain and mangled victims, while invoking the Almighty to bless its reeking massacre and become the infinite accessory to its monstrous crimes.

Dripping with the blood of babes ripped open with the sword of murderous conquest, Capitalism, supreme incarnation of human butchery, and hideous beyond the power of imagination, is transforming the earth into a shambles and writing its finale in the fire and slaughter of its own destruction.

In the face of this devouring catastrophe the common people, the working class, are charged with the stupendous task of rescuing

civilization and saving humanity.

The International Socialist Movement is on trial today before the world and to the extent that it fulfills or fails to fulfill its historic mission in this supreme crisis of capitalism, to that extent will the world move forward to freedom and civilization, or lapse backward toward slavery and barbarism.

MARTIAL LAW IN BUTTE

Martial law is the fitting climax to the series of unprecedented performances which have brought Butte into such odious prominence during the past four months.

their tools and accomplices aimed at from the beginning, and now that the open shop has been declared, the miners may realize how completely they have been victimized in this wretched conspiracy.

The chief complaint against the Butte miners' union was that it was dominated by the Anaconda Copper company and that its officials were the willing tools of that corporation. Granted that this was true and that a thorough housecleaning was necessary, the great majority of the rank and file, who outnumbered the reof its enemies and assume contril of its affairs themselves; and when men (called the state militia), and about the time the latter were President Moyer visited Butte and called the meeting to hear com- threatened with annihilation by an outraged and desperate popuplaints, every member of the union, instead of congregating as an lace, the sycophant governor appealed to President Wilson for angry and threatening majority on the streets outside the hall, should the regular troops, and when these were dispatched to the scene, have attended that meeting and then and there, in the spirit of it was with the distinct understanding, as announced by the presiintelligent union men preferred their charges and demanded the dent through the press, that they were simply to preserve order, adjustment of their grievances. They were admittedly in an over- protect life and property, and maintain strict neutrality as between whelming majority and could readily have won the day without the miners and the mine owners. resort to dynamite and the looting of the union's safe and the destruction of its hall and property.

asserted itself and here that the union should have been wrested by majority rule from corporation control, but when they permitted themselves to be misled and goaded into a violent and destructive the hands of the copper barons and furnished their masters with the excuse for martial law and the open shop.

There is of course no actual necessity for martial law in Butte, at this particular time and they are congratulating themselves upon the success of their deep-laid conspiracy to disrupt the union, declare the open shop, and run the mines to suit themselves.

Now is the time for the Butte miners to come to their senses to the bitter lot of a scab camp, which is simply beyond belief.

duty in the face of a grave crisis keeps the miners in hostile camps, at war with themselves, to the profit and delight of their masters.

The rank and file have no grievances against one another. They are all in the same boat. If they have been betrayed by their officials, let them get together as becomes rational union men conceded to the miners. That is the vital and in fact the only and clean out their officials instead of smashing up the union

tial law and the miserable stool-pigeons of the copper barons, if of incalculable disaster in the future.

selves anew to industrial unity in the struggle for industrial free-

EDUCATE AND ORGANIZE THE WORKERS

In the present crisis the need of an educated and organized working class is being daily, hourly urged upon us as never before in this struggle. Capitalism may be on its last legs and on the verge of collapse, but that only makes our condition more distressing if we are too weak and impotent as an organized body to deliver to the brutal and outworn old system its coup de grace and install the new order of society.

The crisis is upon us but are we prepared for it? Preparation in this case means education and organization and their result-

ant industrial and political solidarity.

The revolution may be at our doors but like the revolutions of the past it will be next to fruitless to the working class, unless they are prepared to take advantage of the opportunity it presents to install themselves into power and inaugurate the new order of society based upon their industrial freedom.

The war in Europe and the conditions resulting from it have served to make this an unusually propitious time to educate and organize the workers along the lines of the social revolution, and to this task every socialist and industrial unionist should now bend

all his energies.

Industrial unity should be the watchword of the workers and in every industry the rank and file should get together and make common cause in one and the same industrial union and one and the same political party.

The downfall of capitalism and the triumph of socialism will follow inevitably when the workers have achieved their economic

and political solidarity.

THE MINE WAR IN COLORADO

A year has near passed since the strike of the coal miners was declared in Colorado, one of the most bloody and bitterly contested industrial conflicts ever waged.

The strike in the Northern field had then already been in progress three years, so that the war in that field has now been going

on these past four years.

But it is particularly since the strike was called in the Southern It seems perfectly clear that this is what the mine owners and field a year ago that hostilities began and atrocities were committed against the miners and their families which aroused the whole nation. The cold-blooded murders committed by the gunmen and the shocking brutality of the so-called state militia can never be

When the crisis came the governor of the state, notwithstanding he was elected as a "union man," proved himself the veriest tool of the corporations and obeyed their brutal commands with a subserviency that will make his name forever synonymous with abject creant officials and henchmen five to one, according to their own lickspittleism. Finally, when Ludlow shocked the state and nation showing, should have proceeded by the means provided by the and aroused the miners to a desperate fighting pitch, the bloody laws and regulations of the union to take the union out of the hands encounters began between the miners and the Rockefeller gun-

To what extent the federal troops were "neutral" in the Colorado strike is a matter of common notoriety. From the very start It was at this meeting that the insurgent majority should have they were used to disarm the miners and fill the mines with scabs. But even then the mines could not be successfully operated and some kind of a truce must be patched with the union miners.

Now comes President Wilson with a proposal to the operators assault upon their own union hall, they played deliberately into and miners to come to an agreement and end the strike, said agreement to be effective for a period of three years. Without questioning the good faith of the president we venture to caution the miners to enter upon these negotiations with open eyes. The leopard but martial law exactly fits in with the plans of the copper barons does not change his spots, nor the Colorado mine owners his brutal spirit of domination.

Remember that these mine owners have sworn that, come what may, they would not recognize or deal with the miners' union, and they intend to keep their oath, and if the miners are led under any and get together promptly and solidly, unless they are resigned form of specious agreement which seems fair on the surface to end the strike and go back into the pits without the unquestioned right The day has not yet been lost unless blind obstinacy to plain being conceded to them to organize the mines, they will have been tricked into a pitfall, lose all they have been fighting for, and perhaps for years to come pay the penalty of their blunder in the utter and hopeless demoralization of their union.

The absolute right to organize must be specifically and explicitly real issue involved and any settlement that does not uncondition-The day may yet be won for the Butte miners in spite of mar- ally grant this lawful right to the miners will prove a surrender

FOR THE SAKE OF "PATRIOTISM"

The engineers and firemen employed on the western railroads have for more than a year been engaged in a movement through their respective unions to secure an increase of wages and the adjustment of other matters relating to their employment. Failing tion. to arrive at an agreement with the railroads the unions threatened to strike and a strike vote was taken with the result that a very large majority of the employes voted to go out if their grievances were not adjusted.

But when the employes were on the eve of a strike which would have involved all the western railroads, they were prevailed upon to yield to mediation and arbitration under the direction of the federal bureau of labor, notwithstanding they at first protested because previous arbitration awards had not been carried out by the railroads. After this fruitless attempt to settle the differences, the engineers and firemen were again about to strike when they received a letter from President Wilson inviting them to send representatives to the White House to attend a conference consisting of the president and of representatives of the railroads and of the employes, and at this conference President Wilson, as reported by the press, appealed to the "patriotism" of the railroads, explaining that on account of the conditions confronting the country due to war and threatened war, a railroad strike would be a national calamity which should at all costs be avoided at this time. The railroads, it is reported, were touched by this plea of the president and for the sake of "patriotism" a truce was patched and the threatened strike was indefinitely postponed.

But the grievances of the engineers and firemen have not been adjusted and if this is to be the final settlement of the affair it will be unfortunate for them that President Wilson appealed so success-

fully to the "patriotism" of the railroads.

This Night of Death Where Demons Dwell

By Henry M. Tichenor, the RIP-SAW Poet

This night of death where demons dwell, This night of howling hounds of hell, This night of tottering gilded thrones Where sit divinely ordained drones, This night where brawn and brain are killed That pirates' pockets may be filled, This night of world-mad ghastly gloom— THIS NIGHT, MAY MASTERS MEET THEIR DOOM!

