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## Shoulder to Shoulder

By EUGENE V. DEBS

The fight we are in today to prevent our tongues from being tied and our lips from being sealed and the last vestige of our liberty destroyed, demands that we stand together. The gravest consequences hinge upon the outcome. If we are beaten now it means that our voices have been silenced, our propaganda suppressed, our party outlawed, and our movement paralyzed and set back for years.

No matter what our differences under ordinary circumstances, we must now get together and stand together shoulder to shoulder in this fight for the life of our party and our

There are those who emphasize economic activity in preference to political activity and vice versa in our party and propaganda work, but whether it be the one or teh other, we are all now vitally interested in winning the fight for free speech and the right of free assemblage.

We are all in the same boat and we shall ride sefely into

port or go to the bottom together. In this hour of crisis we can well lay aside all differences regarding the war and the particular form of organization and method of actility in our party work and respond with willing hearts to the demand for a united front all along the battle



EUGENE V. DEBS

If free speech is suppressed; if socialist literature is denied access to he mails; if free assemblage is prohibited, our cause for the present at least is hopeless.

We shall all lie crushed and voiceless beneath the iron heel. The powers that be will be supreme and gloat over our ignominous end.

And our exit from the field of combat would be an ignominious one, for it could result only from our own blind and stupid refusal to recognize our common danger and stand together in defense of our common cause.

I shall not believe this fate possible to the Socialist Party The party will not betray itself and others can not betray it. We can only lose this fight by losing it ourselves.

We can only win this fight by winning it ourselves. The fight and all that depends upon it can be lost only if we fail to unite.

It can be won only if we stand together—heart to heart,

and shoulder to shoulder. Let the battle cry ring out all along the line: GET TO-GETHER COMRADES, AND STAND TOGTHER LIKE A WALL OF LIVING GRANITE UNTIL THE BATTLE IS FOUGHT AND HE VICTORY WON FOR FREE SPEECH, A FREE PRESS, THE RIGHT OF FREE ASSEMBLAGE, AND THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES OF DEMOCRACY AND FREE-

## PIQUA SOCIALISTS FIGHT **UNSCRUPULOUS POLITICIANS**

In my last article to the Ohio Solaw as stated in Section 4213, Volume cialist I tried to outline a few of the 2. General Code of State of Ohio, issues under which the Socialist city which states that council cannot restricted of Picture have been lebening dues on increase the selenies of company of the selenies of the selection 4213, Volume 2. officials of Piqua have been laboring duce or increase the salaries of cersince January 1st, 1918. But these tain named officers during their term are by no means all of the contentions of office, and among these is the office in which the Socialists have taken is- of Director of Public Service.

mit a full and complete record of the nance providing for such reduction. activities to date, but I will endeavor to follow up all issues and give the nance to fit the case which required Socialist version of all new ones so three readings before its passage, as to familiarize the readers of the which can be read for the first, sec-Ohio Socialist with the fight in which ond and third time at one meeting,

cialist, I shall start from July 1st, on August 5th, to go into effect thirty which date Council met and the finan-ce committee presented the budget al-lotting funds for the last six months last six months 1918 Service Direcof 1918, in which they again provided for the expenditures of \$2,772.37 to Hazen. Whipple and Fuller and \$5,000 with which to purchase 17 1918, the time in which the ordinance lots to place the filtration water system on, and under employe's salaries owe for July and August and part of they meant to reduce the salary of September with but \$100 with which the director of public service from to pay. The business men of council \$1,200 per annum to \$200. This last have planned all this. Can you figure named allotment I will discuss fur- it? Judging from some of the glar-

ther on in these news columns.

ident to have carried.

seeing a poor chance of collecting the city that misfortune had placed this money through legislation, have at the head of city affairs, men filed suit in the Supreme Court of Ohio to collect the aforesaid amount. ace to the city, and owing to their in-Nothing further at present in connec- competency the city council should tion with this case, I will proceed with take steps to impeach the mayor and Director of Public Service. As stated in the task of ridding Piqua of these before, the Finance Committee of the imposters. This paper was very thorcity council made provision for a re-duction of salary for Director of Pub-ment hired or caused to be hired, aulic Service, but there are a few dif- tomobiles and an extra force of boys ficulties to encounter which they prob- to distribute this edition. Another of ably had not anticipated. First among the Piqua newspapers printed an arthese is the emphatic restriction by ticle under the People's Forum, sign-

Other than restrictions by law is Time and news space will not per- would be necessary to have an ordi-

They of course introduced an ordi-Piqua Socialists have been thrust.

In following up the Hazen, Whipple and Fuller proposition as outlined in last edition of the Ohio Socialists have been thrust.

providing three-fourths of council vote in favor, which was not the case this time, consequently this ordinance cannot be passed by council before

ing headlines in the Piqua papers one But must say that the budget was would think Piqua had fallen into the so adulterated that a negative vote hands of the Socialists and that un-was cast by Councilmen Neff and less something was done to check Keyton but was declared by the Pres- them the mass of citizens would become Socialists and everything go to The budget was then placed before the bow-wows. One of these would-be the mayor, which with the exception of the Hazen, Whipple and Fuller and lot purchasing fund, also the reduction of salaries, appropriation, received the mayor's O. K. So Hazen, Whipple and Fuller, clean men and that it was a pity for

the attempted reduction of salary of all fair minded citizens should assist

#### Notice to Readers

This paper is paid for. If it opens your eyes to some eco-nomic facts help on the work by contributing to the Ohio Socialist Propaganda Fund.

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

# his associates and later received an-

citizens should band themselves to- the Throne Room. gether and take the mayor and his ilk out to a stone wall and then call the though the editor has admitted the

There is one consolation in which the Piqua Socialists can rest assured of peace.

Piqua no doubt has been made safe

for democracy. MRS. L. H. NEFF, 622 So. Downing St., Piqua, Ohio.

trial to Thomas J. Mooney. "This action places Mooney's fate squarely up to Gov. Stephens. said lution, and an analysis of the capitalist mode of production—with prophepeared for Mooney.

Appeals fo rexecutive clemency for Mooney are now pending before Gov.

#### MOONEY MEETING

Market Square, Cleveland, Sunday, the Socialist movement sweeps for- Mere assertions such as "we reaf-July 28th, at 2:30 p. m. It will be under the direction of the Mooney Conference. Every worker who can possibly do so should attend this meeting to protest against the death mouth with the fist of bigotry. But divided," etc., do not make a Socialsentence of Tom Money.

Locals should immediately arrange

ey must have the support of the

in Mooney's behalf. His fate now course by 20 miles of it. Nor should of life," simply sounds simple. lies in the hands of the workers, the we determin the fate of the Socialist Governor of California and President Wilson. Protest against his sentence. Demand his pardon.

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#### VOTE ON THE REFERENDUMS Party members, attention! Two state referendums are now in your

hands. Be sure to vote on them and return them to your local and branch secretaries on the dates stated on the ballots. Local secretaries will pay special attention to these dates and mail em in time to reach the State Office

DEFENSE FUNDS, CAUTION We are informed that individuals are soliciting funds for Debs Defense the State Office. Comrades should use caution in this regard. Better use only the official lists from the State Office. Then a rendering of accounts the membership.

By GEORGE KIRKPATRICK

It should be a matter of interest that such a paper as The Boston Globe should say—about seven years ago—that 60 per cent of the people of the United States are not Christians. It is equally interesting, no the state now have the Defense and doubt, that reliable statistical reports doubt, that reliable statistical reports on the religions of all the world show that considerably less than one-third that considerably less than one-third rangements for dates for speakers are heing arreported by least thru the of all the peoples on earth are Chrised "A Citizen," which advocated pret- tians, and as for those who are Christy rough handling for the mayor and tians, it seems—as we go to the press -that even some of these are not that time had come when all loyal eously into the rather severe light of

dred and eighteenth anniversary of firing squad. Of course this last ar- the birth of the Founder of Christicle was too rich to be published, altianity, and success, the conquest, the 'capture of the world for Christ," has contents of the same to the mayor not yet been realized, not quite. Not Keep an eye on the news columns | so you could notice it to the exclufor further action in regard to this sion of some other things in plain sight. Indeed, we seem rather distant as yet from the prophesied "era

have a very vast influence in the world long before it is completely victorious. Indeed the great anatomist of capitalism was born only a hundred years ago. At about the MOONEY APPEAL FAILS same age that Christ became ex-San Francisco, July 22—The California supreme court today affirmed also became effectively active. For its preliminary order denying a new trial to Thomas J Mooney tive in his study of the structure of society, the great law of social evosies as to the outcome of this mode of production.

workers if he is to become a free man. swiftly forward. We never determine promise industrial democracy,"

#### DEBS DEFENSE WELL UNDER WAY

lar nature could

Monster meetings to be addressed by the most able Socialist speakers in of all funds collected can be made to the United States are being arranged. I vote "no" on the platform—that's

## Silenced—But Serene and Norrteva will be placed on tour immediately. Debs himself will give

In short this in the nineteen hun-

Let those who see disaster to So-

Without a powerful press, without control of any of the great institutions usable in promoting a philosophy and a program, without great fundamentals of Socialism. wealth to pay the bills—and in spite ward, swiftly forward.

of Marx's mighty works, the great anatomist's studies.

The arrest of Comrade Debs and the coming trial on September 9th ment of America as nothing of a simi-

The plans of the National Office of the Socialist Party and of the different State Organizations for his deon lists other than those sent out by fense are well under way and are meeting with the greatest enthusiasm evervwhere.

Such well known comrades as John all.

#### Reed, Morris Hilquit, Scott Nearing as much time as his health will permit on the platform before the date of trial.

The campaign for Debs' Defense and the state political campaign are under way in Ohio. Comrades all over Campaign lists in their hands and are

State Office.
Ross D. Brown, the able and wellknown colored orator, will fill enother communication which stated entirely fit to be hustled extemporan- gagements in this state. John Reed will fill about six dates in the state beginning with a meeting at Youngstown Aug. 3rd, and continuing for a

week. Locals in Ohio should take advantage of every opportunity to hold a meeting and raise funds for Debs' Defense and the State Campaign. Ohio has a splendid list of speakers who are listed on another page of this paper. Engage one or more of these comrades to address your picnics and arrange Debs' Defense meetings. Stand back of Debs surprisingly shifted in their favor cialism issuing from the present sit- and the State Campaign comrades; uation take heart. Let those who do all you can for Debs. He has done and they have nothing to fear along these lines.

