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"Yours for the Revolution"

(New York Call)

"Hold fast! Europe is breaking up; the social revolution is at hand! said the Soviet leaders to the Russian proletariat just one year ago. The bourgeois world sneered at their "rhetoric." Within the past five days the New York Times held up to ridicule the Russian newspapers which interpreted the events accumulating in central Europe as proof that the upheaval was at hand. Today the Times itself proclaims to the American Attorney General Complains of Inter-

"Austria-Hungary Swept by Revolution." "Workmen's and Soldiers Councils Control Vienna and Budapest." "Count Tisza (notorious Imperialist) Slain by Soldier in Streets of Vienna." "Extremists Seize Power in Dual Monarchy." "Kaiser Plans Abdication as Red Mobs Stone Imperial

With what grim satisfaction might the Soviet prophets read in all the liberty-hating American newspapers the current news from central Europe: "Socialist Leader Renner heads provisional government of Austria. Victor Adler to be new Foreign Minister." And in the notorious Vossische Zeitung of Berlin that "a provisional workmen's and soldiers' council has been formed in Berlin"; that hordes of Austrian soldiers are streaming back from dergo radical changes.

The battle front, bearing red flags and shouting, "Down with the monarchy."

The department faced a huge task during the last eighteen months and Nor would Lenine in any way be surprised were he to read in a Wash-

ington newspaper, as we have done, the significant lines: "Possibility that Allied troops will have to go into Austria and establish order there was seen by diplomats today." And the end is not yet. Forty thousand German troops in the Ukraine,

we read, have shot their officers and raised the red flag of Socialist Russia. They have heard at last the re-echoing voice of the prophet Marx: "Workers of the world, unite; you have nothing to lose but your chains; you have

While the pillars of an epoch crash to earth, the wise men of a dead era sit in solemn conclave over their plans for a conventional reconstruction. They cannot read the handwriting on the wall. There is none to read. The

"Yours for the Revolution," is a wish come true for 250,000,000 men and

Socialist Convention

Preparations are under way to call an international Socialist convention in Brussels at the time the peace con-ference is in session in Versailles, L'Humanite, French Socialist paper,

Brains, Goods and Good Men

By W. E. REYNOLDS Once in the long ago the man who had the most goods was the good man—and it is so considered even yet! In the early days the man who was the strongest had the most goods. He had the power to take them and he took them. His might made it right and all the rest of the tribe would agree that it was right for the mighty ran of night to be the condensate the most

The invention of gunpawder the party organization of Kentucky changed all that. A little man can with a State Secretary and State Expull a trigger as quickly or quicker cutive Committee, but all due stamp than a big man. Then they moved correspondence and work of organizaupstairs and said it was wrong for the strong man physically to take from his weaker brother Cause the weaker brother had a gun) but it was of Kentucky and to route speakers right for the strong man mentally to take the goods—and that is as far as we have progressed in Social intelli-

Today, the press, the pulpit, the platform and the people all parrot the untruth "Brains," "Brains." "He has the brains." "Brains get the goods."

The simple truth of the matter is that our brainy men are notoriously ill-rewarded. Our rewards go to the crooks and cheats. Possession of social necessities enables the possessor to rob the rest of the race. It is not brains but possession that

Rockefeller has a billion times more wealth than the average American, but is not a billion times brainier than the average American.

The doctrine that brains goods is obsolete and should be relegated to the attic along with the divine-right-of-kings, and other outdoctrines which obstructed the achievements of the race.

Act of Virginia in 1786 (approved by U. S. Supreme Court)—To suffer the civil magistrate to intrude his powers into the field of opinion and the f ciples on supposition of their ill tendency, is a dangerous fallacy, which destroys all liberty.

The French election will not be held until after demobilization is completed. This may mean months of delay. to restrain the propagation of prin-

May Call International Kentucky Socialists Want to Merge

(Special to Ohio Socialist)
Louisville, Ky., Nov. 29, 1918.—
State Executive Committee, Socialist Party of Kentucky, met in called session tonight with the following members present: Rassmussen, Bossemer, Goodman, Stevens. The latter elected chairman. Letter read from the State Secretary saying the State Office had taken up with the officials of the Socialist Party of Ohio and the National Office, the proposal to have State Office work of the Socialist Party of Kentucky handled through the office of the Socialist Party of Ohio. Members of S. E. C. voting in favor of same were Rasmussen, Stevens, Bossame Weight Stevens Weight Steven semer; not voting, Goodman. Motion

carried.
It was voted to ask the advice and official opinion of District National Executive Committeeman Dan Hogan. Secretary instructed to write Com-

and do whatever is possible to help build up the party in Kentucky.

State Executive Committee of Kentucky to be kept posted on all work done by copy of minutes of S. E. C. of Ohio and make such recommendaor recommended by members and

locals of Kentucky. This plan is approved by your State Executive Committee and asks that locals at once move for a referendum to vote on the adoption of same. This plan to be tried out for one year.

(Signed) R. M. RASMUSSEN, Acting State Secretary.
Approved, Fred E. Stevens, Chairman

French Elections

The French elections will be strongly influenced by the success of the British Labor party in the coming month. It is declared the Clemenceau

The French election will not be held

Join the Bucket Brigade

CIRCULATION—that's what & Socialist paper MUST HAVE if it is to wield any influence. To get circulation the OHIO SOCIALIST must receive an introduction to the working men and women who live in your city or township. And it is squarely up to you and your local to do the introducing.

Therefore, we say-JOIN THE BUNDLE BRIGADE. Why not bring the question before your local at its next meeting? Induce your local to purchase a bundle every week-either to sell or for free distribution. And if you feel as if conscience ought to be appeased because of the fact that you have rested upon your oars much too long, then subscribe for a tell nothing but the stereotyped be elected to the new parliament, 104 already have been returned—41

Our BUNDLE BRIGADE is growing. Comrade Dillon, State Secretary of New Mexico orders a bundle of 250 for a start. Local Toledo is at present on our mailing list of 150 a week. Youngstown distributed 500 of the last issue. Channing Sweet of Denver, far off Denver gets 25 a week. W. A. Jenkins of Salem, C. Bostellar of Grand Rapids, Mich., are both "bundled" each week, and Wm. M. Brown of Galion has a great time shoving 100 OHIO SOCIALISTS under the noses of 100 Galionites week after week.

Don't hesitate. Don't linger on the outskirts looking on. DO SOME-THING. And one of the best things you can do is to show others the road to Ckla. Socialism by introducing the OHIO SOCIALIST to them. JOIN THE BUN-

ONLY \$1.00 FOR 100 COPIES.

Gregory Flays Self-Appointed Spy Catchers

ference by Irresponsibles Who Ferret Out Enemies.

Washington.-In his annual repor to the department of justice, Attorne Gregory condemned the of "self-appointed" spy catchers, who took it upon themselves to ferret out so-called "enemies" of

this country Gregory declared in his report that the regulations and rules governing the department of justice must un-

was hampered in conducting its work efficiently by the vagueness of the laws and the interference of the self-appointed spy chasers.

The work of the department, continues Gregory, was greatly handi-capped by the "general language and indefiniteness of laws to determine, among hundreds of items, the divid ing line between honest criticism and insidious and malicious propaganda directed at hampering the nation in its war work.'

The attorney general also declared that membership in any organization, such as the Socialist Party or the I. W. W., did not give in itself reason for prosecution. Such prosecution, argued Gregory, is persecution, and should not be tolerated.

He also said in his statement that many labor agitators and union leaders were prosecuted because were responsible for threatened labor

An increasing number of cases of justice to itinerant workers is coming before the department. In order to avoid embarrassment, the department has issued orders that espionage cases should not go first to the grand jury, but should be sent to officials here to be reviewed and found if prosecution is necessary and just.

A Comrade Calls From Prison

Amarillo, Tex., Nov. 23, 1918. To The Ohio Socialist, Greetings. Dear Comrades:

From my far away southern prison cell, I give you greeting. I am a stranger in a strange land. I came here last October from the Pacific coast—hoping that the warm, dry, ficial for my health.

I am a public school teacher of about fifteen years' service. The long years and hard work had broken me and I was drifting toward pulmonary trouble. That is why I chose the southern school, over on the Texas Panhandle

Very unfortunately for me, I bear brief will beat us to the prison portal.

By this letter, I ask all liberty-lovcame involved in a foolish little Texas love affair, in which the soldier lover fancied that I had influenced his Letters mean so much to a prisoner. school girl sweetheart not to become his "war bride." The quickest and tions from time to time as they think of value, or which may be suggested me in." That is, report me for "disme in." That is, report me for "disloyalty," and this he did, so that his bravely. I shall answer all the letters field should be cleared of my presumed I receive—through the paper, if no

Without an hour's warning I was arrested and thrown into jiail. Bond was set at \$10,000, which to me, a be my appointed task then I hope that stranger in a strange land, was impossible. My friends were all thousands signment. The flame at my window of miles away and the bond must out here on life's frontier is burning

held non-communicado, in solitary not guilty of their charge and I could confinement. I never saw a woman's not swallow their ready-made lies, face. Only strange men who seemed only to wish to punish me because again swing outward for me. there was no one to forbid them.

and a chunk of dry bread and set them on the floor for me. They fed the top of a hot stove. And from this earth. inferno there was not an hour's respite! It almost drove me insane. I could write a book about this awful experience, but time and space bid me

hurry on. I was tried in Federal Court on Oct. 16. Little ignorant country girls were their witnesses. They said what they were told to say. Nothing they brought as "evidence" sounded within a thousand miles of anything I ever

er the verdict was rendered, one of the jurymen told my local attorney "the jury didn't really believe erals, 11 Laborites, 22 Sinn Feiners

1 Nationalist and 1 Independent. that Mrs. Foreman had said the things they accused her of saying, but," he have accused her of saying, but," he Pankhurst, have been nominated as radical Socialists and we just thought we'd better lock her up until after the war." (And is this what the Espionage Act is for?)

Then I was sentenced to five years McAlester prison, in McAlester,

we are trying to raise the funds nec- opinions is only a gang of slaves.

We Want to Talk to You a Minute

AND HERE'S WHAT WE'VE GOT TO SAY. The year 1919 is just around the corner. Suppose we all agree to greet it with a clear conscience. What do

you say? Are you with us?
HERE'S THE IDEA. It's a GREAT idea! We think so much of it that we intend acting upon it ourselves. And we feel assured, positively assured, that every readr of the OHIO SOCIALIST will join us. LET'S START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT

There's but one way to start the New Year right, and that is by starting some one you know on the if Mr. John Sawken knows it! He will road to becoming a Socialist. There is just one best way to do that and that is to put your hand into your allies and the central powers are pocket, take out a dollar or a half and with it pay for President Wilson is in Europe to ata subscription to the OHIO SOCIALIST for some rel- tend the peace conference and to sign ative, friend, shopmate or neighbor.

TAKE THIS SERIOUSLY—PLEASE

You know of some one who ought to become a Socialist. Some one to whom you have talked and who ities in the past year and a half have has expressed himself favorably upon the subject. Or the Democratic Party in the recent you knew of some one whose opposition to Scialism elections more than any other one facyou have been unable to overcome by argument. In either case, the presentation of an OHIO SOCIALIST subscription will work wonders and will place to your able assistants at the Max Eastman meeting at Acme hall, Cleveland, Dec. credit the merited praise of having begun the New Year right.

DECIDE NOW! And decide favorably. Send in that subscription for your friend or relative TODAY. Make it a HOLIDAY GIFT. Use the blank below and upon receipt of the subscription we will send the person you subscribe for a holiday postal card terning him who presented him with the subscription and that it when the doorkeeper confronted Mr. is presented with the sincere hope that he will also Sawken with a copy of the law and Mr. Sawken recognized it as such by start the New Year right.

THE OHIO SOCIALIST IN D. 2, Brecksville, Ohio. I have decided to start the New Year right by presenting an MIO SOCIALIST subscription to State

essary. We must hurry too-or Gaing men and women to write to me. They let those in authority know that he has friends somewhere in the world

other way. I shall prove big enough for the asbe given "within the jurisdiction of the court."

For two long, dreary months, I was received a lighter sentence, but I was though prison doors might never

Before this reaches you I shall be felon's cell. Across the intervening miles I give

at 9:30 a. m. and at 3:30 p. m. I could not even get a cooling drink at any other hour. The sun made the stone floor so hot that when I poured water on to cool it off it steamed like that the stone floor so hot stone floor so hot stone floor so hot that when I poured water on to cool it off it steamed like that the stone floor so hot stone floor that when I poured water on to cool it off it steamed like that the stone floor so hot stone floor floor that when I poured water on to cool it off it steamed like that the stone floor so hot stone floor floor

Loyally yours, from the Bastile, FLORA I. FOREMAN. Box 398, McAlester, Okla.