Buried forever out of sight, In this black night, this bloody night!

O comrades of the warring lands, Clasp in this night your comrade hands! From out this savage murder-feast Rise in your power and smite the beast! Make this the masters' last damned war! This night the nations are no more! This night all creeds, and all frontiers, Are wiped away in blood and tears! Beyond this night the Morning Sun Shall shine on all the race as one!

A WORKING CLASS COLLEGE

Scott, Kansas, the foundation of a college of, for and by the working class. The first department, the correspondence department, is now pre-pared to enroll students and it is expected that the resident department will be in operation before the first of the year.

Among the founders of the Peoples' College Union, which has charge of the college, are Eugene V. Debs, George R. Kirkpatrick, George Allen England, Duncan McDonald, J. I. Sheppard, Arthur LeSueur and others well known in the Socialist and labor world. The aim of the college is to bring education within the reach of every man, woman and child, this of capitalistic influence in every way.

Comrades should write at once to the People's College, Ft. Scott, Kansas, for circulars, and full information.

LONDON: The British government has had several hundred There has been established at Ft. thousand copies of Kirkpatrick's "War-What For?" distributed among the English and French soldiers.

> LATER: The foregoing report is a mistake. It was holy Bibles, with Lord Roberts' blessing on the fly-leaf, instead of Kirkpatrick's "War-What For?" that were sent to the soldiers.

Comrades Co-operative Indemnity Exchange, Mass. Bldg., Kansas City, Mo., is writing accident Insurance on world. The aim of the college is to bring education within the reach of every man, woman and child, this education to be free from the taint of control of the college is to be free from the taint of the control of the college is to socialist and sympathizers and it sides to five the profits thus earned to the National Socialist Party with which to further the socialist movement. Comrade Joseph Schroll, an experienced insurance man, is manager, will gladly give full particulars to those who will write him concerning the Exchange.

Two Proclamations for Prayer

By the President of the United States of America. A proclama-

"Whereas, great nations of the world have taken up arms against one another and war now draws millions of men into battle whom the counsel of statesmen have not been able to save from the terrible

"And, whereas, in this as in all things, it is our privilege and duty to seek counsel and succor of Almighty God, humbling ourselves before Him, confessing our weakness and our lack of any wisdom equal to these things;

"And, whereas, as it is the especial wish and longing of the people of the United States, in prayer and counsel and all friendliness, to serve the cause of peace;

"Therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, president of the United States of America, do designate Sunday, the fourth day of October next, a day of prayer and supplication and do request all God-fearing persons to repair on that day to their places of worship, there to unite their petitions to Almighty God, that overruling the counsel of men, setting straight the things they cannot govern or alter, taking pity on the nations now in the throes of conflict, in His mercy and goodness showing a way where men can see none, He vouchsafe His children healing peace again and restore once more that concord among men and nations without which there can be neither happiness nor true friendship nor any wholesome fruit of toil or thought in the world; praying also to this end that He forgive us our sins, our ignorance of His Holy will, our willfulness and many errors, and lead us in the paths of obedience to places of vision and to thoughts and counsels that purge and make wise.

"In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

"Done at the City of Washington this eighth day of September in the year of our Lord, one thousand, nine hundred and fourteen and of the independence of the United States of America the one hundred and thirty-ninth.

WOODROW WILSON.

"By the President:

"WILLIAM JENNINGS BRYAN, "Secretary of State."

While we are about it the RIP-SAW proposes that all the common people of America hold another public prayer meeting for the purpose of praying for an end of a big bunch of horrors going on in this country right under our noses. Let us not only pray that the awful slaughter in Europe ceases, but also that such awful slaughters as the Rockefeller-Guggenheimer monarchs pulled off in Ludlow may never occur again. Let us pray that these monarchs -the Rockefellers and Guggenheimers and all the rest of their kindred kaisers—be at once and everlastingly dumped into the junk pile. Let us also pray that the crime of childslavery in the mills, that destroys the health and causes the early death of thousands of children, be ended. Let us pray for help to swat the starvation wage-scale that drives thousands of girls into the clutches of the white slavers. Let us pray for the sudden smashing of the power of the Plunderbund to arm private gunmen and send them to shoot down men, women and children on strike for decent wages. Let us pray that our rulers may never again get so riled up that they shoot up a city because a booze-fighting brigand wouldn't shoot his gun at our flag, thereby murdering innocent citizens, among whom were a number of school children, as was reported from Vera Cruz. Let us pray that in a land of plenty the gaunt spectre of hunger and destitution stalks no more. Let us pray that slums and sweatshops and foul factories, that breed consumption and cholera and death, be destroyed, and that sanitary and healthful institutions take their place. Let us pray that society be so arranged that sorrow, and the heartaches of poverty shall be unknown, and that laughter and joy and music shall sweeten the lives of all. In fact, O Lord, while we are at it, what we really would like to have you do is to everlastingly annihilate the whole infernal system of exploiters and exploited, of mammonized masters and victimized slaves, of profit and plunder, of war and hell! Hit 'er hard, Lord, hit 'er hard-the people have suffered so much that you can't hit 'er too darn hard!

May a world wherein one class rides on the back of another class be overturned, and a Universal Commonwealth of Comrades take its place. Amen.

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By Kate Richards O'Hare

der hearted are even counting WHO STAYED AT HOME! the frightful waste of human life and attempting to reckon there is the urge of the blood the toll of suffering and anguish. lust unleashed by the lure of

coin of the realm is forty million or fifty-four million dollars per day, the capitalists argue over a few billions more or less of wasted labor and the merchants differ several billions as to the value of wasted commodities: but no statistics so far have been produced setting forth the cost of the European war to those who in the last analysis must bear the brunt and pay the toll-THE WOMANHOOD OF THE RACE.

A million men march out to the call of the bugle and three million women are left behind to mourn: for back of each soldier there is mother and sister, wife or sweetheart. The mother-heart stifles with the agony of dread for the son who has marched away; the wife-soul cowers in stunned misery for the father of her children, torn from her side and the maiden longs for the lover who never will be father to the children who never can be born.

Two mighty armies clash, in the roar of cannons and the rattle of musketry two groups of men hurl the messengers of death into each others ranks, and when the last cannon has belched forth its message of death and the last Mauser has sung its twisted bits of scrap steel, cities bullet. wounded not yet dead.

prevail.

We can count the dead men and write their number in round and stark upturned to the sky leaves them stranded in the quag-

With bated breath the world or purpling under the autumn is beginning to talk of the cost sun; we may shudder at the of the European orgy of blood cry of dying men babbling in the and murder. Bankers figure delirium of gaping wounds and the amount in dollars and cents, burning thirst-but who can or capitalists estimate the wasted ever will dream of measuring labor and merchants reckon the the agony of the wounded who ruined commodities. A few ten- never fought-THE WOMEN

For the men who march away The wise men disagree as wise cunning lies used to appeal to men are wont to do, on details. man's lowest passions. For the The money changers wrangle as men who answer to the bugle to whether the cost in the good call there is the impetus of



Wounded Who do not Fight -Bowen in the Chicago Herald.

spiteful song of hate, one side crashing martial music and the declares its victory, the other hypnotism of being carried by admits defeat. Then each side the human flood. For the men goes out to count its loss and who fall in the crash of battle bury its dead. Forty thousand there is the surge of elemental fighting men are lost, costly im- passions and the swift oblivion plements of warfare are mere of death borne on a singing To the wounded enare razed, fields laid waste; homes tangled in the piles of festering are in ashes and the vineyards dead, kind nature brings the are red with the vintage from forgetfulness of delirium and many human veins. Out from the a wounded soldier with his head piled up masses of rotting carcasses pillowed on the torn body of comes the feeble babble of the his dead comrade, babbles of limpid brooks, ripening vineyards Ruin and death and chaos and a maiden's kisses. BUT WHAT OF THE WOMEN LEFT AT HOME?

