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THE END OF CAPITALISM

"The League of Nations is dead. All chances of a lions of wealth was destroyed. Misery and suffering still being fought. But at Paris the fourteen points had real settlement of European problems is at an end. A stalked over a whole continent. And what is the result? It is being fought. But at Paris the fourteen points had stalked over a whole continent. And what is the result? While the war was on we were told by President of the capitalist will.

While the war was on we were told by President of the capitalist will. up peace within the next ten days which shall at least | Wilson, whose chief service to capitalism has been the put an end to unrest and economic paralysis in the

Thus writes a capitalist journalist and observer whose opinion carries great weight because of the distinction he has won in his particular field.

In formulating his science of society Karl Marx showed that the inner contradictions of the capitalist system of production were of such a character that these conditions would lead to its eventual dissolution. "Capitalism carries within itself the seeds of its own decay is a phrase which has often appeared in the writing's and speeches of Socialists. But like the rest of the Marxian science it has been ignored or laughed to scorn by those who were profiting from the capitalist system and had an interest in defending it.

The World War was not unexpected by the Socialists. The contradictions of capitalist production made such a war a logical sequence of capitalist production. In each capitalistically developed country of the world the workers were being exploited; in each such country the machinery of production was being perfected and in order to tmporarily solve the problem of increased production and a limited power of consumption by the exploited workers, the capitalists were compelled to seek expansion. Each national group of capitalists, driven by the necessity of securing control of new territory in order to develop markets and places to invest their surplus capital, entered the race for survival. In these struggles the interests of the national groups clashed and after several decades of conflict and threats of war their came—the

he has covered up the ugly facts with beautiful, idealistic of exploiters were against the fourteen points. words—that out of the bloodshed and destruction the was to be born a new world of righteousness and pear

The president went to Europe to organize this new world, acclaimed by most of the people of the earth as their savior. For three months he has labored at the colossal task. And now we are told that the peace conference is about to collapse and that the League of Nations that was to save the world, is dead!

What has happened at Paris that is threatening to bring the peace conference to an end without accomplishing its purpose? What is preventing President Wilson from bringing about the idealistic adjustment of the affairs of the world which he proclaimed in his four-

The people who put the blame for the World War upon some nation or some particular person in a certain nation, such as the kaiser, will now find some particular nation among the allies or some particular person in one the nations, such as France and Clemenceau, to blame.

But it was neither a certain nation nor individual who was responsible for the coming of the Wrold War

which would bring into existence a nice, orderly capitalist world—from the point of view of the privacy of his

The allies gave lip service—and even that with some Seven million men died. Nearly two hundred bil- reservations—to the fourteen points, while the war was

The fact of economic interests of national groups

The fourteen points declared against a punitive indemnity, but England and France faced the threat of national bankruptcy without an indemnity. Self-determination for peoples did not stand in the way of Italy providing for its economic future by demanding cities that that principle would give to Jugo-Slavia, nor France from attempting to further its economic future by insisting that it receive the coal mines of the Saar valley. All the little new nations set up in central Europe developed duction that is driving the other nations of Europe to greedy appetites for this or that district belonging to its neighbors, because these districts mean economic advantage to them. Japan wanted a clear title to the islands it had gobbled and repudiated the idea of hiding the fact under the camouflage of becoming a "mandatory.

Clearly, what has happened at Paris is that the same inner forces of capitalism dominating national groups which precipitated the world war are now manifesting diction that the time would come when the inner conthemselves in the struggle between those who fought the tradictions of capitalist production would bring about its war as allies. It is the necessities enforced by the iron dissolution, could be made than that which is being made laws of capitalist production that set each national group by the Peace Conference. Capitalism is doomed. It must against each other in a struggle to create the condition go at once or the world is condemned to decades of bloodwhich will enable them to survive and not the unregener- shed and mass murder. ate nature of certain individuals or nations.

withdrawal of President Wilson, there is only one conclusion that we can reach; that is, that capitalist society world must unite and establish the new order if the world has developed to a point which makes it impossible even is to be saved from the destruction and ruin with which to temporarily harmonize the conflicting capitalist inter- capitalism threatens it.

Of all the countries of Europe only one country is not involved in the universal struggle waged about the Peace Conference for new territory to secure trade advantages and new economic resources. That is Russia. With the triumph of the Bolsheviki the Soviet government repudiated all forms of imperialistic aggression. It published the secret treaties; it repudiated the struggle for Constantinople; it nationalized its foreign trade. But more important than all, it abolished all forms of exploitation, thereby ending the one condition of capitalist pro-

destruction and ruin.

If Russia is still fighting it is not because it asks anything from the other nations, but because these nations are trying to destroy the new social order that is growing there.

Surely no more striking confirmation of Marx's pre-

The new social order that is to succeed it is written sible for the failure of the peace conference to work out the idealistic peace proclaimed by President Wilson.

President Wilson framed his fourteen points and idealistic peace in his study in Washington. No doubt pean problems is at an end," and the other pessimistic distribution will pean problems is at an end," and the other pessimistic distribution will pean problems is at an end, and the other pessimistic distribution will pean problems is at an end, and the other pessimistic distribution will pean problems is at an end, and the other pessimistic distribution will pean problems is at an end, and the other pessimistic distribution will pean problems is at an end, and the other pessimistic distribution will be ended through making the means of production and the president made a sincere effort to frame a settlement patches which are reaching us from Paris, forecasting the break-up of the Peace Conference and the possible that is to succeed it is written in the aspirations of the workers of the workers of the workers of the earth the common property of the workers can peace, order, happiness and well being be restored to the people of the earth.

The workers' hour has come; the workers of the

Former Opponents

Support Bolshevik

Manifestos Urging People to Rally to Support of Present Russian

Government

Government

Exploiters Committee **Tells About** British Workers

Don't Like New Industrial Democracy and **Ending of Autoc-**

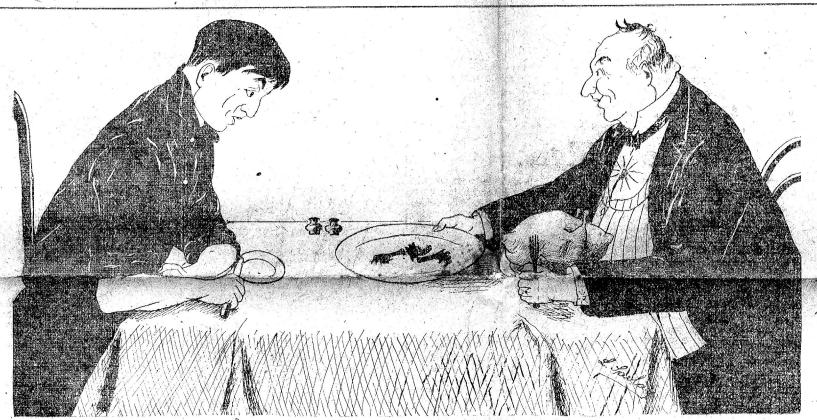
racy

Washington,-Radical socialism is bolshevism. Bolshevism is radical spelled it brooks nothing but evil for the capitalists of high and low de gree. In some portions of Europe the thing is a fact. In other portions of Europe the thing is well on the way to become a fact. The thing will become a fact in the United States if the class conscious and unscrupulous labor exploiters here persist in han dling the working class with brass knuckles. Continue to wear the brass knuckles, of course, but upholsten them a bit so that when the workers come up against the knuckles they will think they are being caressed ra ther than slugged.

This is the report and recommendation made to Secretary Wilson by the committee of labor, exploiters sent abroad by the secretary some time ago to find out what is the matter with labor exploitation on the conti nent and in England, in the committee's final conclusions made public by

the Department of Labor. Stripped of all its verbiage American labor exploiters report that in Great Britain the labor exploiters and their government are attempting to camouflage the British workers into becoming 100 per cent. efficient wealth producers by telling them that co-operation between the exploited workers and the exploiting capitalists is highly desirable for both; that conciliation in spirit and in fact is also desirable between the parasitic employers and their employes as a method of taking the sharp edges off the struggle over the division of the sur plus wealth, the workers demanding all the new wealth they produce and the parasitic employers taking the greater part of it for themselves Conciliation, the report says, will enable the labor exploiters to "stabilize" their profits and the workers to pay their union dues regularly. Finally, the report finds that collective bargaining will still further camouflage the workers into believing that they are enjoying a form of industrial democracy, while the employers can be relied upon to persuade the workers that it is an unsound policy for them to demand so much of the employers' profits that there is but little incentive left for the exploiters to continue in the business.

The committee found two classes of workers in Great Britain-"right minded" employes and "wrong minded" employes. The right minded employes have accepted, according to the report, the co-operative and conciliatory policy outlined above as the program for the stormy days of re-The conclusion, however, does not tally with the recently adopted program of the British Labor Party, with its sixty-odd members in the British parliament and practic-



The Worker's Share

The Traitors Beg

From Washington comes the news that President Wilson has been petitioned to grant a respite in the case of Eugene V. Debs and hold up execution of his sentence while the question of a pardon is being considered.

This petition is signed by Charles Edward-Russell and Allan L. Benson, renegade Socialists, and Frank P. Walsh.

Of course the petition was not sent to the president by the April. authority or even the consent of Debs. Eugene V. Debs would rather serve twice ten years in prison than ask for a pardon.

It is more likely that the request was made at the suggestion of the president than at the suggestion of Debs. But the fact that such a petition has been filed and the prob-

able action thereon will deceive no one. If the president pardons Debs it will not be because of any

petition filed by Charles Edward Russell, Allan L. Benson or any

If the pardon is granted it will be because the ruling class of this country fears the result of putting Eugene V. Debs in prison. for several weeks, and Assistant Sec-

The last two or three weeks have shown that the rallying cry "Freedom for Debs" is one that will receive the support of thousands of workers. In New York, Chicago, Cleveland and many other places great mass meetings have been held at which the workers voiced their protest against Debs being sent to prison of the Pan-American workers to organize for their own interests, and and probably to death.

The ruling class of this country is watching for signs of an upheaval. The threatened imprisonment of Debs looked as if it ture. While declining to give spemight prove to be the center of a great mass movement of the cific reasons for refusing to issue the workers, which, once under way, might not stop when it attained Division of Passport Control, that the

The agents of the ruling class no doubt observed what was happening. Hence the new movement to give Debs his freedom. In this movement the traitor Socialists give their services to hide the real power that is making the fight-for the freedom of

That power is the mass demand of the workers. If Debs goes free it will be because tens of thousands of workers demanded his freedom and were prepared to organize and go on strike until

their object was attained. If Debs goes free it will be the first victory for mass action a victory won by the mere threat of mass action.

Pan-American

Congress

Washington.—The state department today refused to issue a aassport to Dan Hogan of Huntington, Ark., to attend the Pan-American Socialist conference which convenes in Buenos Aires, Argentina, the latter part of

Hogan is a member of the Socialist national committee and was recently appointed by the committee to represent the Socialist Party at the Buenos Aires meeting. He is editor of the Huntington Herald, a Socialist and labor paper, and is a veteran writer and lecturer for the Socialist Party. He took an active part in the win-the-war activities in Arkansas, especially in the Liberty loan and war savings stamps campaigns, and his application for a passport indorsed by many prominent citizens of Huntington. His application has been pending in the state department retary of State Phillips finally made public today the information that the

passport has been refused.

Capitalists Hostile. It is understood that the American capitalists are hostile to any meeting especially hostile to such meetings at passport, it is currently stated in the than the one he received two years Division of Passport Control, that the ago when he was defeated by Circuit conspiracies against the welfare of of the exploiters, could not be expected to facilitate a Pan-American Socialist and labor conference whose professed object is to develop plans campaign. for a concert of action on the part of Padway registered 26,036 votes of inhuman measures of repressi of Pan-American labor against the while in the last election for district shootings, hangings and tortures. Pan-American capitalists.

