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# Mooney and Labor Will Not Accept Commutation -Fickert Caught Red-Handed by U. S. Dictaphone

# Nation's Workers Demand New Trial

TOILERS EVERYWHERE PREPARE TO PUSH STRIKE AND OTHER PROTEST MOVEMENTS-COMMUTATION OF SENTENCE CALLED SOP-DEMAND MADE FOR PUNISHING FICKERT RING.

(New York Call News Service)

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 29 - From his cell in San Quentin prison Thomas J. Mooney issued a statement today in which he called upon labor to help bring about his unconditional pardon. Both Mooney and his friends are dissatisfied over the action of Governor William D. Stephens in commuting his sentence to life imprisonment.

Mooney's statement was censored by Warden Johnson of San Quentin before it was given out, because it abused Governor Stephens. The statement follows:

'Governor Stephens: It is my life you are dealing with. I demand that you revoke the revocation of my death sentence to a living death. I prefer a glorious WE MUST NOW ORGANIZE death at the hands of my traducers, you included, to a living grave. I am innocent.

"I demand a new and a fair trial or my unconditional liberty through a pardon. If I were guilty of the crime for which I have been unjustly convicted, hanging would be too good for me. Then, why com-

mute my sentence to life? "Labor everywhere: I say to you, | tion. I now appeal to you again to as I said the night that the Cham-Governor Stephens had the ber of Commerce jury returned the death penalty verdict against me, that my hope, as well as the hope of Billings, Nolan, Weinberg and Mrs. Mooney, was in the solidarity of organized labor. I shall never depart from that statement.

Workers, it has been my privilege to choose the honorable route in this case. That same offer has been made to everyone of the defendants, and even to the relatives of the defend-ants. I would rather hang a thousand

by this that we want to be framed to tence to life imprisonment has been tell a certain story, the same as all of made public, lost none of its determithe perjurors who were framed nation to strike Dec. 9. Labor de-

not have the GUTS to hang Mooney.

Do not delude yourself with the idea

that the Governor of California-sud-

denly had a case of enlargement of the heart and, therefore, commuted

and just like a good dog that readily

obeys its master, so to did the Gov-

ernor of California obey his masters.

the great fight! They admit that they

are afraid to hang Mooney—the agi-tator. Now that the death part of

newed energy; let's work longer,

workers on the "Frame-up" Mooney and his co-defendants.

Comrades and friends we have won

His masters' voice spoke in his ear

Mooney's sentence to life.

# TELEGRAM

# DEBS TO MOONEY

Tear up that commutation and fling the scraps into the brazen face of the corporation hireling that insulted you and the working class by that infamous act. Let Patrick Henry once more speak thru you-"Give me liberty or give me death!" There must be no compromise. You are innocent and by the eternal, YOU SHALL GO FREE. The working class is aroused as never before in history. They will tear the murderous clutch of criminal capitalism from your throat! All hail the general strike! If they insist on war, let it come. We have nothing to lose but our chains. Stand by your colors and the workers of the world will stand by you. VICTORY OR DEATH! -Eugene V. Debs.

By EUGENE V. DEBS.

The war is over, the political campaign is ended, and now what?

The greatest work ever cut out for it now confronts the working class nd issues its challenge to the Socialist movement.

The world is now ready for the workers, but are the workers ready for

That is the great question of the day and its answer will shape the future and determine the destiny of the race for another generation and verhaps another century.

The choice the workers of the world now have to make is between capialist despotism and Socialist freedom; between wage-slavery and industrial democracy. Their masters and exploiters are of course uniformly for capitalism and slavery and it naturally follows that their press, their pulpit, their political henchmen and their retainers on the bench, at the bar, in school and college and every other social institution, are for the same program.

Against this powerful and hitherto impregnable combination, the work ers of every nation have contended in vain, the only result of the beating of the Ohio Socialist, which will be issued Dec. 31.

This edition will be the best we ever got out. Filled on every page with a ricicles of the world revolution, which is sweeping along like a torrent, it will prove of intense interest to all workers.

their wings against the bars of their industrial prison being to obtain a few paltry concessions from their masters, and these tive served to placate twint. Wake up the workers. Bring discontent and silence protest except upon the part of the small minority the distribution of the "Victory Edition". of revolutionary Socialists who have kept the agitation alive and who have tion" before your local. Decide upon persistently demanded the overthrow of capitalism and the destruction of wage-slavery, thereby incurring the hatred of not only the master class by Dec. 25. \$1.00 per hundred. but of the very slaves by whose side they toiled and for whose liberation they were battling as well as their own, knowing that the solidarity of their class, at whatever cost to themselves, was the price of liberation.

And now these revolutionary Socialists, these "undesirable citizens" in the eyes of the thieving profiteers and exploiters, looking backward over the past, especially the last four years, are asking the workers of the world if they are prepared to take their masters at their word—the masters of all nations who united in the battle cry of "Democracy"-and establish democracy, real democracy throughout the world.

The profiteers, plutocrats and pirates who constitute the ruling class of every nation on earth under the present system of capitalism all shouted in unison that the war was for "Democracy" and now let their exploited slaves who outnumber them twenty to one, proceed to carry out the purpose for which the deluge of blood was shed in the war, the purpose which justified the war and made it a patriotic and humane war according to the aristocratic and plutocratic masters—let the toilers, peasants and soldiers, the common people, the useful people who operate the mills, till the soil and harvest the crops, delve in the mines, sail the ships and perform all other necessary social service, let them now unite to carry out the program of the war as announced by the masters and establish the democratic commonwealth in every nation on earth.

The extent to which the workers will succeed or fail in carrying out this program will be determined by the extent to which they are industrially and politically organized. Without organization or with organization that is either lacking in revolutionary spirit and purpose or entirely reactionary, there is no hope. The revolution may be precipitated by the forces underlying society, but the workers will be in no position to take advantage of it and install themselves in power, thereby achieving their freedom and enjoying its blessings for soon, very soon the counter-revolution will throw their unorganized, undisciplined ranks into confusion and dismay and drown their revolution in their own blood.

Now, as never before, the working class have their opportunity to free themselves from the bondages of the ages and walk the earth its sovereign rulers. If they fail and sink back into the slavery which existed before the war and still exists, the catastrophe will be due entirely to see lack of revolutionary industrial and political organization.

In Germany the workers are at this hour face to face with their immediate fate and their future destiny. At the beginning of the war the great majority failed the cause and were swept into the torrent of militarism and reaction. Their weakness, to put it mildly, destroyed the International and created bitter disappointment in Socialist circles throughout the world.

Will the German workers measure up in the supreme crisis and stand as staunchly for Socialism and democracy now as they weakly yielded to The LADY BARBERS capitalism and militarism in 1914?

Will they follow the brave and inspiring examples of their Russian comrades and scorn compromise in every form, determined to survive or perish with their revolutionary principles?

Shall it be Liebknecht or Scheidemann? It cannot be both. These two elements will not mix. It must be one or the other. Let us hope there is no real basis for doubt as to which it will be. Scheidemann in any form means death to the revolution. A thousand times rather that the revolution should perish with Liebknecht than survive with Scheidemann!

But to return to the question of organization. That is the question with

The late elections were in some respects disappointing because our party

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# him to commute Mooney's sen-tence, the governor said he had made a careful review of the case, and found no reason why Mooney should escape punishtimes than to as much as even enter; and San Francisco has, since news of tain a dishonorable thought. I mean the commutation of Mooney's sen-

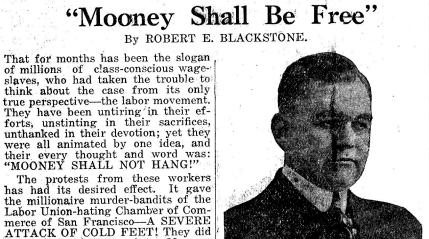
case under consideration since last March, when the California supreme court affirmed Mooney's

conviction, and an application for

In explaining causes which led

a pardon was made.

I refuse to accept the commuta-pardon.



Latest Photo of Thos. J. Moone Taken Since Entering Death Cell.

get him out. Now all together: One! Two! Three! Go! Go you agitators, educators, organizers; inspire the masses with your slogan: "Mooney Shall be Free!" And lo! the man Mooney and all his kind will cease to Mooney's sentence has been taken care of once for all, let's dig in with re- rot in prisons.

harder; agitate, organize; educate the Oh for a taste of real freedom, devoid of its theory. Not such as is talked of, that we have not got. For Change our old slogan: "Mooney Shall Not Hang!" to "Mooney Shall be of such the people grow weary. But Free!" On the job night and day until Mooney is among us, a "free man" burden will bear, with a heart that using the clarion voice of the persebeats true, in the work each should cuted wage-slave that dared to resist his masters. Mooney will be a great | do, and plant joy in the world everypower for organization-come let's where.

Come, hear the latest news of the "frameup" of Mooney and his co-defendants, Sunday night, "Somewhere," in Cleveland. Nationally known speakers will present the case from every angle. Watch the papers for place of meeting and names of speakers. Admission

# which we are at this hour most vitally concerned. free. Bring someone.

Ravenna Dec. 7th' Akron Dec. 15th, Salem Dec. 17th, Lima Dec. 18th,

HEAR EUGENE V. DEBS

Canton Dec. 19th, New Bremen Dec. 20th

Other Dates Will Be Announced Later

# Her Last Meetings and Then to Jail



speak in Cleveland Dec. 8. Dec. 9 she will fill a date at Canton and at Co-

Go hear this wonderful and inspiring woman. Appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court has been denied Compressional to the Court has been denied to the Court has been de rade O'Hare and she has been cited to begin her prison term about Dec. 20.

#### Celebrate Victory DISTRIBUTE "Victory Edition"

If you are an internationalist you will want to celebrate the victories of Socialism. The best way you can do this is to order for distribution a hundred or more copies of the "Victor Edition" of the Ohio Socialist, which

Start the New Year right. Dis-tribute the "Victory Edition" in your a wide distribution of it in your city.

# THEM By ANISE in Seattle Union Record.

Here are two straws How the WIND BLOWS These days At a Central Labor Council. There was a resolution Not to allow workers To become DELEGATES Unless they are AMERICAN CITIZENS, PATRIOTIC argument On this subject, But some one laughed:
"Does the Chamber of Commerce Refuse MEMBERSHIP To BUSINESS MEN Who aren't citizens? Why, here was Frank Waterhouse, ONG ENOUGH To run for MAYOR, And neither HE Nor his FRIENDS "If we exclude Will that make the BOSS Exclude them from working In HIS factories, OUR WAGES?" They TABLED the resolution! Because the division Between worker and boss Seemed MORE IMPORTANT In UNION MEMBERSHIP Than the division Between CITIZEN and ALIEN! And the same evening And President Proctor (As was his duty) That, by their CHARTER, The Central Labor Council

To accept UNIONS Unless they were RECOGNIZED By an INTERNATIONAL, DIRECTLY By the American Federation of Labor.
And the LADY BARBERS Had been REFUSED recognition By both these AUTHORITIES. But after they heard ALL THIS

The delegates Of the Central Labor Council Opened their arms The LADY BARBERS, Because they are coming To THIS conclusion And ALIENS And workers in general: ANY ONE Who is a worker Fit for the BOSS To ORGANIZE."

