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THE I. W. W. TRIAL

with the promise of a speedy passing Co.? as the prosecution had announced A. purpose to close their case by ably. Wednesday, the 19th.

With the closing of the prosecu- the Joe Creek Co., Mr. Campbell? tion's side in view, the interest became heightened as all looked for well. mendous broadsides at the finish. It the 20th of last month—your name "surprises" and expected some trewas a real disappointment when to hothing of the kind occurred, when A.—Yes, sir. nothing of the kind occurred, when no climax came and everything merely fizzled out, like a bad fire
when the composition of the kind occurred, when no climax came and everything and told you that a certain man who and told you that a certain man who had formerly been amplituded in their

peared, the most important ones taking the stand Monday, the 17th.
To illustrate what was left of them atter vanderveer's grilling, let us pick at random from the record, let us examine the testimony of Elton down there to get his nav osten-Watkins, special agent of the Department of Justice, stationed at Portland, Oregon, and sent from there last July to the lumber strike district at Astoria, Oregon.

On direct examination Watkins told of his Sherlockian methods with some pride. He didn't go to Astoria to settle the strike, to ascertain the cause or to confer with both sides. He did talk with the bosses, he did ask the postmaster who the 1. W. W. secretary was, and he did spy upon the strikers' meetings through a crack in a partition to hear what A. E. Soper, then secretary, now a defendant, said in

Vanderveer: Q.—Did you make any effort to gain access to those meetings by the regular door provided for that purpose?

A.—No, no. Q.—You wanted to be sure that nobody would be warned of your presence, and thereby be guarded in their talks? You wanted to hear what they said among themselves,

Q.-Didn't Mr. Soper say that violence was a sign of weakness? When people became industrially impotent they became violent?

A .- I don't remember, but he did Q .- You did not hear anything

about the war, did you? A.-No, I don't recall anything. Q .- Nor anything about conscrip

A.-No. Q.—You say Mr. Soper explained ployes. direct action. Do you remember his explanation of it?

A .- The way I remember -- direct action was in presenting their demands or grievances directly to the fellow who owned the place.

Q .- And if they could not adjust it, force it by strike?

Q.—Or by industrial methods?

Q.—Did Mr. Soper or anyone else at the meetings advocate the driving of spikes in logs or the breaking of

A.—No, I never heard that.
"That is all," said Vanderveer. The prosecution tried hard to

make this "spikes in logs" theory stick, but to no avail. Two knives, A.—Put that as broken from a rotary planer machine, were made much fuss over; Nebeker tenderly fondled them in ostentatious display before the jurors as he examined a witness on These planer knives were brought from a mill at Aloha, Washington, by the mill superintendent, Mr. Frank Milward, who knew the knives were broken but did NOT know what the cause was or who if anyone was responsible, yet, course, testifying that it "must have man got anything he did not debeen the I. W. W.' Vanderveer-Did you ever see a

spike knot (a natural growth) in is all right? A .- Yes, considerable.

Q .- Did you ever see it break a

planer knife?

A --- Yes. Q .- Very often?

A .- Quite often One might comment here how un fortunate it was that the I. W. W. that man. did not exist in George Washington's boyhood, else he might have responded to the question of who cut the cherry tree by saying: "Father, I cannot tell a lie—the I. W. W.

But Vanderveer was not through with Mr. Milward and, while the and after finishing with questions hundred defendants leaned forward from counsel, Judge Landis took a in hushed expectancy the little lawyer with the fighting jaw launched his own account and—waving aside an attack that carried the prosecution off its feet and caused Nebeker to go white and red by turns-uncovering in a few minutes the de-

pravity of our opposers. Vanderveer-You say you are the Superintendent of the Aloha Lum-

A.—I am, yes.
Q.—That is located between

Aberdeen and Moclips, Washing-

of May (1918)? A .- Well, I could make you a pretty good guess.

Q.-Where were you on the 20th of last month? A .- I would make the same guess. -You were at Aloha, Washing-

A.—That is the best of my knowl- \$75 a thousand.

-How far do you say your

The third week of June opened plant is from the Joe Creek Shingle A .- Two and a half miles, prob-Q.-Do you know the foreman of

> A.-I know Mr. Campbell, yes Q.—I want to ask you whether, on

had formerly been employed in their

mill, had quit work there; that they Comparatively few witnesses ap- min, had duit worth wanted him to stay and he would not-just that much? A.—I remember a conversation something of that kind.

> down there to get his pay osten-A.—I don't know anything about

Q .- He came down there? Q .- And you and some other gen-

morning until about noon?

that, other than just being a specta-Q.—Oh, I am trying to find outwere you there?

A.—I saw it transacted.
Q.—And then you and some soldiers took the man out about noontarred and feathered him, didn't

-I saw it done.

a spectator. I never laid hands on the man or put any tar on the man. Q.—Did you say anything to the men to encourage them?

courage them?

Q.—What? A .- I said I did nothing to dis- Madison St., Chicago, Ill. courage them. Q .- Nothing to discourage them, although some of them were your

-They were all. Q.—Except the soldiers.

employes?

Q.—The soldiers were also your 1917, it broke upon the world in Rusemployes! You didn't order them to sia. The definite idea of working stop that?

W., but was not, isn't that a fact?

Q.-Well, didn't you? A.—I think he probably was.

Q .- Is that the reason you tarred States of the world was laid. and feathered him? please, the witness has not said he great people's movement of Russia, tarred and feathered him.

reason you watched the others tar

A .- Put that as one reason. Q.—You approve of what that crowd did to that fellow, did you? A.-Well, you claim I did.

Q.-Well, did you? A .- I did not disapprove

Q.-You believe in that way of andling things, don't you? be compelled to answer a question into the bursting chains of bondage. of that nature?

-In that particular instance.

Q.—You made a nice, loyal citizen of that man, of course? Nebeker—I object, as not proper. Landis—Objection overruled.

Q.—You made a good, loyal citizen of that man? A .- I don't know anything about Q.—You made him dearly love the

soldiers? You made him love the flag and everything, didn't you? A .- I don't know what he loved. Nor was this the end of Milward's discomfiture. On being recalled to the stand next morning, June 18th, notion to do some investigating on he spoke to the now-worried lumber "Just a moment. Sit down. You mentioned a figure of \$33 a

thousand in talking about lumber, didn't you?' A .- I haven't any recollection. Vanderveer—I did, your honor. Landis—Was it spruce or fir?

A.—Spruce.

Q.—When was this price of \$33 in A .- Your honor, I don't like to go

A.—Yes.
Q.—Where were you on the 20th back into the things—it has gone up
__I think in 1916 we got about that -I think in 1916 we got about that much for spruce.

Q.—For aeroplane construction? Q.—What do you say it is now? A .- Spruce has gone up in price -if you will let me explain-we are thought inseparate from the service getting on an average today, about

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cialist Propaganda Fund. This fund supplies the means of sending the paper to workers who, like you, are looking for economic light.

Backing Debs

The entire Socialist Party of America is standing solidly behind Eugene support in the fight to walk this country a free man. The National Office has vouchsafed him the fullest co-operation in conducting his defense. It is now arranging a country-wide defense agitation which will stir the party to a full realization of its tlemen took him and locked him in duty to Comrade Debs. Attorneys for a car from about 8 o'clock in the defense have been secured and have the case in hand. Seymour Sted-A.—Well, you wish then, probably to make me instrumental in neys will conduct the defense. Such legal talent as these well known comrades are known to possess, is the best guarantee that no stone will be left unturned in an effort to keep for Comrade Debs the remaining years of

his life in freedom.

Funds for the defense are being received daily from all parts of America. Comrades are rallying to the defense in full appreciation of the work Q.—You had nothing to do with and sacrifice Comrade Debs has made for our party and the labor A.—Well, no, no more than being movement. The movement for which Comrade Debs has given his best years to upbuild will stand staunchly with him in this his hour of need. Comrade Debs has committe no crime

nor broken any law. He is teday as he has long been, a fearless Socialist Q.—Did you say anything to dis- and a true comrade. It is up to every comrade to his best in Comrade Debs' defense. Send all funds to Na-tional Office, Socialist Party, 803

World Federation

Two years ago the outlook for a A .- The soldiers were also my em- realization of the social revolution was dark and despairing. In March,

class emancipation that had been germinating in the womb of society Q.—You thought he was an I. W. for nearly 70 years at last burst forth, He prated of 'incentive' into actuality-with the groping in-A .- How do you know I thought security of new birth. In the labor pains of a world wide cataclysm, the first proletarian government was born foundation of the United

Despite the gloom and uncertainty Nebeker-I object, if the court which temporarily hover over the the revolution can not be crushedcan not be checked. The idea of So-Vanderveer—Well, is that the cialism could not be killed in nearly. They penned him in a hollow tree three-quarters of a century of o)pression, persecution and terrorism by the despots of Europe in their ascendency; much less can the vitalized fact of a rising proletarian power be broken by the frenzied defenders of a

dying system. The long suffering masses of Russia have tasted the elixir of freedom. They have experienced an awakening, Witness (to the court)-Would I and can never again be forced back But more than this, the revolution they started will grow. It is growing. Witness—Well, I don't believe the It spreads throughout Europe—and, more slowly, throughout the world. The desperate arrogance of decadent Q.—Well, then, you believe that masters can not conceal the threatening, inevitable upheaval that impends. The spark will soon be furnished to loose the general uprising. Then will commence the great emancipationthe socializing of society, the democratizing of industry, the humanizing of man.

The ultimate United States of the World will be the work of tomorrow, as it was the dream of yesterday. The dom is prevalent throughout the nabeginning has been made. The job is tion. None are in jail for their opinbig. But remember what two short ions, and, barring the necessity of years have brought, and who will dare deny the workers their rightful in order, the rule of the workmen

The Internationalist. TRUE TO FORM

True to its innate instincts the Pirters, still the conditions are not ate Press has condemned Debs to nearly so bad as painted by designthe anxious objections of Nebeker, prison without waiting for the formality of a trial, This is the settled policy of the lie-for-hire press when lory. Born of an insatiable desire for plunder with the instincts of a thief constantly aim to pull down to destuction all those who may differ with them in opinion ,or who may seek to lift humanity and the workers from the degradation of slavery in which

it wishes to keep them. The supposition that a person is innocent until proven guilty is a presumption altogether too magnanimous for the brtual instincts of these murderers of working men. Being congenitally incapable of an act or of the exploiters of labor nothing else can be expected than lies, slander and the most violent antipathy in the Debs case.

A TRAGEDY

By JESSE JASON RUFNER Ages and ages ato, a prehistoric ape From the top-most branches of his

> And dug up something there, We know it was his think-box But he didn't know nor care.

> > He saw a club clying
> > Underneath that ancient tree.
> > He blinked and blinked
> > scratched his head,
> > Too ludicrous to see.

At this monstrosity. And while they were a-blinkin' Bewildered as could be, A wise old grand-dad monkey

He scurried beneath the branches And picked up all the clubs, He didn't leave a single one For the rest of the Henry Dubbs. He piled them all in a hollow tree And kept them guarded there A-waiting for the rest of them

At last they came a-running Each hunting for a club. There was none as you know, Ah, here then is the rub From that day down to now And soon they began to argue
And then there was a row.

To get next to this affair.

Jock said, "What right had He To corner all the clubs?
Let's make a rush and grab 'em,
Let's not be heavy Dubbs."
One wise old lawyer monkey And a preacher monkey, too. (Who had each received a club As being his just due).

