# To All Ohio Comrades:

Debs' Defense and Campaign Subscription Lists have been mailed you. Return the lists with remittances to the State Offices.

By Order of State Executive Committee, H. Wagenknecht, State Sec., P.T.

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#### A CALL TO ARMS

Free Speech on Trial; State Executive Committee Plans Debs Defense in Ohio YOUR HELP NEEDED

To All Ohio Locals.

Yes, Ohio is in the fight and in to maintained for the workers. Meetings win. The arrest of Comrade Debs must be held in every locality to raise forced us to enter the campaign be-money for defense and campaign money for defense and campaign fore we had expected to do so. But purposes. This is most essential. we were not caught napping. We are

state has aroused a feeling of protest All funds collected on the lists which in the breast of every class-conscious the State Office has mailed out to all

speech. If it was a matter that affected by the State Office will be apported me alone I would not hesitate to tioned to the defense. The other half go into the case without a lawyer and will be divided equally between the await the decision of the court. But local making the remittance and the this attack is not directed at me. It is State Office to be used for the camnot a personal matter. It is the gov-not a personal matter are which it will be state Office has mailed to all members at large

tion on the part of the workers; not Lists. Circulate these lists with all had the good fortune previously only those workers who are members possible energy. This case is the should make applications at once. only those workers who are members possible energy. This case is the of the Socialist Party but unaffiliated supreme test of the traditional rights

movement for the betterment of man-kind have been persecuted by the who will tour Ohio in the immediate Comrade Brown? master class. It has ever been their future. Locals must arrange meetings aim to make these loyal workers suf- for these speakers. Letters to all lofer that their companions and co- cals asking for dates for speakers workers should become intimidated are being mailed. Do not fail to make and cease their efforts to bring about arrangement for one of more meetbetter conditions for the workers.

Even more than meeting the atDebs must be defended.

low. Keep this list for reference:

lright of free speech, free press and free assemblage shall be secured and

The State Executive Committee has outlined this plan for securing funds The arrest of Comrade Debs in our for Debs defense and the campaign locals and branches will be divided Debs says. "This is a fight for free thus: One half the amount received

put all of its energy and we stand up and meet the attack."

must locals, branches, members at large and Ohio Socialist readers new Debs This arrest is met with determina- Defense and State Campaign Fund of the Socialist Party but unaffiliated workers throughout the nation, to forever put an end to this persecution of our most loyal members, who tion of our most loyal members, who before every worker you know and before every worke

H. WAGENKNECHT, State Secretary, P. T.

#### Notice to Readers

opens your eyes to some eco-nomic facts help on the work by contributing to the Ohio So

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

### "Unbleached Orator" Coming

COLORED SPEAKER TO TOUR

Comrade Ross D. Brown, the "Unbleached Orator," will tour Ohio Comrades of this state will be glad to hear that the State Office has secured Comrade Brown for a tour of

sons, will no doubt call for more dates at once. Locals which have not

BROWN

thousands who gather to hear him.—

# COOK COUNTY JAIL

By Charles Asheigl

In the consideration of principles, through with irony, 'tis true, but it is theories and movements, we should never lose sight of the personal. Many people who are too bookfed, or whose cerebral diet has been too severely confined to the "practical," or academic become inclined to live mentally among generalizations only. It is good to observe a great array of men —an army or a marching pilgrimage.

—an army or a marching pilgrimage. It is impressive, the sight of this moving mass in its slow and fluid immensity. But one should not forget that each unit of this host is a breathing bundle of emotions, a compact that each unit of this host is a breathing bundle of emotions, a compact that each unit of this host is a breathing bundle of emotions. battle-ground, perhaps, of conflicting passions, warring instincts and twisted purpose. And some among them I re of those who subscribe to vention of "manly reserve?"

I do not know if that is some of the subscribe to the subsc even have souls which are as half-wild gardens, purpled with the mist of dreams amidst which play the fountains of fantasy.

And so it is with us in jail. friend of mine. You look upon us as a body, a band of men who are pass the state.

Need we say anything as to the ability of this well known colored speaker? Those locals for whom Company spoke the past two seaof crusaders, adventuring to win the Holy City of social and industrial freedom; a strong-souled company of

-a democracy industrial as well as political. In the mass we are all that, WHAT OTHERS SAYS OF ROSS D. but considering us individually, each one of us adds to these common qualities the tang, the color of his own personality

The Opinion of Debs.
Ross D. Brown has won renown as the "Unbleached Orator of the Socialist Movement. He is widely known, this gifted revolutionist, as a speaker and propogandist or rare versellity and remarkable power. He is thoroughly imbued with the spirit of loyalty to his race and to his class, and the earnestness and sincerity which animate him are so apparent. loyalty to his race and to his class, and sincerity and the earnestness and sincerity which animate him are so apparent, even to the most prejudiced, that he is the most prejudiced is the most prejudiced. The capitalist press of the Allied is so. The capit is listened to with respect if not with admiration and approval by the many trition—all these things are terrible tests for the plastic souls of men. And each one of us, in his own way

Forgetfulness in regurecommend him highly and say that lar dues payments means party machinery.

I do not know if that is so of the others, but I suspect it of some, and I know that it is true of myself. manifold are the things which flicked across the field of my consciousness, and while I may be busy in banter or the recounting of stale surface experience, another part of me is hushed in contemplation of these wilful, broken visions.

knights, seeking the Holy Grail; which is liberty and mirth and the space to laugh and love and live.

We have the space to laugh and love and live.

Could, where began a rich triendship.

Or, one day, when walking on the Argentine pampas, I saw the sun degentine pampas, I saw the sun decline, attended by all the color of a stand up and most the street. regal court of the Orient . . . or, perhaps, the memory, faint as a drifting leaf, of an encounter which seemed to carry promise of a splendid burgeoning, but which ended soon with a commonplace parting that left a sor-row pale as the dying of distant smoke upon the sky.

But, whatever their content, these are dear and close remembrances

cargoes of compelling waves. But that them. I would not really banish reacts to these tests. Some, thank them if I could; for though heaven, conserve their sense of hu-bring pain, they also awaken and stir Akron, Ohio, Sept., 1917.—Ross D. mor. It is humor somewhat shot me to a renewed appetite for that et-

It's better to be safe

# American Socialists Rally to Defense of Debs and Free Speech

Debs believes that the gag put on where. ree speech by legislative enactment is unconstitutional, declaring that if mands united action not only on the the United States supreme court nev- part of the 100,00 dues paying memertheless holds the law constitutional then the constitution itself is unconstitutional

"This is a national issue and I am glad to have the national Socialist Party take charge of the case," said Debs, in readily agreeing to the arrangements that had been made by arrangements that had been made by the national office of the Socialist for Debs' defense in this epochal

"This is a fight for free speech," he continued. "If it was a matter that It is, perhaps, the pure smell of affected me alone I would not hesinewly fallen rain in the slow darkening evening of a London street. Or it atte to go into the case without a lawit may be the swift impression of a yer and await the decision of the cious, where began a rich friendship. at me. It is not a personal matter. It speech, free press and free assemcourt. But this attack is not directed

the indictment against Debs was not arrested. Attorneys Seymour Sted-returned until Attorney General Gregory had been consulted at Washnent Socialists, will have charge of ington. This, in addition to the fact the legal aspects of the case. that the indictment was drawn under the new law, puts the entire government censorship of speech policy on the can personally to prepare for his trial. He

Chicago, Ill.—"Is the anti-free speech legislation recently adopted by Congress constitutional?" the many anti-free speech cases now pending will be dismissed, while prison doors may open for those already convicted and serving sentences. If indictment of Eugene V. Debs, for whom nearly one million votes were cast as Socialist candidate for presipers and the speech cases now pending will be dismissed, while prison doors may open for those already convicted and serving sentences. If Debs is convicted that will mean that the department of justice will have a free hand to go ahead and crush out all somewhare of free speech cases now pending will be dismissed, while prison doors may open for those already convicted and serving sentences. If all semblance of free speech every

"The crisis is a big one and de bers of the Socialist Party, but also on the part of the million voters who cast their ballots for Debs, and on the part of every lover of the fundamental liberties embodied in the constitu-tion of the United States," is the declaration of Oliver C. Wilson, who will court struggle.

"This case is vital to all the American people. The American nation, more than Debs, is on trial, and we want the decision to be a decision upholding the rights of American democracy, the basic rights of free

"The Cleveland comrades showed their spirit by raising \$1,000 at the picnic that Debs was about to adstand up and meet the attack." picnic that Debs was about to ad-The Cleveland dailies declare that dress Sunday, June 30, when he was

trial. If Debs is acquitted that will will speak in some of the larger cities mean that the government's suppression of speech has been repudiated by the courts, and it is not unlikely that upon him through his indictment.

# RECOGNIZE RUSSIA

traval" at Brest-Litovsk. At the is only when I am in the first hurt of same time, however, it is full of ex- ism. They have been fighting Ger-Rumania with the Central powers land and Ukraine in calling upon German troops to fight their own

Yet the Russo-German peace-treaty was as much a matter of military necessity as the Rumanian treaty The Russian army was demoralized exhausted; Russian economic the Bolsheviki are not to blame. Have we forgotten how the Government of the Tsar deliberately disorganized the economic machinery of tion to go to smash, and deprived the army not only of arms but even food in order to force a separate peace with the Germans? The newspapers were full of these things at the time.

Then came the Provisional Governcomplish any reorganization of the national life. Even the bread lines instituted under the Imperial Government were done away with. The soldiers themselves, if they could have received proper support from the trenches to defend the country; it was their choice and the voice of the Russian masses which had proclaimed, "No annexations, no indemnities, and the right of self-definition of peoples," and they would have defended those terms. But under the pressure of the Allied Governments, n offensive was commenced in Galcia, and in that act the majority of the Russian troops refused to par-

After this the bourgeoisie wing of the Government bent all its efforts to the destruction of the Revolution, continuing the process begun by the Tsar, and even conniving, it is generally beleived, at the fall of Riga, in order to strengthen disclipine in the ranks of the Army. Under their systematic campaign to starve the annexation. . .but the restoration of workers by closing the factories, to break down the Soviets by wrecking the transportation and supply system, and to crush the soldiers' committees by diverting food and arms from the front. Russia was brought nto a complete disintegration. The saving of Russia was the Bolshevik revolution. If that had not hap-pened, the German army would now be garrisoning Moscow and Petro-At Brest the Russians were not supported by the Allies, and for that

reason were forced to accept the German terms. Not only that, but they are wholly abandoned now, and by the pressure of Japan in Siberia, greatly weakened in the heroic struggle they are carrying on against the armed might of the Central Pow-

For the Russian Soviet Government 

arch-exponent of militian cuses for the peace treaty signed by many with the strongest weapon in in the world-propaganda-the only weapon against which the sword is on March 5, 1918; and even justifies ultimately powerless. This propathe action of the bourgeoise of Fin- ganda, not only among the German troops, but also in the interior of the country is remarkably successful. Austria is ready to crack open because of it, and during the Brest-Litovsk negotiations the entire eastern front of the German troops was penetrated with it to such an extent that the invading force into Russia- had to be made up largely of life had broken down. For all this volunteers from the western front. As for the war-prisoners in Russia, they are deeply infected by Bolshevism, and many thousands of them are enrolled in the ranks of the Rusthe country, allowed the transporta-sian Red Army against their own

The Red Army is rapidly being organized—as Lenine says "not for defense of nationalistic interests or Allied aims. . . . . but to defend the worlds' Socialism." It is a comment, which was an unworkable compromise between the Socialists and the party of the bourgeoisie. This Russian army, but from the old Russian army, but from the unregime was unable, at first, to ac- touched reserves of young revolution-

According to figures in possession of the United States Government, there are at present more than eight hundred and fifty thousand German country, would have remained in the and Austrian troops now engaged in pacifying Ukraine—a country not half as revolutionary as Great Russia, and without any Red Army. The latest moves of German diplomacy indicate that the Imperial Government is not at all anxious to attempt the military invasion of Soviet Russia. But just as the Soviet Government

considers the German Imperial Government its worst enemy, so Germany well knows that Soviet Russia on her flank is mortal to her military autocracy. By every means, by commercial and financial pressure, by capturing the food-supplying countries of the South, Germany is attempting to destroy the Soviets. At the time of the advance into Russia, Prince Leopold of Bavaria, in an army order, said, "Our aim is not order and suppression of anarchy threatening to infect Europe." And if this "restoration of order and suppression of anarchy" can be accomplished by Japanese intervention, so much the better for Germany. For Germany fears not military force; she fears not a Japanese army in Siberia, nor a bourgeois republic in Russiawhose power of propaganda among German troops would be as limited as that of the French Republic. Soviet propaganda would be a blow at Ger-At the present moment, however, most of the Allied Governments seem

to be acting on the theory that it is more important to defeat the Russian Soviets than to defeat Germany. In the Brooklyn Eagle the American Counsul at Helsingfors, Mr. Hayes, is quoted as praising the Germans for having restored order in is at war with Germany—has been at war with Germany since last sum—Japanese intervention in Siberia is Japanese intervention in Siberia is (Continued on Page Four)

# YOU OWE

Maybe for July—

# THAT'S BAD

Maybe for June and July—

# THAT'S WORSE

Maybe for May, June and July-

# THAT'S TERRIBLE YOUR DUES

THEY'RE DUE RIGHT NOW JULY IS PAY UP MONTH SQUARE UP NOW

AND ALWAYS REMEMBER IT'S BETTER TO PAY AHEAD THAN TO BE BEHIND

NOTE—If you do not know where to pay your dues, send them to this office together with your dues book and we will remit to your local secretary. State Secretary, Socialist Party of Ohio, 1291 Cook Avenue, Lakewood, Ohio.