# FRAME-UP, BRIBERY, SEDITION BARED IN MOONEY INQUIRY

(San Francisco Call)

A record of corrupt manipulation of criminal justice in San Francisco of such proportions as to stagger the imagination was bared Nov. 22 in a voluminous report submitted by J. B. Densmore, director general of employment, to his chief, W. B. Wilson, United States Secretary of Labor, at Washing-

It is the more amazing in its pattern since it reveals the methods used by the district attorney's office to fix guilt upon the defendants in the "Preparedness Day" bomb cases, while nullifying the prosecution of persons caught red handed in violations of the law.

Charles M. Fickert has been trapped by a dictaphone, installed in his offices in the early part of June by a force of half a dozen men working under Densmore. He is shown in a deliberate conspiracy to "frame" witnesses against Mrs. Mooney, wife of Thomas Mooney. Fickert has been shadowed by government operatives in his almost every act, public and private, during all this period. The dictaphone has caught his conversations as they related in whole or in part to the administration of affairs in the district attorney's

That which could be only mildly suspected as to the influences at work with Fickert, not only in the Mooney case, but in almost all other activities of the office, are exposed in a naked state by the Densmore report.

It shows Fickert and others of his force in illicit and unscrupulous bargains with the McDonough brothers, Pete and Tom, for the fixing of cases and the release of persons brought to the bar of justice for criminal excesses. Eddie Bryant, tax collector of the city and county of San Francisco, responding to the McDonough touch ,is given the role of "fixer" in his attempt on July 3 to bribe Juror Phillips in the case of Dr. Card, notorious mal-practitioner. Benny Selig, butcher, collector of campaign funds for Fickert and dispenser of sweetbreads and pork tenderloins to Fickert, the McDonoughs and others of his political patrons, flits in and out of some of the pages as he conspires with the McDonoughs and Fickert to bring about a dismissal of David Blaine, auto tire thief, arrested on September 23.

The most astounding of all revelations is the charge embodied against Judge F. W. Henshaw, former justice of the state supreme court, as part of a confession by William J. Dingee, that a bribe amounting to \$410,000 was paid to Henshaw, then a member of the court, in part by Dingee and Frank J. Moffit, the latter now dead, for Henshaw's vote in the famous Fair

Henshaw is singled out in the report, first, because of what he has always represented in the state judiciary; and secondly, because with Attorney Frank Drew, he has been Fickert's chief of counsel in the "bomb" cases. He is the man who discovered Fickert as the one best fitted to dismiss the cases pending against Calhoun and other defendants in the graft prosecution.

The Dingee allegations against Henshaw are backed up by documents which sustain in every way the bribery in the Fair case. In league with Henshaw and Drew, representing those corporate interests opposed to labor here and elsewhere; and Martin Swanson, detective of the Pacific Gas and Electric Company and United Railroads, who gathered, or assisted in gathering, the bulk of the testimony used against the "Preparedness Day" defendants. Fickert is unmasked by the report as a mere automaton in the hands of more

The desperate plight in which the district attorney finds himself in the "bomb" cases is expressed in his efforts to connect up with Mooney names of others upon whom some stigma might rest. There are several passages relating to meetings or conversations between Fickert and Deputy United States Marshal Thomas Mulhall, who was assisting in the I. W. W. cases in Sacramento. Each profess to believe that the two cases, that of the Mooneys and the I. W. W. are bound up together.

Once, however, the fear is expressed by Mulhall that if a slip should occur in the prosecution of either office, that he and Fickert would slide down

While assuming horror at the supposed utterances of alleged disloyal subjects in the United States, whom he termed I. W. W.'s, anarchists and agitators, Fickert was not loath to express his own personal contempt of

Once he referred to the President as "the worst person in the whole war and that the only question with him was politics." On another occasion he stated that President Wilson was not man enough to handle the Mooney case.

Because of its intimacy, the dictaphone reports of what has transpired in Fickert's office since the date of installation up to this dismantlement of a few days ago, constitute the most sensational evidence of municipal corruption and prostitution of ideals in high offices that has ever been unearthed in the history of American cities. All of the hidden forces are dragged away from the throat of San Francisco. Police courts, the grand jury-the underground marts of the ctiy-are turned inside out in the Densmore review. Aside from its purpose in exposing the machinations of those in control of the district attorney's office, it furnishes a definite, as well as accurate picture, of a misuse of power and a betrayal of public confidence. Densmore was sent to San Francisco at the expressed wish of the secre-

tary of labor in Washington. There had come to him, independent of reports of other investigators, evidence which showed Fickert to be one of the most dangerous of public officials. The dictaphone was set up with a connecting system that made it possible for conversations in Fickert's offices to be heard by not one, but two and three persons in different sections of the city. In fact the first experiment of its kind was made in San Francisco when the operatives succeeded in carrying the dialogues of the district attorney over two miles of wire.

When Fickert arrived to call up Judge Henshaw, Martin Swanson or any of the other persons with whom he is engaged in his daily plotting, the dictaphone has caught almost every scrap of what was said. How Cunha schemed to "duck" the United States army draft; the perfidious patriotism exhibited by Fickert with respect to President Wilson; his annoyance at the appointment of men friendly to labor to government positions of responsibility and trust—the dictaphone got everything. Only the intimate details of his private or social conversations are withheld here.

Nor are all of the open plots of Fickert with the evil forces of the city incorporated in the report of Densmore to Secretary Wilson. Such a dialogue is carried as will serve to show the background of the district attorney's office in this city; what has actually inspired the introduction of perjured testimony in both the Billings and Mooney cases—the framework of miserable falsehov. and hate—that served effectually in the first two trials, but which came crashing down in those of Weinberg and Mrs. Mooney.

The overwhelming proof of Fickert's guilty knowledge of steps taken to produce a witness who will supplant Frank C. Oxman, in another trial of Mrs. Mooney, is supplied by his own conversations with those who promised

"I don't care how you get this witness down to Steuart and Market streets, if you have to bring her down in a balloon," Edward Cunha, assistant to Fickert, says in effect.

Then Fickert proceeds to "make" a witness who will meet just such an

But the whole detail of the report abounds in so much that is sensational, so much that makes for a clearer understanding of the prejudice built up against the cause of labor-things that are impossible where fact and logic and fair dealing is concerned-that any synopsis can give but a faint idea of its contents.

FICKERT IS TRAPPED—RED HANDED!

# LOOK HERE! Do you like this paper? Then why not pass a good thing on? Get subscibers THAT'S ALL!

# The Woman's Cause

A DEPARTMENT FOR WOMEN WHO THINK.

# Childhood

What sweet emotions the recollec- the United States. tions of childhood inspire and how priceless its treasured memories in our advancing and declining years! der and pure, what an elevating and satisfying influence these little Gods

have upon our maturer years. Childhood! What a holy theme! Flowers they are, with souls in them,

trampled in the mire. Many millions nouncing upon it in the name of God of them have been snatched from the and humanity. the condemnation of cradle and stolen from their play to death. be fed to the forces that turn a work; ingman's blood into a capitalist's gold, and many millions of others have been crushed and perverted into filth for the slums and food for the potters-

Childhood is at the parting of the ways which leads to success or failure, honor or disgrace, life or death. her meetings are always profoundly Society is, or ought to be, profoundly concerned in the nature of the environment that is to mold the character Gay St. The public is invited.

and determine the destiny of its children, and any remissness in such duty is rebuked by the most painful penalties, and these are inflicted with increasing severity upon the people of

Childhood is the most precious charge of the family and the community, but our capitalist civilization sac-Laughing eyes and curly hair, little rifices it ruthlessly to gratify its brubrown hands and bare feet, innocent tal lust for pelf and power, and the and care-free, trusting and loving, ten- march of its conquest is stained with the blood of infants and paved with the puny bones of little children.

What shall the harvest be? The millions of children crushed and if on this earth man has a sacred and slain in the conquest of capitalism charge, a holy obligation, it is to these have not died in vain. From their tender buds and blossoms of human- little martyr graves all over this fair Yet how many of them are prema- springing up as it were, against the turely plucked, fade and die and are system that murdered them and pro-

KATE O'HARE.

Kate Richards O'Hare, noted Socialist lecturer and writer, will speak at Columbus on Tuesday, Dec. 10. Kate O'Hare is recognized as one of the most brilliant speakers the Socialist movement has produced and interesting and instructive.

The meeting will be held at 50 1-2

# OUR WEEKLY POEM

#### All of a Kind

There was me and pap, and some more of the crowd, Was settin' around in Jimmerson's store, When Bill Hawkins told a tale he 'lowed Would set the fellers all in a roar.

Says he: "When I was out in the West, Along on the edge of Ioway, I knowed a feller there that made A hundred dollars in half a day.

"The old Missoo' got on a raise-A regular old Missouri flood-An' this feller thinks he sees a chance In catchin' floatin' logs of wood.

"So he advertised for fifty men "In the Roarin' City Weekly News To meet him on the river bank With skiffs an' boats, or with canoes.

"An' he hired them fellers to ketch that wood, An' all that mornin' the wood they fetched, An' the pay he gave's where the joke came in-He gave them half of what they ketched."

And the fellers laughed at old Billy's yarn, Laughed and said they thought it grand-Yet all of them fellers that cackled so Was workin' on shares on rented land!

'-Indianapolis Journal.

# Does Communism of Ants Prove Socialism Fallacious?

was published in our issue of Nov. 13. Here is Dr. Clark's argument to prove the deadliness of Socialism as exemplified in the development (or lack of it) of the Ant as compared to man, whom he claims has reached his present high stage of development thru the proctices of individualism. Our answers follow:

tellectual activity in the line of insect communities. Dr. Clark is an anti. development, in the line of the six-legged type. (the attainment of ants legged type. (the attainment of ants legged type.) Revolution Proves legged type, (the attainment of ants in colonizing, marshalling armies, failed to reach the high mental plane waging wars, nursing wounded, train- of the human because of the commuing captives, planting gardens, har- nal life it led. vesting crops, feeding stock, storing food, in short, their collectivism as an object to community welfare—Ed.) are a namure occause of their communism is a failwould seem thus to have been accomplished largely through the same is nothing wrong with this, except the period of time when the human line is nothing wrong with this, except the futile to reply to a man as blind as it was ours and the coal shed was psychology of the two ultimate results is separated by processes and di-

as the poles. Neither is to be expres- ly as a human being would. one a deadly communism, a moribund would. partition of labor, a lethal socialism; The ant does some things better outcome. These too are nature's ex- human can do this. periments. The six-legged type, with all its purposes, in its highest expres- environment as the human is to his sion, lies prostrate on the ground at environment. our feet; it and its achievements have risen to nothing higher than an ant hill; its communistic relations and subservience are entirely apart from camel a chair, and by no perversion the true genius of humanity. SO- of reasoning or false logic can it be CIALISM AND COMMUNISM HAVE proven that a camel is a chair because BEEN TRIED OUT AND FOUND it has four legs. CONSPICUOUSLY BEFORE

WANTING, AND NATURE HOLDS EYE OF THE STATE THE WARN- that communism was a failure. THAT THEY HAVE NOTHING This is the peculiar brand of reason-EATHER FOR THE GROWTH OF ing (?) employed by most static-THE SPIRIT OR THE PROGRESS minded antis. Ants and antis are bio-

## Answer to Dr. Clark, Scientist?

By TOM. J. LEWIS.