English Elections

London, Dec. 5.—This was nomination day for candidates for parlia-

A feature of the nominations was the large number of unopposed re-Coalition Unionists, 28 Coalition Lib-

candidates for parliament in the gen-The Labor party has put up 350 candidates, which is the biggest effort

made in its history.

Of course we have appealed to the which dares not protect its humblest higher court, but it costs so much and member in the free utterance of his

New Expressmen's Union Winning

(Special to Ohio Socialist) Reports from various parts of Ohio indicate that the National Association of Expressmen, with headquarters in Louisville, are sweeping the state. Ten large cities are reported organized with over 1,000 members. It is reported that the express companies are trying to pull the wool over the eyes of their employes by promoting a company or-ganization called the Brotherhood of American Railway Employes, with headquarters in Chicago, Ill. The A. F. of L. is in the field also trying to divide the expressmen between the Railway Clerks and International Teamsters. The A. F. of L. is refusing the expressmen a separate charter. Reports show that the Brotherhood of Trainmen are backing The solid wooden door never opened save at "feeding time" when the "trusty" brought in a tin pan of beans come forth from the living death of a membership in the B. of R. T. One big union of all classes of express employes is the kind of union the National Association is trying to organize. M. L. Clawsen attorney of the National Association, reports that notwithstanding the A. F. of L. jurisdiction fight, that the A. F. of L., B. R. C., the Independent Teamsters of Chicago and the National Association members got together in Washington and won out before the railroad commission, which will grant increased wages, ranging from 25 to 40 per cent. as soon as sufficient organization has been brought about throughout the United States. The National Association report 25,000 members, and 20 states with organizations, and in Portland, Ore., and Seattle, Wash., the expressmen are withdrawing from National Association.

Thoughts of Soldiers Well Guarded

Every few weeks we are informed of a new list of books which Secretary of War Baker has decided are Wendell Phillips—The community trenches to read. One would almost think that a man big enough and brave enough to face the German bullets and poison gas was capable of picking his own reading matter. But it seems not. We find that there are quite a few books that might so react upon the minds of our soldiers as to unfit them for warfare. We suppose it's the same with soldiers as it with bull dogs. They need raw meat if they're to make good fighters. But somehow or other we imagine that if we were a soldier we'd be just cussed enough to watch our chance and devour the forbidden fruit at the first opportunity. We like to know the why of things and we'd not rest

until we had discovered why the listed books were put under the ban.-Read-

AN AMERICAN KNIGHT'S TALE

"John Sawken, special agent of the department of justice, caused trouble at the meeting by his refusal to pay 25 cents admission to hear Eastman and his wife lecture."-Cleveland Sunday News-Leader, Dec. 8th.

If any believe the war to be over let them hasten to Cleveland and interview Mr. John Sawken, of the department of justice. Mr. Sawken will very soon convince any one that although the armies and navies of the President Wilson is in Europe to atthe treaties, the American people are still under the rule and beneath the thumbs of the American Knights, beg pardon-the American League, the organization whose activcontributed probably to the defeat of

The presence of Mr. John Sawken surrounded-get that-surrounded by 7, was typical of many Socialist and group meetings of the past year and more, in that where was peace and order before trouble immediately followed in their wake.

The presence of Mr. John Sawken and his agents became known to the gathering audience by their refusal to pay admission. This was in violation of the law as was proven at the Kate paying 25 cents admission. In other the law enforcers broke the law at the Eastman meeting and those who endeavored to enforce the law were persecuted for doing so and were thrown in a filthy jail because they were law abiding citizens.

Apparently Mr. John Sawken and his assistants found entirely too little opposition to their law breaking. Having broken the law and found it easy, their criminal instincts were aroused and their abnormal appetites were whetted for more. Having not found trouble awaiting them they proceeded

Accusations of evading the payment of war tax were hurled at organizer Walter Bronstrup and erinkatically be tolerated. They insisted on doing all the talking. Answers to accusations were met with threats of closing the meeting and a night and day in jail. The preposterous idea of an-

at least in violent outrage against the Mighty Presence of Mr. John Sawken. Thus when Carl Hacker asked Mr. Sawken if he wanted to take the war tax with him the dignity of Mr. Sawken received its death blow and reprisals were in order. "Where's yeur registration card," cried Mr. Sawken. Hacker had left it at home but since he had met Mr. Sawken many times previously, in fact had been registered by the A. P. L.'s on 23 occasions, the lack of a registration card would seem an inconsequential matter. "Take him along," was the order given and executed. Men and women crowded about to

swering a direct question was

with a stern demand to "stop coming." Not to do so was perhaps not

violation of the espionage law but

see and hear by what legerdemain the world is made safe for democracy. A woman speaks of her house being searched by four department of justice agents. "That may be so," of justice agents. "That may be so," says an A. P. L., "but don't talk about it." "Why not talk about it?" "Because I say so," replied Mr. American Protector, with emphasis—very special emphasis upon the I. In fact it is our belief that the agent is especially fond of the pronoun I and by long use has cultivated an atmosphere with which he surrounds it. It has be come a vital part of his mental and spiritual being. The "I" rolled off his tongue as though he were loath to part with it and would add to its significance by giving it a tone which bore with it a threat dire and awful intended to strike terror to the hearts of his listeners. In short the kaiser sublimated delirium of his pipe dreams never had anything on this rare bird,

this prize hawk of Mr. John Sawken. Here was where we fell in. "Sure, why not talk about it? still a few things we can talk about."
Fatal delusion! Nothing doing. Our registration card is demanded and produced. Yep, thought we, here's where we are prompt. Our little green card is snugly tucked away in our little red dues book, where it would always be safe and handy. We were always be safe and handy. We were quite certain we had even Mr. "I" on the hip. Not much. Mr. "I" gazes with great intent upon the innocent card as though he were making the acquaintance of a registration gard for the first time. Two are sure Mr. "I" is under 45). Impatience is our besetting sin. It often leads us into error. It again proved our downfall. "Can't you read it," we ask, and peonle standing shoul laugh. Again dignity is furfed. These socialists must

be taught to respect the officers if not the law. Mr. "I" can't stand the gaff. 'We'll take you along, anyway," he (Continued on page 2)

THEY WILL NOT DESERT US

Kaiser Bill said a while ago that he would not desert his sorely tried

But his sorely tried people assured him that they would not look upon it as desertion if he got of their backs. He took the hint at a rather late date—and got. Our monied Kaisers in this country are equally loath to desert the sorely tried people.

Day by day they are laying their Dear Comrades: can people, and the capture of the markets of the world. markets of the world.

The Monied Kaisers do not have

to make any grab and getaway in order to secure complete control of the industries. They have it already -save that there are a few government war strings on them. They expect to cut these few strings eas--while the people are looking admiringly at the statesmen making peace. Nor will the squeezing of the last dollar out of the people be anything new. They are doing it

meant by a new order—everyone but the Socialists, who have a definite idea as to what the new order should

Our Monied Kaisers have been a this looking after their fence. Our Monied Kaisers know the

Kaisers have two political parties—the Republican and the Democratic. Why should they have two? their party, and the common people would vote it down. By having two they can claim both of them are parties of the people, and thus divide the people between those par-

ties. And no matter which of those parties carries the election, the Monied Kaisers win. This plan was worked to a frazzle at the recent election—nearly everywhere except in Milwaukee.

as desertion if they were to get off

our backs.

They can come out of their political coma and organize politically throughout the nation-in the Socialist Party—so as to give the Monied Kaisers the grand bounce in

A Voice From Virginia

plans for after the war activity. And they are some plans. They include taries relative to boosting The Ohio the complete control of industry in Socialist has been received and finds the United States, the squeezing of the last dollar out of the Amerimy ability. The Ohio Socialist is a

the union. Never in our history have we felt more keenly the need of a strong and efficient press, but alas in the hour of our need we see our press has been all but destroyed. The harlot press of the masters is inundating our country under an avalanche of foul calumny and malicious lies, the like of which no other country has ever experienced and we find ourselves powerless to combat them. They have cast aside all restraint and seek by But you know a lot of folks have the most shameless and dastardly been talking about a new order that | means to prejudice the people against was to come into existence after the war. Probably most of them had a shamelessly encouraged, and there can be but little doubt that the Madison Square outrage was a culmination directly tracible to the incitement of a lawless and incendiary press.

Lawlessness begats lawlessness and outrage invites reprisal. This being trifle scared lest this new order tank should come to something. So they have been carefully looking to their fences—whereby they have the infences—whereby they have the infences fenced in as private property in the premeditated that the premeditated the powers that be premeditated to get a pretext triple in order to get a pretext triple triple. dustries fenced in as private property, with unlimited power to take the people by the heels and shake for the exercise of unrestrained viofor the exercise of unrestrained viothe spondulix out of their pockets. lence in stamping us out, now while The recent election was a part of the needful force is mobilized and at lence in stamping us out, now while command?

Taking this view of it, and it may value of political power. The common people do not. The Monied be the correct view, it behooves us to
use the uttermost restraint and selfcommand when the hour of supreme provocation arrives. To attempt to meet force with force now would be Because, if they had only one it suicide. Let the fat bellied anarchists would be plain that that one was rant and rave. "Whom the gods would destroy they first make mad." populace cannot fail to be disgusted with powers that make war, ostensively to avenge outrage in foreign lands, and then deliberately wink at outrage committed in their own country.

State Sec'y of Virginia.

William Ellery Channing-The cry has been that the war (1812) is de In every congressional district in the United States, except the Fifth be hushed. A sentiment more unthe United States, except the Fifth Wisconsin District, the workers blindly and ignorantly elected the candidates of the Monied Kaisers.

So our Monied Kaisers are not likely to desert us soon. Having voted them back into power once the months are not the meaning and they are screened from scrutiny. We should teach all rulers that there is no measure for which they must render so solemn an action of the meaning are not the meaning and action to the meaning and action to the meaning are not in a good that there is no measure for which they must render so solemn an action to the meaning are not in a good that there is no measure for which they must render so solemn an action to the meaning and the solemn and the meaning are not in a good that there is no measure for which they must render so solemn an action to the meaning and the solemn and the solemn are not the meaning and the solemn and the solemn are not the meaning and the solemn are not the solemn and the solemn are not the solemn and the solemn are not the solemn are not the solemn and the solemn are not the solemn are not the solemn are not the solemn and the solemn are not the more, the people are not in a good position to make to them the same count to their constituents as for a suggestion that was made to Kaiser declaration of war.

HEAR EUGENE V. DEBS

Akron Dec. 15th, Salem Dec. 17th, Lima Dec. 18th,

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

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The Woman's Cause

A DEPARTMENT FOR WOMEN WHO THINK.

Labor Laws

By EUGENE V. DEBS. Albert H. Sanford, in an article prethat not only sentimental but ex- where mature men work. tremely practical reasons back the Moreover, says Mr. Sanford, the measure. His argument is interest-boy's will is then in process of forma-

and girls, in childhood and adoles- at work, because it is at this period cence, repeat individually the experi- that the nomadic instinct of the race ence of the race. Up to the age of takes strongest hold. six years, he points out children are plastic, imitative; easily led, and affectionate. Thereafter there comes down to routine jobs, particularly an abrupt change in character, parti- where they must stand much of the cularly with boys, who become wilful time. and selfish, and are prone to lie and selfish, and are prone to lie and too early employment in factories, steal. This is a perfectly normal he declares, means physical and men-

age of rapid growth begins, boys ap- as detrimental to eproach the "awkward age." At this workmen themselves.

and nervous co-ordination are less satisfactory then than at any other pared for the Wisconsin Industrial time. Rapid growth necessitates ac-Commission, endeavors to show how tivity, but prevents the boy from atthe child labor law in effect in that taining precision of movement. There state is really in the interest of the are twice as many accidents where employers as well as the workers, and such boys are employed, he says, as

bodies associated with it in the war ment. The boy of fourteen to sixteen

tal deterioration for the race—the course, he argues.

At the age of fourteen, when the consequences of which are eventually

An American Knight's Tale

replies. Mr. "I" turns us over to another co-laborer in the field of democracy who conducts us on our way to meet an old acquaintance. On the street we suddenly remember the little key in our pocket without which "Lizzie" will not go. We hail a passing comrade and turn the key over to him. "Where is your car? inuires Mr. Protector. "Oh, around the corner." "Why not ride down in it?" "Nothing doing. I've never hauled an A. P. L. doing, I've never hauled an A. P. L. around yet and don't intend to start now." We walk though he evidently

now Saturday night.

ter part of valor. For these inquiries serious air. One would almost think they were now paying the penalty. One, however, having never attended a Socialist meeting and being in total speech and assemblage. Mr. John new subs. ignorance of the methods by which the world is being made safe for democracy, refused to "come along," until excitable. Neither figure, face nor a brace of cannon were flourished in actions carry weight nor dignity, nor

There were five of us, all brought down on the same "no charge." were quickly made acquainted and learned the nationality of each. Two Russians, one Italian and two Americans-which proves the old adage that where there are two or three gathered together in the sacred name of the Revolution, there is the International represented.