For the WOMEN, THE figures; we can count the cost WOUNDED WHO DO NOT of making new implements of FIGHT, THE DEATH STRICKwar and reckon the money value EN WHO MAY NOT DIE, of the crops laid waste, of the there is all of the seething hell cities razed and of the homes in of war and none of its lure and pasashes. We may even speculate sion. For the womanhood of on the human agony represented the race no martial music crashes; by the dead men with faces cold the human flood swells, ebbs and





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Europe sinks down into the VOICE slough of poverty like a harried MENTS OF THE WORLD AND fight. It will be the sonless mothers who will bend their shoulders NOT RAGE.

to the plow and wield in agepalsied hands the reaphook.

It will be the husbandless women who will level the graves and replant the grapevines in the blood fertilized lands of Europe. It will be tiny hands of fatherless children who will wield the hoe and man the machines in the factories. It will be the maidens who will never know wifeor motherhood who will bear the burdens that should have lain upon the shoulders of the lovers sleeping in the unmarked graves of an alien land. the shoulders of women and children will fall the grinding, blighting, blasting struggle of covering the scars of war while paying the debts piled mountain high by war.

AND THE PITY, THE TRAG-EDY OF IT ALL IS THAT THE WOMEN WHO PAY THE TOLL OF AGONY, SUSPENSE It is the women of Europe AND BEREAVEMENT WHILE who pay the price while war WAR RAGES AND WHO PAY rages, and it will be the women THE PRICE IN POVERTY who will pay again when war AND TOIL WHEN WAR HAS has run its bloody course and SPENT ITS FURY, HAVE NO IN THE PARLIAbeast too spent to wage the NO POWER TO DECLARE THAT WAR SHALL OR SHALL

VICTORY

By George Allan England

The wheat lies sodden on the plain, Trampled beneath the blood-wet ground. In yonder field, behold a mound Of wounded, and of mangled slain.

The slaughtered herd, behind the garth, Mingles its blood with human blood. A boy sprawls, shattered, in the mud; And o'er the blackened peasant-hearth,

Has swept the besom of red war. A blackened ruin now, the farm. Victorious bugles' shrill alarm Dies in the stricken night, afar.

A Maxim, lolling in the mire, Points its grim muzzle to the sky. Toward which the flame-sheaf, blazing high, Flares from the crackling village spire.

A mother, sabred as she fled, Clutches the baby at her breast. Red glare the heavens, in the west -A burning town, where all lie dead.

A ravished maiden, stark and cold, Stares at the sky with sightless eyes. See! In the ditch her father lies, Shot down by Uhlans, riding bold!

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Hiz Lettur

Mister Editur: I'm out uv | pardon can't apply. If the prizjale agin, but I had the dadgumd- oner at the bar had pleeded gilty est time agittin' out you ever then the pardon wood have bin heerd tell uv. You know I told effective and the Kurnel cood you in my uther lettur that have gone free." "We air very prefurred agin me by Mr. Morgan, Juneyear. One wuzlunyzy, kind uv a shaip, but even a one fur bein' crazy, one fur prezident uv the United Staits anarky, and one fur breakin' can't go beyond the law and uv the peece. The poleeceman the precedents laid down by tuk me tu jale and the feller what former decishuns. Az the persekept the jale locked me in, but Mister Morgan nor ennyboddy else cum tu persecute me, and I jist laid there and waited. The jailor dident know what I wuz in there fur but he brought Christmas, and that the prizoner my meels around purty regular be remanded back tu jale without and the eatin' wuz farely good. bale." One day he asked me what I wuz in there fur and I told and sed: He sed Morgan wuz an me, but when Morgan hurd I had a lawyer he got 2, and then the fightin' begun. When I told or," sed one uv the milyunaire my lawyer that I wuz a Kurnel lawyers, "iz too old and dekrepit commishioned tu organize a regi-I had bin tu see more than twenty uv them and they woodent inlist, and that yung J. P. Morgan had me arrested and put in jale fur a lunatick, a anarkist, and fur bein' crazy and a breakin' uv the peece, I thought self a laffin'.

"Why they can't put you in

jale fur that," he said.

"Well, I'm here, ennyhow," sed I.

"We'll rite tu the prezident tu. and git you a pardon," he said, 'az that wood be the shortest way out uv the dilemmy."

to git out uv jale.

send a pardon at once by parcels guns."

milyunaires got tu heer this and cood uv tobaker intu the spitaz sune az the pardon cum they tune, "I suppose I'll have tu had me arrained before the kort. remand the prizoner bak tu jale." Then the jedge told me tu stand up, which I did.

"Air you gilty or not gilty?" the jedge asked.

"Not gilty," I answered.

Then my lawyer showed the jedge the pardon and asked that the case agin me be dismissed.

me go when one uv them Morgan lawyers, there wuz three in deth. a thing az that.

kins sez he aint gilty; so the go free."

wuz put in there on 4 charges sorry," continued the lawyer, "that the kase haz got intu this kushun iz not prepaired to go on with the kase tu day, fur lack uv important witnesses, we ask that it be laid over and postponed until a yeer frum next

Then my lawyer jumped up

"If your honor pleezes, we old pirate and told me I had insist on a speedy trial which iz better git a lawyer and have him guaranteed tu any citizen, who git me out. I dun az he told iz charged with a krime, by the constitution uv the United States.'

"The constituoshun, your hontu be effektive in this kase. Look ment uv smooth riders frum at the dilapidated old thing; amung the milyunaires, and that it iz wether beeten, stained, warped, wrinkled and full uv holes. It don't kiver this kase, and if it did we can't go tu trial without our witnesses.'

"Where air yoor witnesses?"

asked my lawyer.

"One uv 'em haz gone over tu the lawyer wood kill hiz fool Yurrope tu sweep out the Hague, and git it reddy fur the World's peece Congress."

"And where air the uthers?"

asked my lawyer.

"They have gone over there One uv 'em iz a plasterer and haz gone over tu put sum more plaster on the walls uv the Hague where it haz bin I told him the dilemmy wuzent jarred off by the heavy cannona botherin' uv me, that I wanted adin' close tu it; and the uther iz a stone mason who haz gone He sot down and writ a lettur tu rebild a chimney that wuz tu Woodsaw relatin' uv the sur-shot off by the German artillery cumstances and askin' him tu who wuz a practisin' with their

"Under the surkumstances," sed Sumhow Morgan and the uther the jedge, a throwin' uv a big

> "But we can give bond fur hiz appearance at the trial, which ing them with a face radiant I suppose will be held az sune az them fellers git back frum the Hague," sed my lawyer.

one uv the milyunaire lawyers, "it aint a bailable kase; there the power of attraction will bring The jedge wuz about tu let air four charges agin the prizoner you. which if prooven ort tu rezult uv 'em now, get up and told the uv our'n may never git bak jedge he coodent du enny sich frum Yurrope, az they air a killin' peepul off over there like drug store at 50 cents a box. "A pardon," sed the lawyer, blazes, and there iz lots uv They come in a form convenient "can only be granted tu one peeple over there that wont ever to carry and are pleasant to the who iz gilty and haz been so git bak, and then there woodent taste. A small sample package adjudged by the kort after trial be enny trial and it wood be will be mailed free by addressing uv the kase. Now, Kurnel Spil- equivalent tu lettin' the prizoner F. A. Stuart Co., 175 Stuart

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The jedge sed that wuz the view he tuk uv it and I wood have tu go bak tu jale and stay there until Mr. Morgan and the uther milyunaires got reddy tu go tu trial. He sed that wuz the custum and custum wuz more bindin' on jedges than the constitooshun wuz."

So the jedge sent me bak tu jale and had me locked up.

My lawver then writ a lettur tu Woodsaw Wilson and told things in conjunkshun with the 3 drinks. By that time I felt feller what had the patent baby that bore hevily on him."

"We'll try one uv them Hay-beus Corpses," sed he. there endurin' uv the nite. The bar-tender sed he die

"What iz that?" I asked. jale."

a live man in jale than a ded He sed he felt sorry fur me one out uv jale, and if I had tu becum a corpse before I got out I thought I'd stay in till them witnesses got bak frum Yurrope.