His brilliant comparisons, the ant

is very highly accomplished consider- are not drunken. The human rarely ing the small brain it possesses. And has leisure to enjoy life. The ant it must be admitted also that the hu- could fare no worse. man, taking the size of his brain into One wonders how the doctor arrived consideration compared to the ant is at his conclusion that communism was yet in a very ignorant stage. But Socialism and that Socialism was a isn't it possible Mr. Clark, that the failure because it was communism. ant has reached his intellectual limit- One equally wonders how the doctor to think that the price we pay for not ations, owing to the dimunitive size arrived at the conclusion that the hu- educating our professors is equal to of his brain? Otherwise they would man race was individualistic. He the price we pay for neglecting our be building pianos, constructing air- surely must have been using some of ball players. Dr. Clark should know ships or delving into science, with the that intellect which is superior to the that Socialism has never been tried result a Dr. Clark would not be ne- intellect of the ant. Or, had they stood on their two hind legs, and developed the other human race is not individualistic. The four legs into hands, how would we earliest record we have of the human

is: That if the atoms or particles solitary confinement. that compose the human form had fought each other rather than co-oper- collectivism is not the aim of Socialated, the human anatomy would be ism. Communists place all their prohigher developed, or to put it in an- ducts in a common fund and all draw that three-fourths of the time, are not other way—that if the ants, like the from this common fund. No Socialist apt to understand the fundamentals of themselves, because they are well sup- hast a job. On Sunday go to church, humans, had constructed a society in all the world ever advocated such Socialism. It takes the pioneers of based on robbery, say like the capital- a state of affairs. The motto of the thought to usher in a new and better ist system, they would have developed communist is: "From each according order. The fundamentals of socialism wasn't it necessity that drove them needs." The motto of the Socialist Dr. Clark proceeds on the suppositute dethal socialism, as you call it? could well be: "From each according tion that man and the ant had an even What forces workers into unions? to his productive ability, to each ac- start, and were equally endowed by What forces unions into federations? | cording as he has produced. And what is forcing the federations into international organizations? Is gether, collectively in factories. He man a superior organization to the it choice, or is it necessity? There-studies collectively in schools. fore. Dr., it is the collective will that worships freak Gods collectively in are there not other animals and inwill free the individual and elevate churches. He is a collectivist-but sects which do not practice communhim thru co-operation. But that is im- he has been taught and believes in a ism who have neither equalled the ant but recent events are making it a possible while the private ownership philosophy of individualism which is nor surpassed man? of the means of life remains. As that contrary to his biologic nature and a breeds the lowest and vilest in men, hindrance to his social well-being are the highest types of insect life, because of the economic insecurity it. The philosophy of individualism keeps and that it is not the socialism they creates, consequencly the collective man striving against his fellow inownership and democratic manage- stead of cooperating with him.

ment must be accomplished, in order to produce for use and not for profit. Then Dr., the individual under such conditions will have an opportunity to lective, (because collective production develop the best that's in him, once is the method whereby most products the bread and butter question is set- can be produced by the least expendi- would hinder his mental ability from hence industrial freedom.

## Concerning Ants and Antis

By W. E. REYNOLDS.

Doctor Clark, in "Science", claims: lives in communities. A human being An ant is a six-legged insect which "This paramount attainment of in- is a two-legged animal which lives in

The doctor reasons thusly: Ants Dear Comrade Allison:

The ant is not a failure. It is true rections of development as wide apart the ant does not do everything exactequally true that a human being does sed, perhaps, in terms of the other. equally true that a human being does. The results are too wide asunder—not do everything exactly as an ant

the other an active, progressive and than a human can-for instance, the ferfile individualism. For the former ant can keep grain in a warm, moist the student of nature's history sees no room without having it sprout. No The ent

A chair has four legs.

A camel has four legs. But a chair is not a camel nor is a

The doctor concludes that Socialism THE is a failure because he had concluded logically related. So, too, is commun-

sm, collectivism and individualism. sciologically related-but communism is not collectivism and ants are not antis. Ants cannot be judged by anti standards. It would be just as reasenable to conclude that ants are more intelligent because they do not pay any rents to the landlord nor profits and the human, are remarkable, for to the profiteer. Like the human the reason that one must forget the family the ant family has its working

size of the brains, as between the class and its leisure class, its systems little ant and the human, to justify of slavery, its wars and police forces. but the lady ants are not the slaves It must be admitted though, the ant of afshion or of sex, and the men ants

Now, Dr., what you wish to convey of the most dreaded punishments is

Communism is not collectivism and igher individuality. But, Dr., to his ability, to each according to his can not be undermined.

Man is a collectivist. He works to-

The aim of Socialism, according to Frederic Engels, a co-worker of Marx, is a society wherein production is col-

ved their social problem—to say that Clark as a scientist, has failed to note. this means no further development for the ant is to deny the whole truth of evolvement. The anti-Socialist can now see the collapse of his individualistic system in Europe, and the social problem is there for him to selve. If ne cannot solve it-leave it to the Socialists. They can.

By MARY MARCY

Replying to your letter, I have read tact with a machine. the Nov. 13th issue of the Ohio So-

running around trying to scheme out escape it. It was worry, the evangel ways to prevent this; to crush out Socialism. I do not worry a bit. So-cialism is ON the WAY NOW. The black and awful and he was whisperrevolution is here today in Europe, ing, "But what of the future?" Huswhich means that the last great band was well-nigh helpless now. My struggle is at hand with the united own fingers were painfully enlarged capitalists everywhere doing all they at the points and sometimes refused can to stop the March of the Workers to do my bidding. "Next year," whis-But NOTHING can stop this triumph- pered worry, "Who would tend the ant sweep. If every Socialist on earth garden and earn enough for the winwere thrown into prison tomorrow it ter's coal? The underwear by then would come quite as soon because industry is ready for it; because CAPI
"Worry begone!" He slunk back TALISM has failed utterly; because the financial structure on which cap- ished. Next winter we might not Within a year—perhaps within a few months, this will be apparent—even to Dr. Clark. The old system is go- Mother Rath and we would need neiing to COLLAPSE. The capitalists ther coal nor clothing. Not a pleasant and industrial unionists and working pendent one. class generally will have to rescue the world from starvation and chaos.

papers now and in the coming months. Let FACTS answer the fool. Yours for the New Era of Labor,

#### Instinct, Not Communism Hinders Ant's Development

By F. J. LESCHER Dr. Clark's article wherein he shows the limitations of Socialism leads me out, except partially, such as out post-Communism is not Sociallism. The office, public schools, etc., and they human race is not individualistic. The have been successful. Also that if Socialism (such as the taking over of ful thing? To dream of finding a duces the wealth? You know, ever live, if we had to compete with race is that of HORDES of savagery. the railroads, telephones, etc. by the roll of bills, that's a taste of heaven. working class. Who takes the wealth? Man is by nature gregarious and one government) ) was necessary in time But when the alarm clock goes off be- Oh, pshaw, the capitalist class, of of war, when the highest possible efficiency was necessary why not in hell. time of peace?

Persons who have but one window

the Creator with reason and the properties of mind and soul, that makes He ant. Is this fair to the ant? Also

Is it not true that the ants and bees practice that places a limit to their first stage of slavery. further evolution, but rather the fact It is the last stage of slavery. Well, the bread and butter question is set that the bread and butter question is set the bread and butter question is set that the bread and butter question is se

comrades' answers to Dr. Clark of the State Museum of New York, whose argument against Socialism, as compared was published in our issue of New 19 lem. The antis have their social problem yet to solve. The ants have solution instinct and reason, that Dr.

# OLD AGE

By JESSIE JASON RUFNER

We sat down by the evening fire talking over the past. Two old peo-ple who looked down the vista of ears from the view point of decrepit old age. Two working class old peo-Dr. Clrrk Wrong ple crippled by hard work and worry. tusband all pulled out of shape rheumatism and a hand which had lost three fingers from too close con-

period of time when the human line statement is false and the reasoning Dr. Clark seems to be. He says naheaped to overflowing with the winter has condemned Socialism. Well! ter's fuel. The cellar was comfortably Well! Why not tell him to read the stocked with the fruits of our labor. daily newspapers and explain why So- One more winter could we sit and doze cialism is sweeping all Europe today by our own hearth. One more winter; -with success? Then tell him to we settled ourselves imfortably in watch the daily newspapers the coming year and see Socialism leap across we had reckoned without our host, for the Atlantic and sweep America and the rest of the world, too; for this turned up the light but still it was

is what is surely going to happen. there, conjuring up all manner of un-The capitalist class is frantically pleasantness and neither of us could His countenance was

in the shadow. I fancied he had vanitalism absolutely depends is failing. need those things. Another year might wrap our cold and rheumatic forms deep down in the bosom of will be helpless; then the Socialists prospect surely, but at least an inde-Fudge, tonight we would be happy. Dad reached over and replenished the fire while I got a I can't reply to Dr. Clark—unless candle and went down cellar after a you want to say-READ the NEWS pan of Baldwins. The wind whistled sharply around the corners and shook the house before it passed on through the orchard and up the hill. Heigh-ho. one more winter to sit and doze.

neighborhood and nine out of every us. If you are not in, get in. ten were in much the same predicament as ourselves and some were even poor house. .

the wind. Worry clutched at my heart and my own blood seemed turn ing to ice. I peered through the window at the village cemetery which the snow was wrapping in fleecy blankets of white, and I was glad Dads poor old crippled form would be at rest where captalism could no longer harm him. Poor old Dad and poor old me. a wornout machine cursed with the power of suffering in a capitalist ridden land, where, alas, the 'Reds' are still in the

#### FOR MORE AND BETTER BUSINESS

A letter from Secretary Peterson of Niles indicates what Local Niles has up its sleeve in the way of plans for future work. Heretofore the local has met at comrade's houses but it now feels that a headquarters is vitally necessary for the success of the campaign of organization and education which it contemplates in the immediate future.

A study-class is planned for this winter as one of the regular party The comrades of Niles are activities. always in the fore front of militant Socialism and we surely wish them the greatest possible good fortune.

Comrade Prevey Recuperating. Owing to illness, Comrade Margaret Prevey was unable to attend the Debs meetings at Mansfield and Niles. Nevertheless these meetings were well cared for, local comrades acting

as chairmen. We are glad to report that Comrade Prevey is well on the way to recovery and will soon again accompany Comrade Debs on his tour in this state.

Reports show that Comrade Debs' meetings are most successful. Be sure you don't miss hearing him on this tour.

Organization is the coming together of people for a purpose. But the So-Yet we were no worse off than the cialist movement is a world proposiothers. My mind swept over the tion, so you see we have a task before

Divine monarchs, what has happen worse off. They had all worked hard ed? Divine leaders, what is happenall their lives and they with us were ing? Strange what changes are takfacing the same inevitable end—the ing place. Oh, ignorance, the terrible

#### **BRAIN TEASERS**

By State Organizer Tom J. Lewis. When tired, isn't sleep a most beauti- Well, the capitalist class.