# Only Forty Days More PETITIONS

Comrades—A word of warning and advice. The Socialist Party's Nominating Petitions must be filed with the Board of Elections before September 1. This means we have got to hurry if we are to get on the official ballot next November. The question is Are you getting your lists filled with the names of bona fide vosay that we perceive in this comrade ters? That is the all important work before us now. Get the ability to present his subject. We can

office by July 23rd. Remember the date and be sure to mail them tion than he generally receives. We in time to reach us then. We will count the signatures and de- propose to have him again soon. liver the lists to the proper authorities. Be sure to have more names on the lists than are actually required for some names may be thrown off for some reason or other. If the lists lack enough names the State Office will send locals more lists. Then umber of names required in each county are shown be-

	Number	Number
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10.5 27.6	Allen 143	Perry 83
	Ashland	Pickaway
	Asthabula	Pike 37
	Athens	Portage 77
	Auglaize	Preble 64
	Belmont	Putnam 67
	Brown	Richland 123
	Butler 185	Ross 101
	Carroll	Sandusky 91
	Callott	Scioto 184
	Champaign	Seneca 112
1	Clark	Shelby 63
	Olermone	Stark 317
	Cimion	Summit 328
	Columbiana	Trumbull 133
	Coshocion	Tuscarawas
		Union 60
	Cuyahoga	Van Wert 77
	Daike	Vinton 29
	Deliance	Warren 66
	Delaware	Washington 104
	Elic	Wayne 99
	Faifield 97	Williams 69
	Fayette 55	Wood 112
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0,19	Geauga 77	LOCAL LITERATURE AGENTS
	Guernsey 96	ATTENTION!
	Hamilton1206	All local Literature Agents are re-
4	Hancock 101	quested to send in their names and
, .	Hardin 86	addresses to the State Office at once.
	Harrison 45	Important business is going forward
Grit L	Henry 59	and the State Secretary desires a list
	Highland 78	of these comrades' names and ad-
	Hocking 54	dresses Send them in immediately.

dresses. Send them in immediately.

The trial of Comrade Eugene V Licking ...... 146 Debs has been postponed until Sep-79 tember 9th. The postponement was 55 in Cleveland Thursday, July 11th, and 59 pare their defense.

Assocaited with Comrade Stedman 62 in Debs' defense are Morris Hilquit
119 of New York, Jos. W. Sharts of 

Montgomery 470 land. It is expected that Comrade Morgan 41 Deb's attorneys will file a demurrer Muskingsam
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Weeks.
Comrade Debs is resting at home in Terre Haute, Ind.

# NEWS

of the

#### International Labor Movement

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

Representative Meyer London, Socialist from the twelfth Congressional district of New York, in an instructive speech in the House of Representatives on June 12, discussed the action of the United States Supreme Court in declaring the Federal Child Labor Law unconstitutional and offered some suggestions to prevent hereafter such a glaring nullification of the national will.

Several bourgeoise Representatives plied London with questions. The questions show the trend of the bourgeoise mind. Loylon's answers reflect in broad outlines the tincture which a profound knowledge of Socialist economics and philosophy imparts to the lawver's mind.

The house of Representatives had under consideration the Sundry Civil appropriation bill. Mr. London said: Mr. Chairman, I intend to say a few words on a subject not connected with this bill. I have not had time nor opportunity to prepare a careful statement on the subject. I am utilizing these few minutes because in the crowded condition of legislation it may be impossible for me to get the cision of the Supreme Court on the

child-labor law.

Lawyers differ as to the right of the Supreme Court to declare acts of Congress unconstitutional. A good many brilliant lawyers are of the opinion that this power has never really been vested in the Supreme Court. The very first time the Supreme Court exercised that power was in the case of Marbury against Madi-

Jefferson mercilessly criticised the court and denied its right to declare an act of Congress invalid. Justice Clark, chief justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, stands out among the prominent jurists who be-lieved that this power has never been conferred upon the court.

But whatever the opinions of lawyers may be—and lawyers will always differ, as it is their training to split hairs, to differentiate, to find distinctions, and to reason things out theoretically and abstractedly and altogether out of relation to existing things and to live more or less in the past—the predominance of the lawver in social and economic legislation is nothing short of a calamity. Carlyle be as to the right of the Court to de-clare an act of Congress unconstitu-tional, one thing is certain, that if this decision remains the law of the land it will be impossible for the Na-tional Legislature, for Congress, to cure by way of legislation any of the social or industrial evils which legis-social or industrial evils which legis-social or in all civilized countries of the sider of will be impossible for the Na-tional Legislature, for Congress, to cure by way of legislation any of the social or industrial evils which legis-social or industrial evils which legis-social or in all civilized countries of the sider of will impost to the constitution. By a ma-jority of one the court nullified the will of the elected representatives of the people. How is this conflict to be avoided? Half a dozen suggestions have been made. Somebody has sug-gested that every law which we con-sider of will impost a proper and the constitution of the sider of will impossible to the court nullified the will of the elected representatives of the people. How is this conflict to be avoided? Half a dozen suggestions have been made. Somebody has sug-sider of will impost a proper and the court nullified the avoided? Half a dozen suggestions have been made. Somebody has sug-sider of will impost a proper a proper and the court nullified the will of the elected representatives of the people. How is this conflict to be lation in all civilized countries of the world tries to meet.

It will throw back into the industrial field all the groups that are con- to declare it unconstitutional. tending for the right to exist, all the other remedy proposed is that the economic classes that necessarily exist in modern society, and among whom there is a ceaseless clash of intersts. Instead of the national will asserting itself through the act of utes, brought before them on appeal.

Outside of the general cardinal urinciples of the moral law, those principles that are found in the Decaprinciples that are found in the Decalogue, legislation has at all times represented the rule of one group of society over the other as curbed or temperature of the power to deal with great social and industrial problems. Perhaps it would be a good thing for pered by the power and influence of Congress to appoint a select commitin England, in all the countries of present a remedy. This matter cannot the European continent, the landhold- be left in the condition which it is in legislation. In the early history of affairs where, by a majority of one, these United States the property helth Supreme Court can nullify an act der enjoyed an influence in legislation of the House of Representatives, of the far superior to what the numbers Senate, and of the President of the constituting that class were justified United States. We cannot permit a in exercising. As late as 1842 the far repetition of the horrible effect which mous Dorr rebellion in Rhode Island followed the Dred Scott decision. This was the final stage of a conflict beis perhaps a poor analogy, because it
tween those who believed that political power resided in every citizen,
and every man, irrespective of whethever bring about the same disastrous er he owned real estate or not, and result. The situation is extremely sethose who believed otherwise. In rious and Congress should not delay

DECLARING FEDERAL CHILD What is tariff legislation but class LABOR LAW UNCONSTITU- legislation, in which certain interests which benefit by tariffs speak in the which benefit by tariffs speak in the case? I have heard a great many which benefit by tariffs speak in the case? I have heard a great many cantlemen inveigh against the usurp- nalter with save at its own peril. which benefit by tariffs speak in the nation can no longer ignore or palter with save at its own peril.

In speaking for the negro Dr. Du Bois stands squarely upon the negro's trade is more desirable, and who also trade is more desirable, and who also trade is more desirable. The opposition comes from that portion of the community for whom free trade is more desirable, and who also trade is more desirable, and who also the congress, but I have trade is more desirable, and who also the congress, but I have trade is more desirable, and who also the congress, but I have trade is more desirable, and who also the congress, but I have trade is more desirable, and who also the congress is the nation can no longer ignore or palter with save at its own peril.

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In speaking for the negro Dr. Du Bois stands squarely upon the negro's palter with save at its own peril.

Bois stands squarely upon the negro's problem.

islation on behalf of the masses, of large numbers, as against a smaller group, which enjoys a greater share of worldly goods and very often the greater share of knowledge and intelligence, and who, by reason thereof, think themselves the only competic for, think themselves the only competic for, think themselves the only competic forms.

Mr. London—Well, as I said before, it is impossible for one lawyer to satisfy the mind of the other. Five judges of the Supreme Court have differed with four judges of the Supreme Court have differed with four judges of the Supreme Court have differed with four judges of the Supreme Court have differed with four judges of the Supreme Court on this very question of the Almighty as the ghastly indictment of the white man for his unspeakable cruelty toward his black brother.

Professor Du Bois speaks out with becoming courage and candor. There

The Official Bulletin this morning or yesterday contained a very interesting item that says that since the decision of the Supreme Court the Department of Labor has been flooded with telegrams of inquiry from necessary time to deal with the subject at length. I have in mind the dewith the subject at length. I have in mind the dewith the subject at length. children under the age of 14 or 16 in the mines and in factories, and these requests show so much anxiety that they are usually accompanied by the

It is evident that this decision cannot be permitted to stand as law unless the entire course of social legislation is to be turned back, which no nation developing normally and developing rapidly, as the United

States have been developing lately, can afford. Now, what is to be done?

There was a conflict in France beween the Chamber of Deputies and the Senate for years as to the respec-tive powers of the two legislative bodes. There is a conflict in England between the House of Commons and the House of Lords, and the House of Commons is all the time gaining at the expense of the House of Lords. And it is very likely that one of the results of this war will be the complete disappearance of the House of Lords, so that the British legislature, instead of being bicameral, will

consist of one body. How can we overcome the conflict between the three branches of the government? Is the Supreme Court referred to lawyers' reasoning as to nullify the legislation of Congress? chop logic. The lawyer takes a Is the court to tell the Legislature thought and differentiates and dis-what the Legislature intended to do? thought and differentiates and distinguishes and qualifies until there is nothing left of the original idea. Whatever the opinion of lawyers may be as to the right of the Court to detail the count the count to detail the count sider of vital importance should accompanied by a statement that the Supreme Court should have no power Supreme Court. which has appellate juridiction, shall be deprived of the opportunity to have matters involving the constitutionality of federal stat-

the national supreme body, of the legislature all the industrial classes will have to give expression on the industrial field solely, with all the horrors that industrial strife involves, ment to the Constitution shall be so ment to the Constitution shall be so not prevent us from gaining by our operations.

There is, again, the suggestion made that the decisions of the court may be revoked by a referendum to the people, and finally that an amendment to the Constitution shall be so not prevent us from gaining by our operations.