Mexico, where the United States cap Refuse Passport To italists are already having trouble with the rebellious Mexican workers. Therefore, the state department de-cided not to countenance in any way Humanite, the semi-official publicity Therefore, the state department deagency of the Soviet Republic. The text of the manifesto as published in the Socialist conference at Buenos

Socialists Lose Although-**Vote Doubles**

Milwaukee.-Supported by big busless, the Republican and Democratic parties, the so-called Good Government League and numerous other eagues and legions representing captalism, and after making unprece dented expenditures for advertising the nonpartisan candidates carried the school and judicial election Tues-

Although the Socialist vote was f votes cast

up in the contest for the Circuit Court bench, vacated by the recent death of Judge W. J. Turner, between John C. Kleist, Socialist, and Gustave G. Gehrz, nonpartison. With 27,701 present when the labor unrest seems Gehrz, nonpartison. With 27,701 to have reached a feverish tempera-votes, Kleist was only 2,402 behind his nonpartison opponent. Kleist's vote was 13,383 greater

Pan-American capitalists regard Judge L. W. Halsey, by 4,353 votes. Buenos Aires as the hotbed of labor Joseph A. Padway, seeking the Dis-Joseph A. Padway, seeking the District Circuit judgeship, came nearer the labor exploiters, and that the state department, whose functions is to deflect the international interests than his nonpartisan opponent, Judge Padway was the favorite in the bet-ting during the last few days of the

judge, in April, 1913, the Socialist It was felt, moreover, that the contender, Oscar Rademaker, received approbation of the Clemenceau gov- Russia, independent and united, you labor concert of action agreed to at only 11,177. Page received 9,944 more ernment, the Polish Republic, with have fought against Soviet authority.

sufferings of Russia due to the entente blockade, the inevitable outbreak of renewed and intensified terrorism which will follow further allied military intervention, and an appeal to the proletariat of the world to urge their governments to reach an agreement with Soviet Russia. The official doclument is made pub

> The Menshevik Social Democratic Party, in spite of the declarations by which it has hitherto seemed to renounce its policy of opposition to the regime of the Soviet government still confronts the latter with an attitude of hopeful neutrality. This, however does not prevent the central commit-tee of the party from issuing the fol-lowing manifesto against the policy of the allied in Russia:

Humanits follows:

counter-revolu

movement there and in the neighbor

ing states, the present condition in

Russia, the necessity of speedy rec-

"In spite of the fact that the Lenine government (word missing) consents to take part in the Princes Island conference and offers to the allied governments a peace based upon the payment of loans, the renunciation of revolutionary propaganda and the satisfaction of the economic interests of the allies by means of concessions and even territorial concessions, the practically double that of the party's allied governments still continue to contenders in the last election for the hold over the head of revolutionary various offices, it fell short of being Russia the Damocles sword of milisufficient to cope with that rallied tary intervention, still continue to by the combination in an election that nourish the hopes of the Russian established a record for the number counter-revolutionists, and still con-The biggest vote, 57,804, was piled famine.

"Confronted with the refusal of the "Confronted with "Confronted with the "Confronted with the "Confronted with the "Confronted with the "Confronted with "Confronted with "Confronted with "Confronted with "Confronted with "Confronted with "Confro inue to strangle the country with

counter-revolutionary governments of Koltchak, of Krasnov, and the Socialist Tschaikovski, traitor to the revo lution of (word missing), Russia de mands, if the entente does not wish to play absolutely the role of a declared enemy of the Russian revolution, that is establish diplomatic and economic relations with the Soviet government and accept the proposi tion to settle peacefully litigious "Nevertheless, the preparations for

a military campaign against Russia continue. French and English mili tary missions are seen everywhere. The (word missing) organize counter-revolutionary Russian forces, occasioning by their presence all sorts "At the same time, with the direct

Paderewski at its head, monopolized

There has just been received in the United States a new document from Russia, the importance of which everyone will recognize. It is the official position of the Menshevik Social Democratic Party of Russia, relative to the counter-revolutionary Russias, after having concluded an armistice with the Czechs and the Ukrainians, after having obtained, thanks to the presence in Germany, the authority to pass its roops through territories occupied by the Germans, reactionary Poland is ognition of the Lenine overnment, the preparing to realize its plans to annex Lithuanian. White Russian and ithuanian, Ikrainian territories as a reward for

he role it played as 'gendarme for he counter-revolutionary bourgeois of Europe. "The arrival of Varsovie and Nou-lens and the principal leaders of the counter-revolutionary policy of the alies in Russia shows sufficiently what the forces are which inspire the Polish nationalists. By means of a similar reward the reactionary govern-ment of Finland expects to obtain the conquest of Petrograd and all the ter-

"If we add to all these appetites he Roumanians, who for a long time have been consumed with the desire (Continued on Page Four)

ritory bordering upon the Gulf of

Urge All Workers To Support Soviet Government

joint proclamation of the Socialist Revolutionary Party of Russia and the executive committee of the and the executive committee of members of the constituent assembly, eclaring their opposition to government at an end and oledging their loyal support to the Bolshevik authorities has been re-eived in the United States through he Russian Information Bureau at Paris, France.

The proclamation denounces the allied governments for having over-thrown popular government in Sibera nd set up dictatorships, and declares that the time has come for working class Russia, regardless of party affiiations, to join with the forces of the Soviet government and drive the last remnants of czarism, imperialism and capitalism from all Russia—from Petrograd and Vladivostok and from Archangel to the Black sea.

The proclamation follows:
"To the soldiers of the popular army
to the Siberian Cossacks, to the zecho-Slovak troops:

"Soldiers—mobilized and volun-eers—you entered the army to defend the sovereignty of the people and to save democratic Russia from German imperialism, which reduced it to slav-ery by the treaty of Brest-Litovsk. In the name of the pan-Russian constituent assembly, in the name of free Russia, independent and united, you (Continued on Page Four)

Integrity of Territory is More Important to Capitalism Than Integrity of Democracy cies of the official Socialist parties in those countries where civil peace had been accepted, refused to attend the conference. The Italian party, is seen by the review printed below, arrived at its decision not to participate in the conference only after its delegates had thoroughly familiarized them-selves with the entire situation.

When the author speaks of "delegates appointed by government, who were attaches to bourgeois missions and embassies and did not represent any Socialist party or organization." American Socialists will remember that people like Frank Bohn, who had no mandate, found admission to the conference, if not as regularly seated delegates, then at least as honored guests, while the Wilson administration denied passports to the regular delegates of the Socialist Party of America until it was too late for them

The review reads as follows: PARLEY TERMED COMEDY.

"Viewed at close range, the so-called Socialist conference at Berne cannot be described otherwise than as a comedy, yet tragic in that its expenses are borne by the betrayed and defrauded proletariat. Every one with keen sight knew from the start what a spirit this conference would possess, improvised, as it was, with extraordinary haste by discredited and compromised organizations, not during, but at the close of the World War, to pacify and chloroform the masses now threatening the capitalist and middle class powers.

"Anyono who succeeded in passing the scrutiny of Grumbach, the French Socialist who ascended to the position of doorkeeper of the new Socialist diplomats, could obtain a clearer picture of the mentality and designs

fication were such delegates seated

lated from the Zurich Volksrecht. The author, a professor who signs his account with the initials K. D. S., was a guest at the conference, and is a well known member of the Swiss Socialist parties or any organization of the Internationale? Why did the chair take the conference of the Swiss Socialist parties of the Directorship of the Professor However, the Italian and Swiss Socialist parties, who had steadfastly kept aloof and disapproved the policies of the official Socialist parties in significant species of the official Socialist species tirely to the arbitrary ruling of the chair to seat anyone satisfactory to him and obedient to the bourgeois gov-

ernments? HUYSMANS CRITICISED.

colleague and minister, Vandervelde, and resign his office as secretary of the Internationale after his party in Belgium had refused to attend? Or was the presence of such a comrade

a message of sympathy to Vandervelde for the injury he had sustained while executing his purely bourgeois made. During the long pauses of the functions of a royal minister, whereas reading of the translations of the

"Why was no actual vote taken? Why did the conference limit itself to the guestionable method of a show of hands in order to declare resolutions manufactured in secret caucus, pre-sented by certain privileged delegates, unanimously adopted? most unparalleled arbitrary dictator-ship on the part of the chair concerning votes, appointments of committees, resolutions, order of speakers, etc., permitted by those who exalt democracy only when it is a question of fighting pure socialism or the great Russian revolution?

DISCUSSION POSTPONED.

question, 'Dictatorship of the Proletariat or Democracy' postponed to the last day, so that it was not possible for all the delegates fully to express with the blood of the proletariat and, with the blood of the proletariat and, in the research of the Socialist Party of France. The words. How many of these delegates censorship prevented us from getting will at the first chance soil their hands explanations. of the organizers than from all the themselves on this fundamental ques-speeches and resolutions that were tion, which is of greater interest to cers' battalions as pillars of society, disseminated by the bourgeois news the Internationale than all the de- choke every revolutionary movement bureau of this conference that we

"Why was no voice raised to demand a general call for a general amnesty on the part of all governments for those furthering an anti-war agitation during the war and all deserters? Is it possible that those instrumental in arranging the conference had a special interest in hindering the return of just such dangerous elements?

"Why did Branting, Huysmans and "In whole name does Comrade Grumbach protest only against those Huysmans speak and act? Was it not his duty to follow the example of his radical delegates? Why did Grumbach, who always proved himself so polite to ladies and gentlemen of high society, refuse admission to the last session on Monday afternoon to guests whose presence was perhaps more deemed necessary to the interests of justified at the conference than some the organization, though his bearing of the so-called delegates-because it seemed to fit him better to appear in was suspected that they would applaud the speeches of those defending

"Why was a motion carried to send the Russian revolution?
message of sympathy to Vander"These are the notes that many a visitor of the conference should have no word of condolence was dispatched to the widow and family of the grue-somely murdered Liebknecht?

speeches there was opportunity to consider many things that could bring despair to the exploited and betrayed proletariat. One saw in the eyes and bearing of the delegates and speakers unbounded ambition, the truly bourgeois overbearing, the empty soul and spirit of the climber. The whole atmosphere was stuffy with hypocrisy, phrases and demagogy.

ENTHUSIASM LACKING. "The fresh, healthy revolutionary breath, the fanaticism and enthusiasm of socialism and true freedom were lacking. One felt the contrast be-tween the few genuine revolutionists occupy a minister's seat and to pro-"Why was the discussion of the claim their alleged Socialist spirit to

The following critical review of the against whom objections had been tionale, and was the main object in felt the desire, despite their helpless-Berne conference called by the Interpretation of whom it was proved evading the most important question ness, to cry out to the four winds: national Socialist Bureau was trans-that they had for well known reasons of the 'Directorship of the Proletariat', "Workers of the world, unite! Unmask the lackeye of the bourgeoisie!'
"Bury the old Internationale! Your

most dangerous enemies are these alleged leaders and representatives! "PROF. K. D. S." These observations are confirmed by

a letter of Morgarl to the Volkswacht.

He writes: "You have lately published a telegram from Mi'an, dat d Feb. 7, which contained the news that the Italian Socialist Party agreed to recall their delegates, Morgari and Casalini, from the congress in Berne because they disagreed with the manner in which the congress was called and with its proceedings. This news is somewhat inaccurate, for the following reasons: 'NOT DELEGATED,"

"The Socialist Party of Italy did not delegate us to this conference." "We did not participate in the con-

ference.
"No such message as referred to in the Mi'an dispatch reached us.
"For the same reasons that the Socialist Party of Switzerland decided to boycott the international conference the executive committee of our party sent us to Berne, for the purpose of attending all sessions of the old sec-ond Internationale called by the offi-cial representatives of the Internationale, of which our party is still a member. We were instructed to further the principles laid down at the Zimmerwald and Kienthal conferences at

tween the few genuine revolutionists and the overwhelming majority of opportunity to prove their ability to occupy a minister's seat and to prosigned by Henderson, some by Huysmans, and others by the secretary of the Socialist Party of France. The

bureau or its secretary.

as we recognized the true character of the conference, we informed the agencies. Having succeeded in passing the Cerberus at the door, our observations in evitably raised these questions in one's mind.