We explored our steel bound cav-The floor is concrete, one wall is solid sheet steel. Along it runs a corridor, at one end is the barred entrance and at the other a water faucet and sink. You drink from the faucet Along the other side of the corridor are the eight cells, eight feet high, five feet wide and seven feet long. with a solid steel door in one end and at the other a steel grating which looks out upon a narrow corridor and contains a slot and narrow shelf through which food presumably is passed to the inmates. Evidently food s not set on the floor as in some jails we could name. The cells are furnished with two pieces of furniture, an open and automatically flushing toilet and two narrow planks which serves as a bunk. One can repose full length upon the planks with feet in the toilet or one may reverse and lie with head in it. This matter is op-

I have always felt sorry for a working man who has not been given the indispensable education which a stay in jail gives one. It is a vital part of one's education. We may say that there are two sides to life, the outside and the "inside." Those who have never spent a day or so in a capitalist jail are lacking in a knowledge of life and its problems.

We related to each other our adventures of the evening, previous jail one inmate 'fighting drunk' beating experiences and many other matters into insensibility another. The vicof interest to us. Tony was worried tim clings to the bars for support, Comrade Edwin Blank of Lima sebecause he had taken from him his protecting his face as best he can with cured three more readers. One a I. W. W. song book. Nevertheless he sings and the steel walls echo the Marseillaise. The Red Flag and The Internationale. Below is heard the in a cell. A moment later a young Internationale. Below is heard the line a cell. A moment later a young Internationale. Below is heard the line a cell. A moment later a young Internationale. Below is heard the line a cell. A moment later a young Internationale. Below is heard the line a sessilant rains week seems easy for Comrade Blank. Schultz's Smoke House. Buy a smoke seems easy for Comrade Blank. Schultz's Smoke House. Buy a smoke line at a sessilant rains week seems easy for Comrade Blank. Schultz's Smoke House. Buy a smoke line at a sessilant rains week seems easy for Comrade Blank. Schultz's Smoke House. Buy a smoke line at a sessilant rains week seems easy for Comrade Blank. Schultz's Smoke House. Buy a smoke line at a sessilant rains week seems easy for Comrade Blank. Schultz's Smoke House. Buy a smoke line at a sessilant rains week seems easy for Comrade Blank. Schultz's Smoke House. Buy a smoke line at a sessilant rains week seems easy for Comrade Blank. Schultz's Smoke House. Buy a smoke line at a sessilant rains week seems easy for Comrade line at a sessilant rains week seems easy for Comrade Blank. Schultz's Smoke House. Buy a smoke line at a sessilant rains week seems easy for Comrade line at a sessilant rains week seems easy for Comrade line at a sessilant rains week seems easy for Comrade Blank. Schultz's Smoke House. Buy a smoke line at a sessilant rains week seems easy for Comrade line at a sessilant rains week seems easy for Comrade Blank. Schultz's Smoke House. Buy a smoke line at a sessilant rains week seems easy for Comrade Blank. Schultz's Smoke House. Buy a smoke line at a sessilant rains week seems easy for Comrade Blank. almost regular sounding of a bell. We woman is brought in from the street decide it announces the arrival of the by the officers. She is partly intoximost hope that other comrades will lieved herself disgraced and probably half hundred mark we fully expect doesn't consider that he has fulfilled arrive. None do, however, and we did so believe. She refuses to give that he shall make it a full hundred all his obligations to the Socialist decide the meeting has proceeded her name and when the officers atwithout further violations of the tempt to lead her to a cell she goes
be a record to be proud of, don't you
member on our list of readers. Not at American Constitution and civil laws frantic. Fighting like one insane she think? One hundred subscriptions all. This week he secured nine subs to say nothing of the laws of de- flings herself upon the police but falls in three months certainly would show from non-members. We hope and becency, and resign ourselves to a Sunday in prison.

The walls are high, The bars are strong, The cells are narrow And the hours are long.

Someone breaks into rhyme. One of the police net. After each name from Local adelphia, O., are to hand. If there has a possible to the police net. After each name in the open and stare one in the open and stare one in the open and stare one in the seem to be saying "eventually, was the charge for which they were why not now." Upon the walls are traces where some unfortunate vermin why not now." Upon the walls are traces where some unfortunate vermin hadcording to his nature. Upon a desk from Comrades kept their pledge this week by mailing us one following comrades kept their pledge this week by mailing us one following comrades kept their pledge this week by mailing us one subscription each. A. C. Holloway, adelphia, O., are to hand. If there adelphia, O., are to hand. If there subscription each. A. C. Holloway, and be any thing in the old theory the dering who took the lid off of hell.

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Wisconsin Child time, he declares, they should not be tied down to routine operations in the factory. The reasons are not only physical but mental.

In the first place, he says, muscular

ing in view of the child labor policy tion, and he needs a certain amount of the Department of Labor and the of freedom for its proper developmergency.

Mr. Sanford maintains that boys from factory to factory as he is put

death. Our bug specialist makes cal

Revolution in Germany. It is midnight we guess. We take turns on the bunks. It is possible to

desires to ride as it is many blocks to the police station.

Twelve years have not dimmed the memories of days and nights spent in One hour on the bunk and you are jail. How familiar seem the grey walls, splotched, grimy, and with paint and calsomine peeling off. Familiar is the smell of disinfectants—and worse. Familiar are the steel and worse that the steel in to hear what we have to say. Our gratings, bars, sheet steel walls and only reason for this decision is that concrete floors, the automatic flushing he has the face and bearing of an of open toilets, the nauseating and American Knight. We return to the poisonous prison atmosphere.

We are "frisked" for possible weapons and other non-essentials of a possible weapons are not a possible weapons and other non-essentials of a possible weapons are not a possible weapons and other non-essentials of a possible weapons are not a possible weapons and other non-essentials of a possible weapons are not a possible weapons and other non-essentials of a possible weapons are not a possible weapons and the possible weapons are not a possible weapons and the possible weapons are not a possible weapons prisoner's life but not before we make energetic inquiries of Mr. "I" who appears with another comrade in tow, as two department agents, the turnkey to the charge against us. We are and the prisoner walk into a side given to understand that we are there because he wants us to be there and will be investigated by the department invited to sit. We do. Mr. John of justice on Monday morning. It is Sawken stands on one foot, the other ow Saturday night.

The turnkey conducts us upstairs Mr. Sawken is a small man but he and through a steel barred door. has a big job, too big, we should there are five of us, two of whom are five to me for their presence. Seeing me hauled away they made inquiries as to the cause. As made inquiries as to the cause. As we wrote above, silence was the better part of valor. For these inquiries they were now paying the penalty. One, however, having never attended a Socialist meeting and being in total speech, and assemblage. Wr. John saken gazes at the note book with a would-be profound and serious air. One would almost think he were reading a decree of the American Bolsheviki regarding free a Socialist meeting and being in total speech, and assemblage. Wr. John saken gazes at the note book with a would-be profound and serious air. One would almost think he were reading a decree of the American Bolsheviki regarding free as Socialist meeting and being in total speech, and assemblage. Wr. John saken gazes at the note book with a would-be profound and serious air. One would almost think he were reading a decree of the American Bolsheviki regarding free as Socialist meeting and being in total speech and assemblage. Wr. John saken gazes at the note book with a would-be profound and serious air. One would almost think he were reading a decree of the American Bolsheviki regarding free as Socialist. Every week he sends us some hearted and decide to end it all by adopted the word union, when the A. Sawken is a small man, light in weight, light in actions, nervous and

> inspire respect. When Mr. Sawken wishes to appear especially vicious he gives his hat a promises are always backed up by evivicious pull over one eye glass. Instead of giving him the appearance of 'toughness," it but adds ludicrousness to insignificance. Mr. Sawken gazed at the note book while the silence deepened. Mr. John Sawken aspires of Buchannon, W. Va., comes one with to envelope himself in an atmosphere of gravity and dignity, such as would become Caesar, but wholly out of three dollars, which places him on the place with Mr. John Sawken. For list for three years. Some confidence neither Mr. Sawken's face nor figure were cast in the mold of Caesar, nor of any one else that we can think of readers too. among the noted and so his attempts at camouflage grew funnier and funnier as the moments dragged.

Impatience, as we have said is a part of us and besides we must have action here or burst with laughter. 'Well, shoot," we request, and Mr. Sawken did shoot. He asked us from out the depths of his camouflage if we lived where we do and we answered that we did. Then we must confess the truth of our last birthday and that we are among the married. Also that "we come to Cleveland quite often" and that we know Attorney Morris Wolf.

"Now, I've decided to let you go,"

said Mr. John Sawken, relaxing under the tremendous strain. "As for that," we reply, our detention here is but a matter of pure cussedness on the part of your men." The matter is not debatable. We put on our soiled collar and walk down stairs to wait for developments and the turnkey. While waiting, bedlam breaks loose. Cries of help, murder, police, reach our ears from an open door in the end of the corridor. Another comrade descends the stairs and we hasten to t announces the arrival of the by the officers. She is partly intoxi-"catch." We expect and al-cated and weeping as though she behalf stunned. The officers lift her to dred member. And they are possibil- long. her knees and thus drag her across ities, too. It can be accomplished in

the filthy, concrete floor to a cell. Victims, by-products of a criminal producing ecenomic system, they are effort and desire. Have you got them As evidence we have three dollars for a list of four from Comrade F. W. what society has made them. Each comrade? of us who is a specialist in vermin-eradicators investigates every nook according to his nature. Upon a desk and crannie for "game." It is plenti-lay a list of the names of the catch

can prison and there are 365 nights in a year and many prisons and many cities. What transpired here was transpiring also in each of them. Wretchedness unspeakable, despair, misery until it would seem the prison walls would burst asunder with the infamy of it all. By-products of an economic system based upon the exploitation of labor. When that exploitation ceases these infamies will

The interviews ended, we have returned to us our possessions left when we entered, the turnkey unlocks the door and we are on the street breathing the fresh air and may again assume the duties of citizenship, "respectable citizenship" of a nation made safe for democracy. It is 3 a. m. We eat an early breakfast before we part. One comrade, who was only a sympathizer before, vows that h will now take out a red card and add to his duties of citizenship that of making the world safe for the work-

In the meantime what has transpired at the Max Eastman meeting? Much has transpired there but not as much as Mr. John Sawken calculated. We have it on good authority that Mr. Sawken was there at the close of the meeting armed with a warrant for Eastman's arrest. He was there and some 20 assistants also and yet Eastman walked out the door and caught a train for Buffalo, while Mr. John Sawken and his agents searched the hall with search lights for the escaped Eastman. After such an auspicious beginning of a Knight's work this fiasco was certainly a

There are several comforts and soaces, however, which Mr. John Saw-ken may comfort himself with. Here they are: Another Socialist "sympathizer" is now carrying a red card. Two Socialists who had never seen a ail from the inside are better revolutionists than they were before and the same may be said of the others. A number of onlookers have been divested of the last vestige of respect for the methods of the A. P. L. and some several thousands of our readers, Mr. John Sawken and his chiefs included, have read of the valorous conquest of the American Knights and last, but not least, we must not forget the quotation from the daily press, "John Sawken, special agent of the department of justice, caused trouble at the meeting by his refusal to pay admission. Thus ends another war experience of

Tony Truppo, Carl Hacker, A. Chess Atkins and Allison.

What's Doing Among the Sub Getters

Press stamp sales are picking up in wonderful shape. Now that meetings can be held, every effort should be made to get every party member in good standing as to dues and also for press stamps. When every member is a reader of the state paper we will be a long way on the road toward greater efficiency in organization. And organization is the keystone of a successful revolution.

Local Cuyahoga County sent in forty-eight subscriptions, this week. Press stamp sales among the comrades of this local are looking up each passing week.

Our comrades of the south are jumping to the front in great shape in enlarging our sphere of influence. From many parts we receive most encouraging promises of support. These dence that they will be kept. For instance, Comrade Edkildow of Elkins, W. Va., comes a list of five subs. From Local Bradford, Ky., two subs are received. From Comrade Louis Whoin promises of more. Comrade P. S. M. Silverman of Henderson, Ky., sends list for three years. Some confidence that! Comrade Silverman expects to be able to assist us in securing more

After all there is nothing like keeping a pledge. At least that is what our Red Hundred members think. Comrade Norman Simons of Sawyerwood, O., is an example. He sends in three yearlies this week. Follow his example comrade and keep the ball a

Comrade W. Bronstrup of Cleveland makes up for lost time. Seven subs he hands us. This will ease his conscience we believe. By the way, any thing on your conscience comrade Red Hundred member?