They didn't quite understand, (They had no dictionary) But the preacher told them to For after they should die,

The Lord would rain down cocoanuts From somewhere in the sky.

And wisely puffed his cheeks And held them up for weeks. Agreed, as they always do, To leave it to the preachers And the rascally lawyers too.

As in conference they sat Called poor Jocko crazy. Said he didn't know what he at.

And dubbed him a Socialist. They beat him and they starved him, But still did he persist Now here comes what bothers me

To think those monks could be such It would make old Satan blue. Now weren't those monkey's fools, Say, weren't they Henry Dubbs, To let the lawyers and the preachers Corner all the clubs?

SOVIET IS PERMANENT

News Direct From Russia. Special to "The World."

By TANNIA SOLLOGUB. The Soviet of Russia is positively permanent and a great deal of free-

an iron hand to keep the bourgeoise heritage?—William J Fielding, in and soldiers is free from dictator-The people are exceptionally well fed out in the argicultural districts and although there is some scarcity of food in the large industrial cen-

ters, still the conditions are not ing American newspapers.

The great need of Russia is more There are great acres of the seed. a workingman or woman is on the pil- best land in the world, and all that is needed now is the seed to plant The new spirit of freedom them. and the morals of a hyena, what else born in the peasant class is glorious could be expected than that it should to behold. Freedom carries with it inspiration, and the inspiration of the peasant seems to be to show the wonderful power within him to build

the new republic. The Soviet, under Lenine and Trotzky is rapidly building railroads and making other internal improvements All's well in Russia and the comrades there send greeting to com-

rades everywhere. ism? Square up your Dues paper.

A Letter from Comrade A. L. Hitchcock

I arrived here yesterday (Satur-

soon. I suppose you will be anxious to know of how I am and what condi-

present I am in a large ward with about 60 others. We are in quarantine, to wait until all danger of bring-

fected clothes from top to toe. Have

shower bath twice a week. The food is

good and there is enough of it, so there is no kick from the care I am

cuss those who are here, but it is all very interesting to me. This paper is not adequate to hold all I should like

to write, but as you are mostly interested in my welfare I will reassure you that there is absolutely nothing

worry about.

My time will peter out in a little over six years, so I am told, so that don't amount to much. So long as I am

good I can write once per week, but can receive all the mail that comes. All mail is read both ways, in and out,

so you will not write anything so in-timate that it could not be read by the

officials here. The officers, or those I

have come in contact with, seem like very decent fellows. You will have to pass this letter along and send it to Cleveland, too, so the friends there will know that all is well.

Atlanta is quite a large city, near 200,000. also it is the home of the

state office of the Socialist Party, I

believe. We are furnished with enough to-

any of our friends here want to see me they can find out. It may be that

while we are held for observation we

will not be allowed to see any one on

the outside. Was up to the doctor this

morning and he said my heart is nor-

mal and that I am in good health. I

was vaccinated and sent back. We

have such dishes as we need, includ-

ing knife, fork and spoon, plate. bowl

than the boys in Canton or in Lucas

get the daily papers, magazines and

books from the library. I might get

books from outside but am not well

enough posted to know yet. Later on

I will know what is allowed and let

you know for I don't mean to break

any rules. Although I look for no

parden or parole, I do not intend to

be other than a good prisoner while

here, if for no other reason than my

own satisfaction. No place I have

been yet have I had any but a good,

county jail at Toledo. The boys here

and cup.

We fare five times better

June 16, 1918.

Declared the world was out of date. So he scratched his ugly cranium

Said he, "I am tired of shinning Up here for everything I eat," And then he be an a-grinning For reasons I shall state.

ing any disease in here is passed. Everything is scrupulously clean. We are fitted out with clean and disin-And soon that club he wielded At the cocoanuts in the tree. The other monkeys blinked in silence receiving. There are men here of all descriptions and professions, for all the different kinds of wrongdoing imaginable. However, I must not disjunging the different kinds of wrongdoing imaginable.

Climbed down from out his tree

That has bothered all the monkeys

Scratched their hairy chins

The lawyer monkey scratched his

And the rest of those fool monkeys

And all the other monkeys

And I'm sure it bothers you:

Box 1733. Atlanta, Ga. PILING UP THE CAMPAIGN FUND

ure resort but still no on can com-

A. L. HITCHCOCK,

What has your local done the last week to build up the Campaign Fund? Is it doing or just—dallying? Campaigns are financed with funds telligent than we ourselves. not with froth. In order to get funds State Office has supplied all locals with Campaign Contribution blanks.

Use them. They are a local formula for the race, should make us more patient; and if it does not, our own experience must it is necessary to go after them. The Use them. They are good for nothing experience must. except the purpose for which they were printed. Get busy with them, human failing. An argument is a comrades, we'll need a large fund to fight—a verbal brawl. And truth comrades, well need a large fund to print literature, engage speakers and do other necessary campaign work.

We have received this week the list.

We have received this week the list. do other necessary campaign work.
We have received this week the list circulated by Comrade Alois Havelka,

ecretary of Neffs. as well as Comrade Havelka we would have funds enough to make a campaign which would make the ene-

my sit up and take notice. GET ON THE JOB

the Constitutional Amendments to be situation; the occasion may justify conflict with my own, or with those lost or carried. There are some of our most violent denunciations—but of any other person. The best prothem which can be put into practice the results do not. We can best tection which I can give them is to right now. One of them is to elect an Ohio Socialist correspondent. Do this giving vent to our feelings, but by right away. The news of your local's simply relating the circumstances true self-reliance. I will not arbiactivities are of interest to other that make us feel as we do. Whether trarily determine for them what are

comrades thruout the state.

Triumphant Russia

By EUGENE V. DEBS. The world stands amazed, astounded, awe-inspired, in the pres-

ence of Russia's stupendous historic achievement. The Russian revolution is without a precedent or parallel in history. Monumental in its glory, it stands alone. Behold its sublime majesty, catch its holy spirit, and join in its thrilling, inspiring appeal

day) at 2:30. Had a very interesting trip down from Toledo. Was quite surprised to learn that I was going so soon. I suppose you will be anxious to know of how I am and what condi-

tions are here. So I will say, for the miracles, and thy humble peasants and toilers stand forth the world's triumphant liberators! Russia, domain of darkness impenetrable, transformed in a flash

into a land of living light! Russia, the goddess of freedom incarnate, issuing her defiant

challenge to the despotisms of all the world! Think of the ages Russia groaned in the agony of her travail, the deluge of blood and tears poured out in the long night of her persecution and exile, and the costly sacrifices laid by her daughters

and sons upon the holy altar of freedom! And now, as if by command of God Himself, she rises from her ondage, stands erect in her supreme majesty, and breathes her benediction of peace and love upon the world.

The heart of Russia in this hour of her glorious resurrection is the heart of humanity disenthralled; the soul of her triumphant revolution is the soul of a new-born world. Russia, the most cruelly oppressed, the most bitterly persecuted,

the most brutally crushed nation on earth, stands monumental today in her sympathy and love, her generosity and magnanimity toward he oppressed and down-trodden of every land beneath the skies. Verily, the last are now first, and the world's most pitilessly

olundered and shamelessly exiled have become the world's revolutionary redeemers and supreme liberators. Russia, triumphant in the rise of her peasants, toilers and soldiers—in the supremacy of her common people, the real people, the only people—glows with infinite compassion for the spirit of world-

wide brotherhood. Not a trace of national selfishness has stained Russia's revolutionary regeneration. The Bolsheviki demanded nothing for themselves they did not demand in the same resolute spirit for the proletariat of all the world, and if history records the failure of their cause it will be to the eternal shame of those for whom these heroes offered up their lives and who suffered them to perish for the lack of sym-

bacco for our own good. I can tell you that penal institutions are not what are generally understood, or, this is a generally understood, or, this is fulfill itself without reaction, but the mighty change that has been fulfill without reaction, but the mighty change that has been an exceptionally well managed one, on most progressive lines. We are allowed to have visitors but I don't every bourgois sees the handwriting, and the old order throughout know how often or how many, but if the world is being shaken to its foundations.

All the forces of the world's reaction, all its dynasties and despotisms, all its kingdoms and principalities, all its monarchies and imperialism, all its ruling, exploiting classes and their politicians, priests, professors and parasites of every breed-all these are pitted openly or covertly against the Russian revolution and conspiring together for the overthrow of the victorious Russian proletariat and the destruction of the new-born democracy.

But, whatever may be the fate of the revolution, its flaming soul is immortal and will flood the world with light and liberty and love.

Sensible

Now that the scope of our criticism of others is restricted, we Socialists may gain something by critibast .- Alec Watkins, in The West-

cizing ourselves. clean record and the same shall obtain For instance, consider our propaganda. There are dominoes and checkers We scold too much. People who here, but I'd rather look at the other are Socialists, and know it, are still men and study them than waste time greatly in the minority. We need the on time killing. I have not yet seen help of many who are not yet Socialany one I know, though there are ists. But often we treat these people any one here for this is not a pleas- as if they were our inveterate ene-Cleveland people here. I may not see mies, instead of prospective co-work-

ers. We expect too much from them. We imagine that forming a belief is a very simple matter. At least, in practice, we underestimate the power of personal inclination, of training and of association in determining opinion. We assume that it is as easy to choose between Socialism and capitalism as between good apples and bad ones. And because he does not at once see as we see we dub a man a fool who, in a general way, may be vastly more inown classic literature, revealing, as it does, the slow and painful process

We too often allow discussion to degenerate into argument—a very most acute, as in the case of a great war, lying becomes a virtue and truth telling a vice. An argument list an the sum remitted is \$9.00. If is an exchange of blows, and its purevery comrade in the party would do pose is to administer a personal defeat, to win a barren victory; a discussion is an exchange of ideas, and

its purpose is to establish the truth. We denounce too much; or rather, too crudely. Our voice is too shrill. We use too many adjectives, make too many gestures. Our antics turn may fall far short of describing the get on the job of getting news to your great power in the plain, unvar- hear and weigh both sides of every nished tale.

Fight? Certainly. But we have fought with words too long. We have tried to make the vocal organs do the work of the whole body. We Propaganda must fight by doing, instead talking. On the political and industrial battlefield action is what a most useful auxiliary to our politico-industrial fighting machine when we substitute vigor for bom-

The Profiteers

ern Comrade.

government.

but we doubt it.