Ohio State Ticket and with all industrial disturbances construed as to authorize the Suto society. Congress unconstitutional.

Something must be done. We canthe other group. Thus for centuries tee to study the entire problem and ing class has practically controlled today. We cannot permit a state of those who believed otherwise. In rious and Congress should not delay Rhode Island, under an old charter, in taking up the matter in the most the right of primo geniture was pre-thorough going manner and face the

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we have found a remedy for avoiding the possibility of one judge of the Supreme Court vetoing the legislation of Congress. The Constitution has carefully circumscribed the power of the President, to veto the action of

supreme force.

copied by the new republics estab- their dead bodies cast into the sea as Bois: lished since the foundation of this so many dead dogs.

So many dead dogs.

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hands of the exploiters.

may be nullified by one man in the Supreme Court?
Mr. Sanford—May I say to the gentleman in reply that Congress has

the alternative of continuing to exist in a government by law, or else the Supreme Court may be abolished and

we would immediately proceed to be Bolsheviki, and we would be the Bol-

Mr. London-That sort of reasoning is below the gentleman.

Mr. Sanford—That would be the ef-

Mr. London-England, a country of

aw, exists without that power vested

in its courts, and France exists as a country of law without that power

in its constitution. The gentleman would not deny that France and Switzerland and England and other civil-

zed countries are governed by law.

What the gentleman does contend for

is this, that a law as laid down in 1787 should be the law for all time,

no matter what lessons the present

of it as though it had been handed

down from Mount Sinai and was ab-

solutely unchangeable. The difference

betwen a human being and an animal

is just this, that the animal never changes and the human being does.

own experience.

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requiring equal pay for equal work.

OHIO FOR THE WORKERS

# problem in a brave way, so that we will be able to go to the people at an early opportunity and tell them that Status and Outlook

By Eugene V. Debs

get that members of Congress and the Problems" by Prof. W. E. B. Du Bois, the sword from white men's veins-

pie.

In labor legislation the situation becomes quite clear. It is usually legislation on behalf of the masses, of large numbers, as against a smaller of the court by which that decision was sustained.

Mr. London—Well, as I said before

of, think themselves the only competent of society to guide the tent element of society to guide the destinies of the Nation.

If the decision of the Supreme Court, involving most vital rights, have very seldom possible for the national legislature to take up child labor legislation, legislation in behalf of women, legislation calculated to modify or to change or to improve conditions industry.

The constitutionality of the child-labor the constitutionality of the child-labor leaving the constitutionality of the child-labor legislation in behalf of women, legislation by all the new governments on this American colonies with their black preciation. hemisphere that have copied their slaves; about how men, women and Dr. Du Bois has just cause to find form of government from ours, and all accept the point that the doctrine of that case is essential to any government that the doctrine of that case is essential to any government that the doctrine of the case is essential to any government that the case is essential to any gov of that case is essential to any government that recognizes law as the supreme force.

scarred and bleeding from the cruel which schemes have nothing whatstrokes of the keeper's lash, and half Mr. London—It is entirely true that or two-thirds or even more of them races despoiled and held in subjecthe American Constitution has been dying from torture on the voyage and tion by the white race. Says Mr. Du

followed that well known case of 1803. gro by the white settlers of the ture of the disfranchised Indians of only power that can CREATE val-We are dealing with the year 1918. American colonies—the crime that the Eastern and Western Hemisphere, ues.

OUR PLATFORM

We, the Socialist Party of Ohio, reaffirm our adher-

ence 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

Immediate Demands

of Ohio as a war measure. The elimination of profiteers

sources and public utilities to end profiteering and protect

the homes of the men in the trenches from the grasping

in this basic necessity to avoid further fuel famine.

First. The taking over by the State of the coal mines

Second. Similar appropriation of other natural re-

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

Fourth. We recognize the warning in President Wil-

son's recent statement, widely quoted as follows: "The

men in the trenches, who have been freed from the eco-

nomic serfdom to which some of them have been accus-

tomed, will, it is likely, return to their homes with a new

view," etc. The boys who come home will deserve eco-

nomic freedom. Therefore we urge the immediate enact-

ment of timely and intelligent measures to pave the way

THE WORLD FOR THE WORKERS

THE NATION FOR THE WORKERS

Congress by enabling a two-thirds majority of Congress to override the legiate Socialist for December-Jangrew out of it and which had to be President's veto. And then do not for uary, 1917-18, on "The Problem of expiated in rivers of blood drawn by INDEED IN INDEED IN INDEED IN INDICATION SOCIALIST).

What is tariff legislation but class ever undertaken to answer the read of the negro himself and as an issue restitution for which can never be with other people. Take them up at

heart goes out to him and I feel like mates and friends. trade is more desirable, and who also speak in the name of the entire people.

Bois stands squarely upon the negro's brother for the crime and outrages rights as a human being, which rights brother for the crime and outrages rights as a human being, which rights outraged from have been shamelessly outraged from the day the first African natives stoll to which I belong. I look into his TION will be the best for them to the day the first African natives, stolent by pirates from their native land, set foot upon American soil and were of his soul betrayal and shameless ter their condition, and all working class people are trying to betard into slavery by their brutal cape. Mr. London—Well, as I said before, sold into slavery by their brutal cap- of his sour perfayar and soul, traced spoliation of body and soul, traced by the hand of the Almighty as the tion in life? The getting of the nec-

The fact that other countries have lay at the foundation of the infinitely and the disfranchised element of the negroes of the United States has not only no important part but practically no thought. What you are asking to do? Sell dear? for is a peace among the white folk yellow, red, brown and black folk."

he Belgians, the French, the Italians and even the Germans, but none for the twelve million American negroes who are nominally citizens of the republic, yet most of whom have been stripped of their franchise by the rape of their constitutional guarantees and who, in the general reckoning of those who prate about war for humanity and democratic peace, are to remain "damned niggers," or at best "niggers" merely, on a dead level with other beasts of burden.

Freedom of speech is another phase

says: "You are taking up the problem ment if it is to win the negro to its of the freedom of speech. Many of standard and prove itself worthy of you are vastly upset by the increasing difficulty which you have in discussing the war in America; but I should be much more impressed by your indignation if I did not realize at Houston and the infamous massage.

Wages In Germany

Wages In Germany

at Houston and the infamous massage. that the greatest lack in freedom of cre of the black innocents at East St. discussion of American problems Louis, the former to placate the anticomes not in problems you are not negro sentiment of the south and the allowed to discuss but rather in those latter to glut the savage lust of corwhich you are free to discuss but porate greed and incidentally to put afraid of. I know and you know a foul blot upon the American labor entitled, that the conspiracy of silence that movement. surrounds the negro problem in the courage to discuss it frankly, and when I say you I refer not merely to he conservative reactionary elements of the nation but rather to the very elements represented in a conference lik this, supposed to be forward-look-

ng and radical." These words are as true as they Even among Socialists the negro question is treated with a timidity bordering on cowardice which contrasts painfully with the principles of freedom and equality proclaimed as cardinal in their movement.

Had the labor unions freely opened that the labor unions freely opened the dinal in their movement.

to deal with the negro and that is to regard him as a human being, the equal in point of rights and opportunities of every other human being on earth. If he is less cultured it is because he has been robbed and despoiled by the more cultured, and this integral of military and the formulation of the pages of American this integral of the pages of American capitalism, and the former would be forced, out of the market. As a recan history. this instead of militating against him but accentuates his claim to decent consideration.

ing cant. As a matter of fact he honor, if but given the chance.

owes the white man little but his Some twenty five years ago. contempt. The very crimes he comhis brain and heart centuries ago by the white thief who stole him from his native land, lashed him as if he had been a beast exploited bim to

of a brute.

All the negro requires is that he be recognized as a human being and treated as a man. That is absolutely all. Nothing less will and nothing less should satisfy him, and treated.

This proves construction. The white men, fearing the strike might be lost, rushed back to their jobs and defeated the strike. The negroes stayed out and lost their jobs.

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The Socialist who will not speak out fearlessly for the negro's right to work and live, to develop his manhood, educate his children, and fulfill his destiny on terms of equality with the white man misconceives the movement he protected by the manhood of the manhood by the ma

he never had a chance to be forward. He has been captured, overpowered, and self-respecting negro.

superior of an enlightened, cultured same. put in chains, plundered, brutalized and perverted to the last degree. That is why he is backward. All he needs after all, lies with themselves. The the rest, and when final accounts are er and assert their united power in- petuation of the capitalist system.

#### Proletarian Science

A Course in Economics Arranged for Study Classes
By W. E. Reynolds
(Wriiten especially for the Ohio

ties?

to the employer?

BUY labor power?

terests be identical?

be found?

price?"

form of Society?

What are wages?

erm? A concrete term?

What is a product? What is a com-

Do you have one law of value for

abor power and a different law for

What is the relation of the worker

Does the worker always SELL la-

or power and the employer always

Can one be independent under a

form of society wherein the seller of

his labor power always has to have a boss, or his agent, in the form of the

If workers are sellers of labor power and employers of labor are

buyers of labor power can their in-

What do we mean by value? Is it a thing or a relationship?

What do we mean by an abstract

Does abstract labor measure value?

Can you distinguish the difference

Does concrete labor create value?

between mental and physical labor?
What is meant by the term SO-

Can you quote the law of value? Who is its author? Wherein may it

How many component parts to the

aw of value?
When is the law of value opera-

cive? Will it be changed under a new

What do we mean by the word

What determines the amount of wages a worker will receive?

to convince others that more infor-

Clip these questions and use them

To the one who sends me the best

the exchange of all other commodi-

modity? Is labor power a commodity?

If not why not, and if so, why?

get that members of Congress and the President are elected by the people, dealing with the negro question in the United States, deserves wide reading and can be recalled by the people, while Supreme Court judges are appointed for life.

What is tariff legislation but class of Congress and the President are elected by the people, dealing with the negro question in the United States, deserves wide reading and sympatheic consideration. It pointed for life.

Mr. Sherley—Has the gentleman of the standpoint of the people from the standpoint of the pe What is the difference between the This lesson will be in the nature of method of production one hundred on years ago and today? How is labor power sold? How is labor power measured?

made.

Never do I see a negro but my principles involved with your shop

In the first place a knowledge of What is the most important ques-

essary food, clothing and shelter to enable one to keep alive.

What is economics? Economics is Professor Du Bois speaks out with the science of management. Armed BUYER of his labor power? books, more education, more life; all these are within easy reach of all the members of society, once they master the fundamental principles of cco-

How many kinds of power can you name? Human power, chemical power, mechanical power, go ahead and name all you can think of, being careful to divide all power into two dis-

What is the buyer always trying to

What is cheap? (That is, how may with the inevitable result that they one judge whether or not a thing is mation is needed long these lines by will have more leisure and inclina- cheap?) Can you judge as to whether the workers. tion to continue their despoiling of a thing is cheap or dear without havellow, red, brown and black folk." ing some other thing to compare it set of answers to these questions be-quite right! There is thought for with? Do we not judge all things fore August 1st I will send one belgians, the French, the Italians by comparison? By seeking their retionship to other things?

> ne cheapest? Name the essential things needed answers free subscriptions to the production of all values? production of all values?

latural Resource? or and labor power? What can you make without tools? | "prices."

at Houston and the infamous mass

can history.

have them I will send books from the Quality considered who always Kerr Catalog of equal value. To the nakes the sale? The one who sells next best set of answers will go any \$1.00 book and to the next five best

What is a raw material? What is a your answers to me in care of the Ohio Socialist. Please enclose self-Is there any difference between la- addressed stamped envelope for reply. Next lesson begins next week on

The negro is my brother. The col- enforce their demands. Then and of the question which takes little or of his skin is no more to me than then only will they take their rightful heed of the rights of negroes to the the color of his hair or eyes. He is place in society and have equal voice treatment due to human beings, to human and that is enough. I refuse with all others in the control of the say nothing of free men, as Professor, any advantage over him and I spurn nation and in realizing the ideals of Du Bois so pointedly and persistently any right denied him, and this must civilized humanity.—Intercollegiate the the attitude of the Socialist move. Socialist

# and Yours

By B. OUVRIER

The first sentence in an editorial "Wages in Germany. and Yours," which appeared in the Cleve-The cowardly attitude of the Amer- land News Monday, May 27th, says: United States arises because you do not dare, you are without the moral negro during the last twenty-five battle for the workmen of America."