He laughed and sed it woodent hurt me; that it wuz a gittin' me out in the Lattin language, where the English language had faled.

So he got up a Lattin Haybeus Corpse and the jedge sed that wuz a splendid coo-te-tah, which wuz Lattin tu, I gess, and he let me go.

Az sune az we got out the lawyer tuk me up tu hiz offis It wuz and colleckted hiz fee. enuff. I slipped out and went down tu the dapo and tuk the furst trane fur Washington.

The trane got intu Washington late at nite but the salunes wuz all open, and az I hadent teched a drop uv likker while I wuz a tryin' tu organize that regiment of Smooth Riders, and coodent git ennything while I wuz in jale, and wuz afraid tu stop in Noo York long anuff tu git a drink after I got out uv jale, I had akkumulated a grate thurst.

When I stepped off the trane I wuz purty neert nurvously prostraited, and when I got a few breaths uv that peekuliar atmosfere that hangs over Washington City, I felt like I wanted tu steal sumpthing. It affekts purty neert everyboddy that way that goes there. The oftener you go there the more it makes you feel that way. I had that feelin' so bad when I got off the train that I got afraid tu trust myself, and stopped in the

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him all about the trial and what furst salune I cum tu and got and he giv me 2 drinks tu taik the jedge and uther lawyers a drink uv red likker. I started the bad taiste out uv my mouth sed. The prezident answered the up the street and the next salune and loned me a dollar, and told lettur rite away and sed that I cum tu I stopped and got me tu come bak in the evening "the sykologikal kondishun uv 2 drinks, and the thurd one I got and he wood help me find the ordinary custums uv the joo-like anuther man and then I inkubator. He sed he wood taik dishal korts uv the city uv New made a permanent stop tu treat a interest in it hizself if it wuz York rendered it impossible fur the uther man. I staid there all what the feller represented it tu him tu assist me. He admitted nite fur I got sleepy and went be. I told him that the feller he wuz kerflummixed, and Bryan tu sleep on a couch in a little sed we cood maik millions uv a bein' out a makin' uv Chautaqua bak rume where a feller tuk me dollars out uv it now by takin' lecktures increesed the burdens who wanted tu sell me a interest a lot uv 'em over tu Yourrope When my lawyer found out I gess he sold it tu me fur when Yurropeean war. The idee seemed that I wuz reely sum punkins woke up the next morning my tu tickle him and he loned me with the prezident and cood pay munny wuz all gone and I had five dollers more. I tuk 3 more him a good fee he sed he wood a thick bad taiste in my mouth drinks and then went out tu git me out or bust a belly band. like sumpthing had roosted in git me sumpthing tu ete. When

"Take the body; take the nite bar-tender went off at six this lettur now fur it iz all reddy corpse," he sed, "take it out uv o'clock and he cum on then, and too long and my hand iz tired there wuz noboddy in the little uv writin'. I told him I wood rather be room with me when he cum on.

in a patent fur a baby inkubator. and hatchin' out soljers fur the I had ete my brekfast I started The bar-tender sed he dident round tu my offis in the best know enny thing about it; the uv speerits. But I must close

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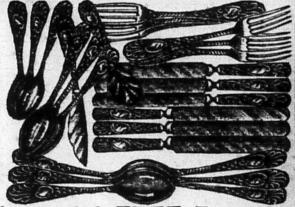
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SHALL WOMEN VOTE?

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Third Installment— SERVICE AND TAXATION



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By Mrs. Ruler

service tax. The money tax is for any body to molest me." hours in the jury room, or he is protection shall be exercised; and sented? planation of Taxation without taxed, and no property is repre- as a logical argument. Representation, related by an sented. The woman's property

man's has no representation. If upon his life; he bears this tax was tyrannical-which is one it had, it must necessarily be in for the protection of all the thing. The suffragists pretend they When every argument of the some degree proportional. Mr. lives of the community, no matter said that taxation without VOTES Suffrage Advocate is exhausted, Astor would have hundred of times whose, and all the property no was tyrannical-which is quite without effect, and she is about as many votes as I, and I perhaps matter whose; and to THIS tax the another thing. to "give up the ghost", then would have twice as many as the women contribute NOTHING, comes their most scientific rea- man who sweeps out my office. and are not asked to. The prop- quiring all citizens who can afford son, "Taxation without Repre- Instead of that, Mr. Astor has erty of minors is taxed, yet they it to contribute to the support of sentation." Now, what are you one vote, the sweeper has one have no vote. A man may own the government, whether they vote going to say? Like their other vote and I have one vote. And property in a dozen different states or not. They get in exchange for arguments made without thought the reason is plain and unanswer- yet can only vote in one. Thou- their taxes all the protection menor consideration, they sound plau- able; it is because Mr. Astor can sands upon thousands of men, tioned above in this argument. sible from THEIR viewpoint, carry one musket, the sweeper and, if true, the injustice would carries but one and I can carry be just as bad as they say. These but one musket." We are all experiences of misinterpreting ser- equal on the ballot, because we ious matters, ought to teach us are all equal on what the ballot after all that it is the CON- represents. Continuing, he said: STRUCTION put upon things as "Mr. Astor enjoys his great propto their meaning, NOT what the erty because the sweeper and did not mean that neither this on this side of the Atlantic, Parindividual argument really meant I are willing to shoulder the mus- man nor that woman should be liament in England. There were "But", says the kets and protect him in it; the taxed unless he or she were per- no representatives of the colonies woman who seeks to be a voter, sweeper is secure in his little earn- sonally represented in the Govern- in Parliament, familiar with con-"I own property, and I pay taxes ings because Mr. Astor and I are ment. The slightest reflection will ditions over here, and competent on it, and I cannot think that taxa- ready to stand by him with our show the absurdity of such con- to explain WHAT taxes would bear tion without representation is muskets; I find it worth while to struction. At most only those most lightly upon the inhabitants. just." Now, there are two kinds be industrious because Mr. Astor would be personally represented Under SUCH circumstances, Parof taxes—a money tax and a and the sweeper make it dangerous who voted for successful candi- liament cooly decreed this bur-

out being able to vote.

all, but to the dealings of one position of the notorious Stamp commonwealth with another. It Tax in 1765. The colonists were dates. A man who voted against densome tax, to be collected levied on property, men's and You see, without this protect those who were elected and who WHOLLY from the COLONISTS women's alike, pro rata. The ser- tion, our possessions would be of acquired power to tax HIM, and not from them, the inhabivice tax is levied on men alone. no value; this protection is con- but whom he endeavored to keep tants of Great Britain as well. It calls for jury service, police tributed in equal measure, man our of office, cannot be said to be Any sensible person, for or against service, military service, and every for man, and this same protection represented by them. Yet, would suffrage can see what grotesque man takes his chances on it. is extended to us as women. Fre- anyone contend that all adher- circumstances could be imagined Sometimes one goes through his quently an election is for the pur- ents of defeated candidates should if the meaning of the suffrage peoseventy years without suffering pose of determining under what be absolved from paying taxes ple was applied to this subject from it all; again he spends weary laws and in what manner this because they were not repre- of taxation without representa-This quoting of the tion and have a laugh. sworn in as a special constable to those who furnish the protection colonial dictum that taxation quell a riot and fight a mob, or rightfully claim the privilege of without representation is tyranny, he is called to camp and battle- dictating its form. The woman and declaring that this, one of field, where he may lose a limb, suffragist, so far from suffering "the fundamental principles upon an eye, or his life. REPRESEN- taxation without representation, which the country was founded", TATION goes with THIS kind are really asking "to be repre- is shamefully voilated under preof taxation and not with the sented where they are not taxed." sent circumstances, as far as other. The following brief ex- Properly speaking, no woman is women are concerned, is nonsense

Women, they say, are taxedable man was the most easily un- is taxed, and for that money, it, but have no votes. Having no service tax is levied on men only derstood, and the most plausible and she gets exactly what the man votes, they are not represented and calls for jury service, police one I ever heard, and I give it and his property get-police pro- in the tax paying body. Hence, service and military service. She to my readers, hoping it will ap- tection, fire service, lighting and they conclude, here is taxation argues that "Representation", or peal to your common sense as cleaning of streets, maintenance without representation. There is the franchise rightly goes with the of courts, etc. Every man is no connection between this dictum service tax, but not with money "Property is protected by the taxed whether he owns property and the interpretation put upon tax. Government, as women are; but or not—a tax that is laid upon it. The colonists declared that