Pigua no doubt has been made safe ment take note that a movement can liberty is kept for him. We count on

## When is a Platform a Platform?

(By Ray Day.) A house is not a house unless it has its flooring, its wall, its roof. A kitchen is not a kitchen unless it has its stove, cooking utensils, foodstuffs to be cooked. A platform is not a platform unless it has an area to stand on, its supports and its planks for flooring. A Socialist platform is not a Socialist platform unless it contains the

Mere platitudes, mere exclamations of the highest degree of every form such as "the world for the workers" A Mooney meeting will be held at of malignant and potent opposition do not make a Socialist platform. firm our adherence," "our whole aim Here and there the voice of the is democracy," "we believe," "no men Socialist is stilled, the devotee of So- or class of men should control the he will speak later—ere long—and ist platform. Unless a Socialist plathear gladly, too. Right before the form teaches Socialism it is not that Mooney protest meetings. Tom Moon eyes of the world the "old order kind of a platform. Simply saying, again?" changeth"—and the new order moves "Socialism is right, vote for it," "we President Wilson has twice interceded the general direction of a river's not right for others to own our means

A Socialist platform must contain an analysiso f the three Socialist fundamentals if it is to be the real thing instead of a counterfeit. Those three Socialist fundamentals are: 1, The fact of the class struggle. 2. The fact of the robbery of the workers at the point of production. 3. The fact of ecopoint of production 3. The fact of eco-dent of Sioux City for nine years confirmed the testimony of previous nomic determinism. These three facts having come there in answer to call Butte witnesses that this organizamust be so lucidly explained that a workingman can understand. Then tack on your few immediate demands and you have the real thing.

For some reason or other the pendulum swung to the extreme servative side when the late state convention adopted the platform now before the membership for ratification. In an effort not to violate the espionage law the comrade delegates failed to build a platform that taught Socialism. Just like a house without a foundation, a watch without a movement, if you can imagine such things.

luring the trouble.

essness of any kind?"

-"There was not." The witness testified that he had been in the I. W. W. hall several times and had conversed with many of the

## **Death Card Produced in Court**

Chicago, Ill. - An enlisted sol-church in a body. They responded to dier in the United States Army, the the invitation in considerable nummayor of a big Middle Western city bers and a farmer owning over 300 acres of land figured among the witnesses tes- at any other time, scoffed at your tifying for the defense of teh indictare being arranged by locals thru the week. Some interest was aroused by a comparison between the social status of the defense witnesses and that

> most of whom were either depities or spies.
> Soldier Says Will Stick by I. W. W. There was some stir in court when Fred Clark, a twenty-one-year old boy, dressed in the regulation uni-

of the witnesses for the prosecution,

Clark said that he was in Augusta, Kansas, in the summer of 1917 and them. Asked regarding acts of althat the secretary of the branch leged "sabotage," the burning of there, Phineas Eastman, had been requested by the membership to leave of pieces of metal into them to disas he had expressed views antagonistic to conscription and militarism which, in thir opinion, were not representative of the general standpoint of the members.

Clark is stationed at Fort Sheridan and voluntered for the service before he became of draft age. Vanderver asked him:

Question .- "Did you ever hear or know of any conspiracy among the I. stanced the only other case he had W. W.'s to interfere with enlistment

or recruiting?"
Answr.—"No, sir, I did not." Q.—"Or to stir up trouble in the army?"

A.—"No, I never heard of such a thing."

After a very brief cross-examination by Mr. Nebeker, in which noth-

ing new was developed, Vanderveer resumed his queries: Q.—"Do you know what the I. W.

W. stands for?" A.—"I came into the I. W. W. to better the condition of all workingmen as well as myself."

Q.—"Do you believe in it, son?" A.-'Yes, sir, I believe in the organization. Q .- "When you come out of the

army are you going to be a member A.—"Yes I am going to a member again if I come out all right, if I don't killed in Franc."

Mayor and Minister Is For Defense Wallace M. Short, minister of the ber of the State Metal Trades Coungospel and mayor of Sioux City, cil of Montana testified regarding Iowa, was called to the stand on Frithe strike of the miners and other day, July 12th, to testify on behalf workers in Butte. Dunn gave a brief of the defense. Chief Defence Coun- account of the foundation of the sel Vanderveer conducted the exami- Metal Mine Workers Union of Butte nation. Mr. Short has been a resito fill the pulpit of the First Con- tion had nothing to do with the I. W. gregational church. Since his election to the mayoralty he has con-connection, that the I. W. W. is

Vanderveer questioned the mayor of this strike. of 1914 and 1915. Mr. Short stated delegates from the A. F. of L. unions that there was no ordinance what- was appointed to investigate the new ever prohibiting the holding of pub- union and that they reported that lic meetings in the city and that the the I. W. W. had nothing whatever action of the authorities in stopping to do with the organization. them was purely abitrary and at the

and good citizenship?"

members. On one occasion, he said, similar "warning" card to that which he had invited the I. W. W. mem- was discovered upon the corpse of ship of the city to attend his the lynched labor leader.

Soldier, Farmer and Mayor All Vouch For I. W. W.

Q.-"Did they then, or have they

religion or at you as a gentleman of

A .- "No, sir."

Q.—"Has their attitude towards you ever been disreputable or scurrilous in any way? A .- "No, sir."

Q.—"How would you describe your

relations with them?"
A.—"Oh, just good fellowship!" Machine Burnt Before I. W. W.

Was Founded. stated that he was a member of the I. W. We, having joined the organization in 1916 at Sioux City Laws James Maloney, a farmer from he had always had good service from threshing machines or the throwing able them, such as the prosecution has been trying to fasten upon the organization, Maloney said that his threshing machine had caught fire in

This is the year when the I. W. W. was founded and when none of its members could possibly have been in the harvest fields. Questioned further regarding the burning of threshing machines, the witness inobserved, which occurred in 1901.

Vanderveer questioned Maloney as to the quality of service rendered him by I. W. W,'s who had worked for him.
Q.—"What kind of service did you

get from these men? A .- "Pretty good."

Q .- "Any property destroyed?" Q.—"Any pitchforks or blankets

thrown through the machine? Q.—"Do you know of any instance when articles were passed through

threshing machines A.—"Well, a blanket went through my machine in 1905." Q.—"Anything of that kind hap-pen since the I. W. W.'s have been

around there?'

"No, sir."
"Vigilante" Card Is Produced. William F. Dunn, of the executive hood of Electrical Workers and memshortly after the Speculator fire and tinued his services, holding them every Sunday in the Plaza theater. regarding the free speech fight in this respect was exceedingly valu-Sioux City in the winter and spring able; he stated that a committee of

Dunn was questioned about the instigation of the Comemicial Club, infamous rule of the company gun-Mayor Short stated that he had at- men in Butte and gave several intended several I. W. W. meetings stances of their illegal and highhanded behavior. On one occasion, Q.—"I will ask you whether on any occasion you heard any speaker advocating violence, disorder or law-

A.—"I did not."

Q.—"Was there anything said in any of the speeches you heard that offended your own sense of decency Frank Little's body—the so-called

"vigilante" card.
"Yes, I have," said Dunn. "Where did you see it?"
"Why, I received one myself!" Whereupon the witness produced a

## AS OTHERS SEE US

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pendent not merely on its population, wealth and natural resources, but also on the degree to which these elements to its potential place in the politics of of strength are mobilized for socially beneficial objects, and not for mere There is more than one reason for private use or gain.

That Germany's power to endure the stresses of the war is largely due to the fact that she has taken over in toto many of the economic doctrines abroad. The Socialists are becoming of Socialism, and although her state more and more powerful in Italy, in Socialism is perverted today, she France, in Germany, and are even beneeds little more than a political free- ginning to make their power felt in dom to be a complete Socialist state.

That similarly France, England and Italy, which have long possessed political freedom, have been forced by the stress of war to take immense ists. strides toward the utilization of every | The Socialist party is an interna-resource for the social good of the tional party, and it is but natural that has placed the feet of that great na- should to a certain extent influence tion also definitely on the path to the growth of the Socialist party in Socialism, although the entire mech-America. anism of Socialist organization has

still to be constructed. this wave of Socialism is now about and international brotherhood.

to reach America. Socialist once raised on most Ameri- herents from many quarters to a parcans is no longer felt. And this is but ty one of whose main objects is to abolish war and establish universal on having a having a having a facialists who on having a horror of Socialists when peace."-New York American. one regards the Socialists of Germany as the only progressive people in the empire of the Hohenzollerns and

SOCIALIST SENTIMENT

"The growth of the Socialist party "The war has produced a movement is the most significant thing in the towards Socialism, which, had peace United States today. There is no othlasted, would not have risen for fifty er movement which is attracting more years. The war has proved strikingly attention and causing more comment, that the strength of a nation is de- because of its importance to the whole

the tremendous growth of the Social-

That the Russian revolution the rapid growth of that party abroad

The second reason for the remarkable growth of the Socialist party lies Such prognostications insist that in the fact that it is a party of peace frightful suffering and destruction of But the goose flesh which the word this war tend naturally to bring ad-

Socialists say: The dinner pail and when one has rejoiced unreservedly at the nose bag are both devices for the overthrow of the Romanoffs by the Socialists of Russia.—Philadel-not a slave, but why do you beg another man for a job?

# A TERRIBLE CRIME YOU ARE GUILTY HERE'S WHY

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Look at your dues book this minute. Do vou owe for July? For June and July? For May, June and July? Do you owe?

IF YOU DO, YOU ARE GUILTY If you owe you are the cause of a delay in our onward march toward Socialism, Delay no longer

# PAY UP QUICK

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.

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of the

## International Labor Movement

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

## RETAIN REINS OF GOVERNMENT

The striking victory won by "State Labor Party of Queensland," Australia, in the recent election for members of the legislative assembly. which is the popular branch of the Queensland Parliament, brings the working class and its ability to administer the institutions of Government in the interest of the wealth producers prominently into the fore-

The victory of the Labor Party is unique. Eliminating Russia, it makes of Queensland the only country in the world whose government is under the control of the duly elected representatives of the working class.

The State Labor Party of Queensland secured a majority of the legislative assembly in the spring of 1915 on a platform whose far-reaching policy is expressed in the followplank regarding the Labor Par-"objective":

The securing of the full results of their industry to all wealth producers by the collective ownership means of production, distribution and exchange to be attained through the extension of the industrial and economic functions of the federal state and local governing bodies."

Strongly organized economically in the Australian Workers' Union the Labor Party is the political organization of the Queensland workers. To strike as they vote and vote as they strike and always against the master class is the rallying cry of the Queensland Labor Party and the Australian Workers' Union.