At last the very "respectable citizens" who have been enriching themselves at the expense of the nation in this, its hour of stress, have been "called" by the

Federal investigation has laid bare their rascality and removed the cloak of patriotism that for a time camouflaged their nefarious practices. The Socialist press has for

months been offering proof of the guilt of these "respectable citizens," although threatened with prosecution for seditious utter-

Will these gentlemen get what

is coming to them? We hope so,

Free Discussion

"Let the mind and tongue, and press, be free. Let free discussion not only be tolerated, but encouraged and asserted, as indespensable to the freedom and welfare of mankind. If I give my children no other preceptf I leave them no other example—it shall be fearless, impartial, thorough investigation of every subject to which their attention may be called. and a hearty adoption of the printragedy into comedy. True, any and a hearty adoption of the principles which to them may seem true, number of the strongest adjectives whether those principles agree or the appeal is to the intellect or to orthodox or what heretical sentiment. Therefore, elect your correspondent the emotions, simplicity and due re- I have no wish, no right, no authorforward march of Social- at your next business meeting and straint will strengthen it. There is ity to do so. I desire them to see, question.-William Llody Garrison.

of the

International Labor Movement

From Socialist Committee on Information. 811 E. Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., Julian Pierce, Chairman

London, England, papers of May 30, cruelty. It is true that conscientious is indicative of the revolutionary sur- objectors who have served twelve ize that the Russia of the Soviets canrender of property rights caused by months are permitted to speak for two not be the ally or agent of the Ger-

terly, farmer, of Molmrow, was fined posed upon me in the presence of missing would assist reasons fixed posed upon me in the presence of missing would assist reasons would assist reasons for independence, their first action must be the sincere recognition of terly, farmer, of Molmrow, was fined posed upon me in the presence of my would assist Russia in her struggle pay five guineas (\$25.54) costs for failing to comply with an order issued by the Lancashire County War defendant's excuse was that he could pet get anyong to played the land. The defendant's excuse was that he could not get anyong to played the land.

not get anyone to plough the land."
When the Carranza government passed a decree that title to agricultural land shauld be contingent upon its use, and in case the owner did not use it should be available for anyone who would, capitalist exploiters charged that the decree was socialistic and confiscatory. The British Government must, however, have taken lessons from Carranza.

COMMON OWNERSHIP OF THE MEANS OF PROUDCTION AND ADMINISTRATION

A conference of the London Labor Party was held on Saturday, May 25. The "London Labor Party" is the following editorial comment on Mr. Brockway's letter "When good men get into prison in branch in the territory made up of ondon and the suburban area.

Fred Bramly, who was chairman, announced that the membership had increased from 134,951 in 1914 to 224,-196 in 1918. He said that the present work of the party is to build up a strong labor force in Londan to influence social reconstruction after the war and to maintain at present freedom of action and speech. Bramly criticized the Wandsworth Borough Council for leaving building opera-tions to private enterprise, which, it was claimed, maintained high death rataes due to the construction of unsanitary houses.

Apparently the slaughter of the innocents would continue, said Bramly, and as an alternative to healthy homes we should have well dressed cranks of the middle and upper classes (some of whom had never nursed anything more precious than a pampered poodle dog) lecturing the mothers of the Grenadier Guards on how to nurse their babes. Working class mothers could take care of their young quite as well as rich mothers if they were given a chance. (Hear.

Bramly hoped that when peace ame we should honor the memories of the men who had fallen in the war not by erecting expensive monuments or reciting poetry, but by pulling down the slums and erecting healthy houses fit for their wives and

children (Hear, hear)
It was announced that fifteen Par-

lected for the London area. One of the objects set ou Constitution was "to secure for the producers by hand or brain the full common ownership of the means of production and the best obtainable system of popular administration of each industry or service."

THE "SILENCE RULE" IN JAIL among others of the expriencee of the conscientious objectors may be the abolition of this degrading rule." BROCKWAY, INDEPENDENT LABOR PARTY SOCIALIST, SERVING SENTENCE FOR BEING A "CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTOR."

Fenner Brockway, serving a sentence in Walton Prison for refusing to perform military service, has written a letter to the Home Secretary of Great Britain condemning the rule land, Australia, that "prisoners shall preserve si-lence" and declares that hereafter he graph will not observe it. It is reported For the benefit of those who may that more than one thousand members of the Independent Labor Party ing to do about the man under Sohave been sent to jail as "conscien- cialism who wouldn't work, let it be have been sent to jail as "conscientious objectors to military service or any service to help the war." (See "The American Labor Year Book, 1917-18, page 251.) The British papers publish the following portion of Mr. Bröckway's letter to the Home "Every man who has worked all his life to the labor of the

"1: The rule in itself is inhuman rest Socialism will give it to him, and and immoral. A prisoner who steadily not by sending him to the poorhouse, observes it would go mad in a few or giving him a little pension upon months. I actually know one case which he can just manage to make where a prisoner conscientiously ends meet. Socialism will give him a thought he ought to observe it, and pension equal to the earnings of his he largely lost his reason within four best working days. This will not be

ABSOLUTE RIGHT OF PRIVATE insane. To speak is as natural as to sciously. According to a dispatch PROPERTY IN LAND CAST INTO breathe, and to attempt to enforce on from Moscow, published in the Lon-PROPERTY IN LAND CAST INTO
THE DISCARD IN ENGLAND.

The following item appearing in the cach other the rule of silence is sheer cache.

The Allies are beginning to real cache of the Source of the So e war.

"At Rochdale yesterday Luke Utam not prepared to have silence imrealizing the real political situation,

nize it. "2. In practice, of course, the rule is not kept. No system of discipline, the Soviets. The Allies must correct their mistakes toward Russia, and exhowever rigid, could enforce so unnatural a regulation. But the fact that prisoners are not allowed to talk openly leads to surreptitious talking and encourages deceitfulnes. In this respect, as in most others, the prison bassadors of the Allies to evacuate system invites the growth of those their residences at Vologda and enter characteristics which find expression in crime. I am conscious in my own person of the development of an adaptness for deception which I know to be bad. Whilst I do not consider OF INDUSTRY TO BE THE METHOD OF SECURING TO THE WORKERS THE FULL PRODUCTS OF THEIR INDUSTRY.

The second within the first to evade discovery in breaking this and similar rules is necessarily wrong, I have decided in the future when I talk to talk quite onenly."

openly."
The Manchester Guardian makes

large numbers it is a sign that something is wrong with the State. But it has this much good in it: that light is thrown on the worst things in the prison system and reforms are made possible. In the last eight or ten years more men and women of high character have found their way into prison than at any other time, we should suppose, since the days of the religious persecutions. They report to us—and whatever we think of their cause or of the justice of thier imprisonment, we shall do well to listen to their report—several things which are wrong in the prison administration. One of them is the subject of a letter from Mr. Fenner Brockway to the Home Secretary, of which we give some passages. This is the "silence rule" forbidding prisoners to talk to one another. Mr. Brockway points out that the badness of this rule lies in the simple fact that it is against human nature. People talk he justly says, as naturally as they breathe. Forbid them and you achieve one of two things. Either they obey it, and gradually lose their reason which he declares to have happened to one conscientious objector who was conscientious in this also, or they disobey, talk surreptitiously, and get into habits of deceit. This, of course,

is the normal result.

A prison system ought not to be founded on the concention of crimilnals as outside the pale of humanity. If they were so, capital punishment it was amounced that fifteen Par-would be the only punishment. It lighted for the Lordon was that, whatever be the sins of which they are convicted, they are just as human as the rest of us, and that it equitable distribution thereof that may be possible, upon the basis of the common ownership of the is by freating them as humans, and of a better life. Prison must include punishment, but not the punishment which degrades man to the level of the brute. We hope that one result among others of the expriencee of the

> THE REWARD UNDER SOCIAL- policy their tactics continue to be ISM, OF THE I WON'T WORKS. those of the boycott. The Socialists are often asked what will be done with the people who refuse to work under the social order of the Socialist Republic. The Queens-land, Australia, "Worker" answers

life until he is fifty is entitled to a months, so that subsequently he had charity, but just plain everyday justo be sent to a nursing home for the tice applied."

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SHOULD RECOGNIZE AND ASSIST SOVIET GOVERN-MENT. POLICY AND AIMS OF BOLSHEVIKS MISREPRESENT.

"Izvestia" is the official organ of the Central Executive Committee of the Soviets. It is thus the official organ of the Soviet Government. In its issue for May 17 it declared the policy of Soviet Government was mis-Allies either purposely or unconrepresented in the countries of the

> herself of recognizing the power of their mistakes toward Russia, and express above all their loyalty to the Government of the Soviets. Any delay in doing this would lead the aggression of German Imperialism to fresh into useful business relations with the Council of Commissaries of the People. There is no other choice for the Allies, for otherwise it is only the military party in Germany which will be benefitted."

> SOVIET WARNING AGAINST MIL-ITARY INTERVENTION BY THE ALLIES TO RESTORE TO POW-ER THE RUSSIAN BOURGEOISE "The attitude of official circles in the Allied Powers with regard to Revolutionary Russia continues to be a general policy of abstenation. While the authority of the Soviets is recog-nized by a large majority of the Rus-

> > the Allied Governments. Instead

against the other. Communists profess themselves not at all opposed to these tactics, in event of Germany ED IN ALLIED COUNTRIES engaging in open warfare against PURPOSELY OR UNCONSCI- the Russian Soviets Revolution, have nothing in common with the daily appeals of the Russian bourgeoise press for Allied bayonets to crush the pow- make it worth \$90 today, where it er of the Soviets. These tactics are distinctly entirely opposed to the hopes of the suffering Russian bourgeoise, who zealously propose to the happy thought). Allies that they should apply in Russia methods by which the Germans have profited in the Ukraine.

"The Soviets find cause for mistrust from their own experiences of Japanese policy. Russia is not in a state of war at present. This does not mean that we are closing our eyes to the dangers threatening Russia price. from Russian Imperialism. Let some ling M Power come to our aid honestly to viously paid \$2.00 for ten hours, help us combat scuccessfully the now cost \$4.00 for eight hours). threatening dangers. Russia would Q.—Now, when was this \$4.00 appreciate in the highest degree any eight hours fixed? assistance given towards the improveassistance given towards the improvement of her means of transportation, communication facilities, and the cleansing of her economic life. The cleans of the control of the clean in the clean in the control of the clean in the c Russian Government has told Ger- that be taken from the record-I many in the most unequivocal man- don't remember. ner that she as a neutral country will Q .- Wel, I if you don't know-you direct her efforts to entering into economic relations with all countries. thirty days of it, when you went on If the Allies really wish, rather than the eight-hour shift? to drag Russia into war for purely strategic reasons, to give her really first of April.—(1918, after the I. practical help in her tragic situation, W. W. strike on the job). et them discuss to the exclusion of everything else her urgent need of economic aid.

Don't be an encumbrance. Don't be a drag. Don't lag behind. Regular strike were brought in to tell their misfortunes. Said misfortunes condues payments makes you sisted of exceptionally itchy undera lifter instead of a leaner. Wear noticed after refusal to participate in walkouts made by whole

Forgetfulness in regu-lar dues payments means was a powder called "cow itch," while Vanderveer suggested that the bunkhouse vermin had merely consian people, it is so far unrecognized a monkey wrench in our centrated upon the scab because he of their hoped-for return to a saner party machinery.

OUR PLATFORM

OHIO FOR THE WORKERS THE NATION FOR THE WORKERS THE WORLD FOR THE WORKERS

We, the Socialist Party of Ohio, reaffirm our adherence to the principles of International Socialism. Our whole aim and purpose is democracy, both political and industrial. We believe that neither can truly exist or long survive without the other; and as no man, or class of men, should own or control the votes of other men, neither should one man, or class of men, own or control the means of life of others. "A house divided against itself cannot stand.

Immediate Demands

First. The taking over by the State of the coal mines of Ohio as a war measure. The elimination of profiteers in this basic necessity to avoid further fuel famine. Second. Similar appropriation of other natural resources and public utilities to end profiteering and protect the homes of the men in the trenches from the grasping hands of the exploiters.

Third. War is rapidly shifting to the shoulders of women the burden of industrial service; we therefore advocate their immediate political enfranchisement and laws requiring equal pay for equal work.