"Why were not the credentials of Huysmans, so that Loriot's assertion was anything but a clear Socialist the bureau by letter that this must and revolutionary air. Embittered by the a misunderstanding. We remained the considered as delegates. Comrade Casalini, who saw subject, by order of Branting and Huysmans, so that Loriot's assertion and revolutionary air. Embittered by the considered as delegates. Comrade Casalini, who saw subject, by order of Branting and the considered as delegates. Comrade Casalini, who saw anything but a clear Socialist the bureau by letter that this must and revolutionary air. Embittered by the considered as delegates. Comrade Casalini, who saw anything but a clear Socialist the bureau by letter that this must and revolutionary air. were not to be considered as delewhy were not the credentials of reusenants, so that Lorious assertion and revolutionary air. Empittered by the considered by that this was a maneuver and a case what was done and what they obtained the congress in our capacity as the entire body before the election of of railroading must be fully conceded? served, and indignant over the beside our party of the proceedings and the fication were such delegates seated the formation of a clear-cut Internation of the People's House and intentions of our hostile brothers."

Ohio State Executive Committee Meets

Business for First Quarter of 1919 Transacted; State Secretary Makes Encouraging Report of Progress

The quarterly meeting of the State [selves. executive Committee, Socialist Party of Ohio, took place in Galion, Saturday and Sunday, March 29 and 30. The committee had voted to meet in Galion in response to an invitation by Comrade Wm. M. Brown, who desired to offer the state organization a state headquarters free of expense.

First Session. The meeting was called to order by State Chairman Tom Clifford, at 3 p. m., March 29, at Brownella cot-

for the session. Present—Lotta Burke, Joseph W. Sharts, Tom Clifford, M. J. Beery, Scott Wilkins, J. P. Baker of the committee. Absent—Wm. Patterson. Others present-State Secretary P. T. Hortense Wagenknecht; State Secretary A. Wagenknecht; Elmer T Allison, editor of the Ohio Socialist; Charles Baker, state organizer, and Comrades H. W. Myers, Elizabeth Bertram, Wm. M. Brown and many members of Local Galion as visitors. Report of the state secretary was leclared in order.

Report of State Secretary. Comrades: Since your committee last met, the progress of the organized Socialist movement in Ohio has been phenomenal. Our comrades in Europe, in voicing their demands and these sessions, and to be at a sussion establishing workers' governments, of the International Bureau at Brushave been instrumental in gaining sels or at a conference called by the for us also, most salutory results. "At the same time our instructions throughout the old world, American over not to participate if it was a were not to participate, if it was a question of continuing the conference of the Entente Socialist of last September in London. That was done because we did not know in Rome what we would find in Berne. The press of our country published very ers lies in uncompromising tactics and in proletarian control.

The majority of locals in Ohio have increased their activity two-fold since the first of the year. Reports from ocals prove that the methods used y the ruling class to suppress our acivities but whet the appetites of the workers for a knowledge of socialism. As a result, larger meetings have been held in Ohio since the first of the year than have ever been held. Halls have been crowded to the doors. In many instances two and three halls have had to be rented to hold the crowds which surged to our meetings to hear our speakers. This is not only true of the Debs' meetings held in this state. Charles Baker had an unprecedented overflow meeting in Akron, and other comrades who have toured the state have been met by enthusiastic and unusually large au-

Many locals that were inactive during the last year of the war have now reorganized or paid their arrearages in dues. Threats of persecution are always more effective in small towns. Our smaller locals suffered severely and in many instances, the only way out was to give up all activities, even meeting in business session. However, a wonderful change has taken place since the signing of the armistice in the entire Ohio movement. Local after local is coming back to life and the mails now bring orders for supplies, literature, leaflets and 'Ohio Socialist" subscriptions in such countries, that extra assistance has been necessary to keep up with the State Office work.

The land others are available. Profit for the month of February would have been much larger had we in closing we desire to

to give employment of from one week | contained. to two weeks to field workers, so that they may build their member-State organizer Baker had been ship. Some locals have shown a will-sent to Toledo to fill the Debs en ingress to stand the expense of such lack solidarity? This will teach them gagement. The crowd gathered organization work. All this goes to solidarity. closed gathered across the street in party and that it is our duty to give service as efficiently as lies in our power. We say without hesitation, Orders had been issued by Mayor power. We say without hesitation, Schreiber to allow no speaking and that at present we are not at all equipped to meet the demands made upon the State Office for service. We have realized this for some months but have hesitated to make improvements because we desired to conduct the State Office upon as economical basis as possible. There comes a workers; when economy restricts us in the performance of our full duty to the locals and party members. That time has been reached. We have been them with circular letters and outer virtually forced to revolutionize our entire working program, so far as the graph at a cost of \$257.00. With this machine we can print; with typewriter the mainfestation, or rather, time has been reached. We have been ods and equipment used a few months type, thousands of letters upon short ago are now entirely inadequate. For a year and a half two persons

have, by working until near midnight every day in the week, managed to keep the "Ohio Socialist" and the State Office in fair running order. right, clean, intelligent young man, All that these two persons could accomplish in such a full day's work or executed. No new work of any

There came a time, about the first of this year, when the need for inifor Democracy. The police looked fierce now and held a little confab— no longer be thrust aside. In our no longer be thrust aside. In our crature sales and organize a literaconsultations we came to the conclusion that the field of influence of the "Ohio Socialist" and of the Socialist book in print. Party of Ohio could be greatly extended if we could get the time for several circularizations and calls to action. We, therefore, employed extra assistance and we now let our Over again for you said a big burly financial report, our membership reand one more seat in limousine No. port and the increase in "Ohio Socialis," subscriptions speak for them-

> standing all alone ankle deep in the snow and slush stood the speaker Debs has given his services in the to get him. Two police broke thru the crowd, accompanied by a brown two or three meetings. This has near-clad motor cop. The speaker got in ly caused a physical breakdown, and

many of them lost theirs. These membership doubled its activity in the same caps who on their knees our pliantly beseeched us councilmen to vote them another loaf of bread for organization trip on January 16. He is now dated up to the middle of May. out for their rights—use their billies able to the state organization from and guns (we don't have clubs in To-

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Financial Report. The total receipts for January were \$2,500.34. Of this amount \$1,211.20 was for "Ohio Socialist" subscripwas for "Ohio Socialist tions. The expenses for January were to haloned on hand on tions. \$1,601.51. The balance on hand on Feb. 1, was \$3,029.41. This, we think, sets the record for the party in this state as to money on hand.

The total receipts for February were \$2,585.09, with expenditures amounting to \$2,299.89. Balance on hand March 1, \$3,314.61.

Ohio Socialist.

That cour state over a complishment than the large surplus. Many weak locals were revived by him and many were reorganized.

Comrade Thurber Lewis did organization work for the State Office for

That our state paper is fast be-coming one of the best liked papers in the United States is amply proven by the growth in its circulation dur-ing the past three and four months. From a total of 150 new subscribers each week our circulation increased until at the beginning of March we placed more than 500 new names upon cur mailing list weekly, and for several weeks the number ran as high as 650 and 880. And the flood of subscriptions has not ceased. We firmly believe that this is only the beginning of our success in this field. During the latter part of February

circularize the entire mailing list of 6,000 subscribers, asking every services to redour subscriber to assist in making the our organization. Ohio Socialist a semi-weekly by increasing our subscription list to 20,-000. This circularization cost the State Office about \$115. To induce there is no secret formula by which a locals to use our paper for free distribution we have reduced the bundle price to 50 cents a hundred copies. organize is to be capable of working We believe that the loss incurred in hard along well-outlined plans and bundle sales at this price will be offset carrying these plans to a successful by an increase in subscriptions.

Now that the paper is turning a profit into our treasury every month, army of organizers, until we have we feel that every possible method one for every congressional district should be used to increase its circulation. Promotion is as necessary in the State Office and in part by the the business of making Socialists as locals in the congressional districts. in the business of making profits. Our three or four organizers at pres-And we intend to devise methods ent employed should be increased to whereby we will bring our paper to five or six times that number. This the notice of even more Socialists and can be gradually accomplished and others who need the kind of brain toward this end we suggest to your

food we issue. "Make the Ohio Socialist a daily," is the message that comes to us from each to contain an equal number of readers in many states. The sentiment against the capitalist press has an organizer be placed in each of crystalized lately and we feel safe in these districts. These organizers predicting that the time is not far dis- can, by becoming acquainted with the tant when we will have to publish our villages, cities and country communi-paper twice a week and when we will ties in the districts, do more effective be in a position to do so profitably, organization work, and in co-opera-For the information of your committion with the Socialists in the distee we here publish a profit and loss tricts, should be able to carry on a statement of income and expense of the Ohio Socialist:

Rects. Expenses, Loss. 1918. July \$ 73.28 \$316.96 \$243.65 August . . . 120.27 299.57 179.30 August 396.64 September . 276.30 10.82 282.95 273.13 November .. $395.78 \\ 740.86$ 299.96 96.82 533.87 December .. 206.99

January . . 1,211.20 528.56 672.64 February . . 1,181.72 785.09 396.63 Since the paper has been published weekly it has cleared \$840.61 above expenses, exclusive of wages. As The duties of these district organiz-Comrade E. T. Allison divided his ers would be many and do not need time between the paper and other state Office work, we can safely say that the paper has turned into the Lilith Martin probably M. A. Toohey

Membership.

Our membership is growing fast. Initiations number more than 500 a menth. Dues stamp sales for the past three months follow:

Eng. Memb. For Initia-Locals. at Lge. Br. tions. .3480 246 2578 345 Dec., 1918. 3480 246 2578 Jan., 1919. 5277 163 3212 Feb., 1919. 4145 67 2779 581 The total dues stamp sales for December, 1918, were 6,549; January, 1919, 9,170; February, 7,572. This is an average membership for these ist locals in keeping their memberthem with circular letters and other notice, and we hope that we may soon be in a position to offer locals service in multigraph work, giving our weaker locals this service without

charge. Organizatin and Propaganda. First as to literature. Using the Ohio Socialist as an advertising medium, we have been able to sell thousands of pamphlets and books within the last few months. Many times we were completely out of pamphlets called for, having orders for hundreds on hand, awaiting arrival of shipment. We intend to enlarge our litture department from which can be

We have arranged extended tours for Comrades Charles Baker, Thurber Lewis and Lilith Martin. Holman has been given speaking engagements whenever calls for his services have been made.

The Debs' tours have been very successful. Locals that have engaged him have built a treasury with which they will now be able to do much to build their membership. Comrade where the overfed police must run cause to locals in northern Ohio without stint, many evenings addressing ly caused a physical breakdown, and we had to notify locals to cease overworking Comrade Debs; that his 63 years would not stand such strenuous article and right here—as I did there campaignning. The good effect of gaged in party duties than now, and I want to enter a protest against Debs' meetings in northern Ohio upon the Motor Cop whose gun was drawn our Ohio membership can not be overon me as he approached running and estimated. Courage, determination, loyalty and comradeship were direct We kept our heads to a man-they results, and wherever he spoke the

ledo) when we ask that right.

I was convict No. 57, one of the ers to the Ohio Socialist which he many varieties yet to come on a tour solicited, the large collections taken of inspection of one of the filthiest at his meetings and the courage injail holes in the entire U.S. A jail stilled into comrades of locals which had long been inactive—all these

points contribute to the success of his field work. His first month's tour resulted in a profit to the state organization of \$102.82. His second month's tour resulted in a deficit of \$13.75. This deficit was caused by dating Comrade Baker two successive days in unorganized and disorganized territory, in the face of which the small deficit is a greater accomplishment

two weeks in February. The financial loss resultant amounted to about \$40. The gain consisted of five locals reorganized, all of which are now more active than they ever were. We have given him another routing which gives him employment up to April 13. He is well liked wherever he goes, and is

for a tour on April 1. After a preliminary tour of the state we intend to assign organization duties to her. Comrade Martin agrees to this, and is highly interested in building the membership. In this work she has had experience and we may expect her services to redound to the success of Too little time has been given to

powerful organization can be effected. The main attribute necessary to place in the field and ever increasing in the state, supported in part by committee that you consent to a divismore thorough campaign of organization than is now possible by giving

every organizer a state-wide tour.

To help pay the expenses, the prob able deficit of such work. we could 120.34 ask the locals in each of the four Profit. districts to contribute, from time to time, to the upkeep of the field-work. It locals once see the concrete results of constant employment of an organzer, a comrade well versed in the details of organization and always ready to help in any emergency, then we are sure they would rally to his

The duties of these district organiz-

the railroad and in the field.