Keep your eye on Portage Co. There are some live ones there. And you know that where there are live ones there is always something doing. Comrade McVay sends in a list of names of eleven new members who have each purchased their press stamp.

Comrade Gartleman of Cincinnati mails us three subs. We grow and continue to grow through the efforts Cincinnati comrades. Ruchtaeschel forwards a list of eight member's subscriptions.

Comrade Edwin Blank of Lima se-

of course. Six more is the number. is tripped violently to the floor the possibilities before each Red Hunmany, many cities in Ohio as well as

OUR WEEKLY POEM

On the Capture of Fugitive Slaves

By JAMES RUSSELL LOWELL.

Look on who will in apathy, and stifle they who can, The sympathics, the hopes, the words, that make man truly man; Let those whose hearts are dungeoned up with interest or with ease Consent to hear with quiet pulse of loathsome deeds like these!

I first drew in New England air, and from her hardy breast Sucked in the tyrants-hating milk that will not let me rest; And if my words seem treason to the dullard and the tame, 'Tis but my Bay-State dialect-our fathers spake the same!

Shame on the costly mockery of piling stone on stone To those who won our liberty, the heroes dead and gone, While we look coldly on and see lawshielded ruffians slav The men who fain would win their own, the heroes of today.

Are we pledged to craven silence? O, fling it to the wind, The parchment wall that bars us from the least of human kind, That makes us cringe and temporize, and dumbly stand at rest, While Pity's burning flood of words is red-hot in the breast.

Though we break our fathers' promise, we have nobler duties first; The traitor to Humanity is the traitor most accursed; Man is more than Constitutions; better rot beneath the sod, Than be true to CHURCH and STATE while we are doubly FALSE TO GOD.

We owe allegiance to the State; but DEEPER, TRUER, MORE, To the sympathies that God hath set within our spirit's core; Our country claims our fealty; we grant it yes, but then Before Man made us citizens, great Nature made us MEN.

He's true to God who's true to man; wherever wrong is done, To the humblest and the weakest 'neath the all-beholding sun. That wrong is also done to us; and they are slaves most base, Whose love of right is for themselves, and not for all their race.

God works for ALL. Ye cannot hem the hope of being free, With parallels of latitude, with mountain range or sea. Put golden padlocks on TRUTH'S lips, be callous as ye will, From soul to soul, o'er all the world, leaps one electric thrill.

Chain down your slaves with ignorance, ye cannot keep apart, With all your craft of tyranny, the human heart from heart; When first the Pilgrims landed on the Bay State's iron shore, The word went forth that slavery should one day be no more.

Out from the land of bondage it is decreed our slaves shall go, And signs to us are offered, as erst to Pharaoh; If we are blind, their exodus, like Israel's of yore, Through a Red Sea is doomed to be, whose surges are of gore.

'Tis ours to save our brethren, with PEACE and LOVE to win Their darkened hearts from error, ere they harden it to sin; But if before his duty man with listless spirit stands, Ere long the Great Avenge takes the work from out his hands.

BRAIN TEASERS

By State Organizer Tom J. Lewis.

such conditions you are not allowed division. to live, and you dare not die, you poor slave, now what will you do?

The war is over, the armistice is signed and the soldiers will soon be back home. To the new conditions many will be blind, until jobs become scarce, and they will have to roam.

A hard luck store. I'm hungry, dinner, fifty cents, and I've got fifteen cents to my name, and the nickel is cents to my pluged at that.

Those revolutions in Europe will have to stop or the powers of capitalist democracies will intercede.

What's going on in Russia? It must

be presumed "good news." Away with the saloons! A poor

working man when in hard luck may get a free lunch in them. Well, there's one consolation, he can still go to church and get some free prayers. Pass the collection box to help the heathens please.

Some good luck.—I nearly got a job this morning. Asked the boss if he needed any help and he said no. If he had said yes I'd be working now.

It's legal to organize split unions, that it, the umbrella handle makers, thinking. the umbrella wire setters and the umbrella cloth coverers; in other words, into craft unions, because that form lime." of unionism gives each little craft in- and have others working for you!

Local Ashtabula Harbor is selling press stamps at a rate that means a tary of Michigan, sends a dollar for reawakening of activities there. Acome sub, together with a list of Michigan, tivity of a local means press stamp sales. Press stamp sales mean additional activity of a local. The two go together. Hand in hand they mean the growth of Socialism. Eleven subs from this local this week.

When in Napoleon, O., go to Schultz's Smoke House. Buy a smoke as the weeks pass. Last week he and get acquainted. Comrade Schultz turned in three subs, this week he sub cards.

Comrade Chas, Litz of Sandusky doesn't consider that he has fulfilled more later. They will come, too, we lieve that they won't be non-members

Thre's a sub booster at Rittman, O., other states. All that's required is who is a real working-at-at-Socialist.

suicide, again you are up against it, F. of L. have disgraced it so, because because this is against the law. Under union means all together, not sub-

"Laugh and the world laughs with

you, weep and you weep alone."

capitalist can certainly laugh at the ignorance and stupidity of the work ers. Producing everything, they hand it over to them. Your reward, slaves, is one continual weep for you and your class.

A Jackass has got to be driven to work but a man, given a job, will buy an alarm clock so he won't miss it.

To read, to think, that is the question. Yet to think and to speak, that's out of the question. Funny world isn't it?

It's tiresome to talk about surplus to a slave who loves his boss, or to a boob who thinks you are talking

When talking about the good meal you had please do so in a whisper you know good meals are hard to get, therefore you may make some poor devil uncomfortable.

"Love your neighbor as yourself," but leave his wife alone.

Does your wife love you? I think she does. What! Has she got you

Comrade Blumenberg, State Secre-

"From the ridiculous to the sub-To quit working for others

igan local secretaries and members-atlarge, which we appreciate very much We shall circulate them for subscriptions. Comrade John Rehm isn't losing any time in lining them up at Springfield

In fact he seems to gather momentum doubles it. Comrade Grover Kopp renews his sub and of course sends along two more for company with the promise of

Alliance has a booster in Comrade E. Clippenger. Twenty-one dollars for Comrade Debs' Defense and two subs are the result of his work.

As a further proof that Local Lorain is in the fight good and strong is

L E T T E R S

From the Land of Devil-May-Care

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

Tailholtz, Hanginon, Allfoolsland,

Mr. Editor: These Allfools, are such a funny people. They think they are the wisest people on earth and all a maker of mouthnoises has to do to get their unstinted applause is to tell then

how wise they are.

The Magogs, which is the polite name for the high-mucky-muck Allfools, have their spokesmen tell this to the Gogs, which is the catalog name for the common variety of lower class Allfools, at every possible occasion In the whole Land-o'-Devil-May Care there are great houses full of

bound sheets that talk. These houses are generally called Homestead Libraries, in honor of the great Magog who furnished the dinerc to build them and buy the talk sheets with which they are filled.

The Magogs, or upper class All fools, have many bundles of talking sheets in the places they call home s they do not have to depend on the Homesteads to find out anything, but some few of the Gogs go there and search for information. Here is the funny part: These Gogs think they are wise, but try to get wiser. The Magogs think the Gogs are a bunch of brainless fools who are not to be trusted with wisdom, so they have their Allfools Homestead Association read the talking sheets first and no talking sheets are allowed to fall into the hands of the Gogs, which would in any manner harm the position of the Magogs.

Everywhere in the Lond-o'-Devil-May-Care you run into censors. Pulpi Pounding Piffletalkers censor the re ligious worship. These piffletalkers are assisted by most of the bond women and all of the old maids. They are allso aided by various associations formed to keep the morals of the Gogin "proper channels," as they call it but which means to keep them in th same old rut they have always trod Wise, wise people, yet cannot tell the difference between a channel and a

The newssuppressors are censore or at least this is the polite fiction told the Gogs by the Magogs. I have noticed here that any sheet which worships Lawnorder, their God-ofthings-as-they-are, is never censored but any sheet which fails to bow to the dictatorship of the Highmucky Magogs is soon censored out of ex

They do not have any official censors here but any Mucky Magog may take it upon himself to do the censur Some years ago the Great Chie ing. Some years ago the Great Chief High Mucky Magog, who had received more notice at their Count-Noses-Bee wrote down on talking sheets all the great thoughts which he had in his head. At that time most of the Allfools were talking a great deal abou freedom, and these great thoughts were all about a new kind of freedom which he wanted the Gogs to think he was going to got for thom—and ther after he had been selected Great Chies his bundle of talking sheets was taker away from the market places and no Gog in all the Land-o'-Devil-May Care could trade his dinero for the great thoughts of his Great Chief.

They have a Sunday one-day school where the young are sent to learn a ot of fabled nonsense which is no sense and in no sense fits them to solve any of the problems of life as they grow older, but which does im part a fear psychology which makes them easily led or driven by the master Magogs later in life.

The Monday-Tuesday five-day-school is where most of the young Allfools are started, usually at the age of six but few of them ever finish this school. As soon as they begin to get old enough to earn divide-up-dend they are taken from the schools and put to service in the slave-pens of the master Magogs.

The loss of the schooling is not a serious thing because the schools never teach the young All-fools any-thing about truth, but a lot of lies about dead and gone High Mucky Master Magogs.

They have a Higher School where some few of the Gogs and most of the Magogs get a training in the sciences of how the Magogs may handle the Gogs. Most of the Gogs who attend this Higher School think they are Magogs and study right hard to be of more assistance to the Master Magogs. After they leave school and enter the services of the Magogs they do not receive much dinero but are paid mostly in platitudes and promises to the effect that if they are hard working, diligent, honest and foithful they, too, may become Moster Magogs and have a lot of common Gogs hustling for them. They never saw a promise instead of demanding the

dinero.

sawdust and nonsense.

have—but they never have anything. This is due to the way they have of getting their living, which I will tell you about in some other letter. Each Gog is taught by the Magog Servers do not have an abundance after mak-Gog goes through life blaming himself instead of seeking the real cause

what a right was-I concluded that rights was a substitute for land as it seems the Gogs had the rights and the Magogs the land.

Almost all of the land here is good farming land but the Allfools are not good farmers. They use old fashioned farming machinery instead of the newer better kind. Devil-May-Care-Land has many inventors and many new and marvelous machines are in the market places. It must be that the peasants of Allfoolsland have a too-limited outlook. The Agrarian Peasants' butlook consists of what may be seen while sighting along the waybacks and between the ears of

the stunted farm team. The Allfools Farmer is behind the times and out of date just as his reading matter is out of date. For readng matter he usually has the weekly Apology, which contain reprints from he daylie newssuppressors of a week or a month ago. In addition to the Apology he usually reads a year-old icture book that talks to him about all the nice things which are made in Devil-May-Care-Land. He rarely ever ries to get these nice things but is

content to wish for them.

The Allfoolsland farmer has a wishone where his backbone ought to be. Ie is of the Gog tribe and thinks he belongs to the High-Mucky Magogs. All of the land here is owned by the Magogs and the peasants give one-half of all they raise for the privlege of staying on the land. In some places they give one-half the crop and n other places they give a sum of linero equal to the market price of me half the crops. It is amusing to see a group of Agrarian soil slaves all standing and singing about their land of the free. They sing this song to he tune of God save our chief.

The natives of the Land-o'-Devil-

May-Care with the exception of the Agrarian Peasants, work in the great nills mines and factories. They are not freeborn citizens like your workng people in favored America, but tre born slaves, who have to work o live and who have to work for the wner of the factory or mill or mine.

The Magogs own the industries while the Gogs run them. Each ownr belongs to an owners' union called Commerce Club or an Emandem Asociation. They encourage all the logs to think they are free and in-lependent. To keep the Gogs from eeing they are slaves to the Magogs hey allow the Gogs certain pieces f dinero to trade for their cheap

ood and clothes and shelter. If the Gogs received rations they vould know they are slaves but the vound know they are slaves but the sieces of dinero keep them guessing. No Gog in Allfoolsland can find out he plan the Magogs use in portioning out the dinero. I have discovered in ny travels in the different provinces of the Land-of-Devil-May-Care that ach emandem gives different portions of dinero in different provinces but he dinero the Gogs receive in any province, is exactly equal to the unt of dinero

o buy the things he has to have to teep able to work.

The Gogs think they are paid in ull for their work and hope to soon et ahead of the other Gogs and have he other Gogs work for them, but las this is only an idle hope. All the Magogs buy the labor of the Gogs and all the Gogs sell their labor to he Magogs, still all the people of All-

oolsland chant as with one voice, "We nove no classes in Allfoolsland." Both the Agrarian Peasant and the actory Gogs believe in a very old book that each has in his home that ells all about the way the earth was nade flat and the light and the darkiess separated—but light and dark-

ness are not separated in Allfoolsland. They have talking sheets telling bout the experiments and experience of some wiser Allfools but the Gogs are ntellectually disinherited and go by he old book that "was such a comfort o grandmother.