Fourth. We recognize the warning in President Wilson's recent statement, widely quoted as follows: "The men in the trenches, who have been freed from the economic serfdom to which some of them have been accustomed, will, it is likely, return to their homes with a new view," etc. The boys who come home will deserve economic freedom. Therefore we urge the immediate enactment of timely and intelligent measures to pave the way for industrial democracy.

those of the boycott. "Relations between Russia and the Allies have recently became worse. Threats of occupation of Siberia are more and more persistent, and are beginning to assume a concrete form

which is, in the interest of both par-

"Looking at the situation from a practical point of view we have frequently shown that the interests of the two parties require, if properly understood, conciliation, not rupture In reality any project in the nature of the occupation of a part of Russian territory by the armed forces of the Allied Powers, or by any one of those Powers with the aid or approval of others, against the will of the Russian government, cannot be regarded otherwise than as an act of histility. and the hostile character of the ac can in no case be diminished by attempts to persuade us that such acts are done in our interest with the object of lending us powerful aid against a more formidable enemy. "Of what is to our own advantage we are able to judge, and as to th

protection of our interests we will decide for ourselves. It would be greatly to be regretted if the policy of the allies were henceforth to take such a course, for the interests of the stood, would dictate a line of conduct towards Revolutionary Russia directly opposed to that pursued hitherto.'

BOLSHEVIK ORGAN WARNS AGAINST THE ALLIES BOLS-TERING UP WITH BAYONETS THE DETHRONED BOURGEOISE -ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE IS WELCOMED.

According to a Reuter dispatch, "Pravada" the organ of the Bolshevik Party, touched upon the question of Allied intervention as follows in its

issue of May 24:

"The violation by Germany of the Brest-Litovsk peace will inevitably place before the government the neplace before the government the neplace before the government of the place before the government the neplace before the neplace bef cessity of taking advantage of the military aid of one Imperialist group regularly!

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THE I. W. W. TRIAL

(Continued from page 1) Vanderveer-You said \$90 yes-

erday. Landis-What I want to know is, what has happened to your spruce to was worth \$33 two years ago? fAfter must evasion, which vexed his honor, the witness finally had a A .- Well, logs cost two and a half imes as much.

Q.—Why is that? A .- Why, I only know that the increased cost of production-Q .- Well, now, tell me what that

A.-Well, labor is double (After much verbal stumb- in concrete form the activities of our ling Milward stated that labor pre-

A.—I would say it was about the

Landis-All right. Anybody any questions? Vanderveer-And for your specification spruce you get \$105.00 and \$110.00 a thousand, don't you?

A.-We do. Two or three slant-eyed persons who had scabbed during the lumber crews-non-union men as well as I. W. W. crews. Nebeker contended it was the only victim remaining after walkout. Anyway, the scabs didn't know positively what the quo warranto proceedings against ing the improvements herein procause was—so the trial for seditious Hartley for the seat. This case is still vided for. ***** didn't know positively what the story of the pro-German lice is a matter historians and solemn judges may review and ponder over. It was on June 19th, at 4:50 p. m., after a long day of reading I. W. W. arguments against "militaryism" (which is the way both Nebeker and turned to Landis and said, "Your honor, the government rests." The jurors were told to spend the following day as they pleased as they would not be needed and court adjourned until 1:15 p. m. the next day, when counsel for defense was expected to make motions for dis-

missals. present, Vanderveer made a motion for dismissal in toto. "Overruled," said Judge Landis. "non-suited" eight defendants and

dismissal of eighteen more. "Over-

ruled," said Landis. counts against some sixty defendants—being the "anti-conscription" counts—and the contention made that no testimony connected them with such a charge. "Overruled," said Landis. Vanderveer fought over some individual cases. "What has Ben Fletcher ever shown to have done." said he, "except that he got linear the content of the content o done," said he, "except that he got Inspector, who is in the City Build- pair and shall not increase the rate

"Overruled," said Landis. might have done last year not one department has much to do with what word of evidence is brought to show I am about to say in regards to acit and your honor knows as little tivities of our Comrades in Council. about it as of the Angel Gabriel,"

said Vanderveer.
"Overruled," said Landis. from the record certain so-called Pigua and especially of those worthy claim that they were acts of indi-administration was the installing of viduals not in furtherance of any a filtration system for a source of possible conspiracy. "These acts," water supply for the city of Piqua. said Landis, in overruling the modern This proposition shall be known out by any plan, may tend to show a state of mind and therefore are admissible as evidence to be considered by the jury." In comment Vander of the people of Piqua two such additional land as may be necessary for the proper installation and constitution of soid plants.

Vanderveer read a judicial decis-ion to the effect that connection In Janua "must be proved not assumed," continuing, "and Mr. Nebeker must that body, including Comrades L. H. prove his theory that when Haywood Neff and S. B. Keyton, there was a says "No" he means "Yes" as he has budget presented alloting funds to asserted—the liberty of these de-fendants cannot be left to the to take care of the payroll, public

be accused of "disrespect for the

sick and no court was held. The over the Mayor's veto by five ayes day following Albert Prashner sent against two nays. Mr. Moul upon his down a doctor's certificate declaring return to Columbus, Ohio, took this illness and further action was again matter up with the Attorney General delayed until Monday, June 24th.

Living Up 100 Per Cent legal and advising that these bills be not paid and so the matter still stands.

The average American family spends as much today for food alone

ing to a report issued today by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. The average cost of household maintenance in 1900 was \$769. During 1917 the same commodities cost \$1,401 Food alone in 1917 cost only \$53 less than all items combined in 1900, when \$327 represented the expenditure for food in the average workinman's

The landlord's toll has gone up 59 per cent. Clothing has doubled, rising from \$108 to \$210. Fuel and light have increased from \$40 to \$82.

PIQUA SOCIALISTS OUST SHADY POLITICIANS

Reveal Duplicity of Old Party Gang

therefor.

Piqua has selected me to act as cor- in their city council respondent for the Ohio Socialist.
I shall with the help of my husband Comrade L. H. Neff, endeavor to give

elected Comrades in this city. Upon entering their respective duties as elected officials the Com-Q.—Now, when was this \$4.00 for rades encountered several obstacles which the Democrats and Republicans A.-I do not like to tell you the before them had intentionally allowed to exist to the detriment of the citizens of our Fair City.

First among these was the habit of monopolizing offices.

held the office of Park Commissioner and Councilman of Fourth Ward at the same times Promptly at the first meeting of Council in January the Mayor declared this seat in council to be vacant. The Council ignored the Mayor's declaration and failed to fill the vacancy within the thirty days allowed by law. The mayor appointed and Comrade Frank Strauss to fill the vacancy. Council refused to seat the works plant for said City is imperacomrade, but immediately got busy. Feb. 4 was the date of the Mayor's presented his regignation as Park Commissioner. On February 6th there was a special meeting of Council when they declared the seat of Hartley vacant and nomianted the same Hartley to fill the vacancy and, of course, with but two Socialists out of and sold mortgage bonds to the seven Councilmen, Hartley was declared elected.

Comrade Strauss immediately filed conspiring went merrily on and the in the court of appeals progressing

other.

able working man. The object of the removal of the

ecords from this department or their whereabouts was not known until the State Inspector of Water Works, Mr. At the oppointed hour, on the Moul, came to investigate the records office of the City Treasurer in such 20th of June, the defendants being of Piqua, when he came across a annual installments, with interest present, Vanderveer made a motion proposed filtration system for a thereon at the rate of not more than the came across annual installments, with interest proposed filtration system for a contract of the came across annual installments. to. "Overruled," source of water supply. Wishing to know the full details of the case he "non-suited" eight defendants and sought the records of the Service they were released. Tardy justice Department, Mr. Moul called Mr. was thus afforded to Roger Culver, A. Rodriquez, Harrison Height, W. ice by phone and gave him just one E. Mattingly, Otto Justh, Joseph Lunkis and Walter Reeder.

Vandanger moved the complete Vanderveer moved the complete ismissal of eighteen more. "Over- arms taxed to the limit with Record have a franchise for a period of not wied," said Landis.

Next Vanderveer offered a motion

Gall" to demand a receipt for these date of the confirmation of such sale;

Books. This gentleman had the date of the confirmation of such sale;

Gall" to demand a receipt for these date of the confirmation of such sale;

Said franchise shall entitle said pure said franchise sa Tourth records, but Mr. Moul asked him if married and wrote in for his week's ing now, and no doubt sooner or later we will have more to say in regard to this case. This sudden removal as established prior to such sale. "Whatever Charleh Ashleigh well as return of the records of this

Before going any further in this department it may be well to state that the "bone of contention" and the cost and expense of the improvements herein provided for 'disloyal" acts and utterances under gentlemen connected with the former

said Landis, in overruling the motion, "although not criminal in hereafter as the Hazen, Whipple and by the jury." In comment Vander-cerned in this affair were not content veer said, "If this theory holds, no- with the decision of the people. They body is safe and I, for one, want to began letting contracts and making take to the woods." ordinances in harmony with their

In January, 1918, when Council met and seated the new members of to take care of the payroll, public improvements, etc., and further prolaw," he shouted.

"Overruled," said Landis. The writer is beginning to wonder if the I. W. W. are the only ones that may preparatory to a site for the proposed filtering writer in the payroll, public improvements, etc., and further providing a fund to pay to the consulting enginers, H. W. F., \$2772.37, also \$5000.00 with which to purchase lots preparatory to a site for the proposed filtering writer. filtartion system. The Socialist Counlaw."

There are now 101 defendants.
Friday, June 21st, Pietro Nigra was brought before council and passed who rendered his decision that the legislative acts as well as the contract for this work were no doubt il-

Another important matter with which the Socialists were confronted was the building of a new city hall. Council had appropriated \$2500.00 to this fund which is but a small portion when it comes to erecting a new building of stone, brick or cement. So the Socialists proposed to the council plans for the building of the jail in the rear half of the Central Fire Station which represents the council plans for the building of the jail in the rear half of the Central Fire Station Five. That this ordinance tion, which space has been vacant since the motorization of the Fire Department. Council refused to hear to this in spite of the fact that this proposed plan cost about \$7000.00 as against the \$17,000.00 bid they had received one year ago. The present administration caused a petition t o be circualted calling for a special election to initiate an ordinance authorizing the building of a city jail in the Central Fire Station as well as It's better to pay dues \$250,000.00 for the erection of a Water Works getting our water supply ahead than to be behind. from the wells belonging to the city. -Grant.

I herein submit these two ordi-July 6th, 1918. nances for publication stating that we advice of the received about 40 per cent voters as State Convention at Canton, Ohio, petitioners, which is enough to prove June 14th, 15th, 16th, 1918, Local that Piqua had not been represented

> MRS. L. H. NEFF, 622 S. Downing St., Piqua, Ohio. Correspondent to Ohio Socialist.

> > AN ORDINANCE

An Ordinance to provide for the acuiring, constructing and equipping a Vater Works plant and the laying and extending water mains in connection with the City wells, for the City of Piqua, Ohio, and to provide for the issuing of mortgage bonds to pay

Whereas, said City now owns wells In looking over the list of appoint- between the great Miami River and ments to be made by Comrade Mayor Rush Creek, north of said City, which Hamilton the advisory committee found that Councilman Hartley had held the office of Park Commissioner and satisfactory for municipal pur-

the vacancy within the thirty days able, and was rejected by said voters;

Whereas, the need of a new water tive, and the erection of such plant Feb. 4 was the date of the Mayor's and the installing of mains in connecappointment and Feb. 5th Hartley tion with said wells, is the most economical, feasible and sanitary; there-

Be it ordained by the qualified lectors of the City of Puga. Ohio, as follows, to-wite

Section One. That there be issued amount of \$250,000, to be secured upon the property and revenues of the water works of said City, includ-

Section Two. That said mortgage finely.