This Congress could preserve the lives of the wrokers. It could rescute them from the vile clutches of cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them assessing of the massing the grandest of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in Toledo where the cue them from the vile clutches of the rumpus in the rumpus passed resolutions against sending delegates to the Berne conference, claiming that this conference was called and controlled by social pa-triots who had nothing in common with true socialism. An emergency national convention is also called for the purpose of which is to be to establish more firmly the uncompromising position of the Socialist Party and to arrive at a more uniform declarat on of principles for the party. In past years emphasis has, in most of our campaigns, been placed upon sothree months of 7,764. According to called immediate demands, and our the report of the National Office, Chio stands third in number of party to rest in the background. There is time, however, when economy in such members. However, it is first place a general call for change of methods, matters becomes a crime against the we should strive for. And in order for the establishment of party owned that we might be in a position to as- papers, educational institutions, literature and other activities. Our propship in good standing by supplying aganda, in many instances, has been in the control of private individuals

> old manifestation now revived and given new life by the recent experiences in Russia and Germany, must be met and dealt with by your committee. The time will come when the state office will be called upon to give information and advice controversy about tactics, and we desire to be in a position to give such advice officially. We append the manifesto and program of the left wing Socialists of New York. Similar left wing movements have been organized in Chicago, Boston, Portland and other large cities. What shall be the offiattitude of the party in this state?

Other questions to come before the committee for consideration will be presented through correspondence had, and among these is the matter of moving state headquarters to Galion. In the regular order of business we will request the floor for Comrade Wm. M. Brown so that he may tell

us of his plans.

We desire to assure the committee that the Socialist work in the state is getting on splendidly. We still have a goodly number of locals to revive, locals which the war put to sleep. But this work will be done as soon as we can get to it—is in fact being done every day by our organizers in the field. The progress made since the first of the year, since the end of the war, has heartened us, renewed our energy. The state membership was never more earnestly enwhat is more, never before approached questions of local and internationa importance with such intelligence as it is doing today. The war experiences have taught us all numerable things about capitalism and its methods and as a consequence we have learned the better how to use our knowledge of socialism for the final victory. Let us speed the day.

HORTENSE WAGENKNECHT, State Secretary, P. T. Motion carried that the report be eceived and acted upon seriatim under new husiness New Charters and Members-at-Ladge Charters for locals in the following cities were applied for: Roswell, 17 (Continued on Page Four)

Open Forum for Discussion of Party Problems

The many important matters concerning policies, tactics and other internal affairs of the party, which are engrossing the attention of members at the present time, have induced us to open the columns of the Ohio Socialist to a discussion of them through the Open Forum. We trust that our comrades will use this column for such discussions of strictly party affairs. Make your articles short and to the point. Use light instead of heat to make your point clear and leavé out personalities.

Upon What Foundation?

"I pierce through the upper stratum

rock below."-James Finton Lalor. The surging torrents of the world's affairs have lately washed away the soil and turf of social systems and bared the rugged rocks which we call

Sixty years ago Karl Marx said that the very hour in which the workers gained control of society the po-

English parliament.

The "rock below" is this fact: The political machinery of capitalism, of any circumstances whatsoever, function as the governmental machinery of the working class. It cannot even favor the worker. It cannot effec-tively legislate in his interest, because if one of its branches should favor him, another branch would almost automatically cut him: off from that favor. When we ask him to take part in it, when he say to him that he could thereby benefit himself, we but

blind and betray him. What attitude, then, should the Socialist Party here in America adopt toward the machinery of capitalistic government, in the light of present events? Should it not be one of "no compromise?" And the words "no compromise" are beginning to mean And the words "no much more, too, than has been generally conveyed by that term. The idea generally expressed by the term is that there shall be no union or alliance with any other party or movement But the hour has come to go further! We must dig away the obscuring soil and lay our foundation upon the solid rock. We should refuse to take any part in the capitalist more serve our purpose than the housewife could do a washing on a threshing machine. Why spend the energy of the working class organizaring the could be working class organizaring. government. Its machinery can no tion of a force to send a man or set of men to congress to pass some law, after years of effort, which a supreme court appointed by the ruling class to do the bidding of the ruling class, can set uside in an hour, when the same energy spent in organizing the workers into a congress of their own would succeed in building a machine, a power, that could dictate to the congress at Washington what laws to pass, and backed by their economic power on the job they could defy the supreme court and all the machinery

of capitalistic government.

By JENNIE A. McGEHE State Secretary of Colorado.

Instead of urging workers to go to of occasional and shifting circum-stances to bottom and base on the workers cannot manipulate, and which because of its very nature, can But, som not function in their interest, the leaders of radical thought should never benefits us—a plan that never teach them to shun it as they would a pestilence.

ing able to get anything thru the act the Postal Department of a Robber litical state as then known would perish and Engles remarked that the market had the working class cannot characters and state would be characters by capitalistic courts, and still court that vampire chinery of the political state would be compared to the working class cannot courts, and still court that vampire chinery of the political state would be court for their chinery of the political state would be thrown on the junk pile because a government of and for the workers could not function through it.

The production in Pursic demonstrates the classes of the participates of the course, and stiff court that vampire class cannot course, and stiff court that vampire class by pretended respect for their parliamentary machinery, and participation in it, thus, in reality, making ourselves particeps criminus?

Suppose that now we had a ma-The revolution in Russia demonstrates the truth of this. The revolution in Hungary is another illustrative workers would pursue this course or advalled the Course of the truth of the truth from the masses? If the workers would pursue this course or advalled the Course of the truth of of tion of it. The Sinn Fein in Ireland ters would lose its power gradually, recognize it by refusing to enter the and rapidly at last, it would become more and more of a figure head, until finally in some crisis it would disappear entirely. This process can be seen going on now in Germany the capitalistic state, cannot under where the Ebert Government daily graws more and more of a figurehead as the Soviets one by one are ormed in the industries. We are beginning to see the same tendancy FREE HIM OR—! in England, as the people stay away from the polls and the big unions dicplain as day, the other nations are

> ica called "non-political" we could go ize a governmental machine of their guise itself as a washing machine. need, what they are looking for, what they must and will have! and file in organized labor are ready for it, the great body of farmers who rent, American peasants, are ready for it-why keep up this farce? Why take part in a worse than worthless parliamentary machine? only an instrument for administering an opiate to the working class and the great mass of our people in

The present parliamentary machine, their ramifications and departments, and our sacred honor.

Side Lights on Toledo Free Speech Fight

the railroad and in the field.

ters. Dare the Congress at Washington and in the states to refuse to obey our command? The folded arms of the workers cannot be resisted! Do the workers of the nation

But, some will contend, this thing can benefit us, a plan that makes slaves and beggars of us, so prac-The workers have aiready, to a ticable? Should we go on for years great measure, lost confidence in Congress, and in the efficiency of the ballet, and have lost hope of ever be
mobbed, our literature destroyed by Kinley's Monument and was immediately and have lost hope of ever be
mobbed, our literature destroyed by Kinley's Monument and was immediately and have lost hope of ever be-

> Suppose that now we had a mactine such as I have described. Would we need to go crawling on our knees to Washington once more begging like slaves for the life and liberty of an innocent brother, Tom Mooney When we are in a position to dictate to their legislature we will also be in a position to dictate to their courts. It would not then be, "please gentlemen, free Tom Mooney because he is innocent." Rather would it be, "Our brother, Tom Mooney, we have found to be innocent of the crime with which you charged against him.

The rank and file of organized latate to the government. The mile bor is growing very radical. It is stones along this new way are as ready for a change. It is, indeed, traveling fearlessly down the newly made road. Why do we lag eternally behind—and worship at the shrine of the old and the discredited?

There are those in the Socialist ranks who lay stress on "the opportunity for propaganda" that taking that. He feels it instinctively whethere the capitalist elections gives us the party adheres to its present anything that constitutes a fundamental change. The worker senses that He feels it instinctively whethere the voices it or not. So long as the seeking a change. in capitalist elections gives us. er he voices it or not. So long as the at the very fact that we refuse to party seeks to gain a place in the take part would give us ten thousand capitalistic government, just that, times more opportunity for propaganda. Being then, what is in Amerganda. Being then, what is in Amergandar. Can we not, then, master up courage sufficient to break the workers in their Unions, and with capitalism? Let those who all their organizations, in every city have ambitions to go to Congress at and village and hamlet, to the A. F. Washington, get into one of the old parties to go thede, for after all, a confidence of the organization of the old parties to go thede, for after all, a confidence or an armonization of the old parties to go the organization of the old parties to go the old p them to organize a government within a government, to organize what would virtually be a SOVIET whethin a threshing machine. It connot uner it was called that or not, to organ- der any circumstances effectively dis-

Let the party learn the lesson that Europe teaches. Let us apply our strength thru a medium that will transmit that strength. Let us con-khaki. secrate ourselves anew and give up the vain dream of "capturing" something that isn't worth capturing and that we could not use to any advantage after we had "captured" it. We shall build a machine of our own. One that can function in an industrial democracy. And as did our fathers of old for their Declaration of ndependance, so let us for this new

Memorial Hall at Toledo was again is the machinery for ruling the masses in the interests of the classes. rented Sunday, March 30. Closed by It was organized by the rulers for the rulers. Why not organize a Labor Congress that will be a Labor Congress? Let it sit at the same time as the master's congress—and issue commands in the name of the people backed by the power of the people in the mill and mine and factory, on the railroad and in the field.

Tented Sunday, March 30. Closed by orders of Mayor Schreiber because his himself became determined to select the speakers for Toledo, and among those barred from the Mayors' list is Eugene V. Debs—our own Gene. Barred by the Mayor although the entire population demanded a Debs meeting and ten thousand people turned out in the slush and snow ple turned out in the slush and snow

socialists were staging the grandest act this Golden Rule and Rule of Gold Ctiv ever witnessed.

Court House Park.

there were 200 police present to enforce the order.

At 2:30 P. M. Secretary Michael ately nabbed by the police. The crowd closed in. The police lost Mike who once more mounted the Monument steps and once more was embraced by two of "Toledo's finest" and escorted amid cheers to one of the city's own limousines (patrol wagons) and entertained until seven more brave and conjenial companions were snigularly marched by uniformed liverymen to the yawning gasoline wagons and hence to the new temporary headquarters of the Socialist Party-The City's Bastile.

There was a goodly sprinkling of oldier boys among the ten thousand who had gathered, and one, an up-Frank Serafin stepped to the monument and began to speak! Ladies was the daily completion of the daily and gentlemen, Comrades all—When routine. No new plans could be laid he said "Comrades," the police look-or executed. No new w cd at one another. The soldier con-tinued: I have just returned from There came a time, abo across the seas where I went to fight they seemed to think the word Democracy their cue to arrest anyone. but they hesitated as the voice of the boy in khaki rang out: and I will continue to fight for Democracy at home. The police here asked Serafin to stop, but again he turned to the multitude and said: I went over the top.

2 was occupied. The crowd stood awed and amazed as the blue coats brabbed and roughly hustled this khaki clad boy through the cordon of police. They could not understand. Some of them thought the socialists were being arrested for insulting the Soldiers as the Mayor and the newspapers claimed. And here they were roughly hustling a soldier boy off to jail, a soldier too who had bravely faced death for This speaker was the writer of this freedom, and now he could not even speak to them. Shouts of protest went up on all sides. The crowd was getting ugly. The police were get-ting excited and brutal. Women cried in sympathy for the boy in Quiet for just a moment reigned; then from a distance came Ladies and gentlemen, a voice: (This was as far as many of the speakers got as they were kanged off the monument as soon as first word was spoken. But this voice did not come from the monu-ment) Keep cool, fill the jail. The Declaration of Independance gives you the right of Free Speech. Your living expression of our hopes and forefathers died for this right. Every the Congress and the courts and all ideals, pledge our lives, our fortunes head turned toward the sound of that voice and there a half a block away

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THE RISING STATE

A vew power, a new state is rising within the shell of the political one Functioning within and beside the political machinery of the present political state is a new force that develops by leaps and bounds. This new state threatens and challenges political ideals and methods of the past. It has risen from the smoke and flame of proletarian revolution. Let us call it the Soviet form, the occupational form of representative government.