Cold nights to the poor, mean sufferto their soul, and the blinds pulled on ing and misery, the they produce the comforts; while the idle rich enjoy plied. Will the workers ever learn give thanks for being robbed. how they are robbed?

> Isn't it funny how popular the war for democracy has made Socialism? Biology teaches that every organ-

> its own destruction. Yet we are told our masters are inetlligent. Marx says: "religion is the opium

> of the people." It might have been, huge joke. Savagery? That was a stage of

freedow. Barbarism? That was the

that they are governed by instinct and what comes next? A new form of 12 that we would continue to construct dominated solely by the idea of self-preservation? The ant is able to move markind in the battle for existence, American capital and labor would be rom 15 to 20 times his own weight. from the lowest order thru the var- plessed with prosperity, by supplying If it had a mind to develop what ious stages into economic security, the markets of the world.

fore you have spent the roll, that's course. No wonder some people don't like the gospel. "They that do no work neither shall they eat."

"Six days shalt thou labor," if thou

What's the matter with Germany None to take up the reins of govern ment when she is most down and out but the despised Socialist? Isn't ism carries within itself the seed of there any more graft? The idea of same, I am. the working class daring to run things

> The blind being led by the blind democrats turning to republicans and republicans turning to democrats.

The war was not a commercial af-Civilization? fair, as some thot. Mr. Hurley informs us in the daily papers of Nov. Galileo's position.

# L E T T E R S

## From the Land of Devil-May-Care

Written for the Ohio Socialist by W. E. Reynolds.

Mossburg, Fogeyite County, Land of Devil-May-Care, Allfools Province, Turkey Month, Turkey Day.

can't bear to think of tearin' up and goin' somewheres else. Two old folks Editor Ohio Socialistlike us would take up a pile of room

Our children were all married and | + + + + +

gone and each had more than he could'

do to care for his own. I did not care for myself. I might sit by someone's fireside and mend for years to come— but Dad? I looked over at the knot-ted old form and the gray old head

resting on a twisted old hand and

wondered where there would be room

"The fire feels mighty good tonight,

Sary, I been thinkin' since I set here

how it won't be very long now that

you and me'll need a fire. I allus

hoped we'd somehow be allowed to set

in someone's kitchen, (here I shook

my fist at the shadow in the corner

for I had tried so hard to keep him

away from Dad) an' most folks would

not stand for my pipe. I ben sorter

worryin' what would become of you,

mother if I should be took. Seems

old folks. The world goes too fast.

The wind rushed around the corners

and splashed snow over the windows

while the old house cracked with the

"No, Father, there is no place for

"Sho now, Sary, we all got to stay,

"Dad, the paper said today that the

Reds had won out in Germany. Over

there mebbe old rocks won't be in the

road. They say the producer will receive the full social product of his

toil. Surely working class old folks

like us won't need to worry over

"The Reds, you say, Sary? That

means the Socialists. I wish to God they'd win out here. You an' me

wouldn't need to set an' worry our

heads off this last winter we'll ever

have alone. Then we'd have a plenty

the rest of our lives, for Sary we've

sure earned it. Twelve to fifteen

hours a day for a lifetime. Sure So-

cialism would take care of folks like

us, an' we could rest in peace and not

worry about the future." Whoo-oc-octore the wind through the pines. Dad

picked up the stove poker, then he gasped and turned purple in the face

and before I could reach him, toppled

from his chair-dead. Heart failure

shook my fist again at the shadow

lurking in the corner and I heard

gruesome cackle, likely that too, was

the doctor said. I knew better.

knew it was worry that ailed him.

old folks among poor folks," I replied bitterly, 'nowadays all working folks

I reckon, 'til our time comes. I don'

"see what the world is comin' to.

ought to die off at fifty.

like there's no place in the world for

by our own fire as long as we lived.

for Dad.

Dear Sir: I have been traveling in the Land of Devil-May-Care and thought perhaps you would like to hear about some of the strange sights, customs, ideas and beliefs held by the dwellers in this far off country. The Land of Devil-May-Care is situated below and a degree to the left of

the Vernal Equinox, being between the sweetened ocean and the peaceful sea. It is about seventy degrees westward from the dawn, but extends eastward two hundred degrees in longitude from the setting sun. The natives here are nearly all fools or fooled and the largest province

in the Land of Devil-May-Care is called, All Fools Land. Whenever the Allfools have occasion to speak of the country they usually refer to it as "God's country," but they do not mean it seriously because every acre here is claimed by some of the upper class of Allfools and the lower class, who have no property seem to think the arrangement satisfactory. So far I have not found a single native who had any land in his possession but who claimed it for his own, not God's.

It will be difficult for you who are Americans to understand the customs here. They are so different from your favored land. There in America you have no classes; no rich except the very worthy who gained their riches by abstinence and the rigid practice of the strictest economy and honest business methods. You have no poor except your unworthy who are too lazy to work, or who drink or gamble or spend their time in some occupation which is not respectable. Your's is a country where all poor boys may become rich and famous by industry, frugality, thrift and push. See any of your schoolbooks or ask any schoolma'am and you will find I am right.

Alas, how different it is here in Allfools land. Here there are two classes, an idle, victous, trouble-making upper class, who own all the property and claim title to all of God's country, and a lower class who have no property but who live by catering to the wants and whims of the upper class.

The upper class are few in numbers. The great majority of the dwellers in the Land of Devil-May-Care are of the lower class, although quite a goodly number of the lower class ape and upper class and think they are

In America your people do not go to war except in defense of some great deal. Here they divide up in various tribes and have wars over such trivial things as hunting grounds or pasture lands. The upper class who control the Land of Devil-May-Care have makers of mouth-noises to advise the lower class what to do and when to do it. These makers of mouth noises are called

The upper class also have what is known here as Neussuppressors with dioters to think for the multitude and several times each day the idioters have their thoughts preserved on wood pulp, which the lower class eagerly purchases so as to know what to think next. Our two leading suppressors are called the Plain Liar and the Butcher Knife.

All the Allfools are very proud of the fact that they are Allfools and they think and do exactly as the Great Men of the Allfool upper class went them to think and do. The idioters and piffletalkers have no trouble in convincing the Allfools that the particular side the upper class favors in the tribal war is the right side. The Allfools in each province believe what they are told and are thus easily encouraged to kill each other at the whim of the Great Men of the upper class.

You in America can not imagine anything so foolish as this. The nearest thing I know would be the old barbaric custom of tying the tails of two cats together and hanging them over a clothesline, each cat thinking the other cat is pulling its tail and so fights to the death.

The Allfools can not think for themselves, they having permitted then spokesmen of the upper class to do their thinking for them so long that their thinking apparatus has grown dormant. The nearest they ever appreach to doing their own thinking is to give voice and backing to the upper class by saying. "I'll say so."

Work is a fetish among the lower class dwellers in the Land of Devillay-Care. They have modern machines here as in America but unlik in America the modern machines are not in general use. The natives preferring to use old fashioned hand tools and primitive methods, evidently to make the work last longer. Whele political parties have been known to get in power here simply on the premise of a steady job and a full dinner pail!

The lower class of Allfools do all the work. They work to earn dinero enough to buy the cheap food necessary to keep them able to work. This takes all their time. They work to live and live to work and are proud of their ability to work. They worship a strange and peculiar God, who first became prominent when he sentenced all the lower class to work and earn their bread by the sweat of their brow.

Some of the children of the upper class who do no work or any useful thing having much leisure on their hands and being by nature humanitarians have sought by organizing themselves into associations for improving the condition of the lower class to improve the lot of what they term the worthy poor. About all their energies are expended in trying to make the lot of the poor toiler easier, just as you in America would put a pad under a horse's collar so he could pull a heavier lead without making his shoulders sore.

There are many types of these associations ranging all the way from Romper's Allfools Federated Laborites to Johnny Thursday's Holy Jumpin Joyful Jumpers, but the great mass of the Allfools are rutrunners and word shippers of the God-of-things-as-they-are and look with suspicion upon anything out of the usual rut of their experience.

At the close of the last great Slaughterfest, this being the Allfools name for their tribal wars-some of the hole-and-corner reformers sought to have Allfools expressed the opinion of the whole tribe when he said, "We do not Allfools expressed the opinion of the whole tride when he said, "We do not want an eight-hour day. We can hardly make a living now by working

The women Allfools are not considered people, but as property of the male Allfools. The women are not citizens and are not allowed to place any pieces of papyrus in the box known as the will of the masses expressed on their election day. These women gather together though in various clubs to knit or sew and exchange juicy bits of gossip about the neighbor women who do not happen to be present. They seem to consider this much more important than to discuss ways and means of bettering their condition.

Some of these clubs of women are called Allfools Ladies' Aid, but what they have ever aided aside from the spread of their pagan religion and the pulpit pounders, I have never been able to discover. They meet about twice a year and have a scrimmage sale. This sale consists of the castoff garments of the upper class and it aids the upper class to the extent that it enables them to buy new garments out of the saving they made in paying

The Ladies' Aid, or any of the associations for poor reform, never aid in getting a pronounciamento against the labor of children in the mills and workshops. The Allfools think an education in a shop or mill is all the education a child needs after it gets to be sixteen years of age. This opinion is held by nearly all the people in the Land of Devil-May-Care. Some think it would be "agin' religion" for children to be given a modern education, but mostly they claim to need the small pieces of dinero the children earn to eke out the family expenses...

I cannot begin to tell you all the funny and foolish things believed and done by the Allfools in this letter, but hope to send another letter next week. The Allfools are a funny people when you know them. Hoping you are the ICHABOD JONES.

#### The World Do Move.

Galileo gave utterance to a great ogical truths. The state, backed by the church, threw him in prison and gave him his choice: to recant or be being led away he muttered, "the world do move." History has justified

Many Socialists and Industrial Unionists were teaching great sociological truthe. The state, backed by the church, has sentenced them to ous stages into economic security, the markets of the world.

nence industrial freedom.

Who does the work? Why, the The Kaiser was given enough rope, worder if he'll use it.

Who does the lossing? worder if he'll use it.

I long terms in prison, but as at Gailleo's time the onward sweep of industrial progress roars, "the world do move," and history will justify their position.

Why should the workers not have all the say when it is they who must always pay?—Maoriland Worker.

#### PLAN SCHOOL HOUSE MEETINGS

Comrades of Columbiana County are planning a series of school house meetings this winter. The necessity of carrying the message of Socialism executed. He recanted, but as he was to the tennant and small farm owners becomes more and more acute as time passes. The State Office hopes to be of assistance in aiding these plans.

"The Ohio Socialist Packs a wallop in every issue," says Comrade B. Blumenberg, State Secretary

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#### WITH OUR EDITORS

#### THE TOM MOONEY CASE

The commutation to life imprisonment of the death sentence of Tom Mooney by Governor Stevens of California meets with the condemnation

"Tom Mooney is innocent." This is the firm conviction of labor the world over. Being innocent he should be free or at least given a fair trial where his innocence may be proven. One or the other. Anything else is not justice for Mooney and justice in this case labor will have, though the wheels of industry must be stopped to get it. A new trial having been denied, Mooney must therefore be freed. This is labor's decision. Nothing else will satisfy labor.