The cowardly attitude of the America in the U.S. is fighting in this war a battle for the workmen of America."

The guardle and the last twenty-five battle for the workmen of America." years explains in a large measure the The question to be discussed here is barbarous massacre at East St. Louis. not whether this is so or not, but Only within a few months has the whether the points brought forward American lador movement opened, reluctantly enough, a back door through which the negro may now mockly enter and take of the points brought forward as working class interests in the above mentioned editorial are working class interests or not.

meckly enter and take a seat, and even this door had to be forced by terms) that if Germany wins this The article states (in different are courageous and commendable. the stern logic of events of which the war the German capitalist class will tion is treated with a timidity border- appalling tragedy at East St. Louis is be enabled to exploit the American

nal in their movement.

There is but one way for Socialists their doors to the negro instead of barring him out and, in alliance with fore Germany can produce commodi-We know that Germany's indussult of the lower cost of living re-The negro is just as responsive as sulting from this competition, the "Wages" of the working class of the white man to decent treatment: "Wages" of the working class of The negro asks no favors; he seeks just as susceptible to the touch of America would be lowered. This, no privileges; he spurns the white kindness; just as eager to prove him- however, is only a lowering of the man's supercitious airs and patroniz-ing cant. As a matter of fact he honor, if but given the chance.

exchange value and not of the use value. The same amount of commodities can be bought for both the high-Some twenty-five years ago I was er and lower "wages." This is clear mits spring from the seed sown in his brain and heart centuries ago on an organizing trip in Kentucky. At Louisville I appealed to the white highly developed industry produces had been a beast, exploited him to the marrow of his bones, and did all in his power to sink him to the level in him to

This proves conclusively, without a say: The Irish worker must not be less should satisfy him; and nothing less will ever solve the problem and remove this growing menace to the are deprayed; that they ought to pay say the American wage workers must

principles.

The negro is "backward" because white skin is still immeasurably the or any other capitalist class exploits

is environment, opportunity, incent-overwhelming majority of them are er yourself about the interests of the ive, the rights of a human being, the working people and they represent different groups of capitalists, whose treatment due a man, the chance to more than one-tenth of our entire different interests in the long run do his best—and he will take care of population. They need to get togeth—have one thing in common—the per-

# Ohio State Ticket A situation has arisen where we have a conflict between what are supposed to be three co-ordinate branches

of the Government. Does the gentleman mean to say that Congress is not to do anything about it and just take a chance that any act it may pass, no matter how impotrant, no matter how far-reaching in its effect, SCOTT WILKINS

SECRETARY OF STATE AL. WAGENKNECHT

TREASURER OF STATE

ATTORNEY GENERAL

Judges of Supreme Court J. C. MADDEN

Don't be an encumbrance. Don't be a drag.

The Socialist Party is movement he pretends to serve or munity when one of them is lynched whom you are exploited? Does it your party as long as you lacks the courage to live up to its or burnt at the stake, even if innomian an American, an English, a German.

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Did you see the capitalist ball game at the picnic at Canton?

Then you will realize the advantage of securing his presence at your local outing. He is a money maker from start to finish. The state

The negro is entitled to exactly he of ex Address City The negro is entitled to exactly the office will rent him out to locals for the reasonable price of \$1 and power of knowledge, and this power of knowledge, and they must develop within themselves. Stamp for the current democracy and freedom is a vulgar lightened and organized, and have of the power to democracy and freedom is a vulgar lightened and organized, and have of the power to democracy and freedom is a vulgar lightened and organized, and have of the power to democracy and freedom is a vulgar lightened and organized, and have of the power to democracy and freedom is a vulgar lightened and organized, and have of the power to democracy and freedom is a vulgar lightened and organized.

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#### Good and Evil

By MORRIS HILLQUIT ..

Business is conducted for profits. The larger the prices of the commodity or the higher the rate of service, the greater is ordinarily the profit of the capitalist. Hence the everlasting quarrels between the seller and buyand musket in a lustlhood at last cannot produce, anything worthy of a compelling and unquerable.

and back of him blossomed machete has not yet produced, and naturally, cannot produce, anything worthy of a free people's perusal!" He adds that er, the landlord and tenant, the car- compelling and unquerable.

eral social warfare, an ugly, brutal ies of Madero, and the diplomacy of fight of all against all. It is a mad, Carranza. Of all the revolutionary livery the contrary spirit reigns. embittered race for wealth or bread leaders of Mexico, he alone has never Here there is a great eagerness to or mercy. It has produced the ab- compromised, truckled or traded; and lascinated by the mysteries of enginormal type of the multimillionaire, whereas the United States press has neering, mechanics and machine prowith a hoard of material wealth in turn petted and villified Madero, enough to last thousands of families for countless generations to compare the country of the country o for countless generations to come, has not dimmed the clear lustre of and the children of the slums suc- Zapata with so much as a paragraph cumbing for lack of the barest peces-sities of life. It operates through unfouled, the "Serf of the People." and the first green blade of the in-dustrial republic all sprang from periods of feverish activity during | It was Zapata who in 1910 at the Morelos, and because the head office which men, women and even children head of a small body of companeros of the community is located at Moof tender age are worked to exhaus- started the conflagration which later relia, the (former) state capital of tion, and periods of inactivity and enveloped the whole country. For Morelos, the name has been given depression during which millions of five years thereafter he lived in the pride of place in describing the terriwilling workers are forced into idle-saddle. While the young men fol-lowed him to the hills with horse and but geographically speaking it is incompetition has not been without rifle, the older men, women and chil- adequate. merit. It organized industry, stimulated invention and increased human army supplied. Not until two years knits companero to companero, over a created vast wealth and evolved higher sufficient tranquility to recast their wards from the suburbs of Mexico er standards of life. It has broken industrial life in a mold "nearer to City to the Guatemala border, and down the barriers between countries the heart's desire.' and united all modern nations into identical culture and civilization. It

outlived. Competition, which in its youth and vigor is "the life of trade," becomes in old age a plague and a nuisance. In the long run it demoralizes the industrial life of the nation and exhausts and ruins the competitors themselves. At that point competition begins to yield, gradually but surely, to a new industrial form—tombination. Then arise the modern dea which comes skipping through where else.

The used in settling trade balances with the Big Scramble outside the republic; and so a few sacks of them their surplus to the public market, leave it there for their neighbors of where else.

America."

At the sugar refinery it is hard to republic; and so a few sacks of them are kept at the head office; but not the town to use at will, and then proposed and the republic and so a few sacks of them are kept at the head office; but not the town to use at will, and then proposed and the republic and so a few sacks of them are kept at the head office; but not the town to use at will, and then proposed and the republic and the rep and exhausts and ruins the competi-

able evils. They are the inevitable culmination of the process of capitalunder the first mother accounts as a guest in the one human heart anxious about bread. ist development, the mature fruit of as a rose. industrial individualism. They repthan the antiquated hand tool.

The trusts are a powerful factor in the trenches. the industrial life of the nation, and Graven on the siderable part of it they tend to elim-this union."

trusts are more than balanced by the ple as that. He knows that he wants new evils which they breed. The the general store of wealth on which trusts, like all other modern indus-trial institutions, are primarily con-fortable level of abundance; and so dual owners and promoters. They share toward the common welfare are, therefore, afflicted with all the He knows that he wants his simple vices of private capitalist ownership service to be not less respected than and management, and their tremen- the more conspicuous performances dous powers intensify the evils. The of the clever; and he knows also that trusts have developed the art of over- the dollar is verminous with the capitalization to a most audacious brood of oppression. He wants to lars of their watered "securities" are no man the incredible insult of a afloat in this country, and the work- meted and measured reward for his ers pay an annual tribute of hundreds communal service; but paying every per in the shape of interest and divi- dustrial republic from sill to citadel. dends. It is practically a blanket And it, too, is as simple as that. mortgage which the trusts thus hold on the people of the United States and upon the products of the toil of other important things to do-dancgenerations of Americans yet unborn. -From Socialism Summed up.

# Get a Subscriber Give a Dollar For Debs and Free Speech

# "Industrial Union" Scatters Plenty Over Peaceful, Smiling Zapataland For Whom?

in Southern Mexico a humble priest, son, a new sombrero—Faust and do not pick an dchoose either words the band plays a fanfare and the peo-morelos by name. For ten years this sweetmeats? It matters not a whit. or weapons with reference to the ple divide. There is a general countage a starveling at love's doors. man maintained in the field undefeat- The little talisman of sweet good sonorous moralities of civilization. ing of noses and the majority vote ed a revolutionary host of sixty thou-sense foots the bill unblinking, never Socially, whatever accomplishes the carries the day. STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE sand despised and rejected peons.

JOHN P. BAKER,

When his followers, flushed with the bankrupt.

Occasionally there is a ed freedom and leisure and well-bence worthy; in mat
When his followers, flushed with the bankrupt.

Occasionally there is a ed freedom and leisure and well-bence worthy; in mat
would be labor wasted. But every
many a beautiful bit of jewelry, and new victory, wished to salute him shortage in this and that, but only ing for all alike is worthy; in mat-would be labor wasted. But every-many a beautiful bit of jewelry, and with the title, "generalissimo," he in the luxuries and foreign importaters of purely personal conduct what-body hears about them and every-those who happened not to have lucky laughed, saying, "I would rather be remembered as the serf of the peoprinciple of "first come, first served," landsomely by your neighbors and led sense of civic duty, but because was quite a little outcry about it. and executed. But the magic of his there is no pushing or squabbling, er—in short, to be a true "companmaterial interest to throw good fellow there beautiful rings for all of great heart still broods over the ter- for this would be regarded as mad ero," is all the code and rubric of the lowship after a lost cause. Quite fre- us?" they demanded. ritory upon which he lived and fought manners; and this people loves every- Zapatistas. and died; and it bears his name—thing beautiful, beautiful manners the State of Morelos.

than a peon's prison. And seven times Such a naive faith in the joyous the intervention of a foreign power at life they find within their own hearts the behest of the Mexican ruling class is, of course, due to lack of education.

rected Morelos-Zapata, the serf of can neither read nor write. And Zathree and a half millions of peons, pata has the impudence to say that the greater is ordinarily the profit of gaunt and naked as their forbears, "it does not matter since civilization

The Disc of Brass

hief delight is to shorten the job."

combination. Then arise the modern business corporations, followed by trade agreements and pools, and finally by trusts and monopolics.

idea which comes skipping through the repertoire of revolutionary ballads and camp-songs that life is fun—if one will let it be so.

resent a superior and more efficient method of industrial management the disc of brass which each member and—a little disc of brass. The little disc of brass which each member and—a little disc of brass. The little disc of brass which each member and—a little disc of brass. than competition, just as the modern of the community carries. It is an the disc has a diverting history. At machine is a superior and more ef- identification disc, the size of a dollar first it was a manacle, bound to the ficient medium of industrial operation and twice as thick—not unlike the peon's wrist in such a fashion that he tag worn by the civilized combatant

they modify the social conditions of the country both for the better and the worse. As large consolidations of capital operating in unison over the area of an entire industry or a con- or shows favor to all the members of

inate much of the chaos and anarchy of the competitive system. They have knows, however, that he wants land, the power to regulate the supply of home, food, clothing, travel, amusecommodities in accord with the de-ment, leisure for himself and his fammand, to curb waste and overproduc- ily. The fifty odd haciendados who tion and to diminish the evil of peri- owned the country and said him nay odical industrial depression and finan- in these little wants of his he has disposed of. He now helps himself But the beneficial features of the to whatever he desires. It is as simducted for the profits of their indivi- he works—a little, contributing his and alarming extent. Billions of dol- get rid of it; and he does so, paying of millions to the holders of this pa- man the limit, the freedom of the in-