Rising as it has from proletarian needs, it necessarily reflects the interests of the worker. Grounded on the bedrock of occupation it is logical and understandable to the worker.

This new state rises to mock the traditional political ideals, ridicules the political sophistries of the day and points convincingly to better methods whereby he workers may escape the thralldom of wage slavery. This new class war weapon, forged at the fire of proletarian revolution, must be reckoned with by all elements of the proletarian movement which profess to lead: must be reckoned with by the Socialist Party on its merits as a class war

Economically, politically, religiously, the world is in a state of swift transition. Old methods and means are being discarded. New weapons are being forged for the conflict between the two classes of society. Indications that the political method alone cannot bring the workers control of government are not wanting. In fact the political method is taking secondary place in he program of working class emancipation.

Whether the capitalist political state established in this country a cen tury and a half ago contains the means whereby the modern proletariat can gain emancipation is the center about which revolves the whole question. A growing demand for MASS ACTION of the proletariat upon the oconomic field indicates the new methods of labor in this new time for gaining a new world for the workers.

FRENCH SOCIALIST VIEW OF PEACE CONFAB

Paul Faure, editor-in-chief of Populaire, signed a statement expressing the following views of the Peace Conference:

The error was to believe that the capitalist regime, after having demonstrated that its evolution had brought about a world war, was capable of restoring order out of the nameless chaos into which it had plunged Europe. The Wilsonian principles had no chance to root themselves firmly in this environment of violence between classes and nations. Rapine, imperialism. war in all its aspects are the inevitable course of bourgeois society. At its first contact pure gold is here changed into base lead. To forget or deny now that working class revolutions have broken out everywhere is contrary to the most elementary teachings of socialism. A British delegate to the International Socialist Conference told me yesterday, after having read the text of the constiution of the League of Nations that there is nothing to do but return to England and tell the working classes that the sole hope for order and peace is in socialism and the international union of the workers.

While American capitalists froth with fury at Russian Bolshevism, our ally, England, is establishing trade relations with Russia by "digging in' under American capitalists-no doubt with a sly John Bull wink.

We think it will be some time before the makeshift mayor of Toledo attempts to again swallow the Socialist whale.

Compulsory military training may be essential to the welfare of capitalism, but compulsory mental training is THE essential for workers.

"German gold" bought the Russian revolutionists, we have been told a few million times, and now we wonder just what will be the effect upon the minds of American capitalists of that deposit of \$200,000,000 of Russian gold for American goods? Watch them grab it!

"Trade" covereth a multitude of sins.

Make Labor Day Labor's Day

Socialist Party members and hundred HELP MAKE MAY DAY OUR DAY dreds of thousands of sympathizers Let's show we are militant Socialare to join in one mighty protest for freedom for Debs, for Mooney, for

united action. On this eventful day there are four things which every local must do and

which every comrade must help do. Hold a monster amnesty meet-

Order a bundle of the amnesty International Socialism?
on of the Ohio Socialist of April We have printed 5,000 special May edition of the Ohio Socialist of April

Get a speaker for a meeting whether large or small. If you can't get GET THE SPIRIT OF FREEDOM a speaker hold a meeting anyway IN YOUR SYSTEM AND PREPARE and have a comrade read the speeches of Debs, Kate Richards O'Hare, Rose YOUR MAY DAY SUPPLIES. DO Pastor Stokes and others. These special amnesty speeches will reach you in a few days. Order Ohio Socialists

PARTY PRESS IN FRANCE

Humanite, the official morning daily that body, and a number of our legal paper of the Socialist Party of France grafters, charging misappropriation is raising a sustaining fund of \$40,000 of funds from Tiffin's war chest. the sale of 8,000 shares of stock at \$5 per share. Humanite now has a circulation of 100,000 copies. It was founded by Jean Jaures, the French Socialist leader ,who was assassinated at the outbreak of the war, in August, The paper is owned by the French Socialist Party, and the sale of stock was authorized by the last national convention of the party. Like most Socialist papers, Humanite suf-fered severely during the war, but campaign and race of dollars and with the signing of the armistice and sense. the approach of peace its circulation began to increase by leaps and bounds. A parliamentary election will soon be held in France and the party desires to have its press fully pre-pared to spread the enlightening precepts of the social revolution among the French proletariat.

WATCH US GROW

Recently Tiffin was in the grip of the worst public scandal it has ever known, when a former member of the worst public scandal it has ever especially good and greatly appreciated by the audiences.

Comrades:

May first is to be the most event-ful day of the year. It is the day what you can use and return unsold up in which thousands of meetings ones. Locals may have them on will be held for the purpose of decreent. Individual comrades may also will be held for the purpose of demanding FREEDOM FOR POLITI- order cards on the same terms. We CAI PRISONERS! Upon May 1st, trust our RED ARMY.

Let's show we are militant Socialists by getting 5,000 subscriptions on

Haywood and for all political and industrial prisoners. Upon this historic day we will show our strength by secure subscriptions for our paper. Let's not let a single sub get away from us. Let every comrade be a sub getter on May 1. Can you think of a better way to celebrate Interna-tional Labor Day than to help build the press of International Labor and

23, for free distribution.

3. Order a quantity of our special May Day subscription cards to sell at these meetings.

We have printed 3,000 special may Day sub cards for these amnesty meetings. We want you to help sell them. Comrades, we are making a drive for 20,000 subscribers and a 4. Order a supply of "The Slander of the Toilers," by George R. Kirk-patrick.

4. Order a supply of "The Slander twice-a-week Ohio Socialist. We have ten thousand now. Let's get 5,000 on May 1. We can do it. We want you

H. WAGENKNECHT, State Secretary P. T.

"our" Chamber of Commerce and one of our principal business men made

ing for their dirty dollars, what would they take from the general public? It looks good for Tiffin to put an entire Socialist ticket into office, for

NO OTHERS NEED APPLY

Only red speakers need apply for dates at Lorain, writes Comrade Albert G. Storck of Local Lorain. This local is staging some of the most successful meetings in the state and get-

5,000 MEETINGS ON MAY 1st Protesting Debs' Imprisonment Demanding Release of all Political Prisoners

COMRADES:

Here's where we pull together for the BIGGEST single protest ever launched.

On International Labor Day-5,000 protest meetings-a meeting in every city, village and country community where a Socialist can be found.

On this day all comrades and friends of Eugene V. Debs. Kate Richards O'Hare and other convicted and imprisoned Socialists, will gather in halls from coast to coast in ONE MIGHTY PROTEST against their imprisonment.

YOU ARE TO ARRANGE ONE OF THESE 5,000 MEETINGS Really, argument is hardly necessary, comrades. DEBS IS IN DANGER. In fact—HIS LIFE IS AT STAKE. You MUST come to the rescue. We feel confident that you WILL come to the rescue on International Labor Day, May 1st, by organizing a PROTEST MEETING in your city or community, so that the voices of all sympathizers in the nation may be heard in one come to the rescue. We feel confident that you WILL come to the voices of all sympathizers in the nation may be heard in one DEAFENING DEMAND for Debs' freedom.

No matter how large or how small your organization may be. No matter if it has five members of five thousand. No matter if you are the only Socialist in the community—YOU CAN HAVE A MEETING MAY 1ST, and a very GOOD meeting, if you will arrange for it. Because-

DEBS WILL BE WITH YOU ON MAY 1ST.

No, not in person, but he will send you the speech he would make could he be with you in person. He will send you, printed n large, readable type, exactly what he would say could he mount the platform to address you.

And Kate Richards O'Hare, and other convicted and imprisoned Socialists will also have a message for you to read to your

Even if you can not secure a speaker, the speeches which Debs and other convicted Socialists will send you and the advertising we will furnish will give you an inspiring, enthusiastic meeting. All you need do is to select comrades who are good readers to read these speeches to the meeting and to follow the meeting program which we will send. Full instructions will be furnished by us. You get the meeting. We will attend to the program.

The larger locals should engage the largest hall in the city AT ONCE and write the state office for a speaker. The smaller other thousand or fifteen hundred locals and branches should rent a hall immediately. Locals in country communities should secure the school house, or where this is impossible, hold a "home" meeting, inviting all Socialists and sympathizers to the home of some comrade. Members at

large should do the same where halls are not available. BUT UNDER NO CONSIDERATION SHOULD YOU FAIL TO HOLD A MEETING, even if it is only a meeting of the members of the party. Get a hall if you can, and in most instances you can. But if you can not get a hall, then hold the meeting in the home of a comrade. HAVE A MEETING, no matter where it is held. HAVE A MEETING!

Copies of posters to advertise your meeting; "protest" postal cards to give away or sell at your meeting; a new kind of application for membership card; program and instructions for your meeting and other essential matter will reach you in an early mail. Locals and branches should elect a committee AT ONCE with POWER TO ACT so that no delay will occur in arrange-

5,000 PROTEST MEETINGS ON MAY 1ST WE CAN DO IT! WE MUST DO IT!—Or we are not

worthy to be known as Socialists. GET INTO ACTION AT ONCE! Yours in Comradeship,

A. WAGENKNECHT. Director Department of Organization and Propaganda, Socialist Party

TO BATTLE CREEK

Readers of Ohio Socialist. Local Battle Creek desires to call the attention of the Battle Creek read-

ure to "meeting-holding." A word to the wise is sufficient.

NO HATE FOR GERMANS ers of the O. S. to the lectures which back hating the Germans. No man are held REGULARLY EVERY SUN- who has been in the line facing the ing present. The collection was good are held REGULARLY EVERY SUNDAY at 3 p. m., in Arcade hall, and earnestly urges you to attend them. There is more to Socialist activity than reading a Socialist paper. Read? Certainly. Study? Surely. (Study class conducted by Comrade W. E. Reynolds every THURSDAY evening, Room 211, McCamley block). Attend these meetings. Bolshevist Russia attributes its success in a large meas—who has been in the line facing the Germans will hear any malice toward them. I know that if any American infantryman met the Kaiser on the doad he would be willing to share his hard tack with him. This is not a false sentiment."—Lt. Colonel Chas. W. Whittlesel, U. S. A., commander of the "Lost Battalion" in the Argonne fight, in an address in New York City, December 15.

Mother of Humanity

PART IX.

Jailing women. Persecuting women. early ancestors had to find words to en. Why?

strayed far back into the dim and dis-

forces of nature. laeolithic age, swaying in the trees with her baby clasped to her breast, singing her primitive lullaby, traces baked clay, all had been epoch making of which have come down the centimes and all flitted through her

turies to us:
"Hush-a-bye-baby, upon the tree top,
When the wind blows the cradle will
work that man had written most of the that man had written but it was woman

that fire. She could still taste the progress.

first cooked food.

While the Mother of Humanity listened to the ideas expressed by the eloquent orators of today in the hall of the Law Givers, she smiled and wondered if they knew of the early struggles of humanity to express Schwanzenfelt fills the date of Con their sense perceptions in ideas by rade M. J. Beery at this meeting.

Written Especially for the Ohio So- spoken words. She wondered if they cialist By LAURA JIM REYNOLDS. comprehended the struggle their express their ideas.

who has the answer?

The great unseen one, the Mother of Humanity, who was so old that humanity had lived in her through all the ages; who was so young that she was a part of all the living, who would live on while humanity existed.