The keynote speech of the campaign of the Queensland working class for control of the government was made by Prime Minister T. J. Ryan on February 18 1918 at Townsville. In the parlance of Australian politics the labor prime minister's speech is called his "policy" speech. He gave in detail what the Labor Party had accomplished in the interest of the workers of Queensland during its term of office and outlined the party's program for the next three years in case it was returned to

The Labor Party's victory after that Queensland has ever seen makes the premier's "policy" speech of infighting. Her people have given a control of the affairs of a great It will be some consolation to them to commonwealth and contains the out-

the Labor Party has been blocked ed the nation in its hour of trial.

during the last three years by the legislative council, which is the "send unanimous throughout the war in the degree the capital the council to the council the war in the degree to achieve the great characteristics. The Senate, consisting of 38 members, jective for which the Allies of Queensland, who in turn is appointed by the King of Great Britain tarism and the securing of universal the labor exploiters. It was this hold-over Senate, selected during the many years of anti-labor control of the Queensland government, thwarted the Labor Party, although ment to introduce conscription in Austhey controlled the assembly and the tralia. \* \* \* \* On both occasions

icy, in the face of the overwhelming platform, but also by protecting devictory at the polls, the Labor Party pendents of absent soldiers from expendents will insist either on a referendum to abolish the legislative council or demand that the governor "load" it with enough representatives of the working people to overcome the anti-labor opposition. This is possible under the Queensland constitution, which places no limit on the number making up

develop its Socialist program.

the legislative council. Queensland makes up the northeas- state government in Australia. tern portion of the Australian continent. It has an area of 670,500 Eng- nized that, if the voluntary system is lish square miles, a seaboard of 2250 to be successfully carried out, ademiles, and a population of 605,813. Its quate provision must be made for area is equal to nearly one-quarter of soldiers on their return from the war, continental United States, and if as well as for the dependents of the

**~~~~** QUEENSLAND WORKERS Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota and Mississippi. The

state owns 4,838 miles of railway.

According to the registration lists of Queensland in 1915, there were 84,627 adult men and 150,568 adult comen qualified to vote. The only qualification for suffrage is 12 months' continuous residence in the

The following "policy" speech was made by T. J. Ryan, labor prime minister of Queensland, at Townsville, Queensland, Monday evening, February 18, 1918, at the opening of the campaign which returned the Labor

It is my privilege to address not only the audience immediately before me, but all the electors of the state, with a view to rendering an account of the stewardship of the government already reserved will be proclaimed during its term of office and placing before the people of Queensland the already reserved in this way is main features underlying the policy which it is the intention of the govrnment to pursue in the future.

structive policy which would command ity over other applicants, three years' ed by the great majority of the elect-ors, and the history of Queensland wherein to pay survey fees. Providetermined, and, in the main, successful endeavor to realize it by legcompleted three years of office without incurring the charge of breaking its promises or of leaving its pledges unfulfilled.

During the whole time the present government has been in office, the great world war has been in progress, and it has made ever-increasing demands for sacrifice on the part of

#### Quensland's Contribution to the Support of the War.

Queensland has not been behindhand in doing her share to achieve the most bitterly contested campaign success in the great cause for which tense interest. It is a statement by a magnificent response to the call of duty, and our sympathy goes out to the accomplishments of a Socialist those who have been bereaved by the and labor government during its short loss of those near and dear to them. lines of a policy to make Queensland, them in their hour of sorrow, and in the prime minister's own words, that the memory of their noble dead "the comfortable home of the many will be honored throughout the ages. rather than the exploiting ground of And let me hear say one word for And let me hear say one word for the few." the courage and devotion of our remarks of the constructive program of the greater deeds of heroism and help-

of the Queensland Parliament. the desire to achieve the great obis appointed for life by the governor ing-the preservation of freedom and The Senate represent the interests of and lasting peace. Difference of opinwhich made by the commonwealth governministry (cabinet), in its endeavor to the people have refused to endorse the system; but it has not been aban-The election for the Assembly was regarded as a test as to whether the disapproved of the Labor Party's program. The new parliament convened the 28th of May. Should the larieleting evened the 28th of may be disapproved of the Labor Party's tralia is least prepared to resist it.

\* \* \* \* \* The present Queensland government has done it utmost legislative council impede the party to encourage the voluntary system, further in the realization of its pol-

ploitation and by making suitable provision for those soldiers on their return to their own country.

Repatriation.

the returned soldier than any other The government has always recog-

Queensland were picked up and plac-ed in the Middle West it would com-jct of carrying out this policy, the

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to office, established the Queensland zac committee, which supervises the it is our intention to extend and elabmittees to carry out special duties in ows. connection with the evolution of a tion. The operation of the War Countion in a statesmanlike manner, and cil have been extended to all parts of the state, and there are no fewer than eighty-sven sub-branches. The Queensland War Council is regarded as the most active and efficient in the whole of Australia. Most of its administrative expenses have been porne by the Queensland government, and all the instrumentalities of the state have been placed at its dispo-

Laws Dealing With Returned

Soldiers Three special measures dealing with returned soldiers have been passed by the Queensland Parliament during our term of office. These were the first measures passed in Ausralia dealing with repatriation, and they are today the most liberal enactments of their kind on any statute book in the commonwealth.

#### Land Settlement

Under the provisions of the charged Soldiers' Settlement Act three large areas have been proclaim ed for group settlement for returned soldiers, and four others are being reserved for the same purpose, whilst as required. The total area of land 16,00 soldiers, whilst in sixteen other centres of the state 48.641 acres sixteen Nearly three years ago another government was appealing to the constituencies for a renewal of its volunteers from these districts on their return Many graphs and other the results of the Chicago Daily News, "Hit or eases—THAT is a social problem—and all the cducation one gets outside this woeful miss: "Class divisions of a radical education teaches one to the constitution of the chicago Daily News, "Hit or eases—THAT is a social problem—and all the cducation one gets outside this woeful miss: "Class divisions of a radical education teaches one to the chicago Daily News, "Hit or eases—THAT is a social problem—and all the cducation one gets outside this woeful miss: "Class divisions" of the chicago Daily News, "Hit or eases—THAT is a social problem—and all the cducation one gets outside this woeful miss: "Class divisions" of the chicago Daily News, "Hit or eases—THAT is a social problem—and all the cducation teaches one to the constitution of the chicago Daily News, "Hit or eases—THAT is a social problem—and all the cducation teaches one to the chicago Daily News, "Hit or eases—THAT is a social problem—and all the cducation teaches one to the chicago Daily News, "Hit or eases—THAT is a social problem—and all the cducation teaches one to the chicago Daily News, "Hit or eases—THAT is a social problem—and all the cducation teaches one to the chicago Daily News, "Hit or eases—THAT is a social problem—and all the cducation teaches one to the chicago Daily News, "Hit or eases—THAT is a social problem—and all the cducation teaches one to the chicago Daily News, "Hit or eases—THAT is a social problem—and all the cducation teaches one to the chicago Daily News, "Hit or eases—THAT is a social problem—and all the Nearly three years ago another have been set apart to meet the rethe confidence of the country. That exemption from payment of rent and policy, I am glad to say, was accept- survey fees, and after, three years, has since been a record of honest, sion is also made for a special advance of five hundred pounds sterling (\$2433.25) repayable in forty years. islation and administration. The ca-whilst a further seven hundred reer of the present government has pounds \$3406.55) may be obtained on been unique in that it has almost terms similar to those allowed to or-

Group Settlement Explained The principal group settlement es tablished by the government is at Beerburrum, on the north coast line, where an area of 51,000 acres is already being prepared. The principle industries in this region are pineap-

War Council, with various subcom- erection of homes for soldiers' wid- orate the scheme already in operation in order to be prepared for the de-The government, I claim, has dealt mands which will be made upon us comprehensive scheme of repatria- with this great problem of repatria- when the war is over.

(Continued in next issue.)

## Last Call—Do This Now

The State Office has mailed to all local and branch secretaries blanks upon which to list the names of delinquent members. and a return envelope addressed to the State Office.

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

The greatest work for Socialism the Socialist Party of Ohio can do in the month of July is to get every one of its members in GOOD STANDING. We should dedicate the month of July to this work and push it with unceasing vigor until it is accomplished.

The State Office has outlined a plan of action which will do party officials. Writers and speakers.

this but in order to carry the plan into execution we must have party officials, writers and speakers, the co-operation of the local secretaries.

Therefore, Comrade Secretary, fill out the blanks with the names and correct addresses of every one of your delinquent the belief that all things will be right members immediately and mail to the State Office. We are awaiting the return of these lists. Don't delay Socialism. Send them in.

### Gleanings From the Log of an Agitator

Written for the Ohio Socialist by

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W. E. Reynolds

The wise (?) and well read editor all the various unmentionable dis-

authority, and it devolved upon me, their return. Many generous conces- have been swept into the discard, and IGNORE all social problems—so I as leader of the opposition, not only sions are provided for in the various the howlers for "class-consciousness" to challenge the wisdom of giving such a renewal, but also, on behalf of the Labor Party, to submit a contract the Labor Party, to submit a contract the Labor Party, to submit a contract the manner of them, together with prior-the war, no longer do we have RIVYthe war, no longer do we have BUY-ERS and SELLERS of labor power. Since you have seen fit to sell your intellectual birthright for a mess of governmental immunity, no longer do we see sellers of labor power con- 50c a year for a working class paper? tending with buyers of labor power over a favorable market. BAH! Your ideas smell like a skunk smells. Either you have not the brains that God ordinarily gives to geese or else you

> humanity are a stupid set of stupid asses that can easily be led astray by the shillful word phrases of your Personally nothing would please the writer of these lines more than to have a debate with the writer of the ple growing, poultry raising and bee above capitalistic piffle. If we can

the people, not only of this state but of the whole commonwealth.

Five acres in each block have been cleared and planted with knowledge his colossal ignorance in pineapples which will be in bearing less than an hour and a half our name during the next season. Prospective isn't Reynolds and our address will settlers receive preliminary instruc- soon be changed! Come on, Hit or

Do you, as a member of the workng class, support the papers of the working class? Or do you spend 17c a week for your favorite plute sheet and then howl to beat the band over

to do about the matter!

naturally wonder what they are going

Most people are "agin" the eight nour day because they cannot make a living now working twelve to fourare figuring that the rank and file of

The day of the petty economic and political reform is over. No longer will an overworked and weary workng class be content with such political sops as "free water for washerthe other misleading political stock-in trade of the bunko-politician. longer will the robbed and despoiled toiler be content with the economic proper means are adopted." reform of fair days' work for a fair day's wage, sanitary bunkhouses, jobcontrol" and such-like concessions.

The era of revolutionary social uppefore an understanding of the great grasp the great truth of Marx who said, "Nature and industrial conditions will force you, willingly or unwillingly, whether you close your eyes to the truth or not, along the path that history has marked out for you."