It is not a labor case, we have been told a few hundred times. It is not a clash between labor and capital, we are assured. Mooney has not been persecuted because of his fealty to labor, we have been told for months. Nevertheless, labor has made Mooney's case its own. Labor persists in believing the persecution of Mooney is due only to his loyalty to labor, and a clash between labor and capital is scheduled to take piace on Dec. 9, unless Mooney is given his freedom.

By bitter experience and an unprofitable wandering, labor has learned that in its own hands only, is justice to be obtained. Not in the courts of "justice." Not in the law courts of a class-constituted society—but in the solidarity of workers. Here alone is justice for Mooney. Here alone is justice for our class. Here alone is hope for the future. Let labor calmly take the lesson to heart.

#### FREE THE POLITICAL PRISONERS

Within the walls of American prisons are held many of the noblest men and women of this land. Many others, men and women with the highest attributes, which characterize true and noble manhood and womanhood, are under indictment and facing charges as political offenders. Men and women with the highest ideals which human beings are endowed are today rotting in American prisons.

For expressing an OPINION at variance with that which the law stated may be expressed these men and women are paying a penalty out of all proportion to their offenses. The espionage law has produced a crop of jail try to get some more subscriptions in sentences in America absolutely undreamed of even in Germany under the the near future." rule of the junkers and their kaiser. Compare the four-year sentence of Liebknecht for "high treason" to that of ten years for Debs, for Kate O'Hare and Rose Pastor Stokes.

If we have been able to surmise correctly the reason (or excuse) for the passage of the espionage law, if punishment was not the purpose of the law then the further confinement of our political prisoners is an atrocity. If to silence opposition to the war was the purpose of this law, there is now no longer any necessity for their confinement. The war is over. Liberties under which we formerly thrived should be returned to us.

Those in power today have nothing to gain by longer jailing political offenders. On the contrary they stand to lose considerable. This is no time to preach the gospel of hate nor to practice it. It is a false gospel at all times. Now that peace has come, its teachings and practices are criminal.

The movement to free our political prisoners is gaining momentum. The great mass of the people, as well as liberal minds among the bourgeoisie. favor it. Those who oppose an early liberation of political offenders are of a class and character with those whom the workers of Europe have latery Gernt sent us a new subscriber's name shorn of power. Let every worker's voice rise in protest against the longer and promises more. confinement of political prisoners.

God A' Mighty might have improved on Hell had he first seen an Amerand says that as soon as the flu per-

It took a proletarian revolution to free German and Russian political prisoners. How will it be with America?

# Knowing How

I read a COMPLAINT From a FARMER The other day Because he only made To the PACKERS' NINE On a carload of wheat straw. HE RAISED it And BALED it And SHIPPED it to market, And paid FREIGHT CHARGES Of Twenty-one dollars, And when he sold it— A carload of nearly Four hundred bales-He had earned TWENTY-SEVEN DOLLARS And FORTY SEVEN CENTS. But the STOCKYARD That POUGHT the straw Sold it again to farmers Who needed straw for their stock At seventy-five cents And made CLEAR PROFIT Of TWO HUNDRED And FORTY-TWO DOLLARS.

And this was nearly

As much as the farmer got For ALL HIS WORK

NINE TIMES

And the farmer thought He was ENTITLED To COMPLAIN DON'T THINK HE WAS. Because 1 remember That BIG CORPORATION At Hog Island Charged EVEN the Government SIX MILLION Just for "KNOWING HOW." And does that FARMER Think he is BETTER Than the GOVERNMENT And can get the services Of the men who "KNOW HOW" CHEAPLY? He ought to realize You ALWAYS HAVE TO PAY A LOT of MONEY To the fellows that KNOW HOW And TAKE the POWER. And if the farmer Could only stop Being STUPID And could just "KNOW HOW" And TAKE the POWER He wouldn't HAVE ANY PACKERS!

#### WE MUST NOW ORGANIZE

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has for the past year been harrassed, persecuted and all but crushed in the military despotism created by the war. Under all the circumstances the showing was not only all that could be reasonably expected but in some sections the party more than held its own and gave gratifying evidence that neck and neck race between Comrade it had not been demoralized by the war but that on the other hand its newer Peterson and Comrade Perry Shipman it had not been demoralized by the war but that on the other hand its power, prestige and purpose were undiminished and that as soon as the rigors of the despotic laws were relaxed the party would take a fresh start and move onward toward greater victories than it had yet achieved.

So there is not the slightest cause for discouragement. We have lost nothing and we have gained much. The people are now far readier for Socialism than they ever were before. We have but to proceed without delay to build up our organization, revive our press and our propaganda, and prepare for the great work of industrial and social reconstruction that confronts the world. The Socialist Party, to be the factor it should be in this stupendous task, must be strong in number, in self-discipline and in the Socialist spirit, and it must have clear understanding of its high purpose.

Now is the time for every Socialist to serve as builder.

To build the party is to mould the future.

The industrial and social democracy will not be dreamed into existence, not voted into power. It will have to be organized and to that supreme historic task we must give ourselves patiently, persistently and understandingly with all our hearts and all our souls.

Let us all unite as we never have before and build together in unison and harmony the Socialist Party that it may rise to power, fulfill its historic mission to emancipate the working class and bring democracy and peace to

# OUR PARTY PAGE

Live News of Interest to all Party Members

PAY UP NOW IS THE WORD

# Red Hundred Activities

Comrade John Rehm of Springfield has returned to his old haunts again after a short sojourn elsewhere. To subscription and sends two along for company. Says he intends to keep up the good work too and we have up the good work too and we know by past experience that he will do it.

Comrade Lotta Burke has been securing a few new readers for us. Four s her contribution this week. Comrade Burke is one of those comrades who is continually finding some good deed to do-and doing it.

If Comrade Ruchtaeschel has his way Local Cincinnati will soon have every member reading the state paper. Never a week passes that some subs are not received from him.

Comrade H. L. Franklin, State Secretary of West Virginia, sends us six new subscriptions. Our comrades of Kentucky and West Virginia are pecoming among our most devoted

Do you know Comrade C. S. Case of Hamilton? No? Well, we'll tell you who he is. He's a hustler who gets results. We know he is because we have the evidence. And right here

we want to say what we think.

If one comrade can get ten non-Socialists to pay a dollar each for a subscription to the O. S., then it ought to be possible for many other comrades to do so. Comrade Case sends ten dollars for as many subscriptions and this is what he writes: "I am trying to do my part to build up your paper as I think it is a good one. Have been reading it for some time and am convinced it is 'some paper.' These few names that I have gotten are not Socialists but I think when they read the paper they will be. Will

"Hoping to be able to continue sending in subscriptions," is what Comrade C. E. Raymont of Youngstown writes in his letter containing ive yearly subs.

We believe that Comrade Raymont will find a fertile field in Youngstown. On the best of authority we learn that Youngstown is full of Socialist sentiment. All that is needed there is more activity in order to get a big ist of readers.

"Am just in receipt of a copy of the Ohio Socialist and wish you would enter my subscription for a year. Also send me 25 copies of the issue of Nov. 20." Hugo Gernt, Glenmary, Tenn. The following day Comrade

Comrade Dr. Edith Halcomb of Pueblo, Colo., sends a subscription mits meetings she will send in more.

read this from a letter received from great cause that grows more glorious Hubbard did with its share of the Debs Defense collections.

We expect to make the majority of them regular subscribers and members of the Socialist Party." And on another list he sent us subscriptions of eight members of the local. A of eight members of the local. A local which shows such pep is bound to grow. Nothing can step it.

Comrade Elizabeth Bertram of Cleveland fulfills her pledge with four subscriptions this week.

Massillon's members are buying press stamps, seven yearlies from there this week.

So is Tiffin. Five subs from Tiffin

From "Sunny Tennessee" to Alaska is a long way. But the same mail brings subs from each place and from in between as well. Comrade Ashby of Washington state sends in two new ones. Thus it goes, comrades from many states working for one common end and cause. A lesson in solidarity, truly.

Comrade Blumenburg, State Secretary of Michigan, sends another subscription this week. Thanks Ben.

From Comrade Edwin Blank of Lima comes a letter containing two. Comrade Blank's record is looking up. We keep records you know of all our subscription workers.

Forty-six and forty-seven! Forty-six and seven what? Listen, we'll tell you. You know we promised that when Comrade Peterson of Niles got his record beaten we'd tell you. Well, we kind of hate to tell it to Comrade Peterson but of course we'll

have to do it. We knew there was a for the leather medal and when substrom both of them came in the same

I thought of going in with the Arimail we couldn't wait any longer to solve the mystery as to who was ahead. So we credited them with the new ones and counted them up. And that's what the records told us. Forty-seven for Comrade Shipman and of no paper closer than Ohio with

forty-six for Comrade Peterson. By the way, Comrade Shipman hails from Illinois. Now we know By the way, Comrade Shipman hails from Illinois. Now we know that Comrade Peterson isn't going to let him walk away with the belt when it comes to getting subs for Ohio's party paper! Nevertheless til such time as the paper and the paper and the paper are the paper and the paper and the paper are the paper are the paper are the paper and the paper are the paper ar Ohio's party paper! Nevertheless, we're going to warn him to look to his laurels. Comrade Shipman appears to mean considerable business. So all we say here is—keep your subscription eye open, Comrade Peter-

Local Hamilton is still selling press stamps. Witness, five more subscriptions from there this week. Keep it up, comrades. Work is the only recipe for success we know of.

#### LOCAL SECRETARIES DID YOU MAIL THEM?

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To show that the Socialist wind is

growing stronger we will relate an incident which occurred this last

wrote to us asking how and where he could join the Socialist Party and

for the name of any Socialist paper

published in Ohio.
We satisfied his curiosity on these

plication for membership together with a year's dues and a year's sub-

them acquainted with the means

whereby they may became affiliated with the party. They are here, all

around us in every city, town and hamlet, waiting for some comrade to

help them get in closer affiliation with us. Take a bundle of Ohio So-

cialists with you, comrade and see

BACK IN THE FIGHT

Local Marion states that the first business meeting for several weeks was held and that the work of reor-

ganization received a boost. Organization is what every local is thinking and talking now. It is the most nec-

essary of all activities and should be

foremost in every local's plans for the future. Local Marion is stepping up

to the front. What is your local

NEW MEXICO WANTS

SPACE

rade Dillon pays us in this letter: Albuquerque, N. M., Nov. 21, 1918. The Ohio Socialist,

umn in this week's issue reminded me

of something that I have been "going

zona State Bulletin, but the comrades

much time to edit, and so the proposal was dropped. \* \* \* Unless I could con-

til such time as the paper can be-

We sorely need some means of com-

munication here, and as we cannot af-

per in the Socialist movement in the

Fraternally, W. B. DILLON, State Sec'y.

which I would care to cast lots.

come established in this state.

Let me hear from you.

Brecksville, Ohio.