This book advises all Gogs to be patient and long suffering and obey he Magogs and then the poor Gog vho never owned a shanty here in Allfoolsland expects to get a mansion as his reward for dying.
Poor foolish Allfools! Why can't hey see that the piffletalkers of the Magogs have traded them a mansion

they must die to win for a lifetime of lugging, painstaking toil. Next time I'll tell you more about he Agrarian Allfools and how they The weather here is clear and cool. Hoping you are also, I am,

Deb's at Mansfield

Yours, etc., as B4,

ICHABOD JONES.

Herewith is report on the financial and of our Debs meeting which we feel would have been very much better Gog made a Magog but so simple-if Comrade Prevey had been with us minded are the Allfools, they take this and managed the affair for us in her usual vigorous and efficient manner. There is a special tribe of Allfools and are glad to add our little mite to whose piffetalkers wear a starched aid in retaining the liberty of our be-band of linen buckled at the back like loved Gene. We are very sorry to a horse collar. These people do not learn that omrade Prevey is feeling ill believe in sending their children to and hope she soon recovers her usual the common schools as they do not good health and fighting qualities. In like the fairy tales which are taught spite of the fact that we had only a —so they usually keep a school of few days in which to arrange our their own, which is taught by a sister meeting, and in spite of the fact that of the piffletalker. They are a little our local newspapers failed to run a more successful in turning out Gogs line of matter other than that which which will serve the Magogs without we paid for, and maintained a gravethinking or dissenting than the rest. yard silence until after the meeting, None of the schools in Allfoolsland and in spite of the mouthings, rumare places of learning. All are Crambilings and covert threats of violence ming factories, to fill heads not with on the part of a few profiteering payfacts, and their relationship, one to triots we had a splendid meeting our another, and to life, but with stardust hall was crowded to capacity and then awdust and nonsense.

Some, and scores were turned away, being unable to get in. Our dear will give the wayfarer anything they beautiful message filled with words Comrade Debs delivered his usual of cheer, hope and love for all mankind, and many expressions were heard coming from non-Socialists to the effect that if the capitalist class that poverty is a blessing and if they persist in sending this loyal working class champion to prison thereby causing it, it is their own fault. So each ing this beautiful soul to wither and die in one of their foul dungeons, that the powers that be will soon be won-

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WITH OUR EDITORS

REVOLUTIONS AND THE CAPITALIST PRESS

the editorial utterances of the capitalistic press in reference to the revolution in Germany. The painted ladies of the press are expressing a scepticism of the sincerity of the German Socialists because, as they put it, the German revolution is TOO ORDERLY. "We cannot trust the German proletariat" they tell us. "Their revolution is proceeding too smoothly to be real. Revolutions have a historic tendency to violence, and the almost complete absence of bloodshed and terrorism in Germany leads us to believe that the revolutionists are in cahoots with the Hohenzollerns. The revolution in Germany must be suppressed."

the criticism of the Bolsheviki government of Russia. Here the journalistic prostitutes view matters differently. That is to say they arrive at the same conclusion by reasoning from an entirely different premise. "The Bolsheviki are too violent," they say. "There are too many factions in Russia. The hands of the Bolsheviki are too bloody for us to embrace them. We would be glad to see a democratic Russia, but we cannot condone anarchy. The revolution in Russia must be suppressed."

The revolutions in Germany and Russia must be crushed, to be sure; but not for the reasons given by "the press." They must be crushed because the financial plunderbund recognize in revolution a dangerous blow at their age long privilege of exploiting their fellow men. And because the newspaper business is owned, body and soul, by the big capitalistic interests, we read in the Philadelphia Press of last Sunday that Russia is blood-stained by the hand of anarchy, and in the Philadelphia North American of Tuesday that the revolution in Germany is so peaceful that it is under suspicion of being a product of Junker ingenuity, and in the same Issue of the same North American we come across a beautiful and touching interview which a newpaper man had with the kind and gentle ex-Empress of Austria and her little son, "Otto, a golden-haired, blue-eyed, grave-mannered boy, who shook hands with the correspondent saying in English, 'How do you do? Thank

Americans, beware! Real Democrats, take note! Don't let your master's voice beguile you into thinking that the revolutionists of any country are the enemies of the working class.. We have told you before that the exploiters of labor would rather crush the Bolsheviki than drive the kaiser from his throne, and the capitalistic writers are proving that we were right.

When you read your daily newspaper, notice the tone of relief with which a conservative Socialist victory is reported. Notice the hostility in the U. S.—absorption of Charles H. which is aroused by any gains by the Liebknecht faction. Pay attention to Kerr & Co. the pathetic sympathy which the plute press extends to the deposed rulers of Russia and Austria. And don't forget that the conservative Socialists were those who consistently supported the kaiser in the prosecution of the war. Don't forget that Liebknecht and his followers were in constant opposition to the plans of the German Junkers. Remember, too, when you read about the "poor, mistreated" kings and emperors, that Americans were asked to die in order to rid the world of all autocracies.

front?" . And, in their ponderings, we want them to remember that the witalists of the world are strictly class conscious; that their class interest takes precedence over all other interests; social, humanitarian or nationalistic. We want them to remember that the chief business of the capitalistic Labor Party.

Labor Party.

9.—Most important of all—Intended to the workers of class is to keep the workers enslaved. And then we want the workers of themselves whether the fight for economic independence

This thing which is called Bolshevism is the nightmare of the lords of the earth. Emperors, kings and capitalists alike tremble before its onward sweep. It must be crushed because it would set the workers free. That is the reason, the only reason, why the master class is anxious for the suppression of the European revolutions. Workers of America, what does that reason

Send In Debs' Defense Contributions

Locals and comrades are requested to remit the money secured in contri-butions for the Debs' Defense Fund at once. Among recent remittances have been \$50 from New Duluth, \$10 from Ashtabula, \$5 from Comrade Allen of Painesville, \$5 from Comrade | MENGER MENG Maurer of Camp Chase and smaller amounts from many other comrades.

"The enclosed \$18.25 now makes a total of \$32 I collected for the Debs' Defense Fund. No one I asked refused to contribute and the Debs' list was one of the easiest subscription lists I ever circulated." John Cahalane,

For a Meeting?

L. E. Katterfeld, member of the National Executive Committee, has written that he can fill two dates in northern Ohio on his way to New National Executive Committee, has written that he can fill two dates in northern Ohio on his way to New York. He has suggested January 8 and 9. Terms are \$15 flat. Which two locals desires this exceptionally good speaker. First come, first served.

TOLEDO Y. P. S. L.

DOING THINGS Martha Herman, secretary of the Y. P. S. L. of Toledo, makes applica-tion for a Tom Lewis date for New Year's night. Let this show the way to our other leagues. Start the New

Six subscriptions secured in Davenport, Ia., by Sam Pinkus attests to the fact that the Ohio Socialist is finding warm welcome in every state in the United States.

HELP US—PLEASE

Comrades sending in subscriptions for the Ohio Socialist can save the overworked office force much useless labor if they will write the names of the subscribers, not in the letter they send, but upon a separate sheet of paper. We would prefer to have all sub getters use the subscription blanks on hand, write us for some.

"Big business going on here. Please rush 40 more dues stamps. Sold all those you sent me the other day. All of which means that Local Norwood is wide awake and that Financial Secretary Ruemmele is on the

We have derived a considerable amount of amusement from reading

Our amusement is heightened by comparing the above judgment with

We want the workers to ask themselves, "Why this sudden change of which the people of Europe are waging is not their fight also.

mean to you?-Reading Labor Advocate.

EXPOSED

"Enclosed find \$1 for which please send the BEST PAPER ON EARTH to the enclosed new subscriber." Wm. G. Evans, Zanesville.

\$18.25 from Cahalane of Hamilton; \$10.00 from W. E. Thorman of Van

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RD2, Brecksville, O. Dear Comrades:

OUR PARTY PAGE

Live News of Interest to all Party Members

GET A SUB—AND SMILE

National Office Correspondence & Executive Committee Actions

To the Members of the National Ex-ecutive Committee, Socialist Party. Secretary of the International Social-ist Bureau: London, S. W., Sept. 2, 1918.

The establishment of the German Socialist Republic within a year from he birth of the Socialist Republic of Russia encourages the belief that Socialism is not a distant utopia, but that the hour of its world wide realizatlon is near.

It must also remind us of OUR OWN UNPREPAREDNESS to as-We lack education, we lack power

of publicity, we lack organization, and what we have, but seldom FUNC-TIONS AS ORGANIZATION. I firmly believe these problems can be solved, and solved NOW.

Under the inspiration of the German Socialist victory, the Socialists of the United States will accomplish with ease what a month ago would have been impossible. I feel that we are ready of begin work in earnest.

It is the function of our Committee to work out methods and plans to provide opportunities of expression for the tremendous Socialist energy that is now being generated here by world events, so that the efforts of enthusiastic comrades will not be fritfered away in fruitless individualistic enterprises, but will all contribute to make our Socialist organization a nighty engine for working-class vic-

To help solve these problems, I expect to favor or propose the following at our next meeting:

1.—Call for voluntary contribution from every Socialist of ONE DAY'S WAGES EACH MONTH from now until 1920 election. 2.—Re-establishment of "Party Builder" to be sent weekly to all

3.-Adoption of definite plans for real Socialist Party press, with a iew to establishing a chain of Socialist dailies by the next presidential campaign, with co-operation of exist-

4.—Development of our "Literature Department" into the chief publisher and distributor of Socialist literature

5.—Establishment of "Marx University," a real Socialist and Labor Iniversity, as a development from the Rand School, as soon as a sufficient endowment fund can be raised, securing co-operation of existing schools. 6.—Re-establishment of Socialist Party Lyceum to work in connection with the party's press, Publishing House and University.

7.—Acquiring of permanent head-

8.—Unity conference with Socialist sive Organizing Campaign for 1919. necial efforts to organize: (a) en, (b) soldiers, (c) negroes, (d, Mexcans, (e) native Americans

Let us begin these activities now and by the 1920 presidential election we'll achieve results.

Fraternally submitted,
d) L. E. KATTERFELD.

National Office Socialist Party, Chicago, Ill. To the National Executive Committee. Dear Comrades:

At the recent meeting of your committee, a letter was submitted from the State Secretary of Minnesota, with reference to campaign activities of Walter Thomas Mills, a member of your committee. instructed to send a copy of the letter to Comrade Mills and request a statement from him. His reply to this at publicl letter has just been received. I sub-

mit it herewith: Northwood, N. D.

Adolph Germer, Secretary Socialist Party, Chicago, Ill.

Referring to yours of the 12th, place, I am writing to say that: 1.—I am and have been continuous-y a member of the Socialist Party since I helped to organize it in Indianapolis in the summer of 1901. My dues are paid in advance of this whole

2.—My membership is at this time held in the local at Berkeley, Cal. 3.-I am not a member of the Non-Partisan League. It is an organiza-tion of towns only, for which I am now working just as I have done for trade unions in this and other countries, all the time that I have carried my membership in the Socialist Party 4.—I did not advocate the organization of a new party in Omaha or anywhere else. I did advocate there, as I have in California, and elsewhere, wherever I have had a chance to do

I did advocate the co-operation

so. I did advocate the co-operation of the industrial organizations in definite campaigns for definite purposes regardless of all parties. This you will remember I did at the St. Louis convention. I also did the same thing at the last state convention in California. It was this also that I did in Minneapolis on the invitation of the Workingman's Non-Partisan League of that city at the opening of the campaign for Mayor Van Lear, who spoke at the same time and who always speaks at the league meetings, and co-operates with the league work just as I do myself. I think this covers all the points

covered by your inquiry.

With most sincere regards WALTER T. MILLS. Fraternally submitted, ADOLPH GERMER,

Chicago, Oct. 12, 1918. To the National Executive Committee.

Ar. Adolph Germer, 803 W. Madison St., Chicago, Ill.

Dear Comrade: I have not received the letter to which you refer in your communica-tions dated May 13 and June 4. For this reason, I beg you to address your letters for me to the Rt. Hon. Arthur Henderson, M. P., 33 Eccleston Square, London, S. W. 1.

Your communications contain two questions: First, if the eventual delegation of the Inter-Allied Socialist Conference will meet the representatives of your party; second, if the Socialist Party will be invited to participate in an eventual general conference. The reply is in the affirmative. If the delegation of the Inter-Allied Conference goes to the United States,

this delegation cannot exclude any-body. If an international Socialist conference takes place, the invitation will be extended, just as in previous cases, to all affiliated parties, minorities and majorities, and also to the trade unions affiliated with the international secretaries. All opinions must be represented. It is the only method to deal honestly with the intricate problem of war and peace.