Under date of June 16, 1918, the paper which advertises itself as "The "Chicago Tribune," ran one of the necessary and yet not social, or it John T. McCutcheon cartoons which might be social and yet not necessary: seems worthy of comment. It was in either case it would not be the way headed "War's Sacrifices." First was to measure value. shown a fellow off for Camp Grant, a sign on it, "For sale or rent." Opposed to this picture is the picture of must give up the limousine for the to-do his limousine—FOR THE SUM-

Next picture shows the wife of the enlisted man down in the slum district, wash on the line, garbage cans, slatternly children, beer barrels, and all the paraphernalia of the slums, going into a place marked "furnished rooms cheap." Opposed to this picture was Mr. Well-to-do who was saytion on the government training farm | Miss! If we cannot show you that you | ing, "I'll resign from two or three of

and houses are being erected on them you game? You have all the best of looking for a job to enable her to live for the accommodation of the soldier it, as all you have to do is to get up and keep her son—a most desolate and peddle a few insipid platitudes and woe-begone picture. Opposite to and wee-begone picture. Opposite to such as the profiteers have learned this was the picture of Mr. Well-to-do to peddle-and wave the flag a few and the woman in the case with SIX servants lined up before them. Mr. Well-to-do is saying, "We must dispense with ONE or TWO servants." The whole cartoon signed, McCutcheon.

Really, Henry, are you so dense that comment is necessary?

Incidentally both the "Chicago Trioune" and the "Chicago Daily News" occupy buildings which are the property of the Chicago schools at rental based upon figures of a by-gone age. Both were secured by methods which time MORE socially necessary labor-very rich. Are they? No, they are will not bear the light of an honest time is needed, value increase and each very poor. How strange that is! The Both were secured by methods which investigation, according to the statements of the present mayor of Chicago. Inasmuch as the modern newsis a commodity and has a value and I wonder what becomes of the cago. Inasmuch as the modern news- is a commodity and has a value and paper has taken it upon itself to be the value of gold is measured exour sole dictator as to what we shall actly the same as the value of any Mary had a little lamb! Yes, yes, think, when we shall think it and other commodity, yet, when we come whether we shall be allowed to think to express the values of commodities it, the above revelations are pertilin terms of money based upon gold nent—eh what!

mercial," in an alleged treatise upon the subject of "Capital." Later on he Also, here is where several difficul goes on to state that the growth of complications arise. What is Price capital benefits labor. His position Is it the same as Value? If the VAL-evidently is that labor does not need UES of many commodities are less to be benefitted but it is necessary to today because of the expenditure of make him think he is benefitted by less labor why is it that the PRICES lished for the training of men whose injuries unfit them for any but light employment.

The labor bureaus set up by the government in all parts of the state base been of the utmost assistance in the lished for the training of men whose injuries unfit them for any but light er hands you, you were made in the image of God. So too, of course were to help labor! Provided always that they can do so WITHOUT HARM-lesson, we will take up the last question.

When values are expressed in terms of gold (money) and gold itself because the course were to help labor!

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\*\* \* \*\* capitalist exploitation. They are all are higher? Leaving the answer to

## Proletarian Science

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

Did you form the opinion that all expending so much social labor to those questions in our last lesson procure it, naturally it takes more were simple and not necessary for gold to equal in value the other comyou to bother your head about? modity. There are mang good Socialists who

their position being that a general knowledget hat things are wrong "under capitalism," and a firm faith in \*under socialism,' a paid-up party card, and a vote cast for the Party icket whenever possible, is all that s necessary.

Lester F. Ward, in "Dynamic Soiology," Vol. 1, page 21, wrote: "In short, what is really required is KNOWLEDGE. Knowledge is simply truth apprehended by the intellect. Intelligent mind, fortified with knowledge, is the only reliable form of directive force. The only proper knowledge for this purpose is that which can be acquired of the materials and forces of nature. As it is the utilizing of these which alone can secure the end sought, so the knowledge of these is the prime necessity in the exercise of a directive control over human zeal for the improvement of mankind. Hence the diffusion of this kind of knowledge among the masses of mankind is the only hope we have of securing any greater social prog-ress than that which nature itself vouchsafes through its own process of selection." \*

"The knowledge referred to is just that which is embraced in the word SCIENCE, and the diffusion of it is the process which goes by the name of EDUCATION. Therefore the first element of a truly progressive system is POPULAR SCIENTIFIC EDUCA-

On page 597 of Volume 2, "Dynam ic Sociology," Ward wrote, "It is high time for Socialists to perceive that, women,' small tracts of land for tenant farmers, municipal ownership of roof instead of the foundation of the garbage cans and milk depots." and structure which they desire to erect They are working at ends, not means -the fact being that the ends will take care of themselves whenever the

In our studies on the subject of proletarian science we are striving to begin right and seek the causes underlying certain phases of human eavals is at hand and today as never activities. Once the causes of activi ties are understood humanity can ac facts in the field of proletarian in the way to achieve the ends which science must be had to enable one to all honest people desire.

Chapter three, of "Shop Talks, takes up the subject of "Prices." This book is admirable as a beginner's text book on the law of value

and if you have not yet secured one do so without delay-10c, State Office In the first paragraph pay strict attention to the words, NECESSARY world's greatest newspaper" i. e., the SOCIAL LABOR A work might be

Values are measured by NECESbidding good bye to his wife—a young SARY SOCIAL LABOR. All compoy conspicuous in the background modities contain crystallized human

Opposite this was what purported to labor and we find out whether their be a home of the well-to-do. The man values are equal, by finding out wheth comfortably seated in a Morris chair er they contain equal amounts of lawas saying to the woman in the pic- bor. or as Marx puts it, in "Value ture, "We must make sacrifices, we Price and Profit," page 57, "the comust economize." The next picture relative quantities of commodities shows the woman and child reluctant-ly leaving the little cottage which has TIME OF LABOR are EQUAL." The natural tendency is for commodities of equal value to exchange the well-to-do and his woman in the for each other or for other commocase, where the man is saying, "We dities of equal value. Here is a vital

point. Do not overlook or underestisummer." Get the idea? The enlisted mate it. Read carefully all of page man gives up his HOME—the well- 16 and discuss all the different points involved. Note the use of the terms RELATIVE values, and EQUIVA-ENTL values in the quotations on page 17. The first quotation on page 17 tells how RELATIVE values are determined. The next quotation (next paragraph) tells how SOCIAL LA-BOR TIME is calculated. Remember in order to measure the QUANTITY of labor we have to find the amount of labor-time expended. The quantities of different com-

vays, as for instance, cloth is sold y the yard, land by the section, meat y the pound, potatoes by the bushel, ananas by the dozen, milk by the quart, coal by the ton, gas by the thousand cubic feet, and electricity by the killowatt hour, but the values of all these commodities are measured by the kill-a-dubb hour, or as Marx says, the necessary labor time. Values then, are measured by the

amount of Socially Necessary labortime embodied in their production. How do we express this value? Mark the difference between MEASURING value and EXPRESSING it. We usually express value in terms of money which is in turn based upon gold. Measuring values we find that each time MORE socially necessary labortime less necessary social labor time we often find that a commodity \* \* \* which today contains less necessary which today contains less necessary social labor time than ever before, and therefore, ought to be (and is) less valuable, has a higher PRICE. Here enters a new term, PRICE

ing a commodity, which is less valothers in employment.

One of the noblest branches of the work is that in the hands of the An
others in employment.

diseased women than they are through enemy bullets, says the rework is that in the hands of the An
others in employment.

diseased women than they are through enemy bullets, says the reknowledge of economics is nil.

It is not the intention of the presare honestly of the opinion that an ent series of lessons to take up in detail all the varied and complicated ramifications of the SOCIAL forms of value expressed in terms of money, but, rather to keep these lessons as a sort of beginner's course, just pointing the way to the need of a better and more comprehensive knowledge of the subject matter involved. But even beginner's MUST at least know, what value is, how it is determined, how measured and into what forms it manifests itself.

Up to the present time we have been dealing with value, in a single concrete form such as prevailed in the days of barter. Now we HAVE to go further and inquire more deeply into its various component parts. In our definition of a commodity we learned that a commodity was a product of labor containing an exchange value, a product made for sale or exchange. They appear on the market n the form of CONCRETE things, i. USE values, but in order to figure those values we must reduce them to

abstract terms and express that abstraction in terms on PRICE. Next lesson will deal further with price. To those of you who are of the opinion that this is an easy and simole proposition to be passed over with a wave of the hand, let it be said, just try to explain price to the next ten

people you meet. At the risk of trouble-making for my readers allow me to again INSIST that the Socialist party member or the Socialist party Local which does not immediately organize a class for the purpose of making a study of these vital matters—including a course in the Communist Manifesto, and likewise a course in elementary biology-is missing the greatest opportunity of its career. Such a study class will benefit, not only the local but each individual member of which it is composed.

If you have not already done so, start that class NOW.

## Sunday School Lesson

Raw Materials: Labor the factor which converts them into useful artiles and therefore produces wealth. In our last lesson we found that everything we have comes from the earth; but we do not find them ready to use. Our dresses and coats and caps do not grow on the sheep all ready for us to wear. We can't go out into the forests and pick our chairs and tables off the trees, etc. Let the children suggest the things we can use in the natural state, as ruit, nuts and some vegetables. We have a special name we give to these

materials as nature provides them.
They are called raw materials. Point out that raw food means unprepared food, etc. What must be lone to raw materials before they are fit to use? Somebody must work on them. So a house requires lumber plus fron (nails, etc.,) plus...?

Who can fill in the blank? Let someone go to the blackboard and write: Lumber, plus iron, plus work, equals house

Similarly analyze: Wood, plus labor, equals furni-

Wool, plus labor, equals clothing. Cotton, plus labor, equals cloth-Perhaps we shall find out.

I wonder which is worth the more, the wood out of which the furniture is made or the furniture. The fur-

niture? Why? What was added to the raw materials? Labor. Write on the blackboard: "Labor makes raw materials valuable."
Two white dresses were in a show window. One was selling for \$5 and the other for \$50, but they were made of the same material. Why this

It had much labor expended on it. Manhattan island was bought from the Indians before labor set to work on it for \$24. Now it is worth nodities are expressed in different countless millions because labor has made streets and erected buildings

difference? One was hand embroid-

and dug sewers, etc. Iron ore, worth 75 cents a ton in ts raw state, can be worked into horseshoes that sell for \$10 per ton. If the 75 cents' worth of iron is made into needles, they will sell for \$680. or it can be made into watch springs worth \$400,000.

So labor transforms raw materials that are almost worthless into valuable articles. Let the children cite similar examples.

Draw from the children and write on the blackboard: "All wealth is produced by labor." Who performs the labor that renders raw materials so valuable? THE

WORKING CLASS. Then they, the workers, must be workers produce the wealth of the

wealth they produce.

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

OUR PLATFORM

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

### Immediate Demands

First. The taking over by the State of the coal mines of Ohio as a war measure. The elimination of profiteers in this basic necessity to avoid further fuel famine.