Her reverie was a true reverie, an irregular train of thoughts. From the memory of the struggle to express ideas by spoken words, articulate speech, her reverie carried her to the exultance of humanity over the first catch of fish the consequent. would live on while humanity existed. It was she, the Mother of Humanity, who had the answer. the first catch of fish, the consequent ease with which humanity could migrate from stream to stream and up She held the master key, the history of the struggles and triumphs of the past. Her daughters of today bow and arrow, another improvement could understand their own problems in the manner of living, a more plenif only they held that key. The tiful supply of food, was another thought of the Mother of Humanity pleasant reverie. From the bow and arrow his reverie drifted to the first tant past when she was young and domestication of wild animals. The strangely different from her daught taming of the kitten, and the puppy today, when unaided, and of the wild wolf, the making of the without tools humanity had begun first crude dishes out of carved wood, its struggle with the contending the planting of grains, the making of clothing from the skins of animals She saw her daughter of the Pathe making of rafts to cross the accolithic age, swaying in the trees streams, the use of bone fish-hooks, the first basket, the first dish made of

when the wind blows the cradle rock,

When the bough breaks the cradle will fall,

Down comes rock-a-bye-baby and all."

that man had written most of the history written, but it was woman will fall,

who had made the most of it, especially in the earlier periods. It was party) in direct violation of the constitution of the United States, the will fall,

of that body, and a number of our legal grafters, charging misappropriation of funds from Tiffin's war chest. Now we have the pleasure of seeing a member of that gang presented to the voters of this fair city for its next mayor.

will fall,

winc had made the most of it, especially in the earlier periods. It was worman who learned to catch fish, to cook them, to plant grain, to grand it, and cook it, to skin animals and the constitution of the state of Ohio and the ordinances of the city of Martins preserve the hide, to tame animals, own initiative had she left her former abode and method of living, but heavise great changes had taken anyor of Martins Ferry, openly as a part to them the grafter periods. It was worman who learned to catch fish, to cook them, to plant grain, to grand the constitution of the constitution of the state of Ohio and the ordinances of the city of Martins Ferry, and, whereas, The said James Ralston, mayor of martins Ferry, openly as a part to them the grafter periods. It was worman who learned to catch fish, to grant the arbitration of the constitution of the constitution of the constitution of the state of Ohio and the ordinances of the city of Martins Ferry, and, who had made the most of it, espectically in the earlier periods. It was worman who learned to catch fish, to grant to grant the arbitration of the constitution of t because great changes had taken part to them the greater part of sumes a hostile position against orplace in her environment which compelled her to move in spite of all her aversion to any change in custom or manner of living. She remembered the days before the discovery of fire. She remembered the horror of the she remembered the she remembered the she remembered the horror of the she remembered the she remembered the horror of the she remembered the horror of the she remembered the she remember She remembered the horror of the night, the fear of the dark, and even yet she shuddered at the memory of the death and destruction which always luvked just haven the days approaching when the safe and un-American method of selfjoy of the protection from the rav-ares of the wild beasts afforded by upward journey along the road of SOCIALIST PARTY, LOCAL MAR-

(To be Continued)

COLUMBUS MEETING. Comrade Alex Schwanzenfalt of To-

LIMA ORGAINZES DISTRIBUTION SQUAD

Local Lima has organized a literature distribution squad and are now actively engaged in sowing the seeds of socialism throughout the city. They have secured a hall large enough for all propaganda meetings and are busy as bees making socialism hum.

LOCAL NILES AT WORK Local Niles is setting an example to some of our locals in selling In-dustrial Freedom Certificates. This dustrial Freedom Certificates. This live local has sold seventy of them thus far writes Comrade Edwin Peterson and is going to make it a hundred before the comrades stop. Comrade Marguerite Prevey speaks at Niles April 13. Her subject, "A Socialist Challenge to Capitalism."

RESULTS OF 'PAY AHEAD' CAMPAIGN

Local Niles opened a campaign port 23 as paid up in full. Local Niles should be proud of its success in this work considering the prosperous (?) times we are enjoying. Here are the

times we are enjoying. Here are the names of the fortunate 23.

Aldo Ford, Aug. Kehn, Burt. Johnson, Ed. Armstrong, Clyde E. White, Alfred Storm, Robert Sample, Mrs. E. Peterson, Edwin Peterson, Fred Holmstrom, Bernard Kehn, Wm. Brandt, Marcus Angeluca, David P. Hoefer, Mrs. Effie Ford, Alfred Holms, Harry Bradbury, Earnest Rounds, Herman Denny, Mrs. Evelyn Kehn, Christ Ries, Karl Lundborn, H. Jones.

LOCAL PORTSCOUTH TO RAISE 1,000 DOLLARS FOR ORGANIZATION WORK

To raise an organization fund of a thousand dollars; to increase the Socialist Party membership in the Sixth Congressional district to a are among the plans of the comrades of Portsmouth. To prove that they know their business and are ready to mack up their plans with the cash to carry them through, they are raising the fund by personal subscription. Some comrades have pledged as much as a hundred dollars, others fifty, others twenty-five and smaller amounts have been pledged in monthly install-

ments.
Comrade Wm. L. Mauntel, who sends us this cheering information, applies for an organizer to help put the music in the organ-ization. comrades of Portsmouth are setting a ment in the southern part of the state upon its feet in a most encouraging manner. The Portsmouth comrades have leased a hall and will hold meetings every Sunday and the first and third Wednesday of each week. Comrade C. E. Ruthenberg will speak for them on the 13th. This meeting will be a Debs protest meeting. The State Office extends congratulations to the wide awake comrades and offers its services to the fullest extent.

With our Organizers

"Our men are not going to come Bremen, April 1, was very well attended, over one hundred people be-

Thurber Lewis Meetings.

Comrade Lewis has been very busy lately investigating possibilities of re-organization work in different locali-ties of the state. He is amassing a large amount of information that will be of great benefit to the party in the work of the future. Comrade Lewis' next few dates are as follows: New

Comrade Baker's organization work as outlined for the southern part of the state has been laid over for the present. More effective work it is thought can be done in other parts of the state just at present. His future work for a time will be along the lines as recorded in the minutes of the meeting of the State Executive Committee report on another page. As quickly as can be arranged Comrade Baker will be on the road again with a Ford to assist him.

Resolutions

Martins Ferry, O., March 27, 1919. Whereas, James Ralston, mayor of the city of Martins Ferry, through his power of office has prohibited owners and managers of public halls and

ways lurked just beyond the evening struggle of the sexes would cease—styled government as destructive to shadows. She remembered the comforts of the primitive bonfire and the women take their places, co-equals, and as a blot on the fair (white) name

TINS FERRY, OHIO.

Bring your friends to hear Comrade Schwanzenfelt, whose experiledo will speak at 501-2 W. Gay St., ence on the platform and knowledge 2:30 p. m., April 13. Comrade of his subject will make a lasting im-Schwanzenfelt fills the date of Compression on the minds of his audi-

Your Local-Where and When it Meets

Your Local's Advertisement Will be Inserted Under This Heading at the Rate of \$2.50 for One Year.

LOCAL AKRON Socialist Party of Ohio Meets Every Friday Evening at 50 South Howard St.

Meets Every Thursday, 8 P.M. Lectures Every Sunday, 8 P.M. SOCIALIST HALL, 1314 Vine St.

LOCAL WARREN Meets Every Thursday at 7:30 P. M., Labor Organization Hall, E. Market St., Near Second Nat'l Bank, Warren, Ohio

Local Kenmore SOCIALIST PARTY OF OHIO Meets Every Friday, 7:30 P.M. BITTIKOFFERS HALL, Cor. 15th St. and Boulevard Kenmore, Ohio.

LOCAL SANDUSKY Socialist Party of Ohio Meets First and Third Wednesday, Each Month, 7:30 P. M.

FUCHS HALL Cor. Monroe and Fulton Sts.

LOCAL TOLEDO Meets every Tuesday evening, except the first Tuesday after the first Sunday. General party meeting first Sunday of each month, 3 p. m., 213 Michigan St.

TIFFIN NOTES

By EDGAR MYLER. tourists, Comrades Thurber Lewis, penses. Lilith Martin and Charles Baker. At o

Comrade Lewis will start the ball rolling by a one-day factory and street meeting on April 3, then the workers of this locality will have a lapse of nine days to let the light start shining. On April 12, Comrade Lilith Martin will pronounce the cure that conditions supposed for the conditions of t

ists and their imitators learn the art ed with their methods yet.

EDGAR MYLER. of production as well as consumption. Comrade Baker will need no intro-

duction in Tiffin, as the last time he spoke here owing to the bad weather the hall engaged for him was empty, The proletariat of Tiffin and vicin-ity are on the verge of wakening to the most miserable conditions by and in some of our typical winter which they are surrounded. Tiffin weather he held a street meeting and local, in its drive for new members our treasurer made some new entries and O. S. subs, have secured the serv- on the profit side of the ledger, beices of three of the best known state sides Comrade Baker's fee and ex-

Wednesday evening we received an appeal for funds to aid the Lawrence Textile strikers, and Tiffin responded

Lilith Martin will pronounce the cure for the conditions surrounding us and last, but not least, who will appear on our present program will be Comrade Charles Baker, who will be the guest of our local from May 5 to May 18, inclusive.

The new drive recently inaugurated here will continue until the emancipation of the workers, and the capitalists and their imitators learn the art of the conditions of the workers, and the capitalists and their imitators learn the art of the conditions surrounding us and last, but not least, who will appear on acce to the Farmer," was resumed by Comrade Wm. C. McClury, the affirmative, and Nellie Lesher, the affirmative, and Nellie Lesher

Toledo Free Speech Fight

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I asked Sunday for evidence of the formed it was in the offices, not the jail—some few minor changes only having been made for prisoners. In the jail the boys amused themsantly and clanked on another whose

only offense was saying, "Ladies and gentlemen. gone to the Socialist headquarters with a number of comrades and there order for us by directing traffic and 150 pledged themselves to be calm but we used the chief's automobile as our

to insist upon their rights.
They marched to McKinley's monument and one after another arosewere arrested, and driven to jail, Com-

rade Baker among them.

Negro cops being rushed to the scene without a murmur and smiled, and and of rough treatment. Officer Pap- later cheered as Comrade Soldier Serpenfuss (white) was taken to the hos- afin was released and lifted bodily pital alleged to have been hit by a upon the shoulders of the crowd and fellow officer, who missed him in- carried to the automobile where bowtended victim.

a soldier laughingly said: "Little the end of a perfect day."
Bertha, fade away," and slapped the NO MORE ARRESTS SAYS MAYOR policeman on the wrist. The crowd As evidence of how completely the catching the spirit of the soldier's mayor and police department have playfulness, pushed and pulled the backed up on their program of denial cop until he ran up a nearby alley of free speech to Socialists the folin fear of being himself arrested for indecent exposure. They say he looked like Theda Bara in one of her vampire acts a-la-deshabille.

Then came the beginning of the grid of a Perfect Day.

The come the beginning of the their duty of the properties of the mayor to Safety Director Mall, is illuminating:

Square, fearlessly performed what they considered to be their duty. Yet

Arriving in the chief's office we found Comrade Solon Klotz, attorney; views on the subject of free speech. Brother Ebright, organizer of the Ma-This right of free speech is a fundachinists of Toledo, and others who had mental right, clearly guaranteed by the constitution of the United States, been discussing the affair and now the constitution of the United States, knew better than we the alarming and one to be jealously guarded. situation at Courthouse Park.

The chief impressed upon Devine the fact that he, Devine, was a city official. stated that the police were unable to further handle the situation to Eugene V. Debs, but that was the and asked if Devine would do him a full extent of the order. This order favor-go to Courthouse Park, address the multitude who were becom-

chief that our men were orderly, his peers and the conviction, sustain-that if there were any disorder it ed by the highest court in the land. came from his department and not In Ohio conviction of a felony, by from our boys.

The chief was requested and consented to retire a moment and the comrades held a private conference, "I write this letter at this time beagreeing we had won a victory inas-much as the police department which be held, and for that reason the pohad arrested us for speaking, were now asking us to address the people and as we had nothing to gain by the right of each citizen to freely riot and bloodshed, which every moment was threatening greater proportions, we agreed that if all prisoners that the injunctions herein set forth

SOCIALIST PARTY OF AMERICA, YOUNGSTOWN, O. Meets every Friday, 8:00 P. M., at Bushnell Hall, 127 West, Federal St., Third floor. ****************

LOCAL COLUMBUS. Socialist Party of Ohio

Meets Every Thursday, 8 P. M. Lectures every 2d and 4th Sunday of the month, 2:30 p. m. Hall, 50½ W. Gay Street.

LOCAL HAMILTON Meets Every Friday Evening, 8 P. M. Lectures Every Sunday, 2:30 P. M. SOCIALIST HALL, 38 High St., Third Floor.