Later on the seat of Spiker was contested on the same grounds and appointment made by Mayor. This cured upon the property and revealed the contest of the cured upon the property and revealed the cured upon the cured case is awaiting its fate with the nues of the water works of said City, under an ordinance entitled "An" or-(which is the way both Nebeker and Our Director of Public Service, dinance to provide for the acquiring, Porter pronounce it), that Nebeker Comrade Frank C. Priller, upon endinance to provide for the acquiring, tering his office found it to be void works plant and the laying and exof records and the interior of the of- tending water mains in connection fice was reeking with filth and un-fit for habitation by a decent respectissuing of mortgage bonds to pay therefor.

Section Three. That said mortgage bonds shall be dated 1st day of January. 1919, and shall be payable at the six per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually, as the Council of said City may designate. Said mortgage bonds shall be executed and disposed of water rent to the consumer more than twenty-five per cent above that Section Five. That the proceeds of the sale of said mortgage bonds, excepting the premium and the accrued interest, shall be placed in the City

Another question fought over was Vanderveer's motion to expunge from the record certain so-called Pious and especially of those worthy torsis hereby authorized to employ engineers for the puropes of drafting plans, and to enter into contracts for the purpose of acquiring, constructing and equipping a water-works plant and the laying and extending water mains in connection with said themselves, nor apparently carried Fuller proposition. It was put to the City wells, and to provide for such sary for the proper installation and operation of said plant as a means of

Treasury and disbursed upon the

tants of said City.
Section Seven. That all ordinances and parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions hereof, are hereby repealed.

adequate water supply to the inhabi-

Section Eight. That this ordinance shall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed by law.

ORDINANCE

An ordinance providing for the erection of a City Prison for the City Piqua, Ohio, at and within the Central Fire Station of said City. Be it ordained by the qualified electors of the City of Piqua, State of

Section One. That a City Prison for the City of Piqua shall be erected at and within the Central Fire Station of said City, in accordance with the plans and specifications prepared by the City Engineer and now on file in the office of the Director of Public Safety.

Section Two. That the appropriation of \$2500.00 "for rebuilding the City Prison," contained in the City Budget as passed by the City Counci on the 7th day of January, 1918, and any and all materials that may have been already purchased for said improvement thereunder, be and the same are made applicable to said imshall take effect and be in force from and after the earliest period allowed

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SOCIALIST PARTY ACTIVITIES

Late Organization, Social and Other News of Live Members and Locals

WHAT'S YOUR JOB, WISHING OR DOING?

Notice to Draftees

If the comrades of draft age will remember to carry their registration and classification cards with them when attending public meetings, they may save themselves from spending a night or more in the filthy

Room 7, Lowe Bldg., Dayton SCOTT WILKINS jails which are provided for those who meet with disfavor in the eyes of the authorities.

LECTURE COURSE

Local Cincinnati, we are informed are organizing a lecture course which will open about the latter part of August. These lectures will be held weekly, probably on Sunday evenings. The local asks the assistance of the State Office in securing speakers for held at local headquarters, 1314 Vine

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Yours for efficiency F. J. CATLIN, Secretary Local Youngstown Explanatory.
**Indicates local jumped ahead

*Indicates local increased its activ -Indicates inefficiency; a slump or

?Very poor. They don't know where they're going, ahead or retro-grading. This local fell back a class.

Power of Supreme Court

The power of the United States Supreme Court must be limited. No crowned monarch in all Europe has more power than the highest tribunal of this country that is now sending is young manhood overseas to spill their blood in the cause of freedom and democracy.

No stronger argument in favor of the curtailment of power could be You're Out there For Us advanced than the reference to the recent action of that tribunal in annuling the child labor law, a law which the laboring people of America, after a hard and bitter fight, succceded in getting on the statute

If our present war, which is a struggle for the supremacy of democracy and the overthrow of autocracy, is right, and no one denies it is right, then let's give our attention to this question at home as well When five men, who are not elected by a popular vote of the people, can wantonly destroy one of the best laws ever passed by Congress, wholly out of keeping with the doctrine of democracy, and it strongly smacks of autocracy, then we repeat, it is high time to turn our attentions to this important question here in free America. — The Knoxville Plain

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Y. P. S. L. ATTENTION!

A big affair by the Yipsels Circle No. 3, Y. P. S. L., is arranging a big social evening for Friday, 19th ents will participate in making the at the state convention. affair entertaining. For your own sake, come around.

am talking to the young, especially. By the way if you want to join a olly bunch, come on that evening, and am sure you will ask for an appli-The affair will take place at the Soc. Labor, Lyceum, 5610 Scovill Ave.,

It's better to be safe p. m. sharp.

lian sorry. Pay dues to
Publicity Agent, Local Cleveland V. P. S. L. Be surre and come on time at 8

YUM, YUM, YUM!

Wagenknecht,

Local Seneca County held its anual picnic and regular meeting Sunday, June 30th. The crowd was not as large as last year, but we had some picnic just the same.

At 12:30 p. m. a large table was spread with eats prepared by the women comrades. There was everything on that table you could imagine; in fact, I don't think our omen comrades ever heard of Hoovor Hooverizing and I don't suppose it would have made any difference if they had. There was home-nade cakes, home-made pies, fried chicken, country cured hams, all inds of salads, home-made bread not war bread), pickles, jellies. Oh, hucks, if I was to tell you everything hey had on that table it would take two dollars worth of postage stamps to send this letter and I need the two ollars for the campaign fund.

After we all got on the outside of so much fried chicken that we'll be ashamed to look a chicken in the face for the next six weeks, we called the 5 meeting to order and elected Comrade Wallace of Fostoria chairman and believe me, he knows how to put pep in

Among some of the important things we did at this meeting was to pass a resolution to make every Socialist and every sympathizer in Sencca county a subscriber to the Ohio Socialist. We also nominated Com-rade W. M. Ralston, ex-Socialist mayor of Fostoria, candidate for state

red gathered from all parts of the pienic grounds to hear the speaking, Miss Zira Barto, one of the young beauties of our coming generation of Socialists, was the first on the pro-

Comrade W. O. McClory, our canlidate for congress from the 13th disrict, delivered the main address and his speech was a hummer; he is an able speaker and he never fails to voice the interests of the working class when he has an opportunity. Please pardon this long letter. I

scare them home every time they get near a Socialist meeting. Yours in comradeshi

A. W. HUMES. Secy, and Correspondent of Seneca County Local.

ORDERS MORE SUSTAINING STAMPS

The comrades at Toledo are still looking after the welfare and comfort of the families of our political prisones. In a recent order Comrade Topping, financial secretary of local Tolcdo, orders 250 Sustaining Stamps, 200 dues stamps and 100 membership eards. Does this show activity? does, and the ringht kind, too.

Right here it is permissible to inquire if your local has done its full share in aiding in the support of our comrades who are now serving time for upholding the principles of our party. There is much call for funds to help their families and it is the duty of every comrade to do his best in

GETTING BUSY AT IRONTON

In a recent letter from Comrado Miller, we are assured that the comrades at Ironton are going to stay in the ring for socialism in spite of difficulties and make a showing this year which will give them representation at the next state convention. Part of Comrade Miller's letter fol-

More than pleased with the convention and glad to know it was so well attended and expect to have Local Ironton represented at all future gatherings. Was glad to learn that We had our entertainment under Com. Debs and all the other comrades the head of good and welfare. At this are in accord on the party issues. point a crowd of possibly two hun-appreciate your action in behalf of Tom Mooney. I will act on your suggestion to get more subscribers for the Ohio Socialist as it is a live paper and in sympathy with the workers on all important questions. Our local gram with a recitation. Comrade A. hasn't been holding any meetings as W. F. Steckel gave a very interesting some of the members have had to go July.

The best musical and literary tal
and enthusiastic report of the work to war and others have left town, but if you will send some application if you will send some application cards will try and secure new mem-

H. J. MILLER.

THE RIGHT KIND OF BILL

Comrade D. W. Conner of Doanwanted to show you that in spite of the lying capitalist press scaring some of our comrades away from the bunch of Socialists in Seneca County, who will not let any one's shadow

Comrade D. W. Comner of Doan-wille, an M. A. L. comrade, sends a bill with his letter in which he says: "Emclosed find not Kaiser Bill but Two Dollar Bill for which send hix dues stamps to finish out this year and for the balance send Sustaining Stamps."

\$5.00 ForWhom?

A comrade has donated \$5.00 to the State Office to be offered as a prize to the boy or girl under thirteen years of age who will write and mail to The Ohio Socialist the best article on Socialism before November 1. We have decided to print all the articles submitted and a committee consisting of Margeurite Prevey of Akron. Jesse Jason Rufner of Seville and Walter Bronstrup of Cleveland, will decide which is the best. The boy or girl writing the best article gets the \$5.00. Should two contestants tie, the \$5.00 will be divided equally between them.

Here's a chance for our young rebels to show their ability and knowldge of Socialism. The work of the Socialist movement will in time de-volve upon our youngsters. They hould every one get into training for the days to come. Send in your ar-

SUMMIT COUNTY NOMINATES TICKET

Comrade Fred W. Seibert, secre-ary of Local Kenmore, writes that he Comrades of Summit county met n Akron June 23rd, and nominated full county ticket. Comrade Sei-bert says: We have thrown our hat into the ring and we intend to canvass the whole county and in this work will call upon the Ohio Socialist help. I hope that our comrades in oll other parts of the state will nom-inate full tickets because the oppoients are making the votes.

FIRST OBJECTION RAISED

The first objection raised against he proposed Ohio Socialist Press tamp which has reached the State Office is at hand. A Comrade secretary writes in that same of the members of the local are against the proposed Constitutional amendment providing for party support of our own press on the grounds that it is auto

It is for such things as this they say, that they left the old parties. Such reasons are to us absurd. No workingman was ever called upon by either of the old parties to support them with anything except their votes and their ignorance. The comrades fall to distinguish between the acts of a majority in a democratically managed organization and the autocratic acts of individuals in an undemocrat ically managed body.

This is the error in their viewpoint

insofar as any dictatorship is con cerned. The thing which probably sticks in the craws of the comrades in this respect is a feeling of the loss of personal freedom in the choosing of periodicals which they shall support Here is where they reveal a lack of ducational training along the lines of organization. To give ones final cial and moral support to a paper over the policies of which one has no control is a ludicrous manner of exressing ones personal freedom own, control, innance and operate you own paper thru collective action c the membership is real freedom and democracy. To do less is to be reactionary, is to support autocracy and, in the end brings about just the condition which exists today among the Socialist publications. Some ar revolutionary, some are on the fence and some have gone over to the enemy. The men and women whose dol these papers are of no weight when a change of policy is considered by the publishers. It's high time the work kers took control of the whole world, including the means of dispensing information. Now is the time for the Socialists of Ohio to take this pre-liminary step toward control of their sources of information. Vote for the Party Press Stamp Amendment.

IS YOUR MAIL TAMPERED WITH?