Second. Similar appropriation of other natural resources and public utilities to end profiteering and protect the homes of the men in the trenches from the grasping hands of the exploiters.

Third. War is rapidly shifting to the shoulders of women the burden of industrial service; we therefore advocate their immediate political enfranchisement and laws requiring equal pay for equal work. Fourth. We recognize the warning in President Wil-

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

Government Canning Factory For Soldier Farmers.

pletely cover the following states: government, immediately on accession pounds (\$194,660). To ensure the ods and to obtain all available in- them to be. formation with regard to markets, a commission was despatched to Hono-

the factory are in course of prepara-

Homes for Soldiers Another phase of the repatriation activities in Queensland is the erection of homes for soldiers, and an area of 218 acres has been set apart for this purpose at Sunnybank. This area is being divided into 487 building sites of half an acre each. Arrangements have been made with the Workers' Dwelling Branch of the State Bank to proceed with the erection of twenty cottages of different

designs on this area. There are other important directions in which valuable assistance has Began to growl and mutter. been rendered to the returned soldiers, such as free technical educaagriculture. An educational and indus- man activities! trial institute has also been estab-

prior to enlistment and in placing

and are paid two pounds ten shillings miss ten times to where you hit once, my clubs." The present Queensland government has done and is doing more for there. Blocks are also being fenced had a chance to learn! Come on Are in line at the employment agency With a view to securing to the times and stand pat on your colossal growers a fair return for their labors ignorance—but at that—come on. I'm and a ready market for their prod- willing to go to bat facing a possible ucts, a fruit canning factory is to be twenty years sentence by some stupid established at a cost of forty thousand judge—just to convince you that all the residents of America are not the adoption of the most up-to-date meth-stupid fools you evidently believe

The editor of the O. S. will kindly see that a copy of the above is sent to the Hit or Miss editor of the Chicago News.

Some people live and learn, others merely live. Yes, we meant it. Under which

we've heard the story! The lamb and Mary went to school, and therein comes the glory! (Slow music here and a soft pedal) Mary's wages bought her bread, But would not bring her butter, Then Mary, so the neighbors said,

classification do you come?

When you think of a bourgeoise, tion, of which 166 of them have tak- think of a thief-and you will not be en advantage, and free instruction in far astray in your catalogue of hu-According to the "dope" the preach-

They are losing more men through | Big profits for capital are of bene-

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## SOCIALIST PARTY ACTIVITIES

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

DON'T BE A LEANER—BE A LIFTER

## WITH OUR EDITORS

We here make so hold as to place before you special thoughts for especially active minds. Where no credit is given The Ohio Socialist

### COLORS AND SHADES

Colors and shades of colors we have in plenty, you'll agree. Visualize ivory, champagne, burgundy, taupe, mere shades in a class with baby-blue and grass green.

Go dizzy trying to visualize color shades and you'll go crazy trying to get just an inkling of the uncountable variety of personal characteristics and grades of mental calibres with which we of the human family are blessed. Blessed I say and mean, because it's good and makes for progress. I dare you to imagine us all alike, so alike that you couldn't tell you were you.

And so we join the Socialist Party, each one of us a shade Litz writes that all members have more different in make-up. Here we have a Socialist who had a been notified and invited to attend "green" father, a "blue" mother and a "dirty-brown" environment, and that's the reason he is bitter and vindicative. We have our large collection of dues. apathetic comrades, our imulsive comrades, our critical comradescomrades you like to socialize with and comrades you sort of detest. And those you detest others like and those othrs like you don't like. These likes and dislikes which find their origin in personal charactaristics you favor or abhor, leads you to unjust criticism of or unjust loyalty to this or that comrade, both of which eventually lead to your own disorganization as a helpful unit in the Socialist move- decision of the authorities as to his ment and the disorganization of the party itself.

What we desire to shout into your ear is that if we are to wait for Socialism until we manicure and groon every Socialist so that his personal characteristics are to the liking of each of us—then we'll never get Socialism. Maybe you don't favor the faint odor of this Comrades feet. Maybe you just can't see why Comrade Smith should persist in talking so much and such nonsense or why Jones should persist in sitting out every meeting without saying a word. And so many comrades do and say such funny things at such inopportune moments.

Let the fact that we are all a bit different never throw you out of line again. A Socialist is a Socialist because he understands Socialism, irrespective of whether he chews scrap or uses violet perfume. Socialists must travel the same road together—we repeat, together-no matter what their individual idiosyncracies. Except in cases of extreme unsocial or unmoral conduct or crime against of the new amendment to the State the party let's extend the hand of comradeship to all Socialists, quit | Constitution providing for support of wasting time in senseless aversions and employ all our energy in the membership. strengthening our organization for a speedy victory.

For let me confess\_I have learned to love every comrade; the long-nosed and the short-nosed, the flat-footed and the knock kneed, make to the proposed amendment is the fat and the lean, the quick-witted and the slow-witted, the foolish and the wise, the bitter and the sweet. I won't see the little members, it would seem an unnecesfailings, for I'm a bit off myself. I won't "hero-worship" the talented comrades for even they are foolish at times. I only want to the paper." make haste with all of them in order that my life may be well spent.

Mrs. Callahan didn't at all approve of Mrs. Schultz be- is very true that a duplication of subcause Mrs. Schultz washed handkerchiefs before towels at the scriptions in the same family is in weekly washing. But Mrs. Callahan felt perfectly awful when she learned that Mrs. Schultz did not approve of the habit Mrs. This paper has always been published Callahan had of wiping her nose on her apron.

Untold fraternal, religious and charitable organizations have been "busted wide open" as a result of a squabble based upon similar silly piffle. Are you as a Socialist, is your local as an organization, suffering inactivity because of so nonsensical a pretext?

### WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH BENSON?

You know Benson-Allan L. Benson, Socialist party candidate for president in 1916. He asks this question: "What's the Matter with the Socialist Party?" And then he makes so bold as to answer it himself. We read his answer and now we wonder what's the matter with Benson.

In April, 1912, says Benson, we had a party membership of 135,000. Wrong, Benson. We never had a membership of 135,000. We may have sold that many dues stamps that month, but that's a

During the campaign of 1916, says Benson, our membership fell to 65,000. Wrong again, Benson. We may have sold only that number of dues stamps during a certain month, but our member- for our sample mailing list | The comship never fell that low.

The reason our membership fell from 135,000 to 65,000, says constant demand by the State Office. Benson, is because, after the adoption of the anti-sabotage clause as part of our national constitution, which was meant to chase all kins of Salem also sends us a list and sabotagers out of the party, the direct opposite happened. The anti-sabotage clause chased out those who approved it and left it sends in one sub and a donation of in the hands of those who did not approve it. In short, the antisabotage clause of the anti-sabotagers caused the sabotagers to sabotage the anti-sabotagers. Benson says so. However, says Benson, after an insignificant minority of sabotagers, bound by an anti-sabotage rule, had caused 75,000 members to forsake us, the sabotagers still remained in the minority, still controlled the party, captured the St. Louis Convention. And there you ore. Figure

it out yourself. Benson is at his best when he says that as the recent head of after which we have light refreshthe national ticket he would have expected some measure of courtesy from the St. Louis Convention, "such as one decent man will willingly give to another." As proofs of gross impoliteness he then cites these facts: 1. The convention did not elect him a member of the committee on war and militarism. 2. The convention chairman called him to order under the five minute rule after he (Benson) had spoken his five minutes. And then Benson finishes that paragraph by seemingly gloating over the fact that the chairman who so "rudely" called him to order, is now in jail

In article number two Benson tries to explain away the large Hillquit and Berger vote. It was a "stop the war vote," he says. And he immediately follows and precedes this assertion by claiming that the Socialist Party has become loathsome in the eyes of the American people and that the American people are a unit as to what this country must do in the war. So we conclude that the large Hillquit and Berger vote were given the Socialist Party because it is a loathsome party and because everybody agrees upon the war.

#### ORGANIZER HEDDON NEWLY WED

Comrade H. A. Heddon, who did such excellent organization work in Ohio the first of the year, is now married and will remain in Michigan for some time, he informs us in a letter received this month. The bride, writes Comrade Heddon, is from Chicago and is a Socialist of the right kind. We surely wish comrades Heddon the best of good fortune and hope to meet them when Comrade Heddon is again available for duty in an organizing way again.

### ERIE COUNTY

CONVENTION Comrade Chas. Litz, Financial Secretary of Local Sandusky, orders a quantity of dues stamps preparatory to Erie County's convention which will be held on July 24th. Comrade the convention and it is expected that this will be a means of securing

#### POINTS ABOUT OUR PRISONERS

Comrades Fillipowitz and Takas of Lorain, who were arrested there in May have been interned at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. Comrade Peter Patisch, also of Lorain, is still awaiting the

Comrade Harry Israel of Cleveland has been lately discharged from Warrensville Workhouse, having finished is term of one year for failing to register. It is reported that some time ago Comrades Deyo and Martin Beyer escaped from Warrensville, where they had served several months of a year's sentence for failing to regiser. Comrade Willard Bennett of Akron, charged with interfering with the sale of Liberty Bonds, will be tried at Cleveland July 30. He was arrested April 16. Comrade A. C. Halloway of Akron will defend him.

#### OBJECTION NO. 2 ANSWERED

In our issue of July 9th we quoted some comrades' objection to the plan the party press which is now before

We have a letter from Comrade Joseph Bower of Creston, wherein he says: "The only objection I would that in cases where there are several of teh same family who are party sary expense for each member of the family to be obliged to subscribe for

We are glad Comrade Bower has brought this matter to the attention of the comrades. No doubt there are others who are of the same opinion. And here's the answer, comrades. It most cases unnecessary. But this does not mean an unnecessary expense. at a lost. The subscriptions received do not even at the present time meet the expense. Should this new amendment pass, the paper should become self-sustaining we believe. But it will require a dollar a year from every member to make it so. Where there are several members of the party in the same family it will be an easy matter to make arrangements with the local secretary to send only one or two members' names in as subscribers, the subscription price receive ed from the other members will then be used in reducing or perhaps wiping out all together any deficit. It's the only way, comrades. It's the organized way and the organized way is always the successful way. Vote for the amendment.

## MORE NAMES

Fostoria, sends us several subscripions and a large list of names of farmers which we are glad to receive rades will please remember that more names of farmers and workers are in Every comrade should make it a point to send us a list. Comrade W. A. Jenpromises more from time to time. Comrade D. E. Thomas of Barberton 50c to the O. S., all of which are gratefully received.

## BOY, PAGE "THE STAT-

ISTICIAN" A letter received from Comrade couraging. He writes: "I have been elected Ohio Socialist Correspondent. We hold our meetings every other week at some comrade's home, ments. We find it an excellent way to hold our members. Now that we also have a new financial secretary, I hope that we will figure to advantage in the 'Statistician's report' from now



Previously reported ......\$779.08 Expenditures. Mrs. Callie Baker .....\$ 25.00 Comrade Townsley, Federal Prison. Atlanta ..... A. A. Hennacy, Atlanta, Ga... Canton Comrades .....