Local Canton of the SOCIALIST PARTY Meets Every Thursday at 7:30 P. M., at Socialist Headquarters,

328 Tuscarawas St., E. LOCAL NILES
Socialist Party of Ohio
Meets every 2d and 4th Sunday of the month, 2:30 p. m. Study Class every Sunday, 10 Debate and social every Sun-day, 7:30 p. m. MASONIC HALL,

> ****** Branch Meets TIFFIN Every Wednesday, 8 P. M.

164 N. Chestnut St.

No. 93 3-4 Washington St.

At our regular weekly meeting

Chairman Press Committee.

Lilith Martin Meetings.

Comrade Martin's meeting at New emen, April 1, was very well atpared to the flow or oratory in the expenditure of this money I was in- prison before the 70 comrades already

incarcerated. Devine, Toohey and Baker addressed the prisoners and were then taken in the chief's own machine from selves singing the worker's songs and the jail, but never reached the court-cheering as the door opened inceshouse for the crowd of thousands were now but a block from the city nly offense was saying, "Ladies and entlemen."

By this time Organizer Baker had talked to them for perhaps a half an

soap box. As an evidence of how orderly that vast assemblage could be (and I never saw a larger crowd), we asked them to stand quiet at attention like trained The crowd at the square then di-ded. Comrade Swartzenfeld had prisoner was released and the way climbed a tree, hoping to get in a few words before they got him—he did— ist movement and a lesson in diplomthey did—he was one of the vintage acy to the police department of Toof 76. Reports were now coming in of of fanatics stood fully ten minutes ing to the cheering crowd and making Another officer drew his gun and a very brief talk, we thus "came to

end—of a Perfect Day.

After one and one-half hours of they acted mistakenly and in excess voice culture in the municipal "Booby of their authority. In justification Hatch" and after having declined to of that mistake, I realize that in the discuss his release simply because he then impending crisis it was perhaps was a councilman, the writer was sent difficult for them to exercise, the for by Chief of Police Herbert and ture judgment simple enough on the with Secretary Toohey was taken morrow. The mistake, however, must thereto.

"I have already clearly stated my prevails everywhere, both in public and in private places.
"The order issued from the execu-

tive department closed Memorial hall was issued because Memorial hall is essentially of patriotic origin, and because Mr. Debs had been convicted Toohey and Devine informed the of treasonable speech by a jury of law, deprives the person convicted of

were released we would disperse the are conveyed to the department of meeting.

NEWS AND VIEWS-A WEEKLY SURVEY

Edited by C. E. Ruthenberg

Theory Versus Fact

Commenting upon the fact that the Socialist Party of Cleveland endorsed a Left Wing Program, a writer in one of the local papers characterizes this action as a "break with American methods and American ideals." The whole trend of his comment gives the impression that in the United States there exists the machinery which permits the free expression of any movement through the medium of popular education and the ballot box, and that therefore such a program, which includes mass action as one of the weapons, is a break with American ideals and methods.

In theory it is true that this situation exists. In the can't phrases of writers such as the man in question and the usual run of editorial writers the United States permits the free expression of new ideals and the realization of these ideals through

But what is the fact. The Socialists of the Uni- the capitalist control of industry wouldn't last long. ted States had a certain view in regard to war and endeavored to educate the voters to an understanding of this view through public meetings and to express that view at the ballot box, and the result was that they were sent to prison by the hundreds.

In the city of Cleveland the socialists succeeded in electing three men to public office, pledged to their view of war.

If the theory of American institutions which this had a right to uphold their views by their votes on measures that came before them for action.

Two of these elected officials were city councilmen. Their came before them for action a measure pledging the support of the city government to a certain organization conducting war work. They voted against this measure. In theory, under American institutions and ideals they had a perfect right to do so. In fact, men had gone much further in countries which do not pretend to uphold such ideals of free expression. In Germany, Liebknecht, and later a score of other men voted against the budget, which meant a thousand times more to the conduct of the war than the vote of socialist ernment did not pretend to adhere to the formal they constitute a greater menace than help to excouncilmen on the measure pledging support to the

orderly conduct" in voting in as their conscience

Does this writer who so glibly talks about "American methods and American ideals" dare face the fact that in practice, as shown in the instances cited, these mean open and avowed class rule and the ruthless suppression of minority opinion?

If the socialists are seeking new weapons it is because the ruling class has taught them the need of new weapons.

"The United States is short 12,000,000 workers, due to the stoppage of emigration during the war," members of a business organization were told by a speaker the other day. Well, its a good thing for the capitalists they are not here for if twelve million were added to the millions already out of work

Our Democracy

sed last year for making "disloyal" statements, was have been repudiated by the Department of Justice. member of the union he was to address. A few United States will have no connection with such or- ances against the present government of that state writer upholds actually prevailed, then these men days before the time set for his speech, officers of ganizations. Mr. Palmer's statement goes on to the Teachers' Union were informed that Schmalhausen would not be permitted to make his address in the public school building in which the meeting was to be held.

When the superintendent of schools, who barred Schmalhausen was asked whether he had the power to decide who should and who should not speak in public school buildings, he answered in the affirma-

This incident, unimportant in itself, shows how the democracy to which the capitalist countries gave ploiting class of this country.

Cleveland war service organization. Liebknecht lip service, argued that this was admission that the and his comrades were unmolested. The Cleveland Bolsheviki repudiated the idea of freedom of speech councilmen were openly and brutally expelled from and freedom of press. As usual with men of his the city council, on a trumped up charge of "dis- class, he found in the statement an opening for an attack on the Russian workers' government, but overlooked the stinging indictment of the existing capitalist governments.

> What Lenine says is that the Bolsheviki are not hypocrites as are the supporters of so-called western democracies. He brought out the fact that in a society divided into classes struggling for mastery democracy could only exist formally. In practice the economically dominant class would use its power to prevent the exercise of those democratic rights which the weaker class formally possessed.

> The New York incident cited above, which is only one of a hundred, is proof that our democracy is of that formal character which Lenine pointed out.

Repudiated

The various organizations of business men, who found in organizations such as the American Protective League, the opportunity to use high handed Samuel Schmalhausen, a former teacher in the measures against groups and organizations which employ of the city of New York, who was dismis- they felt threatened their position as exploiters, scheduled to make an address before the Teacher's The department, according to announcement made Union of New York recently. Schmalhausen is a by A. Mitchell Palmer, Attorney-General of the

> "Espionage conducted by private individuals or organizations is entirely at variance with out theories of government and its operation in any community constitutes a grave menace to that feeling of public confidence, which is the chief force making for the maintenance of public order."

No doubt Mr. Palmer is speaking from exper-League aroused bitterness and hatred by its methruling class interests are protected. A Cleveland ods and that no services it rendered the ruling class writer, commenting on the statement in Lenin's let- could offset the mischief it did. It and similar orter to American workingmen, that the Soviet Gov- ganizations are repudiated by Mr. Palmer because

A Crime

'Following the lead of the State of Oregon, various state legislatures are considering or have enacted a "criminal syndicalism" bill. The legislature of Massachusetts has such a bill ready for enactment and a similar measure is before the Ohio and Pennsylvania legislatures.

A copy of the Pennsylvania measure has just reached us and in the opening paragraphs we find these two clauses:

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of same that the word "sedition" as used in this act shall mean:

Any writing, publication, printing, cut, cartoon, utterance or conduct, either individually or in connection or combination with any other person or persons which

(A) To incite or arouse discontent against the Government of this state or of the United States.

In 1776 the representatives of the thirteen colonies met in the state of Pennsylvania and adopted a Declaration of Independence in which they recited their grievances against the English government. If after the enactment of the above bill a group of people were to assemble in the state of Pennsylvania and adopt a declaration reciting their grievor against the government of the United States, they would be put in jail for ten years and fined ten thousand dollars, for certainly to recite grievances against a government is to "arouse discontent."

Woodrow Wilson, while campaigning for the presidency in 1912 said that "The masters of the government of the United States are the combined manufacturers and bankers of the United States." ience. He knows that the American Protective For saying that in the State of Pennsylvania after the enactment of this bill, Woodrow Wilson might be locked up for ten years.

> Under this statute,—it contains ten other clauses equally sweeping—the platform of any political party out of office, adopted during the last twenty years would be "seditious" and those responsible for Press publish the story?

it punishable by ten years imprisonment.

Fear has driven the petty politicians who sit in our state legislatures mad. They see the rising tide of working class revolt sweeping the world and they hope to stem it by enacting laws making any manifestation of discontent punishable by long years of imprisonment. Making discontent with the existing government a crime will not stop the manifestation of discontent. It will merely increase the discontent and prove and aid in sweeping such a government out of existence.

The United Press correspondent in Paris sent the following cable a few days ago:

Nationalization of women by the Bolsheviki is a myth, according to William Bullitt and Lincoln Steffens, American investigators, who have just returned from Rus-

"We asked Premier Lenine and others about the reported nationalization of women the first time we met them," Steffens told the United Press tonight.

"All we got was blank stares of non-comprehension. We repeated the question the next day, whereupon we were informed they had understood the first time, but they had not supposed we meant the question seriously. They said they had heard the story themselves, ran it down, and found that an obscure anarchist organization in the interior had posted notices proclaiming nationalization of women, as a joke.

"They said they were sorry that some one's freakish idea of humor had attracted more attention than any real accomplishments of the Soviets.

"As a matter of fact, conditions in Russia approach the puritanical. Officers of the Soviets explain this by saying, 'We have got rid of the imperial upper class.' "

Another story circulating in Paris peace circles is that the Hotel Europe in Petrograd is filled with the government's "white slaves," taken from the homes of former wealthy citizens.

"The fact is the Hotel Europe is now a children's free hospital," said Steffens. Why didn't the newspapers getting the United

Opponents Support Bolsheviki

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to make Odessa their port of commerce, and the 'patriotic' treaty of Admiral Koltchak with Japan, by which he ceded to that government merce, and the 'patriotic' treaty of Admiral Koltchak with Japan, by which he ceded to that government control over the routes to the Orient, it becomes clear that the aggressive plans of the imperialists with regard to the Russian revolution have in view to the routes to the Orient, and the 'patriotic' treaty of the social conditions of our country. Lorain, 10 applicants; Girard, 6 applicants; Goshocton, 10 applicants; Dover, 8 applicants; Troy, 5 an agreement by the entente government.

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against this prospective dismemberment and against the forces of social reaction which only hope to secure tolerable situation.

power by the aid of the Polish, Fin
"The central com

"The establishment of order by such means will only result in the shedding of new oceans of blood and will end ger raised against it. in destroying a country already sufficiently tortured. But a new dismemberment of Russia and the restoration by foreign (word missing) of the police, the landlords, and the capitalists "The central committe will never be accepted by the work-cial Democratic Party: ing masses of Russia, who by a series of new (word missing) will reconquer their liberty and their national unity Such dismemberment, however, is the end which the European bourgeoisie is striving to attain. Do the French bourgeoisie desire that the strong sympathies which the Russian people have for them shall be destroyed? Yet that is what will happen the day the Russian people acquire the conviction that it is the French republic which directs the campaign of the landlords and capitalists of Poland, backs, in the rear, they made a coup Finland and Roumania, whose desire detat and set up the Koltchak dictais to restore in Russia the abhorrent

"Will the proletariat of western Eu-BOURGEOIS DICTATORSHIP. rope consent that these reactionary "The bourgeois dictatorship signi-governments created in the states refies the complete crushing of the proarmies of Paderewiski, Bratania and gime and the re-establishment of the Mannerheim shall become the armed old monarchical regime. police force of this hily alliance of capitalists who wish to make the rected their attacks against demo-League of Nations a League of Impe-cratic parties and institutions. They

democratic Russia presents to the rade Sourgoutchef and other militants public opinion of the entire world. It of the Socialist Revolutionary Party. tells the world once more that in proposes the basis of the Bolshevik regime as disastrous to Socialist policy. (Editor's Note—The French text reads: "* * * la partie de la classe ouvriere russe qui s'oppose aux the pressure of the working class of the Bolshevik ernment, has lost its authority. "German imperialism no longer exists, and the Austro-Hungarian empire is a thing of the past. Under the pressure of the working class of

la politique socialiste.') tary intervention and against the en- has passed into the hands of the allied governments to come to an un- of the world social revolution. That derstanding with Soviet Russia, will is what has recently happened. only serve to prolong and intensify the crisis which is killing the people. tion at home the former allies of Rustion that the counter-revolutionary United States-naturally took the mobilization cannot fail to accentuate part of the bourgeois dictatorship in the terrorist tendencies of the workto Russia the possibility of develop-clared war against the Russian and ing itself in peace, suppress the blockare the measures which will inevitably the Soviet government or that of the result in arresting at their base the constituent assembly. But they did terrorist tendencies by giving to recogsize Koltchak and Denikine. those elements of the working class not psychologized by Maximalist and against Bolshevism, our former allies anarchistic illusions successfully fight for the purification hand, or exploiting the situation of

sia, for the re-establishment of politican liberty, and for the triumph of an economic policy corresponding to

"The Social Democratic Party presents its most cordial felicitations for cations be granted. tionary enemies, foreign and domestic.