Yours fraternally, (Signed) CAMILLE HUYSMANS. I am communicating further with him with reference to our financial standing with the international. With best wishes, I remain,

Fraternally yours, ADOLPH GERMER, Executive Secretary.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 30, 1918. To the National Executive Committee. Dear Comrades: The following is a proposed draft

of the protest to be sent to Washington according to the action recently taken by your committee:
National Executive Committee Motion No. 11. By Oneal and Stedman.

To the Congress of the United States: The world is shaken to its foundathe world is snaken to its roundation. Everywhere the people are rising. Revolution has swept Russia, Bulgaria, Austria and Germany are in its grip. The Socialists of England, CINCINNATI MEETINGS France and Italy speak with increasing authority. We are witnessing the birth of a new world. The Socialist Party of the United States is a part of the International Socialist Movement. As such, we speak to you in the interests of the workers of the United States and of the world. The opportunity for peace is here.

We demand that the imperialistic and reactionary forces in our own and allied countries shall not be allowed as will make the acceptance of the

ing peace, the principle of self-determination of peoples be asserted to the fullest degree, with the right of all subject peoples and races of both of the capitalist class. For once we the Central and the Allied Powers to see behind the scenes. determine the conditions of their own existence.

2.—DE WEMAND that the peoples of Russia have complete freedom to solve their internal problems and that the integrity of Russian territory as well as that of Finland, the Baltic provinces, Poland, Lithuania, Ukraine and the other border provinces be pre- size.

3.—WE DEMAND that the present try. preliminary and all subsequent peace negotiations be conducted with the strictest observance of the principle open covenants of peace, arrived

4.—WE DEMAND that duly accredited representatives of subject peoples and of the economic and political we are receiving and many comrades organizations of the working class in come in to the State Office to read it. all countries, participate in the final

5.—WE DEMAND that passports be granted representatives of Labor which has just overtaken me at this and Socialist Groups to attend International Conferences for the exchange opinions between the labor groups of the belligerent and neutral na-

6.—WE DEMAND that this government refuse to consider any proposal for economic war after the war. JAMES ONEAL, SEYMOUR STEDMAN.

National Executive Committeemen. Vote immediately by wire as prompt action is necessary. Fraternally submitted,
ADOLPH GERMER,

Executive Secretary. Chicago, Nov. 1, 1918. To the National Executive Committee.

Dear Comrades: This morning I received the follow-

ng night letter from Comrade Goebel: "Last meeting Executive Committee decided no business by correspondence. Oneal-Stedman motion therefore out of order until 'committee votes otherwise. If you insist on putting it, I move it not be made public until submitted by mail with opportunity for amendment. Armistice with kaiser means defeat for Liebknecht and German workers. Please telegraph this complete all members committee as matter of fair

You will note that he requests that I submit it by telegram, but it came after we had received eight affirmative votes on the Oneal-Stedman motion, which constitutes a majority of the committee and is affirmative action. It could serve no good purpose to submit Comrade Goebel's motion by telegram but in the closing hours of the campaign, it may serve our tricky and unscrupulous enemies. They could and would readily use this (Continued on page 4)

TOLEDO AGAIN

All of \$11.50, mostly in 25c subs, increased the Toledo list by nearly half a hundred this week. And from what we understand from Comrade Willnecker, there are more coming.

George Markert writes that the members of Local Mt. Healthy are going to distribute Ohio Socialists to get new members.

A BIG BOOST

"I hope you succeed in getting every member in this state to subscribe. As a truly party-owned paper, the Ohio Socialist has always had my support." Ruby Herman, acting state secretary,

Wm. Richards, organizer of Local Youngstown, informs the State Office that the Youngstown branches have now organized into a City Central

ANOTHER TEN SPOT

Allen Cook is the guilty party. He combards us with ten spots every once in a while. He buys ten Ohio Socialist yearly sub cords at a lick and from what we can hear he has several Canton comrades busy helping him sell

An S. O. S. for five dollars worth of subscription cards was received from Karl Frey of Lima last week. Might we make so bold as to again say that one best way of getting Ohio Social-list subs is to have a sub card handy to sell to the prospect? Buy some Try it.

GREETINGS FROM FROW

"All hail to Comrades Ruthenberg, Wagenknecht and Baker and I am Wagenknecht and Baker and the dreams come true." We, who once truly glad to have lived to see the dreams come true." We, who once the dreams come true." Or whips thy noble spirit tame? Too long the world has wept bewailing day they have been released from the confines of the prison cell in a day when the Red Flag of Humanity is flying in so many lands. May their confinement, which was for us, give the "workers of the world demand their own" regardless of the terrific their own their own their own the same than t us more encouragement to do more for our cause in the future than we have in the past." J. H. Frow, Youngstewn.

James Hindson of Youngstown orders 500 copies of the Ohio Socialist

Local Cincinnati plans to have educational meetings every Sunday evening, beginning with January 5. The best of lecturers are to be secured and radicals of that city are to be offorded rare treats.

Mary Marcey writes: "Just received | a copy of the Frisco paper containing ten pages of dictaphone conversations between Fickert and his accomplices. to impose such terms and conditions It reads like a novel. Fickert even of the enemy countries.

1.—WE DEMAND that in the companient of self-decommendation of peoples be asserted to I think the report is a historic down. hired a motion picture outfit to ask a proposed armistice impossible by woman to pose for pictures. Several either the government or the peoples pictures were to be put together to ment because it shows the degeneracy

THANK YOU WELTLICH Four yearly and five half yearly

subs for our state paper constitutes the sum total of Nick Weltlich's efforts last week. Our sub list in Massillon will soon be second to none in More of our members can do as well as Weltlich, surely. Make a

WHAT'S THOUGHT OF IT

This from Clara Smith, state secretary of Oklahoma: "Hope you get many subscriptions in our state. It is the VERY BEST Socialist paper It is my policy to refuse to let anyone take my copy away.

Local Piqua is preparing to put an organizer in the field for a week.

A sum of \$8.25 for press stamps and subs sent in by Comrade Litz for Local Sandusky proves that it can

Local Columbus has begun its series of winter propaganda meetings. They will be held every Sunday afternoon. Tom Lewis will be the first speaker, opening the course with a lecture on Sunday afternoon, Dec. 15.

YOU'RE WELCOME TO IT

for our state bulletin and sometimes I won't even give credit for it, but it's not a question of credit. Just so the good stuff gets into the hands of those who need it. I feel you comrades don't care, even if some one were to steal all of the matter in paper and know it is doing the move-ment in Ohio much good." Wm. H. Henry, State Secretary of Indiana.

The Debs leaflets continue popular in Dayton. A. Mandzick, literature agent for the local, sends in an order

"Let our watchword be—'STAND TOGETHER'," writes George Mar-kert. And that can best be done by holding local meetings REGULARLY. How about your local. Has it progressed so far as to rub its eyes, preiminary to the awaenking?

"Here are two subscriptions for The Ohio Socialist. I sneaked up on these two and caught them before they knew what happened. By the way, as an indictment by one member of you'll hear some good news from the National Executive Committee, of down this way soon. The comrades the majority of that committee. In are anxious to become active again.

Youngstown, O., Nov. 25, 1918.

Dear Comrades: We have reached the time when Can dungeons' bolts and bars confine "dreams come true." We, who once thee?

companying inseparable plagues vice, hunger, greed, war, etc., is to be relegated to the scrap heap of the past—to be remembered by the descendants of the present day toiling masses as a most horrible nightmare of by-gone ages.

We, the workers of Ohio, see the vast economic changes in society, all about us.

Russia, Bulgaria, Hungary, Austria, Germany and now Finland are preparing to show the world—real democracy—the democracy of the toilers, for the toilers and by the toilers of the world. We, of the Socialist party, he world. We, of the Socialist party, llways the pioneer guard of the workings, must bear the good news the Ohio: "The world for the workers," always the pioneer guard of the workawakening of MIGHTY LABOR-to the four corners of our miserable, tax-

hear the heavy, steady tread of the millions—the millions of unshackled slaves that have risen in their might and now challenge the masters of the capitaltistic world. They have unfurled the flag of international brotherhood from the plains of Russia to the vine-clad valley of the Rhine. Their cry to the enslaved to freedom, sweeps on and on across the vast nations of this earth. Like rolling waves on the stormy seas, the voice of the proletaire, rolls on till it reaches the farthest shores preaching its message of real democracy and destroying the elfish world with its profit system and seductive pelf, that stands in its way. The voice of the downtrodden thunders threateningly and the palace doors of the world's autocrats are be-

ing flung open, leaving bare their hideousness, once covered so beautifully with robes of splendor, now all is sham. And this is the inspiring song they "Make way for true liberty. You have had YOUR day. Your game of plunder must cease. The long, long journey from barbarism to civiliza-

tion, has been completed. The worker, heretofore shackled and misled, has arrived at his destination despite all obstacles placed in his way by the exploiting class.' Can't you hear that distant chorus, though faint and low? There! You can, still louder! Now its drowned by the chatter of the dollar diplomats, profitmongers and the treacherous paytriots, who are too busy, to fore-see their own unavoidable doom.

of mystery, of superstition,, we can "I find much good stuff in the Ohio hear the emotional, mighty strains of Socialist that I simply take and use the "International." "Arise, ye prisoners of starvation, Arise, ye wretched of the earth,

From the Far East, no longer a land

For Justice thunders condemnation, A better world's in birth."
Listen comrades—that thundering, defiant voice from out of the East is growing louder and louder. Hark, your paper, for your mission is to our comrades in France, England, push the movement along. I like your litaly and Spain and all hungry, wartorn Europe have joined in singing the praises of Labor. Louder and louder they are singing

-now a pause. A more beautiful music, defiant and rresistible. Hark, the strains of the Russian Revolutionary Hymn: With hearts heavy and sad we bring our dead.

Look, comrades, do you see that faint object in the distance, to the far west, and do you hear the hearty shout. It is the huge voice of Labor tralia—dauntless, jubilant Australia.

Let us join our voices and hearts, com-

rades of America, with our brave comrades the world over: "To arms, to arms, ye brave, The workers shall be free, March on, march on, With hearts resolved On Victory or Death

On sing the mighty united voices to To the Editor and Readers of the Ohio Socialist.

On sing the mighty difference the tune of the "Marseillaise" Oh, Liberty, can man resign "Oh, Liberty, can man resign thee, Once having felt thy gen'rous flame;

> knecht and the awakened proletarie the world over.

"We demand the world for the workers, the world we have builded and did not use; the food we have garnered and do not eat. We who builded and made beautiful this old world. we shall now enjoy it. We who have composed and inspired beautiful music shall now hear it-sing it. We shall sing the praises of human brotherhood earth. We, the working class, shall turn our implements of war into olow shares and pruning hooks, and where the chariots of past wars rumbled, we shall plow and sow and reap the full rewards of toil." These sentiments are ours, theirs, yours and Karl Dennenberg, editor of the "Radical Review" and a reputed Scien-

own locals—the humble opinion of the workers, the rebellious opponents of opportunism, are now being heard. Astonishing as my statements may seem to be: The real proletariat element in the Socialist Party is undoubtedly growing and not until our entire party is permeated with this

new recognition, will we begin to do

effective work among the uninformed

and the party today is a working class movement. Real Achievements. The "flu epidemic" did not deter very many of our locals, that were rempt on making monthly reports.

Former months we counted 35 locals, loyal and true to the cause. The statistician warned all locals of their weaknesses monthly. It pointed out the faults of each and every local, though not in detail, but scientifically and effectually. If the local was not active enough in its dues collecting or in its interest in propaganda, we told it so. The statistician was frank and observant in his criticisms. The 'flu epidemic" has come and gone. It tested the organization qualities notwitheach and every local and standing, all these formidable obstructions, the statistician can boast of 24 model locals, tested to the limit for 60 days and yet—came out with flying overdoing all expectations colors Local Toledo has thus far made the greatest effort of any local heretofore of its size. The comrades there are

to be commended for their work Local Portage County achieved the goal, in reaching the 100 per cent. mark in good standing membership and over ran the 5 per cent. test in increase of membership and did not stop until it reached 27 per cent. It the first local with a membership of 50 or over, that ever accomplished this task. Locals, Niles, Seneca Co., Salem, Massillon, Montpelier came through much better than if there were any epidemic whatsoever. The General Efficiency Test.

For the month of September, 35 locals reported to the State Office, stating that of its entire book membership of 2,551, about 1,364 were paid up, meriting the .536 mark of efficiency. And then the "flu epidemic" raged all throughout October and yet the 24 locals reporting overdid themselves and reached the .714 who shed their blood in the fight for freedom."

Look, comrades, do you see that their blood in the fight for point, reporting 736 paid up out of their entire book membership, of 1,016. And here is our real problem: We have 100 locals, 35 of which report monthly. Our state membership is at least 5,500 and between 3,000 from what land you ask—It is Aus- or 4,000 of these pay up every month Of these only between 1,000 to 3,000 are reported monthly as paid up. Where is the fault you ask? Look about you, comrades. Your local itself is to blame. It needs vital assistance. Too much is demanded of your

most enthusiastic, loyal worker. Get

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in and help, and help, until every

A am just in receipt of the following letter from Camille Huysmans, Don't Put It Off-ORDER NOW-VICTORY EDITION Dec. 31 st. \$1.00 per Hundred.