Clark County .....

Zanesville ...... 4.50

Warrensville Comrades ..... 32.00\$102.00 Previously reported ......\$193.86

#### "PEOPLE'S PRESS" SUSPENDS

Total .....\$295.86

Due to lack of funds, the Hamilton County weekly paper, The People's Press has been temporarily suspended. An effort will be made to send recent subscribers The Ohio Socialist

Local Cincinnati will hold a propa ganda meeting at Local Headquarters, July 25th. Subject, "Minimum Wage Scale, Law and Karl Marx

Local Cincinnati's annual pienic will be held at Tierman's Grove Sunday, Aug. 4th. Tickets 25c.

#### LOCAL TOLEDO WILL PICNIC

Local Toledo will hold a picnic on July 28th, we are informed. Comrade Marguerite Prevey or Comrade Scott Wilkins will speak, also Toledo's Socialist councilmen will address the

### DO YOU LIKE THE STATISTICIAN'

WE DO What do you think of "The Statistician?" Comrade Catlin wants to know. Speaking for ourselves think it is good and we believe the comrades thruout the state appreciate the time and work which he puts in, in making the "Statistician" column interesting as well as instructive. It has among other virtures that of being entirely original and we think is proving a benefit to the organization. We give Comrade Catlin credit for the increased number of monthly reports which have reached us this last nonth. How to get locals to render promptly monthly reports has been a problem with us as it has with every other State Office. Perhaps it is true that Comrade Catlin has hit upon the method and we here wish him more strength to his elbow.

In this same connection we may state that we are asking Comrade Catlin and Anna Allison to submit drawings of title heads for our Y. P. S. L. Department. Nothing is too good OF FARMERS for The Ohio Socialist and we mean Comrade A. B. Hollenbaugh, of to make it better and still better as time goes and opportunity comes.

#### M A L COMRADES ACTIVE

Comrades Mrs. E. L. Sherman of couraging letter. They are pushing the Ohio Socialist in that part of the state. Having an automobile they are able to do some most effective work They pledge their help to the utmost in Socialist propaganda in that dis

Just a word of counsel to our M. A. comrades may not be amiss here. There is a job for you in the Socialist movement even tho you are Lawrence Williams of Hubbard is en- not a member of a local. Most every meanness to the capitalists, I got one one of you can distribute a few copies of the O. S. each week. You can collect campaign and Debs Defense funds-the most important work at hand just now. You can keep your dues paid ahead and can do persona! work among your acquaintances which will bear good fruit. There's a job for all in the Socialist Party and the movement needs and deserves the best efforts of each and all of us.

Indeed, indeed. Such quaint logic and reasoning.

Benson heads his second article "The Socialist Party Must Back Up Before It Can Go Ahead." Hardly, Benson. But if you imagine yourself in the driver's seat you are due for many more surprises, for the frisky mare will insist on going her own gait. She's bound for straight ahead and won't back up worth a darn.

What is the matter with the Socialist Party? Can't Benson drive it? Has it taken the bit and named the road without sufficient consultation with the former candidate? Does the party seem such a child to Benson that he fears it don't know its own mind? Does Benson in his bigness see the party so small that it can be stepped on and crushed?

What's the matter with the Socialist Party? Rather, what's the matter with Benson?

#### A PICTURE WITH A STORY GREAT MEET PLANNED

FOR KENMORE We are just in receipt of such good letter from Comrade Seibert, and profit of our comrades. If your local is lax in organization ways and means, read this letter. If you are wondering how to put some pep and lief into your local, read this letter. If you want to learn how to make your meetings interesting, how to instill comradeship and sociability into your members read this letter and hen get your comrades together; read this letter to them and then ge ousy on the job of doing instead of

The letter follows: "I appreciated our letter. It was so encouraging to you said in your letter, most men are quite willing to leave their wives the rearing of the children and while they minds of some of the men here and tween them. we took in three more women comrades into membership.

"I was lected Ohio Socialist Correspondent at last night's meeting. It was a very enthusiastic meeting and full of pep. Made final arrangements for the social and lawn fete which will be held at Shady Side Park, Kenmore, Aug. 21. All candidates for the 24th and 26th Senatorial, the Representative for Congress of the 14th district and all candidates of Summit County will be introduced to the public. A good feature of the evening will e music by the Ladies' Brass Band of Barberton. A large supply of literature will be on hand for sale and good things for the children.

Aside from the good times promised the social side, a very vital side to Hundreds every organization. comrades of Summit County meeting together on such an occasion will make for comradeship, create closer ties of friendship and solidify our movement as nothing else can.

Now, all together, every Socialist and sympathizer, come and bring your friends and make this gathering one of the greatest ever pulled off in Summit county." Fred W. Seibert.

#### CLARK COUNTY COM> RADES IN FRONT RANKS

A letter from Comrade Wm. B Crowell of Springfield, shows a spirit of progress and stick-to-itiveness that is commendable and should be emulated by every local in Ohio. Here's what Comrade Crowell says for the comrades of Clark county: "Enclosed find money order for \$6.25, \$3.25 for Sustaining Stamps, \$3.00 for Ohio Socialist subs. Clark County is going to boost the Ohio Socialist and we hope other locals will do the same.

All requests from the state office have been complied with and things are looking fine." Can your local beat that, comrade? Can it?

### LAKEWOOD BRANCH IN

ACTION Lakewood of Cuyahoga their ambitions. It was organized the railroads and the mines have money members and now has twenty more. The members meet at the homes of members and always combusiness at their meetings. Most of 100 per cent pledged on Local Cuyahoga County's Sustaining Fund. The branch will hold a picnic at Edgewater Park July 27th. It is ex-

### EXECUTIVE COMMIT-TEE NOTIONS

pected that a very enjoyable

will be had.

Motion by State Executive Committeeman John P. Baker: "That the that they give us. Osborn, who with her husband, are State Executive Committee allow the members at large, writes a most en- sum of two dollars to each family of imprisoned comrades per week, specifying that same shall be applied to the wants of the comrades in prison." Voting: Yes, Beery, Patterson, in the way of literature distribution. | Sharts, Baker, Bundy. Not Voting: Clifford and Wilkins.

## WHEN MEANNESS

"I mailed you three subs yesterday and just for revenge and darn pur more this morning and am sending it in." A. B. Hollenbaugh, Fostoria.

#### NOW HE'LL GET HIS DUE

Local Belmont County we are informed, will hold a picnic at Navy Grove, Lansing, July 28th. The comrades haveo rdered the Capitalist Ball Game for the occasion. No doubt old Cap will be given another round which will make the affair at the state picnic seem like a Sunday school Belmont County are noted for their

#### MANY LOCALS REQUEST SPEAKERS Requests for speakers are coming

in to the State Office almost daily. Comrades of Cincinnati have requested a speaker for the evening of August 25th, and every Sunday evening after until further notice. Local Piqua says they will take

Debs, Hillquit or Scott Nearing at any time they can be secured. Comrade Lotta Burke will fill several speaking engagements in this state the latter part of July.

### SAY IT'S THE BEST

In a letter with a sub enclosed Comrade Walchli of Bellaire writes: 'Our comrades now speak of the Ohio that we just can't refrain from Thanks, comrades, but it's going to be

# \$5.00 ForWhom?

A comrade has donated \$5.00 to the State Office to be offered as a prize to the boy or girl under thirteen me as I have been working with Local Kenmore for a year trying to get the women interested in Socialism. As we have decided to print all the articles submitted and a committee consisting of Margeurite Prevey of Akron, Jesse Jason Rufner of Seville are busy trying to convert the Henry and Walter Bronstrup of Cleveland, Dubbs at the mills and shops, their will decide which is the best. The boy wives are training more Dubbs to or girl writing the best article gets or girl writing the best article gets take their places. I think your letter the \$5.00. Should two contestants tie, created a different feeling in the the \$5.00 will be divided equally be-

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

#### THE CONTEST IS ON

The contest for the \$5.00 prize as printed above is now on. This week testants, constituted the day's prowe received two splendid essays gram. which follow. We are indeed glad to see our young comrades coming to the izer, who sends in the report supplefront in this matter. We know there ments it by saying: are plenty of boys and girls in the Rebel State of Ohio who can write things were handled pleased everysplendid essays on the greatest sub- one and though 12 recruits were netject in the world—Socialism. So, we ted as a result, we shall not stop here shall expect to have for publication as our league will announce a greater at least one of these prize essays affair to the public in the near fueach week until the contest closes ture. Nov. 1st. Come on youngsters. Show

#### WHAT I KNOW ABOUT SOCIALISM

Socialism grew out of the capitalist system. The Socialist movement is the political expression of the labor movement. One of the principal ob- great success. jects of Socialism is to make the whole world happy.

The majority of the leaders of ehe old parties stand for \$ \$ \$. The Socialists stand for a square and honest deal for all the people

Socialists do not believe in wageslavery and private ownership of public utilities. We are opposed to childabor and I told my mother so when she asked me to wipe the dishes but she said, "Child labor means that children are taken from their homes and nut to work in factories.

The working people do everything only for someone else to enjoy the proceeds of their labor. The working people themselves live in misery. It is terrible this great injustice to the working people. You must stop and reason it all out for yourself. Is it County is a live little organization of right that you and your loved ones men and women comrades who have shall work throughout the long years the success of the Socialist movement and have nothing to show for it, as there are but six weeks left. always in mind and uppermost in while the owners of the shops, the first of the year with a half dozen to squander in idleness and evil-do-

How did they come by it? Money does not grow like grass. Some one bine socialibility, comradeship and must earn it. If we are the ones who do all of the work then the members, perhaps all, buy one we are the ones who earn all of the Sustaining Stamp a month and are money. That which they have they tion. They are building a local comtook from you and from all of the posed not of members of one sex only, rest of the working people. They can but a local of true Socialists and comdo this because they own all of the rades. Comrade Seibert writes: You tools which you must use to do the will note by our report that we have work. If you refuse to let them take three new members. These are the as much as they want they will no wives of comrades. Our object is to onger give you the use of the tools. get the women interested in Socialism They lock up the mills, the factories, and the mines and shut the workers out. Therefore, because we must live, we bow our head and accept anything

But why should they own the tools? If this is a free nation they should not keep you in wage slavery. Why should not the nation itself own all of the factories, the mines, the railroads, the shops? This would save the working people from giving threequarters of their earnings to the bosses. The nation would manage its own affairs for the benefit of all the peo-IS A VIRTUE ple, something after the manner in which the postoffice, the public schools, the bridges and the parks are supposed to be managed today. This idea is known to the world unler the name of Socialism.