And so everybody works a little, nobody much; for there are so many ing, for instance, serenading, master- rebel heritage had decreed freedom; ing the intricacies of the guitar or the and the haciendados fled shrieking conductor's baton, making songs, playing with the children, carving, playing with the children, carving, hammering or weaving little trifles Pay Your Dues hammering or weaving interestines of beauty or just loading with a friend or sweetheart. Nobody fails to do his share, not because he is inspired by any "noble" sentiments, but have got the price of that little extra because the price of that little extra leisure is too high. It costs the re-spect and fellowship of one's neighcors and there is none willing to pay. the price. That is all. Everybody takes his excess product to the public market and leaves it there for his neighbors to use at will, or he serves primitive. Nominally it is Roman

his talisman of the Industrial Union of the East of North and South America, shops, of the comic, only with a quaint and of the people are themselves then own both the body, but children of the splen-intended you to use it. Don't believe for settlement, they meet in the people are themselves then own both the body, but children of the splen-intended you to use it. Don't believe for settlement, they meet in the people are themselves then own both the body, but children of the splen-intended you to use it. Don't believe for settlement, they meet in the people are themselves then own both the body, but children of the splen-intended you to use it. Don't believe for settlement, they meet in the people are themselves then own both the body, but children of the splen-intended you to use it. Don't believe for settlement, they meet in the people are themselves then own between the people are themselves then own between the body, but children of the splen-intended you to use it. Don't believe for settlement, they meet in the people are themselves then own between the people are themselves them own between the people are themselves the people are themselv The companies of the prostituted press about travels, puts up at the hotels, amuses sober wisdom, the churches are now used for motion picture, houses, with his wife and children—without schools and poultry exhibitions!

Your Red Dues Book.

The companies of the prostituted press about the lies of the prostituted press about of the nearest town, and the band some waltzes; and plays La Paloma (that is an absolute essential!) and some waltzes; and of the Brass Disc today, not even—a woman. True, she wears but a form—without spiritual guidance the people of the folk who are not then those of the folk who are not the sour in the companier.

In the companier. The church is the lies of the prostituted press about the church solver. And she is happy.

Your Book.

The companier of the sour in the companier of the church is the church solver. And she is happy.

Your Book.

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strewed their ashes to the winds. Ninety-five per cent of these three and But the eighth time came a resur- a half millions of emancipated ones

rier and passenger, the aggressive and inexorable "producer" and the pitiable "ultimete consumer."

Patient, humorous, cool, intractable, with a limpid sense of the realizable, with a limpid sense of the realizable with the producer and waggish revolutionary, songs and some quite charming ballogs the people are producing for The individualistic and competitive well organized armies of Diaz, the lads the people are producing for system of industry is a system of gen-frantic forays of Huerta, the cajoler-themselves a literature suited to their without plan or system, without pity yielded an inch of territory, never learn, and childlike readiness to be

Moneyless Morelos

Because Zapata, the revolt of 1910

productivity a hundred-fold. It has ago did Zapata and his people have broad strip of country running souththus includes the greater part of the states of Chiapas and Tabasco, each of which is considerably larger than, The Serf and his people have only although not so thickly populated, as has played a most important and use- one desire—to be let alone. They do the state of Morelos itself. The total

are used in settling trade balances

trade agreements and pools, and finally by trusts and monopolies.

The trusts are not the invention

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The trusts are not the invention The trusts are not the invention come them with but scant resistance; hundred mile length and three hundred mile length and th of ingenious financial manipulators, and they are as improvident as a dred mile breadth of this benighted, nor are they accidental and prevent-babe at its mother's breast, as un-dollarless and you shall not find

The magic which wrought the mir-The magic which wrought the miracle street and across the ends. The chilage region in the lit. could not remove it; to attempt to on the trenches.

Graven on the face of it is a simble ple inscription:

"The bearer of this name of his master—the haciendado."

The bearer of this master—the haciendado. the peon's name and number and the The peon was not a favored chattel slave; he was a debt slave. When he entered service he received a cotton shirt and a pair of sandals from his master, who charged several hundred times the value of the articles against him. Thereafter he received no money, but a credit at the master's store for enough beans to keep him alive. Never could he pay his "debt;" instead it grew with his years of service, and worn out he left it at death, a dread legacy of doom to his children. If he attempted to escape, his brass disc manacled to his wrist identified him, and he was brought back and quite often lashed to death before the assembled peons of the estate by way of a healthy example. Then came the voice of Zapata whispering here, there, "We can!" Secret meeting, the fumbling of unaccustomed hands with ancient Winchesters! A haciendado debauches a peon's child. There is a shot in the darkness, a thrill of terror and joy through a thousand bronze breasts! It is now fight or be horribly massacred! The countryside breaks into a foam of fire. The revolution of 1910 is on!

> The ripple of sweet fiery foam crept northward, southwards, eastwards, westwards; every foot of the way was bought with peon blood. But three and a half million people of from the country to lay their woes in "Now we own the little disc of brass, we own ourselves and our country Everything is ours to share as broth-We will knock off the manacle, write on the back of the disc our be to us the coin of the first free state opening all doors!"

All for Each, Each for All The religion of this people is very ly fashionless.

ding coquetry of illimitable hope in cial use of the vanquished. their eyes.

for All and All for Each and the Devil take the Invader seems strangey satisfying.

los as a cradle for her nursling New of Chiapas and Tabasco enjoy a tropcal, and, for the most part, healthy limate and a luxuriant soil. Between he upland pastures of the interior and the hot lowlands of the coast alnost every variety of fruit and vegeable can be grown in abundance with Slight expenditure of labor. Here, ndeed, if anywhere, the nursling could grow and wax fat on its Mother's milk without the need of alien nurses or complex entourage. And it

has proven so. Where were lordly haciendas and millions of acres of manless soil-deliberately held out of use, there as in these United States, that the people might be forced to beg employment

their own table, the farmers bring America." of many but not all of the manufac-

fault of finding it takes the nearest turning it into a big, shallow pond equivalent, and with many exchanges for the children. In a few days it is of courtesy with the engine-driver, who is quite accustomed to these vis- little glistening brown bodies, marits and understands their eitquette velous as statuettes. There goes up a perfectly, he rides southwards again, cry for boats! All sorts of craft are and the home market is supplied. Za- contrived of sticks and paper; and pata regards these little excursions then the loafing crowd of companwith complete equanimity. "Working folk made the goods," he will tell Boats of all imaginable kinds pass you—should you hazard moralities from their skilled knives into the bonds of the engage water springs. will use them."

Primitive as it is, the industrial re- but for days together. public has two industries, at least, of which any community in the Unit-

over 3,000.

workmen are just as careful to see has not. that the smooth running of the fac-

Never having heard of the beauties nanas, a round of excellent beef, a Is it beautiful? Their criteria are against the proposition before the a body fluent as a rush and a heart of on Poverty or Child Labor—the tian unless you are a Socialist.

One hundred years ago there lived | trip to the mountains in the hot sea- entirely artistic and pragmatic. They house. After an hour or two of this magic. She is priceless. She has to

Like Jesus he was betrayed is tacitly honored everywhere; and fight like the devil against the invad-nobody cares in a matter of merely "Since the republic is free, why are quently also (indeed, wherever it is Zapata understands-many things, Seven years of freedom indeed have at all possible) they manage to give and woman is one of them. With a changed the peon into a stature far the minority its desire. In one in- gorgeous gallantry he plundered evstreet, or ahorse, keen, athletic, alert, a cepted the decision with companero towns throughout the country and trons with shining faces, madonna- ed too much for the victors, and hav- and young alike, fairly burned with faces, and swarms of tumbling copies ing finished the road by the route for jewelry. Then the little hands be-

> The roosters crow with profane little matters, the village its own, the happy little trifles of no importance neeriness in the churches, there is city its own. The republic, as such.
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> The industrial republic has come! cheeriness in the churches, there is city its own. The republic, as such, not a policeman in sight, and the Y. has no affairs to settle, unless it be M. C. A. is not yet; but the traveler the management of the export and gathers itself convulsively for its last in Morelos, unless his moral fiber be import trade, which is purely a busi- gigantic hemorrhage — southwards

rare, and first-class crime almost non-out upon her lowly world, a free It would seem that the Mother of existent. This may sound extrava-Worlds had most wisely chosen Morelos as a cradle for her nursling New easily susceptible of explanation. World. It and its adjoining states Ninety-eight per cent of the offenses committed in the United States are offenses against property, and the remaining two per cent are directly traceable to social conditions, created by the property code. It is simply apossible to commit an offense gainst property in the industrial resublic, for there is no property to offend. You cannot steal anything—it all yours. Where the land is as free as the sunshine, where there lies unused (as in these United States) a thousand times more of it than the present population can cultivatewho will try to drive a neighbor from his farm? Where there is no inflaming alcohol and the greatest fun is the common interest in the common has played a most important and useful part in this history of human growth.

But, sharing the fate of all other industrial systems, competition finally reaches a stage where its mission is accomplished and its usefulness is outlived. Competition, which in its youth and vigor is "the life of trade" in this history of human growth.

They do not want to fight, and they will not are a of "The Industrial Republic (or Union, to be exact) of North and some no haciendas, but innumerable they forced—because she has little fat farms, bursting with problem. One desire—to be let alone. They do not want to fight, and they will not are of "The Industrial Republic (or Union, to be exact) of North and south America" is some 90,000 square miles—an area equal to the hivoura and the guitar to the rifle than Ireland, with a population and a specific to be desire—to be let alone. They do not want to fight, and they will not at a pittance on the balance used, are they forced—because she has south America" is some 90,000 square miles—an area equal to the hive fight very industriously when affect. The total area of "The Industrial Republic (or Union, to be exact) of North and South America" is some 90,000 square miles—an area equal to the hive fight very industriously when and they greatly prefer the plaza to the hive greatly prefer the plaza to the square miles—an area equal to the New England States, a trifle larger fancy and proceeded to become men. Their methods are still crude and their equipment very inadequate: but their equipment very inadequate:

A Republic of Play! That would arge industries. Having supplied trial Union of North and South

America, managed by the "head of- of unafraidness and happiness seems fice," makes possible the importation to be everywhere—like the children. Glance up this side street. Bronzed

tured goods needed by the commun- men in their white cotton shirts and ity. Where there is urgent need of immense sombreros are building a something which is not procurable in a low adobe wall on each side of the nic party, rides cannily northwards, stops a train going into Mexico City, searches it for what he needs; in descent is not being used at present, so in their ample leisure the men are completed and the water is a riot of eros begins a contest in shipbuilding. with him, "and now working folk hands of the eager water-sprites. And the sport detains them not for a day,

Nor are more formal amusements lacking. Every plaza has its band. ed States might be proud. From cane Mostly the performers play without to finished product the sugar industry music and play astonishingly well; is skillfully conducted; and one re- and the band-stand is the center of finery employs some 25,000 people; the social life. Here in the cool of and from grazing cattle to finished the enchanted tropic night gather shoe and sandal the leather industry, townfolk and villagers-old folk though not so large, is equally flour- chatting of the Great Change even ishing. Its large factory employes yet almost increditable to them, coveys of soft-voiced, dusk-eved chil-But where, under thrifty and am- dren, and everywhere the gay bravabitious American management for the do and bravura of companero and benefit of non-resident American in-conchita. The band breaks into a vestors, these industries had but one shift—of fourteen hours, for which to flow as by one movement into a the pay was the more than thrifty huge circle, and then you see the sum of one peso (50 cents ) now they dancing of a free people. Here a still run fourteen hours a day, but in tall companero, his guitar slung on seven shifts of two hours each; and his back, dances with his lttle daughthe pay is—the freedom of the re- ter; there a staid couple, toil-seamed, public from cabbage basket to opera awkwardly happy, renew their broken youth, while all about them trip There is no discipline, because peo-ple who make play of everything and hearts who dance with upturned faces only play at what they like, and want in the flooding splendor of the imnothing so much as the love of com- mense tropic moon as if the whole rades, do not seem to need discipline. universe had nothing to do but trip The disconcerting truth is that the and turn with them—as, indeed, it

Suddenly the music ceases. The tory is not disturbed or impeded as if they were important shareholders. mounts the band-stand, and amid a That, of course, is exactly what they great hush sings in a husky-sweet are, but not in another's flesh and baritone a love song of his own making. Ht is a great favorite and the The cotton industry is also quite crowd keeps him singing, until with considerable. And from bursting pod a sudden burst of chatter the chilof white foam to gleaming white cot- dren make a rush for the south side ton tunic the light and airy attire of the plaza, where upon a great the Zapatistas is flung forth from the white sheet slung across the facade playful hands of singing workmen of the (late!) jefe politico's palace to three and a half millions of happi- appears the familiar grin of Charlie Chaplin!