Do you receive The Ohio Socialist regularly and do the letters from the State Office appear to be tampered with? Numerous complaints have reached this office lately from com-rades complaining that they do not receive the paper or that mail addresses to them has been meddled The United States mails are gener-

ally reliable, but some employes and postmasters appear to think them-selves above their government, and such complaints as are justified we believe can be attributed to them. If you do not receive your paper take the matter up with your nostmaster. Teh mail service is for the convenience of the people of this country and is not to be the plaything of any would-be assasin of the people's

FIRST O. S. CORRES-PONDENT REPORTS

"In accordance with recent request in the Ohio Socialist, I have been elected as Press committee to represent Local Cincinnati Am glad to report a very enthus-

iastic joint meeting of Locals Coving-ton, Newport and Cincinnati on June 25th at Local Cincinnati headquarters, which was addressed by Comrade Germer. Comrade Germer impresed upon us the extraordinary necessity for unity in spite of our conflicting views on the war, also spoke in behalf of the National campaign and Defense fund. A collection of \$78.00 was taken, consisting of part payment and in some cases entire payment of pledges to the National ampaign and Defense Fund. Yours in Comradeship, ADA DACY,, Cor. Secy.

THE GOD OF MAMMON.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., said: "Too many of us put our money above our faith. Yes, too many of us are like the witness in the arson case who said:
"'Your Honor, I have sworn by

the great Jehovah that every word I say is true, but I will go further, much farther, than that. Here's \$5 in cash that I will put up, and it can be taken away from me, your honor, if what I say is not as true as

Pay Up! Square Up! Right Now

July is PAY UP month in the Socialist Party of Ohio. July is here. Therefore this is the month in which you are to "Square Up" with the best party on earth. You are a month behind? Two months behind? Six months behind in your dues? It matters not. YOU ARE BEHIND--that's what hurts. And that's why we shout into your ear--PAY UP! Look here! Last year the state secretary reported an average of 4,283 dues paying members in our party. Since then we have admitted 5,420 new members. Therefore we ought to have 9,703 members today. Have we that many? No! How many have we? Just 5,787. Where are the 3,916 which are unacounted for? WE'LL TELL YOU WHERE THEY ARE. THEY ARE IN BAD STAND-ING! Quit it! Pay Up! Do it now! Look at your dues book this very minute. Are your dues paid ahead? If they are not, you are in grave danger.

PAY UP! PAY UP! PAY UP!

Youngstown, Ohio, July 8, 1918. Dear Comrades and Secretaries: We are amdist a struggle for inter- Jenra 31 national freedom of the working Conneaut 30 class. The time is here when the souls "Mt. Vernon 14 *Mt. Vernon 14 of our comrades are put thru the Mt. Healthy 11

weeding out the class-conscious from the un-class-conscious. Our locals are nevertheless on the jump, and increasing rapidly. We have gained Youngstown (?)

Youngstown Scan. 14 balone, during the past year, making a lotal of 9703. Just think of it—9703! *Clark Co. 29

But they're only on our rolls. Thru Elmwood Place 15 the inefficient work that is found in most locals, we have today but 5787 Edgerton Comrades! If we want to preserve Crestline the integrity of our party we above Marysville

Elect capable officers. Beware of the "class-talkative" kind. Install only class-active members, as your

rusted parts.

tertainments and above all put life ry and Aurora and a few others. into your local. Life—and more life. INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP Special attention should be center-

Get a 100 per cent good standing 2. Increase your membership at land having a membership of thouleast 5 per cent every month. One sands falls short of this 5 per cent new member to every 20 old ones.

for our movement. 5. Educate your members in scientific Socialism. Above all keep an eye them realize that work alone will on all reformistic books that may appear in your midst, and oppose the selling or buying of such "trashy" literature which seek to remedy the help the cause.

evils of capitalism and delay the emancipation of the proletariat.

Locals.

No. Pct. of Roll.

(Locals with 500 or more.)

Cincinnati (?)(See Class B)

CLASS A.

Or if he falls by the wayside to rest, cannot help us or himself.

Look about you, Comrades! Locals dying for want of the right element.

They organized to attend capital (Locals with 400 or more.)

CLASS B. (Locals with 300 or more.) CLASS C. (Locals wtih 200 or more.) *Hamilton 210

(Locals with 50 or more.)

(Locals with 1 up to 50.) 1.000 1.000 .(No report) .733 .659 ---Niles 31

(Locals failing to report.) Percentage, 2000

only class-active members, as your local cannot grow without work—and a lot of it.

Belmont Co., Dayton, Columbus, Continental, Warren, Dover, Ashtabula Finn, Van Buren, Montpelier, Get your "machine" in working Grover Hill, Youngstown, Steubenvile, condition, oil it, where it begins to Norwood, Norwalk, Fairview, Bellaire, squeak and throw off all broken, Seneca County, Derwent, Mansfield Ravenna, Barberton, Lorain, Trimble When your "machine" has been perfected, results will soon begin to show. Mix propaganda with social en-

and comment thereupon will get us Piqua10 Center your efforts, you comrade Youngstown Scan. ...

Cincinnati—5. The rate of increase should be 5 per cent per month, therefore Cleve-

(This is the average increase.)

3. Get a 100 per cent vote on all referendums. Above all elect class-conscious men and women to responsible officers. The fault lies in poor organization, with most of our sible offices. Bar all petty reformers locals. "Live wires" instill at least 75 and would-be politicians from offices.

4. Get the fullest financial support talkative" and the "innocent hangeron' have no place within our locals.

We who move forward cannot wait mancipation of the proletariat.

The available statistics for the if we would, stop for, and save you, month of May shows the following: unless there is some hope. The worker GOOD STANDING MEMBERSHIP must either march sturdily with us, or if he falls by the wayside to rest,

They organized to attend capital-ism's funeral! Now they give up hope and are waning fast. Capitalism will see their funeral. Team-work alone will "put them back into the class .474 struggle." Team-work, studied to give the most efficiency, is neces-

Sary.
Come on, locals and secretaries!
The class struggle is on! Let us see you at your best. The time is now. Get in with the highest efficiency. Put a (Locals with 100 or more.)
Piqua (?) See Class E

CLASS E.

"star" in your locals' crown and reach that goal, which will place you and your local in an enviable position. and your local in an enviable position.
Locals when spoken of, should be referred to by class which will indicate

—Massillon 59

—Akron 196 CLASS D.

-Piqua <u>9</u>3

THE CONVERSION OF JOHN ERWIN

Chapter Seven

By JESSE JASON RUFNER

Summary of Previous Chapters

Johnsthan Crane, pastor of the village church of Friendsburg, in order to arouse his congregation to activity decides to hold a revival and calls in his evangelist friend "Bob" Chalmers, to assist him.

to bed, but not to sleep. The events of the day crowded fast on his mind, and when the breakfast bell sounded Chalmers' sermon to himself in any disgusted with him. "He has just and Rebecca sat in a far corner, tryhe was just beginning to dose. He way, he did not betray it, and Challain down on his job, been afraid ing to hide the numerous rents in hurriedly donned his clothes and mers and he were soon interested in to preach the truth, and took the her dress, which was three sizes too an inquiring glance.

Shane needed me last night and 1 He happened to find Ned alone. wen wttih him over to the Perkins Shane was very glad to see him. farm. His daughter came home last "Hello Pard," he saluted, "how are

always does.

'Well," replied Chalmers, "the "Not this time " is as hard as a rock, he refused to see | morning?" his own child. Shane and I did all we could with him, and that was there instid of one, this mornin', hew she must be older, for she appeared much older. There was looking at Matthew's pigs. Those the doctor and they brought her time of it. Mother isn't well enough the doctor and they brought her time of it. Mother isn't well enough the doctor and they brought her time of it. Mother isn't well enough the doctor and they brought her time of it. Mother isn't well enough the doctor and they brought her time of it. Mother isn't well enough the doctor and they brought her time of it. Mother isn't well enough the doctor and they brought her time of it. Mother isn't well enough the doctor and they brought her time of it. Mother isn't well enough the doctor and they brought her time of it.

anything he can do himself. I wish could go over there and help them. I would just love to, but father breakfast with her.' would not let me I know. He does "Lordy, I wish not like Ned Shane and he does nlike to have me talk to him at all. Do you think I ought to do as father says and never see Ned at all, Mr. Chalmers? I-I want to do just what is right."

'That depends on yourself, Miss Lucy. You are of age, and if you eat breakfast with her every morn- with him. think enough of Shane, stick to him ing, old fellow?" in spite of everything. On the other hand, if you do not love him well enough to marry him, let him and I'd never do for her; besides I

cares for me only as an old friend, fool you are. That girl loves you. He has always been like a big broth- I know it. I would not encourage er to me. I was just a little thing you this way if I did not." when we went to school together and he always fought my battles

"Miss LLucy, may I tell you somehim, make him understand it. If She's been mighty persistent about reigned. Everything had the down aged souls, and they were unconstant of though, I must admit." stand that, too. He is too fine a fellow to keep dangling at the end of a

tenants are Bill and Sally Long and gle for life. With his meeting with The sermon he preached was a fear their brood of youngsters.

worker is secretly in love Shane, the blacksmith, a hearty, scrupulously honest to remain rich, sharp-tonqued and sincere friend of who became a beacon light in his life veloped his farm at the expense of the poor, who is in love with Lucy, tho he had never since met her tho too diffident to speak of it.

acres, is the main support and pillar offend the rich members of the church in the church, a conscientious but Chalmers replies with the story of his grasping man. Among his several poverty-stricken childhood and strug-

"I hope I have not disturbed you," himself away from his host later

night, and little Joey ran all-the way you feeling this morning? I was asked Lucy, "he is such a hard man, the spot. I was jest thinkin' about erend Bob. I am afraid he won't. My heart that when I saw you comin' I'm a aches for that poor child, she is only seventeen, and a frail little thing at good fruit onto these old bramble of the car came in, that was to be was the only married, I worried myself sick 'cause in the work of the car came in the work of the work of the car came in the work of the work of the car came in the work of the work that. What did Ned do about it? bushes 'round here. How is everyone to get off at Friendsburg, and I didn't have no broom; nor no fice, by the leaders of Socialism?
I'm sure he found some way out. He thing up to the house? Did you git Chalmers introduced himself to her. money to buy one with, but I see I assure you that that I will rece

upshot of it was, he brought the girl know how soon I may though. How also a very lovely one. So thought what ye hain't got."

You have the girl know how soon I may though. How also a very lovely one. So thought what ye hain't got."

You have the proper of the control of the

"Yes, I'll go to the station for you, eyes before. Shane. I saw Lucy, of course, I ate

man?" smiled Chalmers.

"Lucy didn't say so, did she?"

No but she and I sort of learned to lean on and—Oh, well, I know how she feels this year, probably we him." about it. thing in strict confidence? That man she liked me a little bit, then I'd go can get a place to go. Nobody works bragged Sally. Shane is eating his heart out for love of you. No, he did not say so in so many words. He does not need to you are one plumb of fool. That

> "If I go to meet that nurse, I will agement. later, Shane."