Socialists are working people like yourself-tired of giving their life, their strength, in order to keep a whole army of idlers, who suck very life blood out of the workers. It is therefore the duty of every nonest working man and woman to study Socialism, and when they are convinced that the Socialists are all right, to join their ever growing ranks

It depends wholly upon the workevent. For be it known comrades of ing people themselves to make the real change for the better, for which you and every other working woman and working man are longing. For upon the working people depends the welfare of the world. We build the houses, till the ground, run the railorads, bake the bread make the clothing, sail the ships, dig the earth for copper, iron, silver, gold and coal. If you men don't hurry up and vote

for Šocialism we women will take your vote away from you, before the world is destroyed by the greed of capitalism. Socialism shall win.

A little Rebel, nine years old. ELSIE WAHLSTEDT, 10808 Quincy Avenue, Cleveland. | Zanesville ......

#### SOCIALISM

Socialism is the thing for which all s Socialists stand for

Under which our fathers and mothrs and people would receive the full value of their labor.

Our poor friends would be our equal with all others. All would have to do some useful work. No one could be waiting to cheat part out of what

they produce. We would have more pleasure and chance for life and happiness.

MOSES FOLEY, Sutton, W. Va.

### NEWS From YIPSELDOM

Comrade Kruse lectured to the Cininnati comrades July 9th and took p a good collection. He was also intrumental in starting the league in olding a picnic, the proceeds of which hall go to the Million Dollar Fund.

Akron elected officers and they tarted the ball a-rolling by requestng a Kruse date. Some start, keep the good work going.

Mansfield reports the holding of a icnic, their first public affair with an attendance of 200. An admission of 10c was charged and every thing

was sold on the ticket plan Comrades Subick and Anliker of the league, got together with Comrades M. J. Beery and oJhn Schuwanner of the party, were the speakers

of the day. A band, speaking, singing, dancing, refreshments, together with sports of all kinds for which prizes awarded the best boy and girl con-

Comrade Lewis Anliker, the organ-

The efficient manner in which

Comrades, this is the spirit of the leaguememberswhoshall arrange our state convention. Will you give them your support and enable them to instill that spirit into everyone attend-

Have you bought your special as-

sessment stamp yet? The Lorain, Cleveland, Toledo, Detroit and Sandusky picnic was a Lorainites were the first to arrive

on their Socialist truck while Toledo came down on a special car with banners flying. Cleveland Detroit both waltzed over to Cedar Point and then partook in the program arranged.

Comrades from Toledo won both the three-legged and wheelbarrow races, together with the broad jump, while Detroit and Lorain honors of girls and boys' dashes between them. Pictures were taken, yells were

given, songs were sung and last but not least, bathing was resorted to, after which the attendants regretfully departed, saying they will meet again next year. Mansfield is the big Yypsel town

for us this year as our annual state convention will be held there Sept. 1st Leagues are requested to hurry,

#### REAL COMRADESHIP AT KENMORE

The comrades of local Kenmore are learning the essentials of organizathey in turn, can educate the children, who under the present system have their minds poisoned by the school

text books. The comrades are on the right track. Socialism will not come thru the efforts of men only but by the efforts of both men and women cooperating in the fullest extent in the fight for a better day.

#### LOCALS MONTHLY REPORT

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	Akron 3	212	302
	Ashland	. 9	9
	Barberton	8	40
	Belmont Co 3	113.	142
	Cincinnati 2	223	723
	Clark Co 2	24	44
	Cleveland54		
	Conneaut	30	30
	Crestline	13	27
	Continental	6.	6
	Cuyahoga Falls	11	15
	Dayton 1	295	346
	Fairview	19	28
	Grover Hill	10	10
	Hamilton 7	200	342
	Hubbard 2	31	41
	Jenera	30	30
	Kenmore 3	40	73
	Massillon	. 57	8
	Mansfield	20	64
	Marion	19	4
	Marysville	- 3	:
١	Montpelier	56	110
۱	Mt. Vernon	14	14
ļ	Niles	45	5
-	North Star	6	
١	Piqua 1	75	14
į	Salem	40	6
-	Sandusky	21	4
	Seneca Co	30	8
	Steubenville	12	1
	Toledo	215	37
	Wadsworth	- 13	1
	Youngstown S. Sla. 2	73	8
	Zonovillo	29	4

## THE CONVERSION OF JOHN ERWIN

By JESSE JASON RUFNER CHAPTER NINE

Summary of Previous Chapters lage church of Friendsburg, in order guardedly of such subjects as might to arouse his congregation to activity offend the rich members of the church decides to hold a revival and calls in his evangelist friend "Bob" Chal-

mers, to assist him. John Erwin, a landlord of many acres, is the main support and pillar Malcolm, the daughter of a once ily, has turned his daughter, Allie, in the church, a conscientious but wealthy and high minded man, too from home upon the discovery that grasping man. Among his several tenants are Bill and Sally Long and their brood of youngsters.

Sis daughter. Lucy, a sincere church worker is secretly in Shane, the blacksmith, a hearty, his strength of character. Shane, tho sharp-tonqued and sincere friend of not a church-goer, is influenced to sermons became the talk and surprise the climax of his life. He stumblingly the poor, who is in love with Lucy, assist in getting a crowd of non- of the community. He becomes a critic but heroically proposes and is accept the too diffident to speak of it.

cluded to have it out with John Er- surely win. He did not know just how to begin, but it was not his way to tackle a job and not finish it. He knew Erwin was a hard proposition, but surely there was a vulnerable spot somewhere in his make-up, and he resolved to probe until he found it.

He was up bright and early and out at the barn helping with the chores. A row of sleek, contented cows, standing in their stanchions, occupied one side of the big barn. On the other side were a dozen farm horses. In box stalls at either end. were colts and the trotting horses which were the pride of their master's heart. Another large barn to the rear, was filled with hay. At one side stood two mammoth silos. On two sides as far as the eye could reach, almost, extended Erwin's possessions. He had bought farm after farm, unhad been allowed to run down. Erwin purchase an outfit?" had never spent a dollar on them. The whole country-side was a picture of desolation. Acres upon acres, were all made by machinery and tinners covered with swamps. Forests had don't peddle the way they did years I'll turn the hog business over to you. been robbed of their valuable timber. ago." Fine orchards were going to waste for lack of attention.

desolation, thought of the homes this Where are your independent shoeland should have on it. He thought makers now, who owned their own into the house, so they passed on. of the countless thousands who were shop, their own tools and the finished living from hand to mouth in both product for which they demanded city and country, and his heart grew their own price? Where are the oldbitter within him. He thought of the fashioned wagon-makers and hund-Longs and their hard struggle to live; reds of other independent tradesmen? of Matthew and his desire for an edu- First they formed combinations, then well if her earns it." Chalmers wisecation, and then of the self-satisfied corporations and then 'trusts.' Comlittle preacher who had squeezed so petition crowded the small fellow out, many reluctant dollars from this and now those who would work at monster for foreign missions.

ing, his host came around the corner bor. Each man does a certain part of repairing. of the barn. Catching Chalmers' eye work by the aid of a machine. A pair be swept his arm toward his vast of shoes passes through nearly a hunpossessions: "All mine, those farms dred pair of hands before it reaches you see yonder, one thousand acres its ultimate destination. Not one of of as good land as ever laid out doors. those men owns tools, trade or the planned to cut this orchard down and started with just this farm that right to work. Father left me, thirty years ago. I "Mr. Erwin, what gives you the in-

has prospered me." Chalmers quietly. "It looks very des- centive, utter discouragement, that there. olate to me, those buildings, that ails the laborer of today. There is picture, in my mind, pleasant homes ray of light ahead. scattered through that valley. I seem to hear the merry laughter of care-with me over to the Longs. I shall for you, couldn't make you creep to come out here at you that I have in mind." night and feel all that desolation There is not a light to be seen beyond understand, I'm not promising anythe Long's, for miles. Doesn't it make thing further."

"I never thought of it that way." said Erwin. "It does look sort of lone- Lucy's cheeks; he knew by her face time, suppose we meander along that said Erwin. "It does look sort of lone- they's ententing out of the ordinary way and see."
some now you spoke of it. It would that something out of the ordinary way and see." cost a mint of money to keep all those buildings in repair, and besides I do not need them."

had occurred. He could guess what it was, and sincerely rejoiced. Ned Shane was a man after his own heart. affairs with his other charges, so he

do not need them.' have been wanting to talk to you seriously, ever since I came here, and over Chalmers unfolded his plan. "Let bled. He was afraid the blame for somehow I do not know just how to begin. Your type of men are the hard-win, "for what it is actually worth, him. He resolved to have it out with demus, the bible tells us of. You remember he said in answer to the master, 'All these things I have kept back pay or something like that. How of the Before about her the member he said in answer to the master, 'All these things I have kept back pay or something like that. How of the Before about her the member has a finite demand the said in answer to the master have back pay or something like that. How of the Before about her the member has a finite demand the said in answer to the master have been anything, unless you can call it be set to see the said in anything th do to be saved?' Christ answered. for you, Mr. Erwin?"

'One thing thou lackest, sell what thou hast and give to the poor.'

'Many nours a day does a man work preciate his own feeble efforts; so he five in the morning and got through the many nours a day does a man work preciate his own feeble efforts; so he five in the morning and got through the many nours a day does a man work preciate his own feeble efforts; so he five in the morning and got through the morning car for the morning and got through the morning and got through the morning and got through the morning car for the morning and got through the morn from my youth up. Now what must I

thou hast and give to the poor.'
"Now, Mr. Erwin, I do not pretend to say to you to sell all you have and give to the poor, for I believe that is up to your own conscience. You are a Christian, you have your bible, and a can study these things out for yours. can study those things out for yourself. Have you ever called on the Longs since he worked for you?"

No, I can't say that I have. I pay him his wages. I could get lots of men thing like that with the Longs, cheaper if I wanted to board them. I would have to do as much for the give them a place to live and there rest of them. They are a set of beg-my responsibility ends. If he does not gars, Chalmers. I would get no thanks want to work for me at the wages I pay, he does not have to. I do not own him, you know.'

"No, I know you do not own him," pursued Chalmers, "But don't you think the man would be better off it you did? Don't you think those childthem and their physical condition was ity I have seen in many a day."