A letter from Comrade E.D. Orr of

how many you can locate.

housands of comrades

Comrade Tamkus of Ada, O.,

in this

received from the State Office a num ber of circular letters which they were asked to mail to their members. The question is, did you do so? We hope you did. Some secretaries have written that they had mailed them and expected good results therefrom. We know that good results will follow fore this issue reaches its readers every member of the party should have received another letter from their secretary in printed envelope. Good results will come of this letter

Here is what Comrade Secretary Brown of Local Galion says of the first letter sent out: "The copies of the circular letter

relative to the measures to be taken to get rid of the body and soul destroying epidemic of capitalism is at hand and has been mailed to the members of our local branch of International Socialism.
"In and around Galion there are

many people who are severely suffering by the epidemic of capitalism, but do not yet know the cause of their disease and its malignant char-

acter.
"However, I have a list of about five hundred persons who more or less clearly realize what ails them and their danger. Most of these have tried both the Democrat and Republican doctors and have found their medicines to be not only useless but nauseating. If, therefore, a Socialist doctor were now to pass their way some would call him in and begin to take his remedy-which is a compound of industrial organization, poitical revolution and social co-opera-tion. At first they would take it in homeopathic, but later in allopathic

"Congratulating you upon the excellency of the circular, I am,
"Very cordially yors,
"WM. M. BROWN."

#### LOCAL MASSILLON GETS READY

The flu ban has been clamped on Massillon tighter than ever but a certain degree of activity is kept up there in spite of that. Comrade Debs meeting there had to be cancelled, but Comrade Weltlich, local secretary, keeps the press stamp sales going. Seven yearlies were sent in this week.

The comrades plan a great drive to get every member on our subscription list as quickly as meetings can be held. An organization drive will also points and have just received his apbe one of the first things undertaken, we are informed. It is planned to get every member in arrears to pay up and to start a movement which will There is a moral to this and here mean the gathering of many new reit is. There are hundreds, yes, there cruits. On with the work, comrades.

#### state alone who are in precisely the same position as this comrade was. They are Socialists and they are hungry for real Socialist papers. CINCINNATI IN THE FIGHT TO WIN

The election is over and has taught There are some, perhaps many, in vour own town. They're on your own the Cincinnati comrades the same less its meetings she will send in more. streets, in your own shop or mill or son as on the previous elections held mine. They are Socialists and want for the last forty years, namely: the great, ignorant mass, moves slowly and this from a letter received from the party and to serve the great, ignorant mass, moves slowly and has deaf ears for the message Comrade T. H. Dovies, secretary.
The accompanying lsit (of fourteen names) tells the tale of what Local the macro successful every day. All for their own salvation. We know by the tale of what Local the macro successful every day. All for their own salvation. We know by the macro successful every day. All for their own salvation. We know by the macro successful every day. All for their own salvation. We know by the macro successful every day. All for their own salvation. plicated campaign literature.

On election day we expect to reap the results of our agitation carried on the year previous. Hence we publish a concise leaflet aiming to animate the working class to study Socialism. Yet it was only

the solid front of 3,000 votes, that we could muster. The "immovable property" and the old slang: Let George do it! had much to do with the result.

Now and then we hear remarks uttered by working men such as: The Socialists ought to do this or that. They expect the Socialists are able to do wonders, while they themselves are

the sleepy onlookers. Yet, we are convinced that Social Yet, we are convinced that Socialits afe for the workers. A Debs meeting will help but it will be necessary for all comrades to get in and work for the education of the workers. beginning on the first Sunday of January, 1919; monthly entertainments euchre and dancing on Saturday eve-

nings, to convince the younger comrades and the new recruits that we want work and play, each at the proper time.

We are in receipt of the following letter from Comrade Dillon, State ward branches.

The ban, the underhand work, and the content of the cont

other states are aware of the advanced position the Ohio Socialist of Local Cincinnati and we are of the Party has taken in its organization opinion, if the State Office could afand propaganda methods is exemplified in this letter. We cannot state at this moment just what we can do in ford to have an organizer stationed in Cincinnati for about two months it this moment just what we can do in regard to aiding our comrades of New Mexico. This, however, is our motto:
To help wherever our help is welcome ity of all the comrades.

That is our the provided in the company of t To help wherever our help is welcome and proves beneficial. That is our aim. We have no other. We are heartily glad of the compliment Comto work. How many?

OTTO RUCHTAESCHEL.

#### Comrades: Seeing Kentucky's col- HAVE YOU ANY DEBS'

DEFENSE MONEY

Although the funds for Comrade Debs' appeal to the Supreme Court was there said that it would require too out the state realize that many other comrades are under indictment awaiting trial. Funds for the Debs' Defense or "any other indicted com-rade" continue to reach the State Of-

ber of other comrades and locals also remitted. The National Office has many cases on hand which will be defended with these funds. If your local still has funds collected for the ford it ourselves, we must go in with someone else. There is no other pa-Debs' Defense send them in at once. A number of locals have remitted to the State Office the local's share U. S. that appeals to me more than the Ohio Socialist, and so I make you ing that the funds could be put to better use through the State Office than if used locally of the Debs' Defense collections statthan if used locally.

# Socialists Rousing Into Action

A few days ago all local secretaries Party work being pushed by many locals as necessity for organization is seen

Not for months has the Socialist movement in this state shown such activity as in the past week. Comrades everywhere are reviewing their onslaughts against capitalism in a manner that proves the power of their comeback." Comrades everywhere are waisting no time in getting the party machinery in motion. Everywhere is felt the thrill of Socialist sucesses. Everywhere is felt the presence of the spirit of Internationalism that is sweeping across every land and clime. Workers are rising in invincible numbers to meet the dawn of the New Day.

Activities of various kinds have been inaugurated which show that we are fully alive to the needs of the present hour. From all parts of the state reports reach us of plans, some vague and others well defined and organozed, but all full of the same spirit and purpose that has meant the rise to power of our comrades of Europe. The proven power of our comrades there has inspired every member and filled them with renewed hope and determi-

We are now putting that inspiration into harness. We are putting our enthusiasm to work. We are responding to the call of our comrades of other lands. We are not to be left behind in the march to victory. Socialism in America must also assert its power and influence. The spirit of Socialist successes in Europe has quickened our movement and we too are marching cn to the self same goal.

#### The Harvest Is Near

The disintegration of capitalism becomes more pronounced each day. The old system is crumbling and with its passing also departs many an heary and outgrown belief and settled conviction. Workers are being awakened from their stupid slumber and acquiesence in things as they are. Seized in the gigantic grip of world forces they are being shaken awake to the realities of life—and its possibilities. Thus forcibly loosed from their ancient moorings they are casting about mentally for their bearings—and finding them in the Socialist movement.

Beware—We Must Prepare!

The harvest is near. Soon, very soon, vast armies of workers will be carching toward the Socialist camp. They will come to us knowing and unknowing, experienced and inexperienced in class-warfare. There is danger ahead. If we are to retain the integrity and class-character of our party we must prepare now to educate this army of new recruits to our cause in the fundamentals of Socialism and the class-struggle. To not so prepare is to fail at the most critical moment. To do less is to meet with defeat. The safety of our movement lies in education and organization. These must be our watchwords. They are our sword and shield. They are our weapons against our exploiters. In these lie our strength and our deliverence. To FOR ACTION make them sure and strong must be our purpose. For this we must

#### How You Can Help

We have told you of our plans to make Ohio hum with Socialist activiies. We have told you of our plans for a great drive for new members. for the organization of many more locals and for the placing in the field of organizers, speakers and state wide distribution of educational literature. We have told you how necessary it was to have funds on hand for this great work. Our work must not be hampered by lack of funds.

So, again, we repeat how you may become a vital part of this great forward movement of Socialism. You can help furnish these needed funds paying yeur dues ahead. Pay a whole year ahead. Pay now for 1919. Make your Internationalism count for something now. Celebrate your comrades victories in Europe by working for Socialism here and now. Greek the New Year with a paid-in-advance-card—and a smile. PAY UP FOR 1919.

#### LOCAL LORAIN MAR-SHALS ITS FORCES

Local Lorain is another local which ees the necessity of getting busy to knock out capitalism and is getting ts fighting paraphernalia in good order for a strong move against the enemy. Thus we are informed in a letter from Comrade Goll. Next meeting is set aside for the election of new local officials to serve for the next six months. A date for Comrade Debs is requested in January.

#### LIMA READY FOR ACTION

Local Lima is ready for work. This we gather from a communication from Secretary Blank. Comrade Blank workers. applies for a Debs date, which he hinks will prove an awakening factor in the local situation there. Comrade Blank states that hundreds of men have been laid off in the industrial plants due to the (war) peace! After helping to make the world safe for democracy they will now have to make

#### NORWOOD COMING BACK TO FIGHT

"We are coming back to life for a real fight. Send me 40 dues stamps," But the most urgent and important thus writes Comrade Ruemmele, localthus writes Comrade Ruemmele, local secretary. This sounds good and is another straw showing that the party in Ohio is "coming back" good and strong. Now that the start has been and I hope to pick up some subs for you. Nat. Ex. Committeeman L. E. Katterfeld. Dighton, Kans.

#### DEBS SUCCESSFUL AT TOLEDO

Reports from Toledo tell a story of a fine meeting for Debs on the 27th. The comrades were refused the hall they had engaged the day hefore the meeting was to take place, but by diplomacy the comrades secured a theater and got out new advertising and this with the advertising which the daily press gave in declaring that "the meeting might be stopped by the government" provided a most successful meeting. Local To-ledo is looking far into the future in planning an aggressive campaign of propaganda and organization. Everywhere it is the same story of a strong revival of Socialism among

#### PORTAGE COUNTY SAILING ALONG

A letter from Comrade C. G. Mc-Vay, secretary of Local Portage County, tells of more successes and activities. Local Portage County now has 61 members and they are all working like beavers for the success of the Debs' meeting on the 7th. The comrades have arranged a meeting for Shalersville, at which Comrade C. E. Sheplin will be the principle speaker. Comrade McVay sends in a list of eleven new readers and members:

Katterfeld, Dighton, Kans.

# RALLY AND BANQUET For Returned Political Prisoners

ACME HALL

2416 EAST 9th STREET CLEVELAND, DEC. 15th, 2:30 P.M.

# Speakers:

Ruthenberg, Wagenknecht and Others

Banquet

AT 6 P.M.

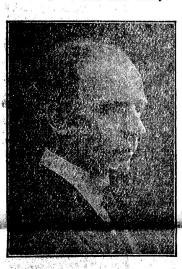
A Welcome is Extended to All

Charles Baker, C. E. Ruthenberg and A. Wagenknecht were released from the Stark County Work House at 7:30 A. M., December 2. They were met at the prison gates by delegations of Socialists from Akron, Canton and Cleveland, most conspicuous in which was our veteran comrade, Eugene V.

A very invigorating and substantial breakfast was served the three released comrades and others at the home of Mrs. Hall, active worker in Local Canton. From there the comrades went to Akron to visit Margaret Prevey, who is at present convalescing from a bad cold. At the home of Comrade Prevey agents of the Department of Justice arrested Charles Baker. holding him to make his induction into the selective service army sure.



Chas. Baker, State Organizer for Socialist Party of Ohio, who was re-arrested at Akron for induction into army.