There is nothing unjust in rewomen and minors are taxed with- The colonists never said or thought that taxation and votes went to-The fact is, that the phrase gether and nothing of the kind "taxation without representation" had ever been accepted. The did not refer to the individuals at whole thing arose out of the im-

Reply by Mrs. O'Hare

Mrs. Ruler states that there are two kinds of taxes, "money tax" and "service tax", the money tax being levied on the property of men and women alike, while the

Very well, Mrs. Ruler, let us property, whether man's or wo- his time, his strength, and often taxation without representation carry your argument to its logical

consume in the battlefield, but timation. they also tend the loom, run the spindles and sew the fabric that they have made into the clothing that the soldiers wear, the tents they sleep under and the flags they carry. A modern army without its corps of female Red Cross nurses would be routed in short order, and women nurses armed with medicine kits and antiseptic bandages are just as much a part of modern army equipment as men armed guns.

Men do police duty-so do women. There is scarcely a city in this country so benighted and barbaric that it does not have its corps of women police matrons, juvenile officers, truant officers and special women officers who do the work that men cannot do.

Men serve on juries—so do women. They serve too possibly as well if not better than the average jury rounded up in the saloon and barrelhouse. only do women serve on juries in suffrage states, but in states where women are still denied the ballot, that dearly beloved "Public Opinion" with which Mrs. Ruler would replace the franchise, has already forced the appointment of women judges in Morals Courts, Juvenile Courts, Night Courts and Courts Domestic Relations.

Not all women serve as jurors or judges, go to war or act as police officers, but neither do all men and yet the exempt men vote. It is worse than silly to measure a woman's service to her nation by military service, it and faced a few mobs and I have smacks of the Middle Ages when always found one cool, level the bloody trappings of War were headed woman equal to about considered badges of honor. Mrs. ten average men in such a crisis. Ruler, being a lawyer, naturally Who stood forth in the best light

conclusion. Men, you say, should the same place she acquired her vote because they serve the na- legal lore—the Dark Ages of the tion in time of war, but so do past and it is quite natural that women serve the nation in time she should not have progressed of war. Not only do the women beyond the point where the man remaining at home till the fields who could spill the most blood and produce the rations the men would stand highest in her es-

> If service to city, state or nation, and not sex, should determine the right to the franchise, then women have proven themselves ready and willing to serve at all times and under all conditions when called upon, from the days of Molly Pitcher, Florence Nightengale and Mother Bicherdike down to Mother Jones and Big Annie of Calumet. Yet Mrs. Ruler would deny the ballot to Jane Addams, Rose Schniderman, Ella Flagg Young and Kate Bernard and give it to thugs, gunmen and Pinkerton spies because they can carry a gun. In St. Louis we have a little woman not much larger than a pint of soap-Charlotte Rumbold. possibly doesn't know one end of a gun from the other and could not lift a bayonet, yet she worked in season and out for years and compelled the establishment of public playgrounds, swimming pools and vacation schools. This little woman has handled single handed and alone thousands of the toughest, most troublesome boys from the worst slums of the city and never had to call for a policeman's club or a soldier's bayonet to manage them. Who has served the city of St. Louis best-Charlotte Rumbold or the white slaver living on the price of some girl's shame? Yet Mrs. Ruler would deny Charlotte Rumbold the ballot and give it to the procurer because he can carry

I have worked in many strikes draws all her inspiration from in the Shirt waist makers strike,

Far below him, the restless, swarming life of the huge city crept and grovelled. Insects that were men and women crowded the clefts that were streets. Long lines of cars, toy-like, crept along the "L" structures. As far as the eye could reach, tufted plumes of smoke and steam wafted away on the April breeze. The East River glistened in the sunlight, its bosom vexed by myriad craft, by ocean liners, by tugs and barges, by grim warships, by sailing vessels whose canvas gleamed, by snow-white fruit-boats from the tropics, by hulls from every port. Over the bridges, long slow lines of traffic crawled. And, far beyond to the dim horizon, stretched out the hives of men, till the blue depths of distance swallowed all in haze.

And as Flint gazed on this marvel, all created and maintained by human toil, by sweat and skill and tireless patience

of the workers, a grim smile curved his lips.

"All mine, more or less," said he to himself, puffing deep on his cigar. "All yielding tribute to me, even as the mines and mills and factories I cannot see, yield tribute. Even as the oil wells, the pipe-lines, the railroads and the subways yield-even as the whole world yields it. All this labor, all this busy strife, I have a hand in. The millions eat and drink and buy and sell; and I take toll of it-yet it is not enough. I hold them in my hand, yet the hand cannot close completely. And until it does, it is not enough. No, not enough for me."

(From Chapter I of "The Air Trust" by George Allan England, to appear in the columns of the RIP-SAW.)



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who clubbed the girls?

It was the women in Lawrence who led the peaceful picketing; it was sweet faced, home loving women led by Big Annie who was always at the head of the parades in Calumet and carried the American flag; it was the women in Colorado and West Virginia who class, AND IT WAS THE MEN SWORN IN AS SPECIAL CON-STABLES IN EACH INSTANCE COMMITTED THE FIENDISH MURDERS. It was a "special constable" who shouted "FIRE" and blocked the stairit was a "special constable" who the franchise, women of all classes fired into the crowd in Lawrence must have that right protected; and killed men and women; it this is the fundamental cornerwas "special constables" who fired stone of Democracy. the tent colony at Ludlow, Colorado and roasted men, women and wonderful discovery of the two children alive. Always on Labor's kinds of taxes, "money tax and battlefields it has been the women service tax"; it is strange that who have struggled so bravely and she overlooked the more importnobly for better conditions that ant fact that there are two kinds make for peace and harmony, of taxation, direct and indirect and always it has been the "special Taxes to the state and taxes to constables" as thugs, gunmen, the capitalist class. Direct taxamine guards. Pinkerton cut-tion for the benefit of state conthreats, militiamen and other stitutes the very small amount of Hessians that has spilled the blood money paid into the coffers of and committed murder. If "ser-city, state and nation to defray vice is the rightful price of the the expenses of the administration ballot then women have paid of government; indirect taxathat price and should have what tion for the benefit of the owning is rightfully her own."

of the fact that "PROPERTY IS PROTECTED BY GOVERN-Certainly we know existing on earth. that by bitter experience. I am not weeping over the woman whose "PROPERTY" is not protected. I am not concerned with or factory owner may sign the the woes of the women who pay taxes on property without votes lector, it is the working class who to decide what rate they shall really produces the wealth by pay or what the taxes shall be used which the check is finally refor: I know that her PROPERTY deemed. Personally I am not paris going to be well protected, not ticularly wrought up over governbecause she is a woman, but be- ment taxation, it is only a very cause it is PROPERTY and small amount per capita at most PROPERTY is sacredly PRO- I know that a great deal of the TECTED by the capitalist sys-public funds raised by taxation is

the ballot has no PROPERTY; secure some return in the form she owns nothing, not even her of service in schools, police, fire LIFE; she is the woman who is protection and the various activnot able to sell her labor power ities carried on by municipalities. for enough to possess enough states and nation. property to be taxed—the woman I am not wailing over the few of the WORKING CLASS. If cents the workers pay in govern-SERVICE be the price of the ment taxes (even though I know ballot then in God's name these they pay an entirely unjust porwomen have paid it a thousand tion) we get some sort of an ALL THE SOLDIERS, POLICE- tion without representation" that MEN AND JURYMEN; they I object to, is the taxation of the have clothed us and fed us; they Land Trust, the Meat Trust, the have trained our children in the Coal Trust, the Bread Trust, the schools; they have fought our Shoe Trust, the Sugar Trust, et battles on Labor's battlefield; they al, that levies not dimes, but all have washed our linen and scrub- the dollars the working class bed our floors; they have served can earn upon men and women. us at the table and waited behind

Inez Milholland or the policemen for us when we die, from the cradle to the grave the women of the working class have served mankind and Mrs. Ruler and her ilk would deny them the one weapon with which they in some measure might protect their lives because they don't carry guns and spill blood.