Chalmers arrives and in conversation with Rev. Crane is told to speak his strength of character. Shane, tho she has been led astray. Allie returns John Erwin, a landlord of many guardedly of such subjects as might not a church-goer, is influenced to and is befriended by Ned Shane and

went down stairs where he met Miss farm talk, mostly horses, for they easiest way out. I expect now he is big for her. Erwin in the hallway. She shot him were Erwin's hobby. In fact Chalan inquiring glance. The head of the hall way in the hall way in the hallway. She shot him were Erwin's hobby. In fact Chalworried for fear I have queered "We are awful poor folks, Mr.
Chalmers," apologized Bill, "it takes much if I have. He has plenty any- everything we can make to keep he apologized. "I came in as quietly as I could. You see your friend smith shop and see Ned Shane.

I nope I have not disturbed you, miniself away from his host later way. If he was in my place now, these younguns eating. They sure ly as I could. You see your friend smith shop and see Ned Shane.

When he wanted to go to the blackwithout a home and without money, do stow away a pile of grub."

How much money is required campaign committee? my conscience would hurt me. As it is, he can take care of himself. He is better out of the pulpit than in it. am, but Bill and Matthew and Re-Foreign missions, indeed, when this becca are always grumbling. Folks governed.

Chalmers introduced himself to her. money to buy one with, but I see I assure you that that I will receive She was a very competent little per- how silly that was, and I quit it. votes which hitherto were cast for "Not this time, Shane. I don't son, one could see at a glance, and Ain't no use being miserable over Democratic and Republican officials. "Wal, I got two little gals over more than twenty, but Chalmers all that is expected of him, I am time of it. Mother isn't well enough to do the work, and Doc sent to the city for a nurse. I expect she will something about her that puzzled are some porkers, Mr. Long, the finest I have seen for many a day. Matter to do the work, and Doc sent to the city for a nurse. I expect she will be here in an hour. You don't want to go up to the station and meet her, would do what he did last night, and he did it as a matter of course, and thought nothing of it."

"That is Ned's way," returned Lucy, "he never leaves for others are the could not get rid of the city for a nurse. I expect she will idea that he had seen her somewhere before. But where? He could not get rid of the city for a nurse. I expect she will idea that he had seen her somewhere before. But where? He could not get rid of the city for a nurse. I expect she will idea that he had seen her somewhere before. But where? He could not get rid of the city for a nurse. I expect she will idea that he had seen her somewhere before. But where? He could not get rid of the city for a nurse. I expect she will idea that he had seen her somewhere before. But where? He could not get rid of the city for a nurse. I expect she will idea that he had seen her somewhere before. But where? He could not get rid of the city for a nurse. I expect she will idea that he had seen her somewhere before. But where? He could not get rid of the city for a nurse. I expect she will idea that he had seen her somewhere before. But where? He could not get rid of the city for a nurse. I expect she will idea that he had seen her somewhere before. But where? He could not get rid of the city for a nurse. I expect she will idea that he had seen her somewhere before. But where? He could not get rid of the city for the wtells me he is I have seen for many a day. Matter of the wtells me he is I have seen for many a day. Matter of the wtells me he is I have seen for many a day. Matter of the wtells me he is I have seen for many a day. Matter of the wtells me he is I have seen for many a day. Matter of

> made a few calls on his own accord. up last week, we owed him almost conding insane, we made a few calls on his own accord. Up last week, we owed him almost must stand together the first place was Bill Long's. Bill twenty dollars for milk and flour have stood before. hane.
> "Haven't you had any breakfast, Chalmers was particularly interested we'd have to sell em and settle up an?" smiled Chalmers.
>
> in Matthew. Matthew's face had with him. Then I don't know how stood out above all the rest in his we'd live this winter, fer Bill hain't jest hungry for Lucy, jest a sight of audience of the night before, and got no job, and we all got to eat Chalmers had resolved to hunt out somehow. her, I mean."
>
> "Why don't you marry her and the boy and get better acquainted

in the back yard. His face flushed away from you. hand, if you do not love him well enough to marry him, let him alone."

"On, Mr. Chalmers, I don't suppose Ned wants to marry me. He has never said so. I don't think he cares for me only as an old friend.

"Sne wouldn't wipe her old snoes on me. She is educated and a lady, and I'd never do for her; besides I ain't no Reform church member that proposition, Chalmers."

"Sne wouldn't wipe her old snoes with genuine pleasure as he shook Chalmers' hand. Soon his shyness wore away, and he was eagerly telling Chalmers of his desire for an inspiration of the disappose of the control of the co

them for something else. We won't

There was not a whole awakening. have to brush up a bit. I'll see you chair in the house, and the kitchen With that, Chalmers served for living room as well, for the brain of the Reverend Bob, and Lucy blushed, "I wish I could be swung off up the street to Erwin's. swere of that as you seem to be, The Reverend Johnathan Crane and that belched smoke until portunity should come to try it out. as sure of that as you seem to be, The Reverend Johnathan Crane and that belched smoke until Mr. Chalmers. I think a lot of had taken an early car for home, everything in the room was black

Chalmers meets Shane and strikes ily, has turned his daughter, Allie,

"We are awful poor folks, Mr. without a home and without money, do stow away a pile of grub."
my conscience would hurt me. As it
"I tell Bill," put in Sally, "we'd

now. We didn't mean to git in debt Chalmers was now at liberty, and to him, but when we went to settle

"You leave that to me, Mrs. Long. then there is no hope for the Socialist If I bring him over to see those hogs He found him cuiting up old rails rest assured he will not take them

wonderful pigs. The boy had kept the pen filled with clean straw and had brushed them daily.

"Pa says maybe I can't sell one of them to buy my school clothes the certainty wonderful pigs. Long.

"He's allus ben a good boy, Mr. Chalmers. He ain't like the rest of 'em. He's allus ben quiet and thoughtful like, and he is mighty thoughtful like, and he is mighty thoughtful like, and he is mighty thoughtful like. The other day I saw one reading will need fond of his books. I wish't he could git a right good chanst at 'em onct. "Sometimes I've thought mebbe stay here next year, I guess, if we I'll bet he'd make something big,

put it in words, it is plain enough gal don't care nothin' about you, she the house. Chalmers made a mental Chalmers had purposely sowed the without that, and if you don't love is jest interested in savin' your soul. survey of it. Dirt and disorder seeds of ambition in their discour-

A new plan was evolving itself in (To be continued.

GEO. W. MARKERT.

FROM VIRGINIA

Cabell County Jail, Huntington, W. Va Glad to get the Ohio Socialist and to read the fine news of the work of that brief space of time it has abso- awakes to the danger and takes steps the Ohio Socialists in jail here. All movement as an M. A. L. ten years

> Myself and three young Comrades "Our danger in the United States Hilton Bias, Raymond Green and

We have a good library of our own, comprising courses in economics and worwers accustomed to the sion of radicalism and seeks popunot. Especially to slaves with a vis-"The real crisis will come when lon and a will to make our dreams

Fraternally yours. EDWIN FIRTH.

Your Red Dues Book.

GROWING AT LIMA

Dear Comrade: derstand that John Reed will Socialism every day. pect to poll a heavy vote, in the county and district this fall. Let me hear at once as to Reed's dates.

the victory who have helped get it. Regular dues payments is how.

Party Conference August 10

Party:

the United States. Labor recognizes

no economic law. Won't it then urge

the policy of government control which has meant high wages and

coddling, and turn still more blindly

to those political leaders who have

Your obedient servant, etc.

Daniel Brice Baughman, sculptor.

Dr. J. Corn. Adolphos Chaney, farmer.

These men are wealthy and

S.O.S.FOR YOU

ave stood before.

There are those who are exerting

Let us not support the capitalist press but work night and day for our

Here we had the People's Press in

Every evening after working hours

the Saturday Evening Post which has

long articles on the labor question

lately, so full of bull, it is disgusting

The articles make the dubbs believe he ought to be glad the capital-

Now comrades, I will sound the S.

O. S. alarm. Save, Oh Save or in other

words, Subscribe Ohio Socialist. Then

while people are lamenting, while thousands are weepig, let us bring the mesage of truth to them ,and be a

torch bearer in the army of truth and

ists let him live on their earth

our own county and it had to be suspended for lack of funds. Think of

own papers.

that, Comrades.

o even glance at it.

been responsible for the establish-

Gentlemen:

Comrades—A national referendum ensuing congressional election. ment and maintenance of those arti-ficial standards?"—New York Times branch of Cook county, Illinois, on begs the comrades to believe that in the party's attitude towards war and taking this stand they are actuated heir brood of youngsters.

Sis daughter, Lucy, a sincere church orker is secretly in love over its secretly in love.

A BUDDING POLITICIAN

The sermon he preached was a fear houngsters and source of inspiration to the poor and of criticism to the weal-shows the motions on the same subject, and from different points of view are another with heart of solely by the desire to preserve withmentions on the same subject, and from different points of view are about to be offered for referendum wealthy and high minded man. too the motions on the same subject, and from different points of view are about to be offered for referendum wealthy and high minded man. too the motions on the same subject, and from different points of view are antionmed that other motions on the same subject, and from different points of view are about to be offered for referendum wealthy and high minded man. too the motions on the same subject, and from different points of view are about to be offered for referendum wealthy and high minded man. too the motions on the same subject, and from different points of view are motions on the same subject, and from different points of view are motions on the same subject, and from different points of view are about to be offered for referendum.

slips aside for a moment and we become human, which is a very good thing. The other day we received the ments, makes it impossible to have a following letter. We shall not publish free and frank discussion of the probthe name of the wirter, who is evidently sincere in spite of his woeful ment. To submit any resolutions on the

ignorance. Perhaps some day he will when Chalmers reached John Erwin came in, with it.

When Chalmers reached John Erwin came in, with it.

When Chalmers reached John Erwin came in, with it.

He quietly repaired to his room and they passed into the dining and they passed into the dining to serve instead of to lead, Any to had but not to slown. The events would be heard in the discussion could be sion in our press and at party meet-This procedure would violate the most fundamental principles of democracy.

There is also the danger that thou-Frazeyburg, Ohio, June 21, 1918. sands of compades may be led to express opinions which might subject What shall I do to be nominated them to criminal prosecution under for Governor on the Socialist ticket? the drastic provisions of the espionby age law and the arbitrary application of that law to Socialists. I am a poet. (He confesses it.) I am

been abrogated in the United States night, and little Joey ran all-the way you feeling this morning? I was over after Mr. Shane. I happened to see him as he passed and went with him."

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The national executive committee realizes that the recent developments in connection with the war have created new situations toward which the party must take a stand, and also that the time is ripe for a positive and constructive program of action.

The new party constitution provides for an annual joint conference of the state secretaries, the national executive council and other national party officials, and your committee has called such a conference for the 10th day of August. That meeting While many would-be Socialists will be representative of the whole are flying for the tall timber, while movement in the whole country and many people are lamenting about the will be able to cope with the great awful system under which we live, problems in a calm and deliberate while thousands are weeping or be- manner, and with a view of serving coming insane, we the real patriots the best interests of the Socialist must stand together as we never movement of the United States and of international Socialism.

It will be able to formulate the

To the Members of the Socialist | with a view to furnishing a concrete and uniform Socialist program for the

The national executive committee Si Perkins, a hard man who has developed his farm at the expense of the happiness and welfore of his farm.

Occasionally a joke finds its way few months, have defended numerous cause. And for the sake of our great cause of Socialist party members cause we urge the comrades everythe happiness and welfore of his farm.