Woman does not work outside the

Look at it. Behind?

Pay

The properties of the solution of th

In the early days, before they understood, they wanted rings-these These decisions are not written. girls. Lucky companeros, fresh from

The ashes of his gaunt, naked army "The Industrial Union of North nearer akin to the future American stance that came under the writer's ery church in the country of its gold impregnated the soil with rebel seed. Seven times in the ensuing hundred years the region of Morelos blossomled with spears and matterly of matterly of the south America! Scornful childiscerned by Walt Whitman than his discerned by Walt Whitman than his community in the south of Morelos places and matterly of the second state and states that came under the writer is gold discerned by Walt Whitman than his attention a widely scattered farming place, melted the place and of rings, while his willing community in the south of Morelos places. North; the men, rollicking companion of the country of its gold attention a widely scattered farming place, melted the place and of rings, while his willing desired a new road to market. With with spears and mattocks and earth's groaning problems will comfintlocks in the hands who loved the earth better as a guerrilla's grave than a peon's prison. And seven times that a peon's prison. And seven times that a peon's prison. And seven times the intervention of a foreign and unashamed amidst shouts of laughter, and in the most communal reached the plaza stage, where seven the presently.

Such a naive faith in the joyous laughter, and in the most communal reached the plaza stage, where seven the present of the farmers agreed to a laughter, and in the most communal reached the plaza stage, where seven the present of the farmers agreed to a laughter, and in the most communal reached the plaza stage, where seven the present of the farmers agreed to a laughter, and in the most communal reached the plaza stage, where seven the present of the farmers agreed to a laughter, and in the most communal reached the plaza stage, where seven the present of the farmers agreed to a laughter and unashamed amidst shouts of laughter, and in the most communal reached the plaza stage, where seven the present of the farmers agreed to a laughter, and in the most communal reached the plaza stage, where seven the present of the farmers agreed to a laughter, and in the most communal reached the plaza stage, where seven the present of the farmers agreed to a laughter, and in the most communal reached the plaza stage, where seven the present of the farmers agreed to a laughter and unashamed amidst shouts of laughter, and in the most communal reached the plaza stage, where seven the present of the farmers agreed to a laughter and unashamed amidst shouts of laughte fashion imaginable; singing nonchalarthearth antly at work, frolicking down the were before. The minority, however, were despatched to the plazas of the bare-breasted, far-eyed, rifle at knee and loyally helped their oppo- there—dumped on the ground! For and laughter on lip; the women, manners build the new road. This prov- a while the hands of the women, old of the Raphael Jesus; the girls, slender, wavy in their formless cotton gowns, shyly unafraid with the bud another road just as good for the speak and worn simply as well-bred people wear them-for their individual fit-The countryside settles its own ness to the wearer and at most as

very strong, soon almost forgets to ness proposition conducted by a few across the saffron and sapphire of the skilled men at the "head office."

Mexican desert, our moralists, if they Mexican desert, our moralists, if they In Zapataland midemeanors find will, may catch a gleam of sparkling their drastic punishment in the averted faces of friends. But these are chita walks forth in the dusk to shine

\$5.00

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 artile on Socialism before November 1. We have decided to print all the articles submitted and a committee onsisting 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 beween them.

Here's a chance for our young rebls to show their ability and knowledge of Socialism. The work of the ocialist movement will in time deolve upon our youngsters. should every one get into training for he days to come. Send in your ar-

It's better to pay dues head than to be behind.

#### 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 jails which are provided for those who meet with disfavor in the eyes of the authorities.

# After the War

Under the heading, "Government | declining years, can exist only by Wants Business Diplomats," the De- making a desperate struggle for forpartment of Commerce, Bureau of eign markets-their keen eyes are Foreign and Domestic Commerce, Washington, D. C., sends us the fol- while in the midst of hostilities, they lowing announcement for publication:

'The Government is looking for big-caliber men with foreign trade experience to serve as commercial attaches for the Bureau of foreign and Domestic Commerce, Department of Commerce, and announces that appointees will be accredited to American embassies or legations abroad and will be expected to meet in a creditable manner the most important Government officials and husiness men in such countries, and make trade reports.

"The appointments will be made in pursuance of the Department's plan to prepare now for the competition in foreign trade that will come as soon as the war is over, and because the work is so vitally important to the future of American only men of undoubted qualifi-

cations will be considered. "A written examination will be held on June 6, and those interested are urged to write at once to the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, Wash-

ington, for further details." ter-the-war conditions when the war that the common people of each naindustries shut down and throw their tion will get the benefit of their own employes out of work, and when the labor. boys come home from the front to look for peaceful employment.

irations under considerable strain in workers of England, France, Belorder to find in this announcement gium and Italy are willing. So are any infirmation of their theory that the Socialists of America. the "radical" powers that be are going to assist in the establishment of not allow the Socialists of America industrial democracy after the war. to meet with the Socialists and other

If the powers that be were con- workers of the other allied nations. render of the pernicious principles Mr. Gompers' delegation to Europe. for which they have stood these many Mr. Gompers believes in capitalism, years, they would not have a "plan to and his delegation has gone to Euforeign trade that will come as soon the allied workers from insisting upas the war is over." And they would on their plan to reunite the workers not be especially interested in doing of the world for industrial democracy. things which are "so vitally important to the future of American trade." will succeed in this. It is more prob-

looking forward beyond the war, and, are taking time to try to insure the continuance of their beloved capitalist system of the exploitation of the many by the few.

This was to be expected. The only marvel is that any workingman has been fooled into believing that they had any other intention.

Should their plan for the continuation of capitalism, with its furious competition for the world market, succeed, its natural result would be to take from the common people the benefits of their labor, and hand those benefits over to the parasites as heretofore—and at the same time keep the country in constant danger of more wars.

Meantime the report comes that Japan will contest the world market with us by means of starvation wages. That-and an unemployed army at me-means just one thing for American workers. It means starvation wages here, together with widespread unemployment, and all the

miseries that follow in the wake of these evils. To forestall such an outcome, it is desirable that the workers of the allied countries should unite on plans This circular sheds a glow of light to bring about industrial democracy upon the methods whereby the ad- after the war-so that there need not ministration expects to meet the af- be any struggle for markets—and so

As soon as possible the workers of the world should unite on such plans. We fear that certain alleged So- But, first, the workers of the allied cialists will have to place their imag- nations should unite on them. The

The administration, however, will

templating any such cheerful sur- But an open pathway is made for prepare now for the competition in rope with the object of dissuading We do not believe the delegation Being stanch believers in and sup-able that its opionions will be reporters of capitalism—which, in its versed.—Milwaukee Leader.

#### Can One Be a Real Christian And Not a Socialist?

By WM. S. JAMES, M. D.

fully with true Christianity.

Socialism will eliminate Poverty Wage Slavery Child Labor

Charity Alcoholism Vice, White Slavery Jails and Workhouses Parasites.

Public Utilities

What Socialism will bring Home and Comforts of Home and Family Co-operation Government Ownership of all

Equal Opportunity Free Speech, Press and Assem-Peace on Earth Good Will to Men The Worker to receive full value

of his toil. tioned above that Socialism will elimthe tenor at the opera.

And now the secret of the disc is clear. Manuel Garcia, armed with his telleman of the Protestant church or the his telleman of the Ludwetriel Union. How does Socialism differ from the preach to empty seats.

Can you point out anything men-

Let us examine the program of cause and remedy of these evils? No, Socialism and see whether it agrees you never did; and never will as long as the church is controlled by the cap-

The cause of these things is capitalism and the remedy of these things is Socialism. Hence the silence. When capitalism loses the support of the church, it will not last a decade. Capitalism finds that its money is well spent in the church, and the church seems satisfied to receive it. Capitalism is spending more money every year keeping the church in line. What did Jesus say to his twelve disciples when he started them out to preach the gospel? He instructed them to ask alms of no one. Does the Bible state that Jesus received a salary or that he ran from one church to another to better his hire, as they do today? So simple, it needs no answer. It is not the soul but the mighty dollar that counts.

Jesus lived on earth 33 years. If he should return today he would not live 33 days. Some of Morgan's or Rockefeller's thugs would get him. He, if here, would say as of old, you the community in some public capac-ity—cleaning the streets or playing skipped fearfully across the border part of a man in the Palaver House, Give us true Christianity in the churches and you will not have to

> God has given you a brain, and he italism owns the church; hence it the lies of the prostituted press about

# THE CONVERSION OF JOHN ERWIN

By JESSE JASON RUFNER CHAPTER EIGHT

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Summary of Previous Chapters

Johnathan Crane, pastor of the village church of Friendsburg, in order Shane, the blacksmith, a hearty, scrupulously honest to remain rich, to arouse his congregation to activity sharp-tonqued and sincere friend of who became a beacon light in his life decides to hold a revival and calls in the poor, who is in love with Lucy, tho he had never since met her.

grasping man. Among his several

among strange surroundings. For the life of him he could not understand what had happened to him; but somehow all the old well-trod ground of thought was slipping from under him and he was groping in the dark for bearings. The sermons which in the past had been so effective, would not of thought had somehow veered in a different direction. Neither did it help him to call to mind old Bible heroes for somehow his mind had become imbued with the collective idea and he realized that greatness did not abide in individuals but in society which made inviduals what they were from

purely economic causes.

He never again would be a here worshipper. He sadly saw the futility of such sermons and was relentlessly judging the effect of them. Some way all the evil there was in the world he was pessimistically laying at the door of the church. Plainly he had no business in the minstry feeling as he did at present; still, who else had any business in it when it was the cause of such terrible error? There was no good in it, just a chain around the neck of progress, a forcing of mankind to look in the past for prec-

He recalled the amused pity of himself and classmates after reading aloud a treatise on the fire-worship pers, yet how silly it now seemed in view of his own blind worship of something just as mythical for it was mythical, and not only that, it was proving criminal in its influence or the race. Men were purposely kept in ignorance of the fundamental princi ples of advancement. All the progres. that had ever been made, he nov realized, had been made in spite of the church and not because of it. Mer were taught meekness and docility for a purpose, of that he was certain, and that purpose was a deadly one. For instance, here was John Erwin, whon the world called (a trifle sarcastically of course) a good man and who ima gined himself a good man, and yet as Chalmers now saw it, he was one of the supreme criminals, for men or Er win's class more than any other, wer responsible for the world's condition Smug and self-satisfied, they insiste on judging after their own self-con structed ideals. They were narrow and prejudiced, mumbling over the Scriptures Sunday after Sunday, as a matter of form or habit, yet very careful to read into them the mean

ings that pleased them best. As Chalmers now saw it Erwin an men of his ilk were the supreme falers, who by some monstrous sleigh manity of what in the very nature of things must be their just inheritance he was seeing clearly, should h lend himself to them to become a she, too, understand anew that old pampered tool, who nevertheless must | Story of the Cross? do their bidding, or should he search out the real truths of existence and manfully preach what in his heart of hearts he believed? Should be preach meekness and subjection to humble farm slaves or should he take matters into his own hands and foster a spirit of revolt? Surely if God were God as he had been taught to believe, he had given him a brain to use in thinking out these things for himself. If God were evolution, he would be working hand in hand ir perfect accord with him.