Let me assure you, Mrs. Ruler, served so loyally the working now and forever that I am not arguing for the right of the property owning women to vote; I am not at all concerned about whether you vote or not, but when I demand the ballot for women. I am concerned entirely with the working women. I have way at the Christmas festival intelligence enough, however, to Calumet and caused eighty know that if the working woman children to be crushed to death; is to be secure in the exercise of

Since Mrs. Ruler made the class is the stupendous sum paid Every Socialist is well aware into the coffers of the owning class in the form of rent, interest

and profit, for the privilege of

I know that the working class pays all taxes in the last analysis. Though the landlord, merchant check that goes to the tax colwasted, stolen and grafted by The woman for whom I demand corrupt politicians, we really do

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Mrs. Ruler says that the phrase the counters; they have toiled "taxation without representation" and moiled for our wellbeing; did not refer to individuals at all, they have nursed us when we but to the dealings of one comwere sick and stitched the shrouds monwealth with another.

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I am discussing indirect taxation commonwealth, and by the ballot not as referring to individuals but to have representation in the as to the dealings of one CLASS control of these things. By the with another CLASS. The work- use of the ballot I want to climining class produces all wealth, are the indirect taxation of the the owning class owns all natural capitalist class and give the resources and machinery of pro-workers the full social product of The working has no representation on the board of directors of any of the sis the question of votes for women great trusts and can not explain well be settled on exactly the as the English parliament 'rep- the women who want the ballot resented" the colonists, and the are numerous enough and detertax they levy is "ALL THE mined enough the voting males TRAFFIC WILL BEAR." From and the antiquated females will this indirect taxation the workers cheerfully and gracefully aurreceive poverty, want, misery, render as they have already done child labor, wage slavery and in ten states, regardless of the death, while the owning class doctrines and vaporings of the piles up the uncounted millions logal fossils who have filled the that enables them to control musty tomes with their hair spile governments, debauch elected of ting contentions as to the why's ficials, prostitute courts and per and wherefore's thereof. petuate their wholesale robbery follows the will of the people and and murder of the workers

because I am a woman, but be, the only logical and reasonable cause I belong to the working plan for democracy.

would bear lightly on the colonists. to vest the ownership of the Most assuredly Madam! And sources of the means of life in the class their labor.

I know that in the last analy when equal suffrage prevails, cur-I am demanding the ballot, not lously enough it will appear to be

Italian Socialists Keep Italy Out of War

Pilippo Turati, Socialist member of the Italian house of deputies, in an interview published in "Il Messagers," or Rome, has fold the world of the united and firm stand taken by the Italian workingclass against Italy entering the European slaughter. The influence of the Italian Socialists has, so far, kept the war party of Italy from being able to carry our their warlike designs. Whether in this storm or blood and fury the Italian comrades can confinue to hold the nation in check, remains to be seen. The rich aristocracy and the clericals are powerful, and only the most tireless and matchful efforts on the part of the Socialists and trade unions can keep Italy out of the conflict.

Greeting and all honor, in the name or humanity and brotherhood, to the valiant work of our Italian comrades

TORIAL, PLEADS FOR PEACE

The following, taken from l'Humanite, the Paris Socialist paper, is from the last editorial written by Jean Leon Jaures, the great French Socialist, who was killed by an assassin on July 31. The editorial appeared the following day:

the growing uncertainty, prolonged the excitement and supervise the anxiety. To these crary panies the march of men and things, to spare the growd may give in, and it is not sure human race from the horror of war.

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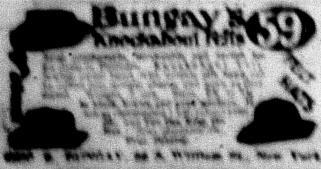
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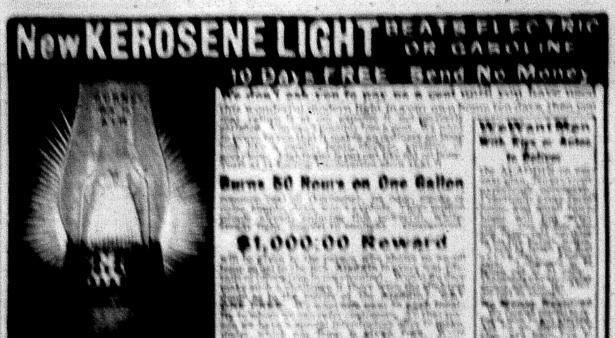
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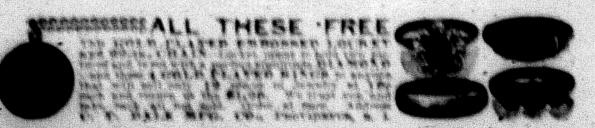
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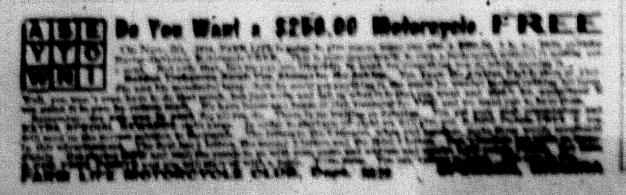
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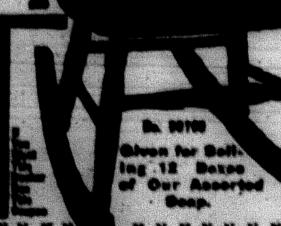
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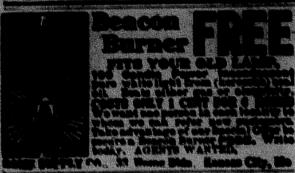
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I. The Royal Land Grabbers.

roota in medieval monarchism onhe one side and modern business on the other. Capitalism, however, bears much less responsibility for the catas-

trophe than monarchism. Shorn of all external pomp, mummery and religious pretense the monarchs of Europe are simple land-grab-bers. They look upon their domains ness. as huge farms to be exploited and enlarged. The principal ruling families, the Hohenzollerns, Hapsburgs and Romanoffs of Germany, Austria and Russia, have persistently pursued the relief of the relief to the reli the policy of adding territory to their domains. This is accomplished through conquest, purchase or marriage.

The Austrian Hapsburg family dates its start from Rudolph Von Hapsburg who possessed a few good sized farms in Switzerland and Alsace. The frugal Rudolph had married his many daughters judiciously among German princes. He was very friendly with the Church and when a German emperor was to be elected his large relationship and the support of the Church landed him on the job. Only the King of Bohemia was not satisfied with the election returns and bolted. In its subsequent contest Ottokar lost his life and Bohemia was benevolently assimilated by the Hapsburgs. Since then the family has added to the estate by wisely distributing its marriageable sons and daughters to the full extent of its productiveness. It also tried conquest out with considerably less success.

The Hohenzollern dynasty aprang from the Courts of Zollern. Their homestead consisted of a rocky hill-aide farm in southern Germany. The income from agriculture was undoubtedly very small, but since the ancestral eastle on top of the Hohenzollern mounrain was ideally situated to make raids on passing merchant caravana the family meome was augmented from that source. By and by some of the Zollern boys accummulated sufficient funds to buy a farm in Brandenburg: To enlarge the farm has been the life mission of every Hohenzollern. Nearly every war of the family added a little more land to the estate until all of Germany and parts of Poland and France have come under their sway.

What was acquired by force of arms naturally had to be held by the same means and so it came about that the Hohenkellern family, and with it the Prussian nobility, developed into a warrior caste, and turned Prussia into an armed camp.

The Romanoffs pursued the same policy of acquisition as the others. only on a more gigantic scale. While the Hohenzollerns and Hapsburgs added little by little the Russian Romanoff family enallowed territories as large as the United States at a single gulp.