"Their mother is to blame for that. They have enough given them if she would use a little judgment fixing things up for them. She is just plain shiftless. Why, man, if I should begin to god-father such people as those I would be bankrupt in a year. They would spend it faster than I could make it. You see you haven't had the experience with such people that I have. Why, they do not know the first

thing about economy. "When I first bought these farms, I had a tenant on every one of them. Now, with all my new machinery, don't need only about one quarter as many men. I plow with a tractor; use a gasoline engine for almost every thing else and I wish the time would come when I didn't need a man. This hired help you get in the country is a

mighty shiftless lot. "Do you realize, Mr. Erwin, that in every business, machinery is fast supplanting hand labor? Do you know that is the main cause of unemployment? Now what is to become of all the laborers if all employers look on

Chalmers arrives and in conversa- first sermon. Johnathan Crane, pastor of the vil-tion with Rev. Crane is told to speak offend the rich members of the church the peor and of criticism to the weal-Chalmers replies with the story of his poverty-stricken childhood and strug-Si Perkins, a hard man who has deoffend the rich members of the church poverty-stricken childhood and strugthe he had never since met her.

> friendship with him, recognizing her little daughter.
> is strength of character. Shane, the Chalmers' radical and "unorthodox" church attendants to hear Chalmers'

The next morning Chalmers con- tian, you cannot say you do not care,

"I have always believed 'that where Erwin, eyeing the boy sharply. there was a will there was a way,' returned Erwin. "If a man really wantmy father's time saw. Father was a and now just look at them?" tinner, traveled for miles through unbroken forests with an ox-team carrving his tools. Mother and we boys staid at home and raised the living. People worked those days. That is the way my folks paid for this place. erything for folks and took my pay Something is wrong with this gen- in feed. eration. They seem to lack stamina and moral purpose.

"Mr. Erwin, I do not agree with you there. You say your father was a night because he needs them." tinner. Because he made a success of til he owned a thousand acres. The start out as a tinner, providing he could raise mine as good as you have buildings on the various properties could raise the amount necessary to yours?"

> "Why no, Chalmers, he couldn't do | "if you would pay me something so just that now, because tin things are could help my folks."

"No," said Chalmers, "and you can and I will show you all about it."
"All right, sir," said Matthew, hi name few other trades a man can make Chalmers, as he gazed on all this good at independently, these days. those things have no say as to the While he was thus busily ponder- conditions under which they must la-

tell you, it is possession; you are "It is yours to hold in trust," said working for yourself. It is lack of in-

"I'll go with you," said Erwin, "but think?"

five in the morning and get through Friendsburg. at seven or eight at night."

thing for them."

man, but if I should undertake a went down to Shanes blacksmith shop, thing like that with the Longs, I so he knew nothing of the proposed

"As a stockman, Mr. Erwin," pursued Chalmers, "You know it is not good policy to work underfed horses. I notice your stables are models of can assure you I bitterly regret my comfort and cleanliness. You have ren would be better off if you owned learned to know if you want good service from an animal, you must give him good care. In all justice, should what I want to know is this: Shall I of some value to you? They are the him good care. In all justice, should most miserable specimens of human not your human help have just as him good care. In all justice, should much claim to your consideration? and preach the balance of the ser-There is a boy over here, Mr. Erwin, Matthew Long, you may have noticed

"Can't say that I have. They all

look alike to me."
"You should have done so, if you have not. He is well worth noticing. He wants an education, decent clothing, a chance to go to school. He is past school age, seventeen I should judge, although he is undersized. I think you ought to help him. I want you to see some pigs he has raised. He intended to sell one of them to buy books and clothing so he could attend school, but his people are in such hard circumstances that he will

have to give it up. "Now, Mr. Erwin, here is your opportunity. I want you to size up the whole outfit. Put yourself in Bill Long's place and figure from his

Matthew was in the back yard sawing wood when Chalmers and Erwing came around the corner of the house.

The sermon he preached was a fear his way fighting alone against social

less one and a source of inspiration to

gle for life. With his meeting with veloped his farm at the expense of the paths, yet his manhood and social the nurse at the hospital, Eulalie the happiness and welfore of his fam consciousness prevail. scrupulously honest to remain rich, she has been led astray. Allie returns who became a beacon light in his life and is befriended by Ned Shane and his aged mother. A nurse from the Chalmers meets Shane and strikes city is sent for to care for Allie and

of prevailing social institutions. He ed

Matthew led the way to the pen. whether ye are 'Reform,' or what ye 'Where did you get them?" inquired

"Jim Brown gave them to me," returned Erwin. "If a man really wanted to get on in the world there would spoiled the looks of his drove, so he be some way. I believe I could man- let me have them for running er- say?" asked Crane, who imagined he afe even at my age, if I were to lose rands for him. I guess he thought all I have. These people don't begin they would die anyhow, but I doctorto see the hard times the pioneers of ed them up and they began to grow

"Where did you get the feed for them?" pursued Erwin. "I ran errands, delivered groceries for Jed Simmons-oh, I did most ev-

"Well, well," said Erwin, 'and what are you going to do with them?" "I gave them to my father last

"How would you like to raise hogs it, would you advise Bill Long to for me, young man? Suppose you "I should like to try." said Matthew

> "All right then, that is a bargain Come up to the house this afternoon

eyes shining, "I'll be there." mers did not intend to take Erwin "You understand," said Erwin, "this is purely a business proposition with me. I lose a lot of hogs every year because of improper care and feeding. I can afford to pay the boy ly let it go at that. They walked on and on. Here was a fine orchard going to waste for lack of care. trees needed pruning, underbrush needed burning and the fence needed

"How much do vou reckon goes t waste there. Erwin, for lack of care? Erwin scratched his head. "You see am no fruit man, Chalmers. I had

but I had not got around to it."
"Why dont you let some poor mar have worked hard and saved, and God centive to work so tirelessly? Let me live here rent free for a term of years, and work this orchard on shares? There must be five hundred trees in

"Where would you find a man that swamp and that ruined forest. I can nothing to work for; not one single would do it, Chalmers? I would not know how to go about it."

"How is that man Coy who works free children. I should think it would never rest until I lay a plan before thrifty people and would much rather work

"Well, maybe, but I will tell you, I am not as enthusiastic over these The two men went into breakfast. things as you seem to be. I will think Chalmers noticed an added color to it over however. It must be dinner

"Mr. Erwin," said Chalmers, "I After breakfast, Erwin went with might devote the balance of the week est in the world for a preacher to the house and outbuildings and two Chalmers, if need be, and fill out the tackle. I do not wonder that so many or three acres of land. You don't need | balance of the week with his own fail at it. You are like that man Nico- it and they will never have a home carefully chosen sermons. He did not many hours a day does a man work bers of the Reform church, better ap-

No one was expecting him, and he not miss it, and it would be a fine at Erwin's and Lucy told him her father would be at liberty at 1 o'clock. "Oh yes, I suppose it would, young Immediately after dinner, Chalmers

conference. The Reverend Crane got down to business with few preliminaries. "I for it, and in five years they would all be worse off than they are now." realize." said he meekly, "that I am at fault, getting this man here. I had not seen him for years, and was not aware of the radical turn he had taken. It is very unfortunate and I indiscretion. His sermons as you know, are totally unorthodox, and he dismiss him on some pretext or other, mons myself, or what shall I do to

rectify my mistake?" Old Jonas Radcliffe rose to his feet, leaning heavily on his cane. He had been deacon for more than thirty years. "I think for one," he began, "that you had better preach the rest of the sermons yourself. That fellow never was a Reform preacher in the first place, and his ideas wil

demoralize things terrible.

"He hangs around with Ned Shane, the blacksmith, too much to suit me." put in Joshua Barnaby, "and he as we all know, is a rank unbeliever.' Walter Crosby then took the floor. He was one of the younger generation. "Well, I'll tell you what I think about it. To be perfectly honest, he hits us all too hard just where we are sorest, and we don't like it. For my Principles of Scientfic Socialism, part, I am willing to take my medicine for I know I need it. I move we Revolutionary Essays, Burrowes 1.00 Science and Superstition, Lewis. 50 Catholic Church and Socialism,

week." "I second that motion," said Jed 

WASHINGTON

A visit to Washington these days certainly leaves an mpression on the visitor of the reality of war.

The nation's capitol is now a seething cauldron of war activity. You the boulevards, up in the air and over battles with himself if he shall go on the water.

While Congress is talking of contug of the silken cord which binds scripting labor, a mighty Caponi aerothe mental prostitute. He feels the plane is roaring in the heavens above; loneliness of those who tread unbeat- while dinner is being served in the Willard, people stroll in from the four corners of the globe and talk cement ships, steel contracts, war department service. Out on the sidewalks thousands of men in uniform

come and go throughout the day. Over in the lowlands and the vacant spaces of the city steam shovels are pitching dirt skyward. Temporary buildings are being knocked to gether as fast as three shifts of men will accomplish it. There are the food administration buildings, the fuel administration buildings, the army hospital buildings and the navy buildings. Areas that formerly made visare, only so you are a Christian. I tas for imposing monuments or dignithink this town has strained at gnats fied public buildings are giving way and swallered camels long enough. I to ugly short lived structures needed

to carry on the war. Brother Erwin, what have you to Millions of dollars are being spent. Washington is packed and almost unwass ure of his ground here at least. able to take care of the big army that Erwin rose to his feet. "I don't has been brought there in the adknow what to say, Chalmers is a mighty fine fellow, if I don't think just | ministration of war activities

The deplorable thing about the as he does. There is one thing about whole situation is that everybody in him that I like. He is sincere. He has, hit some of us pretty hard, and he Washington seems to be talking monhas rather quixotic ideas; still, I be- ey. You hear nothing but war conlieve he is doing the whole commun- tracts in riding into Washington in ity good. Just because he raps me the smoking car. You hear nothing pretty hard is no sign he should quit else after you arrive. As Arthur Brispreaching here eW don't agree on a bane put it in his Washington Times, whole lot of things, but he holds his everybody in Washington is getting own ground mighty well, I must say. "He tells me right to by face what and the landlords are making things more miserable than ever for them. ne thinks of me, and he would do it. I

The lavish manner in which money is being spent certainly staggers the visitor.

Jonathan Crane's feelings were, Students of conditions are becomconsiderably mixed. He did not know ing anxious over the future. There if he were glad or sorry at the turn is no denying that there is a powerful things were taking. There was one element in Washington determined thing sure, he would not sit on need to keep up the military establishment after the war. Universal service is heard everywhere. It is evident that dles through the remainder of Chalmer's sermons, whatever he might say, for he had discretly shifted that load an attempt will be made to put universal service over during the war. The advocates of the cause know that they will never be able to bring the American people over to compulsory Forgetfulness in reguservice in times of peace. And so the lar dues payments means program is to force it through during war time and use the old game of a monkey wrench in our branding as disloyal anybody who opposes the plan. If the Republicans win in the congressional elections this fall on a universal military service program we will have Henry Ca-It's better to be safe bot Lodge chairman of the senate than sorry. Pay dues tocommittee on foreign affairs and Julius Kahn over in the house leading

> And back over the country the millions of overburdened people will be asked to foot the bill.-Madison Captal Times.

the militarists.

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