RECONSTRUCTION IN **RUSSIA**

FROM CLASS STRUGGLE

(Continued From Last Week).

AGRARIAN MEASURES

Decree on Confiscation and Nationalization of Land, Adopted by the All

Russian Congress of Soviets, November 8, 1917. 1. The landlord's property in all land is herewith abolished without

2. The estates of the landlords, as well as the appanage lands and lands belonging to the monasteries, churches, with all their live and dead inventories, manor buildings, and implements, pass into the control of rural Land tion of this decree. Committees and District Councils of Peasants' Delegates, until the Con-

3. Any damage wilfully caused to the confiscated property, belonging from now on to the whole people, constitutes a grave crime, punishable by the Revolutionary Tribunals. The District Councils of Peasants' Delegates are to take all the measures required for the preservation of strict order while carrying out the confiscation of the estates of the landlords, for recording the size of the estates to be confiscated, for preparing a detailed specification of the whole confiscated property, and for the most stringent revolutionary protection of all the agricultural estates passing now into the hands of the people, with all the buildings, machinery, cattle, stores, etc., appertaining

4. Until the Constituent Assembly will have finally decided the lines of the great land reform, the following instructions, embodying 242 resolutions of a meeting of peasants, and drafted by the Editorial Committee of the "Bulletins of the All-Russian Council of Peasants' Delegates," shall serve for the guidance of the authorities carrying out the work at present:

"The land question in its entirely can be solved only by the Constituent Assembly. The most just solution of the land question must be as follows:

"1. The right of private ownership in land is abolished forever; land can neither be sold, nor bought, nor leased, nor mortgaged, nor appropriated in any other way. The whole of the land of the State, of the appanages, of the Crown, of the monasteries, of the churches, as well as majorats, lands in conditional possession, or endowed to persons, or concerns, privately owned land and land belonging to public bodies, and to peasants, and so on, it herewith expropriated without any compensation whatever, and it becomes the property of the whole people and is transferred for use to all who till it.

"Those who have suffered from this expropriation are entitled to public relief, but only for the time which may be necessary to allow them to adapt themselves to the new conditions of existence.

"2. All the interior of the earth, ores, naphta, coal, salt, etc., as well as forests and waterways, having an all-national importance, pass into the exclusive possession of the State. Small rivers, lakes and forests, pass into the possession of the local communities, subject to the control of the local

"3. Highly cultivated estates, orchards, plantations, nurseries, hothouses, etc., are not to be subjected to division, but are to remain as model estates, and they pass into the possession either of the State or of the local communities, in accordance with their size and importance.

"Land appertaining to manor houses, or belonging to towns, or villages as well as orchards and market gardens appertaining to households, remain in the possession of their present owners, the size of such land and the rate of the tax to be paid by the owners for their use to be fixed by law.

"4. All kinds of breeding stations, of horses, cattle, poultry, etc., whether belonging to the Crown or to private persons, are confiscated and they become the property of the whole people and pass either into the exclusive possession of the State, or of the communities in accordance with their size and importance. The question of compensation to be decided by the Constituent Assembly.

"5. The whole of the inventory of the confiscated estates, both live and dead, passes into the exclusive possession of the State or the local communities, in accordance with their size or importance. The confiscation of the inventory is not extended to small peasants.

"6. All Russian citizens, irrespective of sex, willing to till the soil with their own labor, or with the assistance of their families, or in company with other peasants, are entitled to receive land for use, and for the duration of time they are able to till it. No hired labor is allowed.

"In case of any member of the village community becoming an invalid the community must come to his assistance, by cultivating his land till the time of his recovery, but not longer than during two years. Persons, who, either from old age or illness, have lost the ability to till the soil, lose their right to use land and receive instead a pension from the State.

"7. The possession of the land is to be equal, i. e., the land is distributed amongst the tillers, in accordance with local conditions, in equal plots, the standard share being either a plot to a man capable of working it with his own labor, or a plot required to feed himself and his family. The forms of land tenure are to be decided freely by the local community, whether individual, communal, co-operative, or any other.

"8." The whole of the land, after its expropriation, forms a National Land Reserve. The distribution of this reserve amongst the tillers is effected by the local authorities, beginning with democratically elected rural and urban municipalities and ending with the central provincial institutions. The re-allotment of the whole of the Land Reserve is carried out periodically, in accordance with the growth of the population and the rise in the productiveness of land cultivation. During the re-allotments the main portion of an original allotment must remain unchanged. The land which belonged to persons, who for one reason or another, have lost, or given up possession, reverts to the Land Reserve.

"The cost of manuring or improvements (in so far as the latter are of a fundamental nature), are to be refunded to the owner, if not fully utilized at the time of delivery of possession of the plot.

"9. In case the available Land Reserve in any given locality is not sufficient to provide for the local population, the excess population is provided for by emigration organized by the State, and the latter bears all the cost of the emigration and settlement of the new land.

"10. The contents of this instruction as representing the firm will of the great majority of the conscious peasants of the whole Russia is declared a temporary law, to be carried into effect forthwith, either in full or in part, as determined by the District Councils of Peasants' Delegates. Land belonging to peasants and Cossacks below a certain standard size is not to be confiscated.'

"Decree Issued by the Council of People's Commissaires, Establishing a State Monopoly in Agricultural Implements.

The Council of People's Commissaires, in the name of the Republic, decrees

1. All agricultural machinery and implements, whether manufactured in the country or imported, used to provide the agricultural economy with means being caught on the wires and capicialist Party work. The probability of production and to meet the needs of the toiling agricultural population, are hereby declared a state monopoly, as of the date of the publication of this decree.

2. The distribution of these implements and machinery is to be conducted in accordance with regulations that shall be issued especially for this purpose by the organs of the Soviet government, land committees and other democratic organizations

CONTROL OF FINANCES.

Decree Issued by the Council of People's Commissaires, on the Requisition of Safe Deposit Boxes in Banks.

1. All moneys kept in safe deposit boxes of banks must be paid into the current account of the holder in the National Bank. Note: Gold, in money and ingots, will be confiscated and added to the gold fund of the entire

2. All holders of safe deposit boxes are obliged, immediately on being tance be made until such time as apsummoned, to appear at the bank with their keys in order to witness the audit of the safe deposit boxes.

3. All holders not appearing within three days after summons will be considered ill-disposed in their opposition to the audit.

4. Boxes belonging to persons thus opposing the audit are subject to opening by the investigating commissions, appointed by the commissioners of the National Bank, and all holdings found in them will be confiscated by the National Bank as the property of the people. Note: The investigating Krafft, Mills. (5).

This decree was passed by the Central Executive Committee, all voting in favor except five, who refrained from voting.

Decree Issued by the Council of People's Commissaires, Repudiating National

commissions may, for weighty reasons, postpone the above liquidation.

1. All state debts contracted by the regime of the Russian landowners on general principles it seems to me ington: and Russian bourgeoisie, enumerated in a document relating to this matter, are annulled as of December 1, 1917. December coupons of the loans mentioned are not liable to payment.

2. In the same manner are annulled all the guarantees given by the officials of the old regime concerning debts of various enterprises and insti-

3. All foreign debts are repudiated absolutely and without exceptions. 4. Short-term bonds and state treasury series remain intact. Interest on them will not be paid; but obligations to them shall be binding in the same

5. Small propertied (poor) citizens possessing repudiated state notes of internal loans, which are not in excess of 10,000 rubles (nominal worth), will receive annually, from the state, compensation equal to the interest on

6. Citizens possessing repudiated notes in excess of 10,000 rubles will receive no compensation for the repudiation of their papers.

7. Deposits in state savings banks and interest on them are inviolate. All obligations on repudiated debts belonging to savings banks are convertible into debts (obligations) of the Russian Workers' and Peasants' Republic. until submitted by mail with oppor-8. Co-operative societies, local self-governing and other benefit or demo-

cratic institutions which have holdings in repudiated debts will continue to be indemnified, in accordance with rules worked out by the Supreme Council this complete all members committee of Public Economy, together with representatives of such institutions, pro- as matter of fair play. viding it is proven that these obligations were acquired prior to the publica-

9. The general regulation of the liquidation of state loans is entrusted in the Supreme Council of National Economy.

10. All the work of liquidating these loans is entrusted to the National Bank, to which is also given the duty of proceeding at once with the registration of all owners of holdings in state loans, and also other papers bearing interest, whether or not subject to annulment.

11. Soviets of Workers', Soldiers' and Peasants' Delegates will organize mmissions, with the consent of the local councils of public economy, for the purpose of determining which citizens belong to the class of small property

These commissions have the right to annul completely those savings which were not obtained through actual labor, even if these savings do not exceed 5,000 rubles.

This decree will be brought for discussion before the Central Executive Committee.

Decree of the Council of People's Commissaires, Concerning Action Against an Industrial Company Refusing to Carry Out the Instructions of the Soviet Government.

In view of the declaration of the management of the Russo-Belgian Metallurgical Company concerning the liquidation of its affairs on January 5, and of their outright refusal to subject themselves to the decrees of the Council of People's Commissaires concerning the introduction of workmen's

To the National Executive Committee.

I am just in receipt of the following control over production, the Central Executive Committee makes the following judgment:

The shafts, works, mines, all living and immovable property, on the lands of the Petrovky Metallurgical Works, the mines at Sofisk, Vyerovsk, Bungovsk, Narnevsk, also in Petrograd, as well as all other property of whatsoever description, regardless of its nature and present location in Russia or abroad, belonging to the Russo-Belgian Metallurgical Company, shall be confiscated, and declared the property of the Russian Republic.

All office and technical assistants are obliged to remain at work for the them put their case before my friends, discharge of their customary obligations.

For irresponsible desertion from their positions or for sabotage, the guilty parties will be handed over to the revolutionary tribunals.

The conduct of the affairs of the Company in Petrograd and the conditions for handing over the various works, operations and branches, to the temporary control of the Soviets of Workers' and Soldiers' Delegates, the Factory and Works Committees and similar organizations, will be determined by a special ordinance of the People's Commissaire of Commerce and Industry. Circular of the People's Commissaire of Provisions, Concerning the Supply of Textiles, Leather and Foot-wear.

In order to empty the shops and stores, all provision organizations and committees, together with the local Soviets of Workers', Soldiers' and Peasants' Delegates, are ordered to requisition, in the warehouses and piers, all textiles and footwear arriving at the place of destination, and, for whatever cause, remaining unsold by the shops after forty-eight hours have elapsed.

All goods requisitioned are to be turned over to the provincial provisional authorities and committees for distribution among the inhabitants at fixed

For goods thus requisitioned, the provision authorities and committees who place them on sale shall pay to the owners a sum that is 10 per cent. less than the fixed prices at which the goods were sold to the consumers. The present ordinance is to be communicated to the inhabitants by pub-

Conclusion.

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

National Office Correspondence

consequence, I am immediately submitting this protest to you by special delivery and avoid the possibility of it talized by those who are now overzealous in misrepresenting the Social-

ist Party.
With best wishes, I remain, Fraternally yours,
ADOLPH GERMER, Executive Secretary.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 4, 1918. To the National Executive Committee

Dear Comrades: I report as follows on National Exutive Committee Motion No. 10, by Wagenknecht: "That the Executive Secretary make inquiry as to whether Comrade Debs and family are in need of personal financial assistance, and if so, a justified periodical remitpeal has been decided, and that money himself, he belongs to us, and what for remittance be taken out of the less can we do for him than look out Campaign and Defense Fund."

Motion carried.

Comment. Herman, per Ruby Herman: "I have voted 'yes' at my husband's re-quest; not because I really believe the family of Comrade Debs may be in financial difficulties, but because that the families of ALL Socialists families for that reason) are certainly entitled to support by the organization. That does not imply, however, that financial assistance should tion of Stedman and Oneal, I am op-

be rendered whether actually necessary or not. The organization has at least two of the three delegates plenty of places for every bit of elected by referendum vote in Decemmoney it gets."

Katterfeld: "This should be done

for every comrade no matter how at once nominate and elect such a delwell known or how obscure, who is egation. arrested because of his regular Sois that in most cases help to the family of arrested comrades is not necessary. But the families of some of those whose earning power has been taken away by the authorities may be actually suffering and in every case where this is due to work done for the party, the party should stand by

the comrades involved."

Oneal: "Make inquiry regarding Comrade Debs' needs, but I am opposed to making this matter the subject of a referendum of the commit-

opinions on Motion No. 10. Comrade take their place. Debs has consecrated his life to the Socialist movement as no one ever did. He does not, in fact, belong to for his material needs, which good-

Vote.