Some times the royal land piracy was carried on in the name of rengion; at other times "Yamal unity" furnished the exerce; and when no other reason Putt to assigned, some particular Civilization" had to be "defended." Hut as a matter of fact the land hunger of the crowned land sharks they neither religious, ravial nor cultural . Greek Catholic Rimma I some street between assimilated Mohammedan and Builds hist; Drytestant Primis ansecred Catheolic Slave and French Lagrangians. and terrollaws areast damed anything from Creeks to Tartara only limit was the retreating borison. The land-grabbing has gone on

until most of the weaker countries have been digested by the three princinal prabbers. When Poland was divided the farms of the three rivals cornered. There were a lew loose tracts left such as the Balkan States. for instance, and the quarrel for the possession of these has brought Russia and Austria several times on the

The present war is a dynastic verge of war. But as a general prowar complicated with Capitalism. It position it may be said that the Hohensollerns, Hapsburgs and Romanoffs have extended their domain until they join each other. Any further extension must come at the expense of the "other fellow" and since neither wants to be the "other fellow" all three prepared for the extermination of their competitors in the real estate busi-

Where France Comes In.

republic across the Rhine and so they started a crusade against the turned out a miserable fixale. For the first time in the history of France to the great revolution. He did the people had something to fight not interfere in the new economic for. The revolution had given land life of the French people; and that is

The HA Russia deserted both. princes of southern Germany loaned their soldiers to Napoleon and received crowns and territories for their coward-

The war for the defence of the republic degenerated into a war for conquest. To the rotten dynastics of Europe was added the new dynasty of Bonaparte. He too must have land, land for his nephew and nieces, for his brother-in-law and sister-in-law, for his marshals—for anybody ready to support the dynasty of Bonaparte. But one thing he never forgot, not even after he had become the master of Europe, the son-in-law of the Austrian Emperor and the father of the King of Rome, and that was that he was the child of the revolu-

Drunk with power, mad as a Roman rid Caesar, he yet realized that his strength of lay in the new order in France. He After the French people had rid themselves of the triple curse of monarch, nobles and priests in the great revolution, Russia, Prussia and Austria combined to re-establish the old order of things in France. The royal heads scented danger from the flooded Europe he never forgot that



MAY THIS BE THEIR END!

to the peasants and power to the why the nation bore the heavy militrading class. Their dearest acquisitions tary burdens and sent its children to were at stake and they threw them- his battlefields. He had been false selves against the armies of the royal to the political revolution, but he allies with a fury that only newly remained true to the bitter end to affies with a fury that only newly acquired property can give. During the struggle which started from the attempt of the European monarchs to stem the flood of democracy, Napofrom the First became military dictater of France. The young republic fighting desperately for existence could not live without destroying the royal opposition from without. Neither was she able to withstand the pressure of a victorious army leader from within. And so the republic fell a prey to its most brilliant defender. As the head of the revolutionary army Napoleon conquered Europe. The noble warrior dotage of the monarche were no match for the peasants and craftamen who had reson to generals and marshals in the first democratic army in the world. One King after the other bowed be-fore the Corsman Each scrambled to save his estate: Pressis deserted Aussave his estate. Proseis deserted Aus- had seen the emigrees return to their tria. Atterna deserted Prussia and eastles. They saw the beauty condi-

the economic revolution and therein lay his strength.

When Napoleon fell, he fell not in Paris but in Leipzig and when the Allies entered Paris they brought with them the old order. They raised Louis XVIII to the throne of France. In the footsteps of Prussian Grenadiers, Russian Cossacks and Austrian Jacgers, came the nobles and priests of the ancient regime. They sought to turn the wheels of progress back-wards and to re-establish the France of before the revolution. Vain attempt.

Napoleon returned from his island prison and the people received him with open arms. It was not the conqueror, not the emperor, but the defender of the revolution to whom the peasant soldiers flocked again. They

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However, democracy is an all-impelling force that cannot be kept down by crowned numbskulls like Louis period. The republic lived in spite of a number of relapses. It survived the reign of the Eighteenth Louis and his brother Charles the Tenth. It so trid of Louis Phillippe, the Citizen

sides this he caused state funds to be state loans offered investments for the capitalists, and an occasional war furnished diversion for the patriots. France prospered apparently under the Napoleonic policy of "robbing butted into the real estate business of the Napoleonic policy of "robbing butted into the real estate business of the Hohenzollerns.

The continual borrowing of the government undermined its credit. The facility with which the peasants who The facility with which the peasants For Freedom." his brother Charles the Tenth. It got rid of Louis Phillippe, the Citizen King and of the adventurer, Napoleon

WHY FRANCE RELAPSED

After the downfall of the Bourbons the "blue republic" as the regime of the capitalist class in France had been dubbed, found itself between two fires. On the one side the adherents of the old or er conspired against the republic; on the other side the proletariat, the wage earning class, sought to free itself from the over lordship of the capitalists. Every new revolution brought up a stronger proletarian rising and finally the scared capitalist accepted Napoleon the Third as the protector of their pocketbooks. This gentleman had hoisted himself into the saddle by bribery and corruption. But he promised peace to the much harassed money bags. The "coup d'etat" of Napoleon had proven to them that he knew how to handle the mob. True, he had also destroyed the mouthpieces of the "blue republic," but what was that compared to the promise of security to property?

Napoleon the Third was naturally

crooked, but this did not prevent him from thinking straight. He skillfully played the different classes against each other. The numerous strikes which broke out with the growth of Capitalism allowed him to demonstrate his devotion to the interests of the capitalists by furnishing the

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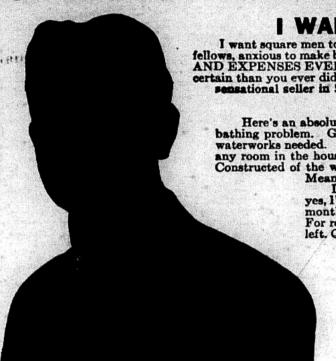
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fore of the ancient regime being slowly army as strike breakers. However, feared nothing more than the un- obtained loans increased their inre-established, and horror stricken they rushed into the arms of Napoleon. Waterloo came. France fought its leaders and kept on his pay roll combat time were mortgaged up to last great battle for the revolution. And in place of the brilliant Caesar whose mission it was to represent the stepped the stupidity of the Bourbons whose mission it was to represent the stepped the stupidity of the Bourbons whose mission it was to represent the stepped the stupidity of the Bourbons whose mission it was to represent the stepped the stupidity of the Bourbons whose mission it was to represent the stepped the stupidity of the Bourbons whose mission it was to represent the stepped the stupidity of the Bourbons whose wages he kept down with the banks gave credit to the farmers; believed nothing more than the unit obtained loans increased their indication. Napoleon could only with the loss of their little farms, which by this time were mortgaged up to the limit. State undertakings furnished work for the unemployed; state banks gave credit to the farmers; help of the army were busy as antal properties. protected by the bayonets of foreign sides this he caused state funds to be state loans offered investments for the preparing the red revolution. In

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and supported by the force of mur-sword? derous armaments, would lead in-evitably to universal war or universal bankruptcy—or both. That prediction, based upon facts and tendencies, has been only too swiftly and trag-ically fulfilled.

the Triple Entente and the Triple serves, and the territorials. Alliance. Diplomacy has been underground, secret, deceitful, each Power endeavouring by wile and stratagem to get the better of its neighbor. Diplomats have breathed the very air of jealousy, deception, and distrust. Each country, in turn, largely through the influence of its Jingo Press, has been stampeded by fear and panic. Each country has tried to outstrip other countries in the vastness and costliness of its war machine. Powerful armament interests have played their sinister part, for it is they who reap rich harvest out of havoc, and any spark will start a conflagration like the present.

It is difficult and perhaps futile to exact measure of responsibility and blame which the various countries must bear. It is just as untrue to say that British policy has been wholly white and German policy wholly black as to say that German policy has been entirely right and British policy entirely wrong. Simple, undiscriminating people in both countries may accept unreservedly one or other of these at the command of rule alternatives, but, as past experience the people are as pawns. shows, history will tell a different

For the present Sir Edward Grey issues his White Paper to prove Germany the aggressor, just as Germany issues a White Paper to prove Russia the aggressor, and Russia to prove Austria the aggressor. Even if every word in the British White Paper be admitted, the wider indictment remains. Let it be acknowledged that in the days immediately preceding the war, Sir Edward Grey worked for peace. It was too late. Over a number of years, together with other diplomats, he had himself dug the abyss, and wise statesmanship would have foreseen, and avoided, the certain result.