Chalmers sat an hour before services were to begin in dep thought. He knew full well he never could preach as he had preached before for he did not believe as he had formely. He now recognized in the church a jai for souls in which their wings were ing among them alone, the advocate great rush of loving tenderness she clipped so they might not attempt of an age-old much abused creed—drew his head down and kissed him the Brotherhood of Man. those lines fenced in by narrow suand realized fully the power the an abstracted mood and it was with breezes the rustle of their wings.

Church had exerted in forging the an effort conversation was maintain.

That night Shane took another look

worker is secretly in love

the too diffident to speak of it. poverty-stricken childhood and strug- first sermon.

shape themselves and his own trend they quoted some preacher or some

The question rose within him; should he lend himself to still further the ends of a designing ruling class? Should he still passively acquiesce in the present methods of doing things? Others whom he had considered good men, had been content to drift with the tide and let things take their course. Should be not take his place with them and live on the fat of the land and acquire a comfortable fatty degeneration of the soul as had they? Here was Jona-than Crane for instance, who focused his vision on the far distant heathen with such intensity that he couldn't see the "heathen" next door. see the "heathen" next Crane with all the others knew were busy constructing imaginary heaven for the ten cent—the parasites who were suck ing the very life-blood of the race No, he would not lend himself to such a scheme of things. Sooner would he starve on the street, or take his place as the humblest of wage-slaves. He registered a vow that from now on, he would be a relentless foe to he present economic system; that he would devote the remainder of his life to obtaining earthly justice and earthly rewards, not for himself but

for those others, the helpless, inthinking, grown-up children of the race who were driven to and fro by the will of the owning classes. He would demand for them their right to life. He would take their children by the hand and say: "Here am I, your champion, who will give life and liberty if need be that you may expand; may grow in body and brain

earth for humanity."

Ah, but the loneliness of it all. The persecution he must endure and en-lure alone, for who would dare stand peside him in this terrific fight against overwhelming odds? He closed his eyes and saw myriads of working men carrying a cross up the long dusty road to Golgotha, beside t marched that great iconoclast wearng a crown of thorns. The proletarat, helpless and prejudiced, must hey always crucify their saviours? Thalmers leaned his head on the back his chair and groaned. Came again he longing for that mythical who-sover girl who somewhere in the wide world must be waiting for him. Did

Chalmer's talk that night gave the lie to old hypocritical dogmas. He talked straight from the shoulder. Never had he preached before as he preached this night. Words tumbled over themselves in a frantic desire present order was clear cut and decisive. Some in the audience sprang half-angrily to their feet. then subsided awed by the calm efficiency of the man before them. Deacon Radcliffe gasped and swallowed hard a the rest of the sermon with open mouth and distended eyes. For once that congregation was treated to a genuine sermon preached from the

tenants are Bill and Sally Long and their brood of youngsters.

Sis daughter, Lucy, a sincere church Sis daughter, Lucy, a sincere church Malcolm, the daughter of a once the poor and of criticism to the wealwealthy and high minded man, too thy members. scrupulously honest to remain rich, Si Perkins, a hard man who has de-

his evangelist friend "Bob" Chalmers, to assist him.

John Erwin, a landlord of many acres, is the main support and pillar in the church, a conscientious but in the church at church attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie and church attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie and church attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie and church attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie and church attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie and church attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie and church attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie and church attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie and church attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie and church attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie and church attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie and church attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie and church attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie and church attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie and church attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for to care for Allie attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for the church attendants to hear Chalmers' city is sent for the church attendants to hear Chalmers' city is care constant.

Chalmers was doing more hard than he ever had before. He was like a soul suddenly awakened thinking than he ever had before. He was like a soul suddenly awakened things. The race was degenerating until things than he ever had before the was like a soul suddenly awakened things. The race was degenerating until things than he ever had before the was like a soul suddenly awakened things. The race was degenerating until things than he ever had before the was like a soul suddenly awakened things. The race was degenerating until things than he ever had before the was like a soul suddenly awakened things. The race was degenerating until things than he ever had before the was like a soul suddenly awakened things. The race was degenerating until things the was like a soul suddenly awakened things. things. The race was degenerating un-der the influence of the church and other in the congregation had been glass did not reflect the honest warm men were indeed becoming sheep following yet other sheep to intellectual not angry, of that Chalmers was cerextermination. He doubted if among extermination. He doubted if among tain. Could he have misjudged him? the men and women he knew, one of this communed with him- this vehement outpouring of his God along possess that make for a beauty the men and women he knew, one of the men and women had gray eyes that the good alone possess.

That night Bob Chalmers dreamed. Vision after vision of his past ran they quoted some preacher or some denounce him outright was a relief through his brain. Always just ahead author who were doubtless screening in one way, in another it wa disquietregret whatever might happen. Chalmers squared his shoulders and breathed deep. At last he had thrown breathed deep. At last he had thrown ever" was.

erything else but what laid nearest you come?"

t, it is always you that does things preachers are wont to pray," ike that. I never can remember any- the nurse bitterly.

just kind o' come to me to do. I wa'n't aimin to be no Christian. I just can't bear to see folks miserable when there's anything I can do to help em. have atoned for it. Do not fear to die. Now if little Joey Perkins had come Go bravely. Death has no terrors, to your bedroom window and hollered life is more to be dreaded. If heaven for you like he did for me, you would be true, as we are taught to believe, have got right up and gone along too. you will find it Of course you would, then if old Si livion, still the would have turned her out, you'd Rest in peace."

untily jointly we shall conquer the Joey Perkins never thought of going were true, the gates must open wide for help to a single Christion in this town. Why? Just because we have Shane came forward. "I'll go fetch

know just what I do mean; but Lucy, face of the nurse crowned with its and it is claimed that the saving in if you'd just say you thought a leetle white cap and wearing a look full of purchase of necessities has been a something of me—just sort of on my own account, I'd—I'd—" Shane reachthe sweat for he was laboring harder allus just about worshipped ground you walked on Lucy, but I've carried the burdens of a race. to be heard. His denunciation of the present order was clear cut and decuss and you such a gol-darned dainty little thing, I just couldn't git my courage up to the sticking point; but Chalmers, he said he believed you did care a leetle mite for me, Lucy, so I the benefit of the race. Not told as

you at all. Lucy looked up at the good-natured on the mouth; then she ran into the John Erwin waited for Chalmers house, leaving Shane in a rosy heaven perstition. He looked back on his own at the close of services and they of dreams where bird's songs were ward, the guiding star of his life, and past and on his father's before him walked home together. Erwin was in the chant of angels, and the evening still she was ahead beckoning him to

who became a beacon light in his life veloped his farm at the expense of the happiness and welfore of his fam-Chalmers meets Shane and strikes ily, has turned his daughter, Allie, her little daughter.

through his brain. Always just ahead to administer our commercial affairs flitted a childish form with long gold- in our own way-to our own advanthe proverbial "colored gentleman" in the wood-pile.

ing. At any rate, he had done what the wood-pile.

ing. At any rate, he had done what the wood-pile ing. At any rate, he had nothing to lashes curled upward; and always tive commonwealth where no one

he was free.

Some way Ned Shane and Lucy found themselves walking along the country road together. Lucy's head to the state of the sta ened him. He hurriedly dressed and ish Federation of Co-operative So-made his way down stairs as quietly cieties will be held on the 29th and country road together. Lucy's hand tightened on Ned's arm as they discussed the sermon. Chalmers and every country road together as they discussed the sermon. Chalmers and every country road together. Lucy's hand as he could. He found Ned Shane 30th of June in Paterson, N. J. Delecton to the work of the waiting him: "Allie has taken a turn gates are expected from all parts of the work and she wants you. Will be united States, and it is hoped to the work of the work of the work of the wants you. cussed the sermon, Chalmers and ev- for the worse and she wants you. Will

Chalmers hurriedly dressed and folward, for true to the Longs, he had come to church in overalls and jum- lowed Shane. "Reverend Chalmers," said the nurse, "she imagines she is said the nurse, "she imagines she is said the nurse, "she imagines she is said the nurse," said the nurse, "she imagines she is she imagines she er.
"Oh, Ned, I am so ashamed," said use nurse, sne imagines sne is lost. Won't you say something to comfort her? I might at one time have ore a Christian than I can ever be standard other small struggling much business, will be of great value to them. Dr. Warbasse, president of the Co-operative League of America, but the Co-operative League of America, she would be capitalists. Some day the to them. Dr. Warbasse, president of the Co-operative League of America, she would be capitalists. Some day the prayed, or at least told the Story of the Co-operative League of America, she would be capitalists. Some day the prayed, or at least told the Story of the Co-operative League of America, she would be capitalists. Lucy, "I can see it all now. You are prayed, or at least told the Story of the Co-operative League of America, more a Christian than I can ever be. You are always doing things for the Cross—I cannot do it now. See-You are always doing things for someone. That was a noble thing for you to do, Ned, taking in little Allie like this, I suppose it would be a fit-Perkins as you did. Come to think of ting climax for you to pray as

us. Ned, I—I am so ashamed!"

"Now, now, Lucy, don't you go to makin' no hero out o me. Them things to a but let in recently received from the Company of the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to comfort her, if you can," as a socialist and I believe in the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in recently received from the Company of the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in recently received from the Company of the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in recently received from the Company of the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in recently received from the Company of the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in recently received from the Company of the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in recently received from the Company of the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in recently received from the Company of the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in recently received from the Company of the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in recently received from the Company of the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in recently received from the Company of the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in recently received from the Company of the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in recently received from the Company of the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in recently received from the Company of the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in recently received from the Company of the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in recently received from the Company of the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in the Brotherhood of Man. Say something to a but let in the Brotherhood of Man. Say somethi

livion, still there is nothing to fear.

have fetched her along home with you too, now, wouldn't you?"

"Oh, yes, Ned, I suppose I would, but that isn't it. In the first place ers could have cried. Surely, if heaven

compassion moved him strangely.

Chalmers approached the nurse, the Cross. If so, tell it now to her. operative principles, a large amount than ever before in his life. "You Whatever you or I may believe, we see," he continued with an effort, "I've have never gone back on the spirit restrictive regulations be put upon the of sacrifice—on the cross which has the store by hostile city council or

The nurse looked up startled. "Please do tell it," came from the white face on the pillow. Then followed the Story of the Cross, that wonderful story of world renunciation for the man before them. Deach cliffe gasped and swallowed hard a long to love me or I don't want pity. The sermon with open the sermon with open to love me or I don't want the many Crosses borne by the sermon with open to love me or I don't want the many Christs, and think of the further than the sermon with open to love me or I don't want the many Christs, and think of the further than the sermon with open to love me or I don't want the many Christs, and think of the further than the sermon with open to love me or I don't want the many Christs, and think of the further than the sermon with open to love me or I don't want the many Christs, and think of the further than the sermon with open to love me or I don't want the many Christs, and think of the further than the sermon with open to love me or I don't want the many Christs, and think of the further than the sermon with open the sermon with the sermon with open the sermon with the sermon w who look back over the road of progture as a long weary road through superstitous terrors to the supreme ideal, where men shall be God, unthrown off all fetters and was stand-helpless in her presence and with a hampered and unhindered masters of the elements-mayhap of life and of death—and be free.

Chalmers started to his fet. He had found his angel of the hospital follow for she was a Socialist.

When we Socialists pass laws for

no court shall have the power to pre-

vent it from doing so .- Milwaukee

forward march of Social-

### Our Duty to **Democracy**

From "The Pacific Co-operator," by E. Ralph Cheyney.

The fight for democracy is twofold. To make the world safe for political democracy, our boys are falling in the trenches of France. God grant their lives may not be sacrificed in vain! To make America safe for industrial democracy, that is the duty we at home owe them. Innumerable discomfitures, trench fever, an arm, a leg, mutilations too horrible to mention, life itself, this is the price they are paying for their ideals. What is the price that we, co-operators, are called upon to pay for the establishment of our prophetic vision of the prormised land? A slight investment of time and money that will be repaid to us many times over.