Yes: Berger, Herman, Hillquit, Holt, Katterfeld, Shiplacoff, Stedman, Wagenknecht and Work. (9).

No. Oneal (1).

No. Oneal (1). necessarily."

> On Motion No. 11, by Oneal and Stedman, for adoption of proposed draft of protest to be sent to Wash-

Berger, Herman, Hillquit, efficient propaganda. Yes: who are in jail because of the fact that they are Socialists (or otherwise prevented from supporting their Not heard from: Clark, Katterfeld, is not gauged by what they do or say Krafft, Mills and Wagenknecht.

Comment. which Holt: "While I voted 'yes' on mo- week.

posed to the use of the words, 'Either the Governments or' in the first section and I think they should not have been used. We should always be opposed to every government in which the people are not the absolute rul-

Protest by Goebel Submitted to Your

Committee Nov. 1. "Last meeting Executive Committee decided no business by correspondence. Oneal-Stedman motion, therefore, out of order until committee votes otherwise. If you insist on putting it, I move it not be made public tunity for amendment. Armistice with kaiser means defeat of Liebknecht and German workers. Please telegraph Comment.

Work: "I am sure that the second paragraph of the Oneal-Stedman motion does not mean what Comrade Goebel things it does, but I favor striking out that paragraph for the sake of unanimity. Action on important matters by mail is objectionable to me also, as I have often stated. It cannot be done satisfactorily except in session.' On receipt of affirmative votes from a majority of your committee,

ber of congress and to the president of the United States. Copy of same twelve days. Although the motion for adoption carried, any votes or comments received up to November 11 will be forwarded to the other

members immediately.
Fraternally submitted,
ADOLPH GERMER, Executive Secretary.

Chicago, Nov. 20, 1918. letter which needs no comment: Hampstead, Eng., Oct. 31, 1918.

My Dear Germer: I have yours of October 11th, with copy of a letter you are sending to Henderson enclosed. When Spargo and his friends came here, we were very anxious to hear what they had to say, and I did what I could to let as we are always anxious to hear and discuss every point of view.

We also stated to them, quite plainly I hope, what our position was, and understood that the exchange of opinion was quite friendly. You can judge of our surprise, therefore, when we found that, just as the deputation left, it sent an untruthful letter to the newspapers, in which our views were misrepresented and our confidence dishonorably betrayed.

I have been informed on very reliable authority, that the attaching of at least one of the signatures to the letter came very little short of forgery. Should the deputation return to this country, there are certain members of it, at any rate, who would not be treated by us as honorable men. You can keep your mind quite calm on one important point, however, the deputation had no influence, it impressed nobody, it has gone just as it came and every halfpenny spent by it was wasted. I do not know what it may be saying on your side, but if its statements are of the same kind as it put in the letter to which I have referred. the American public can treat them as being absolutely unreli-

Yours very sincerely, (Signed) J. RAMSEY MACDONALD. Ramsey MacDonald and Camille and labor power by the hour, "killa-dubb hour." It is clear that the comrades abroad rearned to know them about as well as we do here.

Fraternally yours, ADOLPH GERMER, Executive Secretary.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 20, 1918. To the National Executive Committee. Dear Comrades: I submit for vote of your committee the following: National Executive Committee Motion

No. 13. By Shiplacoff. That the National Executive Committee immediately proceed with the nomination and election of delegates to represent the American Socialist Party at tie proposed International Socialist and Labor Conference to be neld concurrently with the official

Comment. News from France and England is to the effect that the Socialists of both these countries are demanding and preparing for an International Socialist and Labor Conference to be held concurrently with the forthcoming Peace Conference, which may begin in December, immediately after the British Parliamentary elections now set for Dec. 12.

At the time this motion is made, ber, 1917, will not be able to go. It is urgent that the Executive Committee

National Executive Committee Motion No. 14.

By Shiplacoff. That the vote on delegates to the International Socialist and Labor Conference be preferential. Commnt.

It is desirable that each member of the N. E. C. should express his first, second, third, etc. choice of the list of nominees that will be submitted, so that the Executive Secretary may tabulate the vote in accordance with the wishes of the members. Also in the event that those of first choice Shiplacoff: "There can be no two cannot go, there may be others to

Fraternally submitted,
ADOLPH GERMER, Executive Secretary.

The Statistician

No: Oneal. (1).

Not voting: Clark, Goebel, Hogan, if the facts made it desirable, to have the enjoys to "sport" are not of much made a motion. None of us would value at the local meetings, but could made a motion. None of us would value at the local meetings, but could want such a motion made about us undo a lot more of good, if expounded to one or more persons during every day of the week.

Still better work can be done by joining the "Red Hundred." Get five or more copies of the Ohio Socialist and circulate them wisely. Good literature is after all the best means of Let every member realize that to be

on meeting nights, but by that work which thy accomplish during the

Every local has its "parlor Social-

Gleanings

FROM THE LOG OF AN AGITATOR

The earth was first conquered by Biznezasusual also has "flu." the power of labor. Militarism has its reward-Ger-

many is a fair example of what the milk. reward is like. In the olden days the beggar sat to truth. All churches oppose science

sleep in the king's bed. inhabited portions of the earth's surface. Add to this, Germany, Austria, has always happened that the dissent-Bulgaria and more to follow all, un- ers were the more civilized. * * * A der Bolshevik control. When one-fourth of the earth is Bolshevik the opinion must take a second or lower militarists better think twice as it will place.—Ward, in Applied Sociology. be some job, policing all that terri-

Those dreadful, dreadful Bolsheviks! Why, why, they are actually denying a vote to all exploiters of labor. Just like this country only different. Here the pollyticians are all recruited from the exploiting class bushwa. She said she couldn't find is enclosed herewith. The time for voting allowed on National Executive Committee motions has always been torship is surely different—from dictartorship is surely different. tatorship by the capitalist class.

The only papers in Russia that may accept advertisements are controlled by the Socialist state. Here the plute press lives by the advertisements of big business and the returns from child labor. No wonder the plute press here raves at the mere mention of

When the time comes that woman's brain is as active as her tongue is now another big step in world's progress shall have been made. And that time is coming fast.

The theological conception of history affirms the coming of Christ.
The materialist conception of history affirms the coming of Socialism. Wild animals are always in danger.

Wage slaves are always in danger—of losing their job. Why does a wage slave who does useful work receive a wage of \$3 or less a day, while a politician who does nothing useful draws a salary of

\$5,000 or more a year? Congress has prohibited the making of beer but has not prohibited the making of paupers.

Congress could and did declare a state of war existed. Neither Representative nor Senator, however, was on the peace commission. I wonder why? Was it that the Congressmen knew too much? Or not enough? Or

The deliberations of the peace congress are not to be open to the public. The people evidently are not yet to the end of "secret treaties and dollar diplomacy." diplomacy." Is it any wonder the idea of a dictatorship of the proletariat is spreading like wild fire?

Comrade Lewis informs us that beans are sold by the bushel and beef by the pound and labor power by the clock. Right, Comrade Tom, and it is This letter is in response to a warning I sent to Arthur Henderson, J.

Did you ever stop to realize that his health is good.

Higgins' type" that put things over. Let us analyze the report for Octiber and find just what is ailing a few of our locals. All locals should have 71-2 to every 10 members paid up or .750. To be in excellent condition should make the 1.000 mark.
GOOD STANDING MEMBERSHIP.

Good Standing Number. Pct.of Roll CLASS AA. Name. (All Locals Having 500 or More) Cuyahoga Co.—No report. (Secretary, please note).

CLASS A. (Locals With 400 or More) None. CLASS B. (Locals With 300 or More) Cincinnati-No report. (Secretary please note).
CLASS C.

(Locals With 200 or More) Dayton, Hamilton and Youngstown-

No report. (These local secretaries please report) CLASS D.
(Locals With 100 or More)
Columbus, Belmont Co. and Akron—
No reports. (These secretaries please report). CLASS E.

(Locals With 50 or More) **Portage Co. 51 *Niles 54 1.000

 (*Niles
 54

 *Massillon
 52

 *MontpelierCLASS_F. (Locals With 25 or More) Zanesville 29 *Salem ... 35 .660 Use and boost the Ohio Socialist was also second to the mightiest paper in the state for propaganda material Canton-No reports. (Local secretaries please note). CLASS G. (Locals With 3 up to 25).

*Mt. Vernon ... 18
*Galion ... 14
*Lorain Germ. Br ... 10 1.000 1.000 Continental -Wadsworth 11

to get to the top of your class). Fairview 11

used to be quite efficient?) Struthers, South Slavic Branch 12 Cambridge Barberton ... your other delinquents back into

CLASS Z. (All towns with locals that do not report or are not organized as locals as yet).

Funny how milk producers always sell the cream and eat the skimmed

Opposition to science is resistance at the king's gate. Now its getting hence all churches resist the spread quite common for former beggars to of truth.

"There are no differences in the Russia comprises one-sixth of the belief of savages. A difference in beopinion must take a second or lower ticians hasten to repeal the Espionage

> The young lady across the way wants to know if there is any difference between the Bullsheviks and the

Act, America is doomed to a lower

The form of slavery has been changed many times—but the substance — slavery — always continues and will continue as long as we have a class society. Only by the abolition of classes can slavery be abolished.

The pioneer agitators for an eighhour day were called anarchists by the capitalist class and hanged on 11, 1888. These were the socalled Haymarket anarchists.

"Upon the several forms of property, upon the social conditions of existance a whole superstructure is reared of various and peculiarly-shaped feelings, illusions, habits of thought and concepts of life. The whole class produces and shapes these out of its material foundations and out of the corresponding social conditions. The individual unit to whom they flow through tradition and education, may fancy that they constitute the true reasons for and premises of, his conduct."—Marx.

Demobilization of the drafted army neans the remobilization of the army of the unemployed.

It seems to be popular for Crown Princes and heirs-apparent to get out from under before something drops.

What has become of Princess Alice in these days of much-talked about democracy? All lovers of liberty and democracy should work for the early repeal of

the Espionage Act. Everybody's singing it-Bring back, bring back, Oh bring back by job unto me, or Bring back, bring back,

Bring back my clothing to me.

Baker Writes

A letter from Chas. Baker gives the information that he is now at Camp Sherman. Baker finds that the one and all important thought in the minds of the soldiers is: "When do we go home?" He says he finds himself in a much better environment han when at the nr the laborer of today is matching flesh and blood against the relentless speed

Baker, 3d Co., Tr. Bn., 158th Depot of the machines of steel and iron? Brigade, Camp Sherman, Ohio.

Locals Cuyahoga County and Dayton, and you other "absent" locals, we expect your report for next month. We are anxious to hear how you are getting along.

Explanatory. **Means a "live wire" local. *Means increase in activity. -Means decrease in activity. ?Means very poor work. The Membership Test.

The test calls for one new member every month to every 20 in good standing. The locals that did surpass the test last month are as follows: Number. Standing.

Portage Co. 11 Lorain German Br... 1 10 Mt. Vernon 1 5½
All others worth mentioning are Cuyahoga Co., 34 new members; Galion, 6; Niles, 1; Sandusky, 1; Toledo, 3; Struthers, 11, (but not sufficient data or the percentage would be

Can Your Local

surpass the tests? Attain the 100 per cent. mark in Good Standing Membership and 100 per cent. mark for increase in membership. Small locals can attain 100 per cent. in increase of members. It is very difficult for large locals to grow over 30 per cent. monthly, although it is not impossible. Try it. Do not allow anything to discourage you. Once your local gets down to the "essential work," it cannot do otherwise than grow. It is far scientific educational methods than by leaps and bounds, due to "opportune" methods. This latter growth corrupts and deviates. more beneficial to grow gradually by

For fearlessness, truth, news and its educational value it cannot be excelled. There is still one big thing, the most important that it needs and that is-readers, subscriptions. Proletarian news in every column, news that is kept out of your local dailies, .833 purposely to misguide the worker.
.786 The paper that is mighty in all re-

-Wadsworth
-Marysville 3 .600 | spects, except distribution: four (Local Marysville, I'm quite sure you can make it 5, by next month! Won't you try hard?

*Jenera 17 .586 | spects, except distribution: four paper and my paper, a paper that cannot be bought by any group of capitalists, is now asking you for moral and financial support. Boost workers that their minds are becoming moulded to the capitalistic viewpoint on all subjects, even concerning his own welfare, every time he reads "The Daily Noose," or the "Evening Hoax," "The Plain Double Dealer" or any capitalistic sheet, that the gullible ones are proud to support, little suspecting their real intent. Let Our Slogan for the month of

December be: "Every member of the Socialist Party of Ohio, a supporter and reader of The Ohio Socialist."

Yours for a better, stronger press, FELIX J. CATLIN,

Secretary Local Youngstown,