It was not the Servian question or the Belgian question that pulled this country into the deadly struggle. Great Britain is not at war because of oppressed nationalities or Belgian domination of militarism, and liable neutrality. Even had Belgian neutro be drenched with blood. trality not been wrongfully infringed by Germany, we should still have been drawn in.

If France in defiance of treaty rights had invaded Belgium to get at Ger- not true. many, who believes we should have begun hostilities against France? Behind the back of Parliament and people, the British Foreign Office gave secret understandings to France, denying their of war. Treaties and agreements have but faithful friends. dragged Republican France at the IN FORCING T dragged Republican France at the heels of despotic Russia, Britain at the heels of France. At the proper time all this will be made plain, and the men responsible called to account.

HAVE SEALED THEIR DOOM. In

We desire neither the aggrandize-hind Russia, the most reactionary, cor- vain. rupt, and oppressive Power in Europe. If Russia is permitted to gratify her Long live International Socialism!

It has long been earnestly urged by the Independent Labor Party that the diplomatic policies pursued by European rulers, including our own, it for this that Britain has drawn the

Tens of thousands of our fellowworkers are in the front of battle, knowing not if they will ever return again. Already many have fallen, and soon the death-roll will mount appallingly and the wounded lie suffer-Instead of striving to unite Europe in a federation of States, banded together for peace, diplomacy has deliberately aimed at dividing Europe into two armed, antagonistic camps, the Triple Extents and the Ex

> Hardly less dread is the position of the women and children at home who are dependent on those who are under arms, and the countless workers and their families who are plunged into unemployment and destitution by the war. Almost no conceivable efforteven if the food supply of the country holds out—will prevent the occur-rence of fearful privation amongst

And what is true of the soldiers and the workers and their families of our own country is no less true of those of death. When all this has been done lands. Is it not right that we should remember this?

To us who are Socialists the workers of Germany and Austria, no less than try to apportion at this moment the the workers of France and Russia, are comrades and brothers; in this hour of carnage and eclipse we have friendship and compassion to all victims of militarism. Our nationality and independence, which are dear to us, we are ready to defend; but we cannot rejoice in the organized murder of tens of thousands of workers of other lands who go to kill and be killed at the command of rulers to whom

> The war conflagration envelops Europe; up to the last moment we labored to prevent the blaze. The nation must now watch for the first opportunity for effective intervention.

> As to the future, we must begin to prepare our minds for the difficult and dangerous complications that will arise at the conclusion of the war.

> The People must everywhere resist such territorial aggression and national abasement as will pave the way for fresh wars; and, throughout Europe, the workers must press for frank and honest diplomatic policies, controlled by themselves, for the suppression of militarism and the establishment of the United States of Europe, thereby advancing toward the world's peace. Unless these steps are taken, Europe, after the present calamity, will be still more subject to the increasing

> We are told that international Socialism is dead, that all our hopes and ideals are wrecked by the fire and pestilence of European war. It is

Out of the darkness and the depth we hail our working-class comrades of every land. Across the roar of guns, we send sympathy and greeting to the German Socialists. They have existence when challenged. That is labored unceasingly to promote good why this country is now face to face relations with Britain, as we with with the red ruin and impoverishment Germany. They are no enemies of ours

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Emil Vandervelde, Socialist Member of the Belgian High Commission now in this Country, Gives His Views from a Socialist Standpoint of the War Horrors—The Berlin Vorwaerts, German Socialist Dally, Protests Against Destruction of Louvain-Charles Edward Russell, Writing from War Zone in Europe, Sends Earnest Message to American Socialists

By EMIL VANDERVELDE

To the Socialist Press of America-In all international conflicts of latter years, the International Socialist movement has found itself united. It was still so on the eve of the present conflict. War had already been declared by Austria on Servia when the International Socialist Bureau, convened with special urgence at Brussels, took the stand that Ger-many should prevail upon Austria, France upon Russia, to assure the entire world of the localization of the conflict. And with our whole hearts we render this testimony to our German Comrades, that in their efforts for the maintenance of peace they did their duty, their whole duty, and more than their duty.

But this effort has been in vain. The war has become generalized. All direct communications have been rendered impossible between the Socialists of Germany and those of

other countries.

On both sides millions of proletarians find themselves confronting one another as enemies.

What gives our situation a particularly tragic character is the fact that on both sides the Socialists appear equally convinced that it is a question of a war of defense. Similarly, with the French and Belgian Socialists, who are firmly fixed on the idea that it is a case of legitimate defense, the German Social Democrats have voted the credits for the war.

We will naturally be careful not to address any reproaches to them tect her from possible Cossack repring this matter. We take cognizance sals, and to preserve out of the abyss of the difficulties of the situation. If they had refused to vote for credits for the war they would have given over their country to Cossack invasion. In voting them they have furnished to the Kaiser arms against Republican France, and against the democracies

of western Europe.

Between the two evils they chose the one they considered the lesser. Again, I repeat, we do not blame them. But we, who are defending our independence, are inflexibly resolved to defend it to the end. And since—in respect to Belgium—Germany has not limited herself to opening a passage by arms, and has proseinternational law, a ruling of The Hague on war, we dare to hope that on the day that our German Comrades are exactly informed in regard to the horrors that have been committed in Belgium, they will join us in denouncing and scourging them.

I will say not more about it, being

a member of the special commission sent by the Belgian Government to to tell what I know in every corner of Preside. Wilson. I have bound my- America. It is life or death now for self to say nothing before our docu- civilization."

ments shall have been submitted to the first magistrate of the United States. I limit myself to expressing the hope that the entire Socialist international will stand beside us to affirm its sympathies for our people in using their right of legitimate defense against Prussian militarism.

Speaking for the Social-Democrats, the strongest political party in Germany, The Berlin Vorwaerts protests against such inhumanity as that for which German troops are responsible in Belgium, says the N. Y. World.

It reminds Germany that "it can hardly be believed that the newspapers of the world will view with gay satisfaction the destruction of Louvain." It urges working-clas: soldiers to behave in a chivalrous manner toward 'our brethren on the other side.' It reproves militarist journals for their advocacy of brutal measures in Belgium and France. The never-repealed Prussian law of 1813, it seems, requires the landstrum to act precisely as Belgium peasants have done; to harass an invading army's communications and to "wear no uniforms, as they would render it more easily discernible."

Vorwaerts has earned the right to utter this wise word of caution and humanity. Without a dissenting voice the Social Democrats in the reichstag supported the war measures of the government. Their constituents are fighting faithfully in the ranks. They serve Germany well who wish to proof destruction some kindly human sentiments upon which European society may be reconstructed when peace returns.

It is a splendid proof of the sanity and soundness of the German Socialists that this protest against the brutal blunders of militarism should be uttered in Berlin while the German press of this country is seeking to frame excuses for every act of vandalism in Belgium.

Charles Edward Russell, writing from Europe to the American Social-

ist, says:
"I earnestly hope the Socialist party cuted against us a war of conquest will make its supreme appeal in this and vengeance, since she has com- campaign on the basis of this worldmitted against us acts of violence which wide and most inexcusable calamity are not only contrary to humanity, It is the crowning object-lesson of but constitute formal infractions of the truth of all we have said. There is nothing to this monstrous war except capitalism gone mad. Let nobody think it had any other origin. I was on the inside and I know. Unless we can have Socialism the thing will last for years and be succeeded by other wars as bad until mankind comes down to the level of the Digger Indians. I wish I had a million voices

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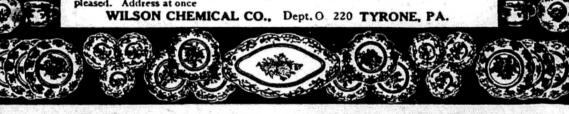
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