Each co-operative store is an outing the citadels of commercial autocracy and organized greed with loaves of bread and baskets of prorvisions instead of bullets and shells. Each is a public school where plain folks, you and I, and the other fellow, learn how

> CO-OPERATIVE NEWS Jewish Federation

The second conference of the Jewthat this coming together of all Jewish co-operators, for exchange of chains. chief speaker.

Pennsylvania.

The Tri-State Co-operation Assn., a federation of co-operative stores in one coming to anyone eise for neip but you, and still they call you an 'unbeliever,' because you do not go to church and quarrel with the rest of us. Ned, I—I am so ashamed!"

"Now, now, Lucy don't you go to the common of the "Then you are not a Christian?" Ohio, Pennsylvania and West Vir-

Co-operation in Virginia. From a letter recently received by the Co-operative League of America 2 West 13th St., N. Y. C., we learn the following: "The Virginia Federa-tion of Labor has set aside the second night of the annual convention of you will find it. If death be but ob- that body for the conference on cooperation. The program this year will include reports from stores at Richmond, Norfolk, Portsmouth, Newport News and Clifton Forge. President Samuel Gompers has instructed Arthur Holder, who drew up the report of the committee on co-operation at the last A. F. of L. convention, to be for help to a single Christion in this town. Why? Just because we have never practiced what we preached We've just been contented to do the preaching and let an old 'unbeliever' like you do the practicing."

"Now, now, Lucy, I hain't done nothin' at all to make you go on like that. Them things just sort o' come to me to do, an' I done 'em. Don't you go to makin' no hero out o' me. Lucy, it makes me feel awkwarder than the devil than thunder, damn it, I don't know just what I do mean; but Lucy, large of the nurse crowned with its last A. F. of L. convention, to be with us. Our two co-operatives at the last A. F. of L. convention, to be with us. Our two co-operatives at the last A. F. of L. convention, to be with us. Our two co-operatives at the last A. F. of L. convention, to be with us. Our two co-operatives at aries blanks upon which to list the names of delinquent members. News and Portsmouth are particularly interesting and successful, and I believe that the last A. F. of L. convention, to be with us. Our two co-operatives at the last A. F. of L. convention, to be with us. Our two co-operatives at aries blanks upon which to list the names of delinquent members. News and Portsmouth are particularly interesting and successful, and I believe that the last A. F. of L. convention, to be with us. Our two co-operatives at the last A. F. of L. convention, to be with us. Our two co-operatives at the last A. F. of L. convention, to be with us. Our two co-operatives at aries blanks upon which to list the names of delinquent members. News and Portsmouth are particularly interesting and successful, and I believe that the last A. F. of L. convention, to be thim, Allie. You rest easy now. That's particularly interesting and successful, and I believe that the last A. F. of L. convention, to be thim, Allie. You rest easy now. That's particularly interesting and successful, and I believe that the last A. F. of L. convention, to be thim, Allie. You rest easy now. That's particularly interesting and successful, and I believe th real induceemnt to non-unionists to of capital is not necessary nor can

Only those will enjoy the victory who have helped get it. Regular dues payments is how.

# Every New Subscriber Means a **New Convert** GET ONE!

Recognize Russia

(Continued from page one) Are you retarding the acutated as much by the motive of restoring "law and order" in Russia, as by the rather far-fetched excuse of combatting "German influence."

The Soviet Government of Russia is there to stay; it is based on the almost universal will of the Russian masses. At the present moment it is being attacked on one side by the Germans, and on the other side by all sorts of bourgeois and reactionary movements based on the Japanese in Siberia. The threat of active. serious Japanese intervention besides, hangs over it like a stormcloud. When Central Russia was famine-stricken in the past, food could be got either in Ukraine or in Now the Germans have Ukraine, and counter-revolutionary hordes are over-running Siberia. Russia is being starved from both sides. Its ability to make war on Germany is crippled by this and by the possible necessity of making war upon

Japan. Recognition of the Soviet Government by the Allies will immediately revolution in Siberia, and strengthen immeasurably the Soviet power against Germany.

Make no mistake, however. Soviet an ally of the Allies; it will defend itself against the capitalist world. But Germany is the nearest, worst, and most active capitalist menace. governments to decide whether their hatred is greater for German mili-

### Gleanings From the Log of an Agitator

Written for the Ohio Socialist by W. E. Reynolds

War is not repeated.

more than he does his country.

an introduction to the sign of the It reminds one of the pitiful prayer of three balls. One highball is too many and two is not enough and you canpost in the war for industrial democ-racy. Each is a fort that is bombard-not fight the boss and booze at the they do." same time. On the other hand it is the boss and not the booze that is the cause of most misery.

Too many Socialists have the opinion that an education in Socialism consists in learning how to canvass a

Spargo, Simons et al. had no trouble in securing passports to go to Europe to teach the European Socialists something. My guess is that they will discover that they have nothing to teach the European Socialists but they may find out that the European Socialists have much that they might teach to Spargo, Simons et al.

The proletariat consists of those who have nothing to lose but their The peasantry consists of proletariat will assume control of industry and then aid the peasantry to become emancipated.

birth of real Democracy in one land presages the birth of Democracy in all lands, and the death of Autocracy become emancipated.

The trouble with most of the peasantry was ably explained by an Okla- all lands. homa comrade, who insisted that the tenant farmer "had the mule in the wrong barn." His contention was that the landowner should be made to that the landowner should be made to the common that the landowner should be made to the common that the landowner should be made to the common that the landowner should be made to t the problem to clear class lines with buyers of labor power arrayed against sellers of labor power.

written two letters to the California Governor urging his pardon. Mooney's only crime is his loyalty to the worksellers of labor power.

When one studies how a certain group of certain kinds of cells organized together in a certain way makes a daisy he is studying botany, or plant "Eventually, why not now?"

label protects | biology. When one studies how certain your table," say the advertisements other groups of cells organized a cer-of one of the big packers. Uncle Sam evidently didn't believe it as he con-studying zoology or animal biology. demned thousands of pounds of said When one studies how groups of orpacker's meat as unfit for his soldiers ganisms we call people organize we and sailors to eat. Uncle seems to be are making a study of sociology. Soon the job and intends to see that the cialism is the cap sheaf of sociology. embalmed beef scandal of the Spanish Yet at times we are treated to the

amazing spectacle of being watched and judged by people who have never The profiteer loves his dollar a heap vet amassed the first bit of informanore than he does his country.

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tion about either daisy or jack-ass biology, to say nothing about sociology or its highest branch, Socialism!

> In Finland the red guard of the rebels are hoping and fighting against. Germany and for the Allies, while the white guards are reported to be financed by German gold and German sympathies prevail. Here in this country we have the amusing spectacle of papers carrying editorials about the necessity of defeating Germany and news articles chuckling with gleen over the defeat of the red guards of Finland! Similarly the rebels of Russia are the Bolsheviki, who are fighting against Germany, yet one would judge from the tone of the capitalist press that the defeat of the rebels of Russia was much more important than the defeat of the autocrats of Prussia! Verily, war sure raises Cain with established ideas and prejudices.

Anyhow, Democracy is going to win and Autocracy is going to go. The in the land of the Hun will mark the beginning of the end of Auotcracy in

Tom Mooney, the victim of the ing class, and that is no crime

# LOCAL SECRETARIES— HAVE YOU DONE SO?

The State Office has mailed to all local and branch secre-

face of the nurse crowned with its and it is claimed that the saving in the co-operation of the local secretaries.

Therefore, Comrade-Secretary, fill out the blanks with the join the unions. The committeemen names and correct addresses of every one of your delinquent ed for his handkerchief to wipe away "Miss—did you ever tell the story of become educated in business and co- members immediately and mail to the State Office. We are awaiting the return of these lists. Don't delay Socialism. Send them in

# 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 list who could fill occasional speaking engagements. These comrades should send their names and addresses to the state office at once. DON'T FORGET THIS

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# **Usurped Power of Courts**

We dissent from the view that it [ In the following year, 1803, the is necessary to propose an amend- Supreme Court itself took up the ment to the Constitution—with its question in the famous—or infamlong délay on account of the fact ous-case of Marbury vs. Madison, 1 that an amendment requires a two- Cranch 176, and decided that it had thirds vote of both houses of con- the power. Ever since that time it gress and the ratification of three- has assumed and exercised this fourths of the state legislature—in power. The state courts followed on this question—or to fill vacanorder to prevent the Supreme Court suit. order to prevent the Supreme Court suit. from passing upon the constitutionality of laws of Congress.

get an amendment through because of the above mentioned provision. There is a shorter way.

In fact, there are several shorter Many years ago, when this ques-

tion was first brought to our attention, we made an investigation of it. We went through all the resolutions which were introduced in the consti-Autional convention of 1787—the been reversed. convention that framed the constitution of the United States. We also waded through the abstract of the not quietly acquiesced in at first. debates that took place in that con-

laws of Congress unconstitutional. The Points out in the Harvard The Constitution does not give them Law Review, as late as 1807 and the courts this power, but on four different occasions it defeated meas-

ures of similar import. after the adjournment of the conven- not authorized by the Constitution. tion that the question of the court assuming this power arose. We believe it first arose in the United have not forgotten it and that they States senate in 1802. Senator Rut- are not going to forget it. Long acof Congress unconstitutional. Sena- soon as we have the power. tor Breckenridge contended that it did not possess such power.

It was the influence of John Marshall, Chief Justice of the court, It might take years and years to more than anything else, that brought about this decision. fore he was appointed Chief Justice, he had, while arguing a case before Supreme Court of appellate juristhe Supreme Court, taken the stand diction in cases involving important that the court did not have such power, although that question does clined to declare a law of Congress not seem to have been directly involved in the case. But when he used by congress in 1868, in order to views on the subject appear to have

> In the course of time this usurpation was acquiesced in-but it was In fact, Thomas Jefferson and his

followers seriously considered im-We found that the framers of the Constitution had no intention of giv- unconstitutional. Indeed, they did from capitalism to Socialism. ing the courts the power to declare so to some extent. As James B. of that body to be void. Since that time nearly everybody

but the Socialists have forgotten It was not until a number of years that this was a usurpation of power bottom dollar that the Socialists Court had the power to declare a law | right. We shall put a stop to it as We can put a stop to it in more

One way is simply to refuse to recornize any decision declaring a law the carrying out of our principles of a co-ordinate legislative body unconstitutional—and go right ahead of serious trouble if it is understood constitutional—and go right ahead and enforce the law as if nothing that the majority shall rule and that had happened.

Another way is to increase the number of justices on the supreme bench-and fill the new positions with those who believe the right way Gen. Grant, then president, got the kind of a decision he wanted in the Legal Tender Cases by filling two vacancies on the supreme bench with

men who believed the way he did Still another way is to deprive the This method was unconstitutional. became a justice of the court, his prevent the court from passing upon views on the subject appear to have struction acts.

This matter is quite important, not simply because we do not want laws like the child labor act nullified by the court, but also because of its bearing upon the transition

Leader.

Are you arranging a picnic for your local? If you are, there will

for articles that will make acceptable prizes. Don't go searching for just any thing that takes your eye, and 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 Russia will not reenter the war as

These are more acceptable as prizes than anything we know of. Anyledge contended that the Supreme quiescence does not make a wrong one is pleased with a good book. These can be had for just a trifle The time has come for the Allied over the wholesale price.

Make the winners of your sports happy by giving them some- tarism or Russian Bolshevism—The

ism? Square up your Dues Pay Dues

To-Day Don't Delay

PRIZES! PRIZES! PRIZES!

that power. They simply took it. 1808, judges were impeached by the The convention not only did not give Legislature of Ohio for holding acts be sports of all sorts and kinds. This means that you will be looking but an end to the menace of counter

The state office can supply you with some of the finest books.

thing really worth while,