C. E. Ruthenberg , Secretary and Organizer of the largest local in Ohio and the third larg est in the United States.



A. Wagenknecht, State Sec'y.

Comrade Baker spent Monday night in the Summit county jail and was taken to Camp Sherman Tuesday morning. As demobilization is on, it is hoped that Baker's stay at Chillicothe will be brief. However, it is possible that he will be held until the military company he would have joined, had he not been jailed, is discharged. Comrade Baker's last words, when we left him in the office of the Department of Justice at Akron were: "Tell the comrades I expected to be inducted into the army and was on my way to Hamilton to do so, only having stopped to see our sick Comrade Prevey, before leaving for the southern part of the state. It will not be long now until I shall again find pleasure in the work to which I have given my life. Greetings to all."

C. E. Ruthenberg and A. Wagenknecht left Akron for Cleveland Monday afternoon, where they again met as co-workers hundreds of party members who greeted them, made offerings of flowers and were over-joyed at their return.

Ruthenberg and Wagenknecht have again resumed their official duties, the former as Secretary of Local Cuyahoga County and the latter of Secretary of the Socialist Party of Ohio. To every member and sympathizer these released comrades send words of cheer. These are days of big events. The color of the entire European map seems to be changing from a mixture of black and yellow to a healthy, inspiring, heart-warming red. Smile! We are on the road to victory. To work!

# RECONSTRUCTION IN RUSSIA

FROM CLASS STRUGGLE (Continued From Last Week).

#### MISCELLANEOUS

Ordinance of the People's Commissaire of Internal Affairs, Establishing Workers' Militia.

1. All Soviets of Workers' and Soldiers' Delegates shall establish a Workers' Militia.

2. The workers' militia shall be wholly and exclusively under the control of the Soviet of Workers' and Soldiers' Delegates. 3. Military and civil authorities are in duty bound to co-operate in the

arming of the workers' militia, and in supplying them with the technical aids including also the delivery of government weapons. 4. This law is to go into force by telegraphic communication.

Summary of a Decree Issued by the Council of People's Commissaires

MUNICIPALIZING REAL ESTATE Real Estate situated within the confines of a city and subject to the collection of the city real estate tax, is municipalized.

Supervision over houses is established, and is incumbent on the house committees, under the direction of the housing commissions.

The entire income from each property that yields more than 750 rubles per month is immediately to be paid into the city treasury.

Pay for the rent of quarters, and other forms of income from real estate, is to be made to the house committees. The latter, after subtracting nection, the cost of supplies, etc., to be figured at actual cost; the cost of all expenses for management and upkeep, shall pay the balanc into the city

This law is to go into force at once.

Summary of a Series of Legal Measures for Proposed New Courts, Being Worked Out by Commissaire of Justice Stutchka.

A local court shall be organized with final jurisdiction applicable to justice in peace times, and with jurisdiction in suits involving not more than 3,000 rubles. Such local courts will be organized on the type of the present revolutionary courts in the Viborg districts.

In the future shall be undertaken the establishment of higher courts in place of district courts.

In all these courts chairmen shall be appointed by revolutionary organizations, and temporary members chosen on the basis of general election

rules. For local courts these will be chosen by the whole population. For higher courts, members shall be chosen by the population in the district. At first, the general election will be replaced by the election of judges as in the case of the Soviets of Workers' and Soldiers' Delegates.

Decree on Divorce Issued by the Council of People's Commissaires. 1. Divorce shall be granted upon application made by either party or oth parties.

2. Divorce applications shall be filed with the local courts. When application is made by mutual consent of both parties divorce shall be granted immediately by the registry office where marriage records are kept, and said office shall deliver to both parties a certificate, testifying

3. On the day set for the examination of the case the local judge shall summon both parties to appear in person or by attorney.

4. When the residence of one of the parties summoned to appear shall be unknown, notice of the application shall be delivered at the last known residence of the absent party or at the plaintiff's residence.

5. When the residence of the defendant shall be unknown, the date for the trial of the case shall be set not earlier than two months from the date of the publication of the summons in the local official paper.

6. Having ascertained personally the bona fide character of the application filed either by one party, or by both parties, the judge shall render a cation filed either by one party, or by both parties, the judge shall render a divorce decree, of which he shall give both parties a certificate. He shall nite social relationships. If you do not thoroughly understand this, bring

7. When divorce is granted to parties declaring mutual consent, the two parties shall file a statement declaring the names by which they and their children, if any, shall be known in the future. When divorce is granted upon application by one party only, the divorced parties shall provided they agree thereto, bear the names they bore before contracting marriage, and the judge shall decide what name the children shall bear. In case of disagreement, the final decision shall rest with the local jury.

8. When the divorced parties agree thereto, the judge shall, upon issuing the divorce decree, state which of the parties shall receive the guardianship over the minor children, and which shall bear the expense of their support and education and also the amount of alimony, if any, which the divorced husband shall pay to the divorced wife.

9. If the parties fail to agree thereto, the local jury shall decide what sums the divorced husband shall contribute toward the support of his divorced wife, when said divorced wife has no personal property or is unable to earn a livelihood; also which of the parties shall be appointed guardian of the wife, when said divorced wife has no personal property or is unable to earn defense of a definite interest."—Labricla. Until an agreement has been reached, or a decision rengred by the jury, the local judge shall issue a provisional order stating the ount of support due by the divorced husband to the divorced wife and her ldren.

10. Local juries shall render decisions as to the validation of unlawful nonconsummated marriages.

The Boisneviki are Socialists who understand both Henry Dubb and Karl Marx. They are Socialists who act as well as talk. They are the Industrial Socialists, on the contrary he is a leader of industry that a man is a capitalist; on the contrary he is a leader of industry because he is a capitalist."—Mary minor children. Until an agreement has been reached, or a decision rendered by the jury, the local judge shall issue a provisional order stating the or class interest. amount of support due by the divorced husband to the divorced wife and her

or nonconsummated marriages.

11. The present decree shall be applicable to every citizen of the Rus sian republic, regardless of the faith which he shall profess.

12. All the religious organizations, orthodox and otherwise, and all the it is their social life which determine constituted bodies hitherto competent to pass upon divorce applications, are hereby ordered to turn over to the relevant local court a complete record of all the divorces they have granted and of all the applications they have been considering. Persons having filed applications under the former statute are not allowed to file a new application under the present statute; neither shall but few homes which contain the conthe publications of summons provided for in paragraphs 4 and 5 be required if publication was made under the former statute.

#### UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

Ordinance Issued by the Council of People's Commissaires, Concerning Unemployment Insurance.

1. The jurisdiction of this ordinance extends over all the territory of the Russian Republic and over all persons without distinction of sex, age, faith, nationality or race, working for pay in any branch of industry, such as: factories and shops, mines, transportation, small trade, construction, commerce, agriculture, forestry, fishery, domestic industry, private service, liberal professions, etc.

All persons working for pay are subject to insurance in case of unemployment, without regard to th character or length of their employment, or to the nature of the employer, whether a government, private, or social institution or a private individual.

managers, administrators, engineers, jurists, etc.), as well as to persons means to buy books and physical energy to apply to them. The lower classes have to spend their physical spread of Bolshevism, but you should practicing the liberal professions, this ordinance shall not apply if their regular earnings are more than thrice the average worker's pay in the given locality, as determined by the local or provincial Soviets of Trade Organizations.

Unemployment in the sense of the present ordinance is understood o mean the condition of any person capable of performing work, whose chief source of sustenance is work for pay, and who cannot and work at the rate of compensation fixed by the Trade Organization concerned, and who is registered with the Labor Exchanges or Trade Organizations. ... .

Special Note.—Persons deprived of gainful occupation because of lockouts, shall be considered unemployed.

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4. The following persons shall not be considered unemployed in the sense of this ordinance: (a) Those deprived of work but not losing their earnings; (b) thise deprived of earnings because of strikes, during the duration of the strike.

Special Note.—After the introduction of a uniform progressive tax on pensation or a lengthening of the working day do not deprive the persons insured of the right to receive assistance from the unemployment funds. 5. The amount, and the duration of unemployment shall be determined

by the Unemployment Funds and audited by the local Labor Exchanges and crammed. Trade Organizations.

6. The means for assuring to the insured their insurance allotments shall be raised from payments by the employers.

7. These payments shall be made by the employers to the Unemployment Funds and shall together constitute a single All-Russian Unemployment

8. The All-Russian Unemployment Fund shall be housed, safe-guarded, and disbursed in accordance with rules drawn up by the Insurance Soviet. 9. The size of the payments made by employers to the Unemployment Fund shall be determined in a fixed percentage of the total payroll, and shall be fixed at a uniform figure for all Russia, not less than three per cent. according to data presented by the All-Russian Soviet of Trade Organizations. The minimum contributions to be made by employers for seasonal work-

ers shall be five per cent. of the total pay. Special Nate.—After the introduction of a uniform progressive tax on capital, income, and inheritance, it will be incumbent upon the government to pay a portion of the contributions of the enterpreneurs for the insurance of the unemployed, out of this tax.

10. On the decision of the Fund Committee, instead of calculating the amount of the payment on the basis of a percentage of the earnings of each single member, payments in bulk may be inaugurated.

11. The payments shall be made to the Funds by the employers at weekly intervals, on pay-day. Sums not paid at the time indicated shall be collected from the employers by order of the Commissaire of Labor, in accordance with rules drawn up for the collection of undisputed government demands (see Laws, Vol. XVI, Pt. 2, Ordin. Collection Undisputed, ed. of 1910, p. 2), in addition to which there shall be collected from the employer a fine, for the benefit of the Unemployment Fund, amounting to ten per cent. a month on the sum remaining unpaid during that period, fractional parts of

a month being recorded as full months. 12. Obligations of Employers to the Unemployment Fund:

(a) To report within three days the name of every person entering or leaving their employ; (b) to furnish detailed reports, on forms prepared by the Insurance Soviet, on the work done in their establishments, on the sum paid as wages to each and every person separately, on each receipt, weekly, from the day of pay; (c) to keep books and records covering the above information; and (d) to submit to the persons empowered to carry on this work, by the committees of the fund, in corroboration of the above data, the necessary documents, checks, books and records.

13. Earnings or expenditures in the sense of this ordinance shall cover: (a) The sum earned in the course of a year or of another interval of time, in the form of salary or wages, including also overtime pay (without regard to the form of compensation: day-wages, monthly salary, piece-work, etc.): and

(b) The cost of the natural (physical) supplies during the same period (rent, fuel, etc.), if such are at the disposal of the employer; in this consupplies in kind to be fixed within indicated limits by the Office for Workers' Insurance Matters on the date of the local Trade Organization or their collective organization.

In the amount of the earnings is to be included also the share of each

14. Assistance will be given to unemployed to the full amount of their earnings, but not more than the average daily pay for the given locality. Special Note.—The average earnings for a given locality shall be deter-

mined by the local or provincial Soviets of Trade Organizations. 15. Unemployment covering from one to three days shall not receive any compensation. Unemployment covering more than three days shall receive compensation from the first day of unemployment.

16. In the case the unemployed individual is ill, the Unemployment Fund will grant him financial aid and free medical assistance, according to the practice of the Sick Fund, and in co-operation with them.