Occasionally a joke finds its way few months, have defended numerous cause. And for the sake of our great cause we urge the comrades everythere to maintain an attitude of multiplication. tual tolerance, forbearance and cononest differences of opinion which may exist among them. So long as the party members remain true to the undamental ideals of Socialism, and our party remains united in its determination to fight for the political and economic emancipation of the workers of all countries, we are bound to come out right in the long run and to become a still greater force for good during the war and after the war.

Comrades, a vital, perhaps a deciding, struggle is awaiting us in the congressional election next fall. In that election our party will have an unprecedented opportunity to establish Socialism as a dominant factor in American political life. Let us subordinate everything else to the immediate task of organizing the great victory of 1918. Let us carry the message of Socialism to the people of this country from now until election day. Let us bend all our energies and concentrate all our efforts upon the work of organization and education.

With unwavering confidence in the triumph of our cause and in the good sense, loyalty and devotion to the rank and file of the party membership, we submit this message to you with fraternal greetings.

National Executive Committee, Socialist party,
MORRIS HILLQUIT,

SEYMOUR STEDMAN, JOHN WORK, ANNA A. MALEY, VICTOR L. BERGER.

MORE CAMPAIGN FUNDS

We are in receipt of one dollar from Comrade Arthur Gundlach of Washingtonville, who is an M. A. L. This, he says, is for the campaign

NOT TOO BUSY

Comrade Harley C. Tilton writes that he has been elected secretary of local Derwent and that he intends doing all in his power to make Social ism grow in that community. This in every effort to split our party so they can defeat us at the fall election, and if we are foolish enough to believe the lies they are printing in the capitalist press about our comrades, then there is no hone for the Socialist.

GET INTO ACTION

Nomination Petitions and Campaign Contribution Lists are in the hands of your local secretaries. Get some of each from your local secretary and secure the names of voters on the Nomination Petitions and secure funds for the campaign on the Campaign Contribution Lists. If your local secretary did not receive the Nomination. Blanks sent him, notify the State Office. If you need more ask for them. LOSE NO TIME

Our successes next fall depend on your activity now Get busy. Co-operate with your fellow workers in making a record next election day.

Ohio for the Workers! Let's Take It!

AVAILABLE SPEAKERS

Terms for these speakers are \$5.00 a meeting and expenses. Locals can either write the state office for a speaker or write direct to speakers, selecting the one nearest to them whenever possible in order to save expense. There are probably other comrades whose names do not appear upon this ist who could fill occasional speaking engagements. These comrades should send REVOLUTIONISTS their names and addresses to the state office at once. DON'T FORGET THIS

Wm. FRANCIS BARNARD, 737 Prospect Ave., Room 406. CHAS. BAKER, 1291 Cook Ave., Lakewood. M. J. BEERY, Newman Building, Mansfield. MAX BOEHM, 180 Harbor St., Conneaut. LOTTA BURKE, 1417 Walnut ave., Cincinnati. EDWIN BLANK, 66 Public Square, Lima. JOHN BRANSTETTER, 3111 Imperial St. Cincinnati. G. W. C. SCOTT, 1009 W. Lima St., Findlay. TOM CLIFFORD, 3517 Fulton road, Cleveland. THOS. DEVINE, 1527 Starr Ave., Toledo. A. B. HOLLENBAUGH, 859 Columbus Ave., Fostoria. JOHN HOUSE, 746 Vine St., Coshocton. A. L. HITCHCOCK, 2066 W. 99th St., Cleveland, O. Public School Affairs.

E. L. HITCHENS, 3918 Regent Ave., Norwood.

FRANK MIDNEY, 247 West Scott St., Youngstown. JAS. T. MARSH, 2120 Maple Ave., Norwood. FRANK L. MARTIN, 107 Ft. Square, Marietta. JOHN R. McKEOWN, Leavitsburg, Ohio. E. Z. MILLER, 1228 7th St., Lorain. WM. PATTERSON, 1727 Michigan St., Toledo. MARGUERITE PREVEY, 140 South High St., Akron. WM. F. POTTING, 229 W. 6th St., Martins Ferry. C. O. POWER, 333 East 20th Ave., Columbus. G. W. C. SCOTT, 1009 W. Lima St., Findlay (Colored Speaker) JOHN A. REHM, 207 W. Main St., Springfield, O. GEO. REUKAUF, 4468 Harrison St., Bellaire. HUGO RUEMMELE. 2754 Norwood ave., Norwood. C. E. RUTHENBERG, 737 Prospect ave., Cleveland. JOS. W. SHARTS, 127 South Main St., Dayton. ALBERT STORCK, 65 Dale ave., Mansfield. M. A. TOOHEY, 1520 Oakwood ave., Toledo. A. J. TOTTEN, 414 East Main St., Alliance. SCOTT WILKINS, 715 West Pearl St., Wapakoneta. CROATIAN SPEAKERS

GERMAN SPEAKERS JOS. JODLBAUER, 2358 Ontario St., Cleveland. **HUNGARIAN SPEAKERS** M. ERDEL, 3038 West 20th place, Cleveland. LEO FRANKL, 2308 West 41st St., Cleveland. P. E. ROSENGARTEN, 319 A St., Lorain. ITALIAN SPEAKERS PETER SAMBUCO, R. D. No. 1, Bellaire.

Walter Jokovich, Box 21, Yorkville.

LOCAL SECRETARIES— HAVE YOU DONE SO?

The State Office has mailed to all local and branch secreand a return envelope addresse to the State Office.

taries blanks upon which to list the names of delinquent members.

The question is—has your local or branch secretary done as

requested? can do in the month of July is to get every one of its members in ing with the same amazing rapidity is not that of the soap box orator, or Henry Howes are in for six months, GOOD STANDING. We should dedicate the month of July to this through the other states of the north- of the violent propagandist. It is convicted on a charge of conspiring

The State Office has outlined a plan of action which will do this but in order to carry the plan into execution we must have fidently predicting that it will sweep tien in promoting Socialism. There one from the People's College in Adthe co-operation of the local secretaries.

Therefore, Comrade-Secretary, fill out the blanks with the names and correct addresses of every one of your delinquent allying itself with the I. W. W. and larity in the espousing of socialistic grind of the sweatshop and it may members immediately and mail to the State Office. We are await- the worst type of German sympathiz- principles. ing the return of these lists. Don't delay Socialism. Send them in ers.

He Sees It Coming

question for academic discussion; the current of events, now so swiftly

rapidly being swept." the largest employers' associations in ocratic form of government. But the largest employers' Association, one of we regard them with complaisance same effect upon North Dakota. Al- have to fight the world not only for tional Founders' Association, one of the United States, whose 600 mem- so long as we can say to ourselves ready the blight of a rotten econo- the markets that have been secured bers represent a capital of between one and two billions of dollars and employ approximately 350,000 men.

"And don't let us forget," continued Mr. Barr, "that it is not book Socialism that is ahead of us, the Socialism that is dreamed of by blind altruists who take into account only the appealing needs of humanity and national ideas. Its program is one shut their eyes to humanity's ugly of sabotage. Theoretically, it is for defects. That form of government the purpose of improving the condinever has and never will exist out- tion of the farmer; practically, it is side of books, lectures and parlor an absolute attempt to undermine conversations. What we've got to the Constitution of the United States. face is practical Socialism, the Solute attempt to undermine the Constitution of the United States. It calls for state or municipal opecialism of the streets, the Socialism ration of banks, mills, public utilithat is being exhibited to us by the ties of every description, and specific-Bolsheviki of Russia.

"The vital problem for us is, Are

'One of our gravest faults as a people is that of indifference toward help without the formality of se- thing really worth while.

The greatest work for Socialism the Socialist Party of Ohio work and push it with unceasing vigor until it is accomplished.

"To put it bluntly, do we want matters that we do not believe are of Socialism? I am not suggesting a immediate concern to us individually. made the experiment of discounting preparations, the enemy countries We may be told of conditions which moving, has carried us far beyond need to be remedied; we may even all to a common level. And in condred commissions studying every Today Socialism looms before notice certain drifts in the body poli- sequence the world now has before it phase of the problems which will be us an actuality toward which we are tic which we know to be dangerous the sad spectacle of a country, nat-presented after the war. We have

veloped into a nation wide menace. "The Nonpartisan League is a political party which is frankly communistic, frankly antagonistic to our ally advocates conscription of the state of all profits and all personal we going to allow the tide to carry incomes in excess of \$10,000. The one is pleased with a good book. These can be had for just a trifle or, are we going to stem the promise has been made to the farmers that with financial institutions once under state operation financial

curity in return will be extended for

only a little more than a year ago in North Dakota by one A. C. Town-in No ley, a self-confessed Socialist who the trouble to inquire who is back made a failure of farming. But in of these movements, but unless it trols everything but the vote of one that the Nonpartisan League has se-

"And it now seems to be spreadare openly urging farmers to delay and Austria-Hungary, as well as that

initiative and energy, and reducing Great Britain has nearly one hun--usurpation of power by small mi- urally rich and prosperous, slowly not a single commission and only The question is put by William II. norities, intrusion upon constitu-Barr, of Buffalo, president of the Na- tional rights, a warping of our demthat they will not affect us individu- mic system is beginning to be felt by our foreign trade, but also for

> Are you arranging a picnic for your local? If you are, there will be sports of all sorts and kinds. This means that you will be looking send us a quantity. Our delegate re for articles that will make acceptable prizes.

then run the chance of getting something that is not wanted. When a comrade wins a prize give him something that he will really be The state office can supply you with some of the finest books. These are more acceptable as prizes than anything we know of. Any-

over the wholesale price. Make the winners of your sports happy by giving them some-

"But the east seems totally oblivthe development of farm properties. ious of the fact that it is already being invaded by this communistic "With this specious program, the party. There are various farmers' Nonpartisan League was launched movements whose programs sound

lutely swept that state. It now con- to avert it, coming events will show state senator whose term has not yet cured a firm hold upon the east. expired.

west, through South Dakota, Ne- rather in the theorists of education to obstruct the draft braska, Minnesota, Montana, Oregon and culture, in the men who, having and Wisconsin. Its leaders are con- accumulated a fortune, find recrea-Montana at the next election as it is also the public man who, misread-vanced English. We box, wrestle and swept North Dakota at the last electing the public mind, conjures up a exercise. It may be punishment to In this campaign it is plainly Townley, it should be recalled, has already been arrested for sedition; and in this crisis in the world's to neet the competition of the tradefood supply the league's organizers hingry manufacturers of Germany

planting until the price of wheat is of a mightily revitalized England. We have little definite information

and alarmed when we find that a prosperous a year ago are now anx-commercial stress there will be a

dollar.

PRIZES! PRIZES! PRIZES!

Don't go searching for just any thing that takes your eye, and

"The Bolsheviki of Russia have as to what commercial and industrial Look at it. Behind? Pay by legislative flat individual thrift, are making; but we do know that Up!

SOCIALISM IS

Local Lima held an enthusiastic meeting last night and we decided to hold our county convention Sunday. that they will not affect us individumic system is beginning to be felt by our foreign trade, but also for and picnic to be held the latter part ally. And then we are surprised there; business concerns that were our home market. In that day of of July, the 28th, if possible. We unthing that we have ignored has de- lous to sell out at 50 cents on the forced reaction from the high wages Ohio, and if possible we would like to and low efficiency that now exist in make arrangements for a date at that time. There are more inquiries about members were obligated last night. If you have any exempt stamps please ports a successful convention. We ex-

> Fraternally yours, EDWIN BLANK, Secv., Lima, O.

Only those will enjoy