17. Unemployment Funds shall be established for cities as a whole, in the cities, and for counties as a whole, in the county.

Gleanings

FROM THE LOG OF AN AGITATOR By W. E. REYNOLDS.

"Progress is the law of life, Man is not man as yet. -Browning.

Capital is not men or money or land or machinery or credit. What is it

Property is not men or money or land or machinery or credit. What

the matter up at your next local meeting and discuss it. No local? Then build one. Begin now.

"The are of management is not inherent in people. It has to be gained by experience."—Lenin.

Socialist locals may become the nucleus for the American Soviets.

Political views are opinions held by people as to how people should be controlled, for their own or somebody else's benefit, and by whom controlled, themselves or others.

"It is not men's consciousness that's determines their life; on the contrary this consciousness."—Marx. This explains the reason why all plute editors lie about the Russian Bolsheviks.

There are many houses in America. veniences all homes ought to have.

Poverty keeps knowledge from the minds of the masses. There is ample knowledge in existence. If this knowledge could get into the minds of the masses poverty could be elimnated. The Socialists, the Industrial Inionists, the Bolsheviks—these are he only people who are striving to eliminate poverty and these are the people who are being persecuted by the newspapers and the government fine phrases about Democracy such as officials who are standpatters of the abound so plentifully on the tongues he newspapers and the government

to the nature of the employer, whether a government, private, or social the upper classes. The difference can be accounted for by the fact that the fully, those who most fear the spread upper classes had leisure to study, of Bolshevism are not working people energy working for a master in order

> Genius is the ability to respond to the suggestions of experience.

Tools, technique, have meant so much in the development of man that which tools are made have been given to the three great epochs of human existence—the stone age, the bronze age, the iron age.

What a crime it is that technique which is one word standing for tools with which the childish mind is now

The climb from savagery through barbarism to civilization was on a adder of man's own making-the ladder of technique. We should learn of the rise of man, not the fall of Adam.

The epitaph for most humans under the wages-system. Here lies an hon-est Dubb who led a stunted and uninished life and died an untimely

\_\_\_\_\_\_ wages," newspaper headline credited to Palah Van Vitchen vice president two words are "Truth and Justice." to Ralph Van Vitchen vice president of a Chicago Bank. Workers will undoubtedly get lower wages—but will they like a condition where, "When you've worked a week you owe the boss for all the work you've done?"

> Wherever tyranny exists it is met by deceit.

> The label Mrs. or Miss in front of a woman's name is an advertizing label stating whether or not they are still in the market. Marriage market—of

things gone by. Socialists are the heralds of things to come. Standpatters are the guardians of

all the way from the respectable, king the industrialists who are in the penitentiary because they advocated one big union. There is the Sentimental wounded and bleeding. Unfortunate-

No state ever existed to realize ill abuse. righteousness. The state exists to Once, lo prevent the propertyless from taking

a short cut to equality. The basis of religion is Fear-Fear

Kings claim the divine right to rule. This brings a counter claim, the "divine right" of the masses to revolt.

The invasion of Russia by Germany was an international crime. have claimed to be fighting for Democracy. The Russian people have a REAL democracy—Soviet rule—rule by the majority of the people. Must we now fight this real democracy?

The Bolsheviks have translated the let-well-enough-alone school.

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The so-called lower classes have the same amount of native integers.

The same amount of native integers and by the people" in the interests

the names of the materials out of have the loan of it and the firm that

ers to Siberia for long prison sentences. In those days Siberia was to epithets and the westward of the Pacific ocean. quite abundant and power and all else man uses in Judging by the wholsesale sentencing his work, including mental and man- of working people to ten and twenty ual training and skill—does not form year prison sentences because they the basis for study in Sunday Schools held political or industrial opinions instead of the senseless pagan lies not in harmony with the opinions of our imperialistic czars of industry and politics one would infer that Siberia is now located east of the Pacific ocean.

> Officer: "This man seems to have deas in his head." Judge (yawning): "Twenty years."

The ideas of this age must conform to the ideas of the ruling class and the courts have taken it upon them-selves to see that they do. Result. tioned by the leading citizens. Penitentiaries full of the best brains "Workers must be educated to lower in the country.

18. The Unemployment Funds may organize into Unions and may operate in alliance with one another as well as with other organizations and

institutions. 19. Unemployment Funds may in their own name acquire property, with property rights and other title to moveable possessions, and undertake obligations, as well as the prosecution and defense of litigation.

20. The business of the fund shall be administered by the Fund Committee, consisting of representatives of the Trade Organizations, the Factory and Works Committees, and the Sick Funds, all three having an equal number of representatives.

The number of representatives shall be determined by mutual agreement of these organizations.

21. The Fund Committee shall oppoint from its own number: (a) an Executive Committee; (b) an Auditing Committee. Special Note.—After the introduction of permanent forms of insurance to live the life of deaf, dumb and

and the formation of universal insurance funds, the direction of the affairs blind when all their senses were given of the Unemployment Fund shall pass into the hands of the latter for them by the same great Father of 22. The decisions of the Unemployment Fund Committee, in accordance

with this Ordinance, may be contested in the Insurance Office within a tiful models of the work of God, and period of two weeks, and the decisions of the Office similarly within two weeks before the Insurance Soviet. Such protest shall not delay the enforcement of the decisions. 23. Previous to the reorganization of the Insurance Offices and Soviet sleep any longer, let us prove to Vol-

on the basis of a predominant representation from the workers, the functions of the Offices and Soviet in the terms of this Ordinance shall be incumbent on the Local and Central Committees for matters of Unemployment Insur-

24. Local (and provincial) Committees for Matters of Unemployment Insurance shall be formed at the Insurance Offices and shall consist of 21 persons; 5 representatives from the Trade Organizations or groups of such organizations, 5 from the Factory and Works Committees, 4 from the Sick Fund, 1 from the Labor Commissariat of Commerce and Industry, 2 from the city administration and 1 from the zemstvo administration.

25. The Central Committee for Unemployment Insurance shall be formed under the Insurance Soviet and consist of 27 persons; of these, 18 splendor and beauty. shall be representatives of the All-Russian Trade Organization Soviet, of the Central Soviet of Factory and Works Committees, and Workers' Insurance Groups under the Insurance Soviet, all represented in equal number, 2 from the Labor Commission, 1 from the Commissariat of Commerce and Industry, 1 from the zemstvo administration, 1 from the city administrations, and 4 from the entrepreneurs.

26. The preparatory work for the initial establishment of the Unemployment Fund shall devolve upon the local soviets of Trade Organizations, the Factory and Works Committees and the Sick Funds.

27. In case the organization provided for in paragraph 25 should not accomplish, within a period of one month, the establishment of Unemployment Funds, such shall be established by order of the Labor Commissaires.

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28. Infractions of the above shall be punished by a sentence of one year's imprisonment.

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The English language is endowed with two sublime words which have If they were placed on a balance, they would be found to weigh the same or so nearly so that the difference would be imperceptable. counterbalances the other and both are dependent on each other.

We hear Truth and Justice spoken of so often that we do not question their exact meaning. They are unif-versally used. Possibly even the African heathens employ them in their language. They are said to express the innermost souls of man and nature. In them we should find most noble thoughts and sentiments and actions—thoughts and actions

We should study, we should learn What is the difference between the Socialists and the Bolsheviks? There are many kinds of Socialists, ranging relatives. (Yes, I say close relatives; below I will endeavor to show why fauning, administration cringing they are such close relatives). We Spargoes, Simmons and Koeplins to should not misuse, we should not suppress Truth and Justice any long-Socialist and the Scientific Socialist. ly, they have been, as fate has willed There is the Socialist who understands Henry Dubb and the Socialists repeatedly insulted and cast away to the Bolsheviki are Socialists who ever ask this question? No doubt

Once, long, long ago, in a small town of Japan, they had an unbearable hot spell and every one sought a pool to immerge into to obtain relief.
Just outside of the town they had a of helndamnation—and a religious small lake where the poorer class community is a community of cowwas to that body of water that several young ladies went. Among them were two win sisters, "Truth and Jus-

While they were bathing some mischievous youngster purloined two suits of clothes. When the young ladies were through bothing and started to dress they were dismayed to find that the two suits stolen belonged to Truth and Justice. They looked and searched, but all in vain. Finally they gave up the search as a hopeless one. The others expressed their sympathies and regrets to the

two poor maidens and departed. Truth and Justice were left alonenaked. Still, they could not remain there indefinitely, so, after some med-itation, they decided to return home when dark and selected the side streets and dark ways so as to avoid the eyes of those who might still be on the avenues.

Darkness came, and they started for home without clothes. Incidentally, a town gossip happened at that very moment to be out also and dis-You who work for a living snown never be influenced by the opinions of those who live by owning your jobs.

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" own your job, you only the bag! She spread the news as if by magic; in an instant the whole neighborhood had thronged to see what disastrous calamity had befallen the work of the "bare" covered the two unfortunate girls. That was sufficient. The cat was out They were soon aware of the "bare" facts. Circumstantial evidence was sufficient condemn Truth and Jus-\* \* \*
Russia used to send political offendjudgment—found guilty and sentenced prostitutes, etc., and vile refuse were thrown quite abundantly at them. The final verdict was that the two culprits be forced to remain naked. This was done after a careful investigation by competent judges. Their nakedness, however, was a mark that they should be proud of themselves, and to dis-play their beautiful bodies to prove that they had been sentenced wrong-

Still, now and then has surged out a skeptic, ragged-trousered philanthropist and savior of society, who frequently manages to imprison them at the slightest offense. This offense, however, may be framed up or made to order; anything is valid; whatever is attempted to put an end to the two brave heroines is quickly sanc-

So since that day, wherever they have roamed, they have never found a home. For their earnest begging, for their strength of character and for their courage to insist for recognation in society, despite their nudity, they have and are being maltreated, chained and thrown behind prison bars, with the gallows in sight of them displaying its hideous noose.

Whenever they manage to escape, all the hounds of pious profiteers are turned loose to bring them back to be trampled upon and again placed in captivity, where their cries are unheard in prison walls.

Now, then, must these two innocent beings die with their prayer unanswered? Must they be the victims of "Mammon?

If not death, must they be forced all? Must their pleading be ignored? Or shall they be freed and encouraged to become once more the beaupermitted to display their perfect and beautiful physiques to lovers of Truth and Justice? If so, then let us not linger, let us not hesitate, let us not

vere our chains any longer! Let us free ourselves, let us break the chains of ignorance which have bound us for centuries. The time has come to gain the world. "You have but your chains to lose and a world to gain!" said The world was made for its inhabitants. Each and all are entitled to an equal share. Every one should be given, every one should take, the opportunity to see and admire the

works of mother nature in all her God has never ordained any individual or a group of individuals to hoard up, to fence in His vast areas. The mountains, the streams, the valleys, the mines and their diamonds are ours. They belong to all of us by divine right. But unless we go after them they will never come to us, be-cause God hath said that He would

help them who help themselves. Before these things can be accomplished we must learn how. The only plans and the keys of obtaining these beautiful things are now suppressed and imprisoned, so come, let us begin now to liberate Truth and Justice and help bring peace on earth, good will to men!—Rock Island Tri-City Weekly Labor Review