"The laboring masses of Russia will defend themselves to the bitter end carried the Russian proledies will bring to the Russian proledies to the state executive committee for approval and that here arrival of the authorized representative defend themselves to the bitter end cies will bring to the Russian proledies to the state executive committee for approval and that here picnic, the net proceeds of which is after applications for membership-attive committee for approval and that here picnic, the net proceeds of which is after applications for membership-attive committee for approval and that here picnic, the net proceeds of which is after applications for membership-attive committee for approval and that here picnic, the net proceeds of which is after applications for membership-attive committee for approval and that here picnic, the net proceeds of which is after applications for membership-attive committee for approval and that here picnic, the net proceeds of which is after applications for membership-attive committee for approval and that here picnic, the net proceeds of which is after applications for membership-attive committee for approval and that here picnic, the net proceeds of which is after applications for membership-attive committee for approval and that here picnic, the net proceeds of which is after applications for membership at the picnic, the net proceeds of which is after applications for membership at the picnic, the net proceeds of which is after applications for membership at the picnic approved tariat a moral aid essential in its attempt to find an escape from its in-

the Russian revolution from the dan-

"Down with armed intervention! "Hands off Revolutionary Russia! "Long live the international struggle of the united proletariat!

"The central committee of the So

"MARTOV "SEMKOVSKI "TCHEREVANINI."

Urge Workers to Support Soviet

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"And during this time, behind our torship, the representative ancient empire and to pillage its ter- bourgeoisie and of the landed pro-

sussitated or reinforced by the warld letariat and of the working peasants, war, after having crushed, thanks to and the complete triumph of those the White Guard, their own workers, enemies of the workers, the proprieshall be commissioned as internators and the capitalists. It signifies tional gendarmes to strangle the the suppression of all the conquests working class of the entire world? of the great Russian revolution and Will the proletariat consent that the the overthrow of the democratic re-

"The Siberian reactionaries have dihave arrested several members of the "These are the questions that loyal constituent assembly, as well as Com-

"But the most important changes protesting with all its energy against have taken place recently in western foreign military intervention it speaks | Europe. Germany has met with milias the representative of that portion tary defeat, and the treaty of Brestof the working class of Russia which Litovsk, annulled by the Soviet gov

bases du regime bolchevik funeste a Germany and Austria, the thrones berian Cossacks and Czecho-Slovaks! of the monarchs of these countries Its protest against foreign mili- have been overthrown. The authority

"Through fear of a labor revolu-This protest comes from the convic- sia—England, France, Japan and the On the contrary, give Europe and of the United States dewhich is smothering her—these not recognize either the authority of

"Under the pretext of fighting the means to revealed their intention, on the one of the political regime of Soviet Rus- Russia, and, on the other hand, of

State Executive Committee Meets

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applicants; Napoleon, 8 applicants; of that paper. Motion carried to Lotta Lorain, 10 applicants; Ukrainian postpone action until the Sunday the day. branch, Girard, 6 applicants; Girard, morning session.

Motion carried that names of applicants for membership-at-large now Local Cincinnati and other locals in

Communications.

Communication from Local Youngstown asking the state executive com- advising against a national convention power by the aid of the Polish, Finnish, Roumanian and Japanese reactionaries.

"The central committee of the Somittee to give reasons for the discontinuation of the services of W. E. Reynolds as state lecturer. Motion cardelphia calling a general committee of the somittee to give reasons for the discontinuation of the services of W. E. Reynolds as state lecturer. Motion cardelphia calling a general committee of the somittee o town.

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crushing democracy entirely and conreaction.

"All of those fundamental changes

support either bourgeois dictatorship or foreign bourgeois intervention; but, on the contrary, it must support the most resolute struggle against both national and international reac-tion in order that the Russian revolution and the world revolution may be victorious. This is not the time for a fractional war among the workers. "STOP CIVIL WAR!"

"This is why the Executive Committee of the congress of the members of the constituent assembly asks all the soldiers of the popular army to stop the civil war against the Soviet government, which, at the present historic time, is the only revolutionary power of the exploited classes, and turn their armies against Kolt-

chak, in order to crush the exploiters. "On its part, the revolutionary committee guarantees to detachments of the popular army, as well as to isolated individuals, and groups who vol-untarily end the civil war against the power of the Soviets and who voluntarily join with the Soviet troops, that they will be subject to no prosecution on the part of the Soviet government. The same agreement applies to the detachments which fight

"The members of the Socialist Revolutionary Party, who accept this agreement, will not be molested because of their membership in the party.

"Soldiers of the popular army, Si-In acquainting you with this agreement, the delegation of the Socialist Revolutionary Party invites all sindeavors of the reactionary Russian workers, who, under the red flag of cere democrats, all the peasants and arises from its belief that such an the labor social revolution, enter, like all the workers to cease playing the intervention, and the refusal of the world regard revolution. That of the reactionary bourgeoisie, who, behind your backs, beat down your own brothers. We ask you to turn your arms against the bourgeois dictatorship of Koltchak and to act in agreement with the Soviet army. "Long live the labor democracy of

every country! "Long live the world social revolution!

"In the name of the delegation of the Socialist Revolutionary Party and in the name of the president of the congress of the constituent assembly. "VOLSKY,

"CHMELEV "BOUREVOI "RAKITNIKÓV."

Motion carried that charter applibe held. Motion carried that the next less that therefore the reations be granted. Ohio be held in Cincinnati providing

> that the state picnic be held June 29. Communication from John M. Work

Communication from Local Philadelphia calling a general strike for the of the secretary in discontinuing international proletariat will protect ried that a committee of two be elect-the Russian revolution from the dan- ed to draft a reply to Local Youngs-carried that as the national office is rade W. E. Reynolds as state speaker, all workers to more strenuous toil, Scott Wilkins and J. P. Baker organizing 5,000 protest meetings for we herewith submit the following: May 1, it would be policy to make Communication from Miami Valley these protest meetings successful rade Wm. Patterson to make the follization of their several enterprises on socialist, requesting privilege of rout- rather than lend assistance to spollowing complaint: ng H. L. A. Holman in the interest radic attempts to protest Debs' imprisonment.

motion.

which have taken place in the world suggesting changes in contents of the study class. Comrade Reynolds opened situation and in Russia have com-Ohio Socialist, which would tend to his lecture by holding up in his right situation and in Russia have com-pelled the members of the Socialist make it more of a propaganda paper hand copies of the literature sold and Revolutionary Party and those of the constituent assembly to revise their carried that inasmuch as the Ohio Solatso denounced each of the speakers program. Under no circumstances cialist has proven so successful in its announced for future meetings and can the Socialist Revolutionary Party present policy, that this policy be denounced the Rand School, while at continued. Motion carried to adjourn until 7:30 school of his own.

Second Session.

Discussion of removal of headquarters to Galion. Comrade Wm. M. Brown of Galion, who had invited the state executive committee to move headquarters to Galion, made the following statement: "I now realize that it would be a mistake to move the state office to a small city. The place for the state office is where it can get the enthusiasm and inspiration of a movement as gigantic as ours. This change of mind on my ours. part in this matter of location of state headquarters will not interfere with the assistance I have decided to render the Ohio Socialist Party.'

The committee, after discussion agreed with the above statement by Comrade Brown. No vote taken. General discussion of pamphlet now being written by Comrade Wm. M. Brown, entitled "Socialism, a Natural

Gospel for a Scientific Age." erally agreed that its publication would greatly aid our party in its propaganda work, and that if the national office does not publish it, the state office do. Verbal report by State Organizer Chas. Baker heard. Comrade Baker

gave a synopsis of his work at all points touched since January 16th, Motion to adjourn to 2:30 p. m. which constituted a revelation to the carried. committee. It proved the field ripe for the employment of more organizers. Comrade Baker went into his plan of organization work by automo-bile, namely, to make well organized cities headquarters for a number of organizers all supplied with autos, and that smaller localities be reached from the organized places, the well organized cities to support the work in the surrounding unorganized comintelligent part in the decision of this munities both financially and by lending co-operation in the work. Report received.

Motion carried that the wages of the state organizer be \$5 a day and expenses.

Motion carried that M. J. Beery and Lotta Burke constitute the audititing committee. Motion carried to adjourn until 9 a.m., Sunday, March 30.

Third Session. Sunday, March 30, 1919. . order by Tom Clifford.

Lotta Burke elected chairman for

Unfinished Business.

Motion that inasmuch as the terms and method of routing applied for by H. L. A. Holman would seriously interfere with the organized methods of quest of the Miami Valley Socialist for a list of locau secretaries be complied with. Motion lost.

Motion by Comrade Sharts that in

the name of Local Dayton I apply for a list of Local Secretaries. Lost. Roll call vote on above motion. Voting yes, Sharts, Burke; voting no Clifford, Wilkins, Baker.

Report of sub-committee on recall of W. E. Reynolds as state speaker: In answer to the inquiry of Local Youngstown for reason for the action First, Local Toledo instructed Com-

The Reynolds meeting was opened by the chairman who proceeded to a genuinely scientific reorganization by the chairman who proceeded to a genuinely scientific reorganization of the nation's industry (no longer Party. solidating the power of the bourgeois Richland County was approved by Toledo and announcing several speaknotion. ers for future meetings, also urging Communication from Local Lima those present to join the Rand School

> the same time recommending a study Second—A communication Local Cincinnati setting forth the same occurrences as took place in

> Third—That several members of S E. C. submitted personal knowledge of other actions of Comrade Reynolds which would disqualify him as state

speaker.
The S. E. C. action was based upon his persisting in making these criticisms of literature and speakers in open propaganda meetings instead of in business meetings where such criticisms rightfully belong. The S. E. C. was unanimous in their

SCOTT WILKINS, (Signed) J. P. BAKER, For the S. E. C. Motion carried that report be ac-

cepted. New Business. Report of Fred Neubauer, auditor, read. Motion it be accepted. Carried. Motion that Vomrades Baker and

Sharts be elected the auditing committee. Motion carried bill of \$57.50 for Managing Editor, Elmer T. Allison, R. F. D. No. 2, Brecksville, O. auditor's services be paid. Report of State Secretary taken up. Discussion held regarding organization of left wing movement by locals throughout nation.

Fourth Session. Motion that we the S. E. C. of Ohio, recognizing the emphasis which European Socialist occurrences have given the efficiency of uncompromis ing and revolutionary Socialist tactics, advise all locals to study the left wing manifestation within the Socialist Party, with a view to under standing it and eventually taking an

momentous question of proper party tactics Motion that we encourage and work for the campaign to make the Ohio Socialist a semi-weekly and that final official action be taken at the next state convention. Carried.

Motion purchase of multigraph for \$257 be approved. Motion that division of state into organization districts as recommended in State Secretary and State Organizer's reports be endorsed and that Sunday morning session called to as funds permit, organizers be placed in these districts and autos furnished

Motion State Secretary select either Thurber Lewis, Lilith Martin or M. A. Toohey as their services are required as district organizers, and that others be recommended as needed to the S. E. C. by the State Office.

After thorough discussion it was agreed both by Wm. M. Brown and the S. E. C. that it was inadvisable to remove state headquarters to Gal- one item. ion, and a motion to this effect was

made and carried. Motion State Office proceed as before in assisting the various locals in the coming municipal campaign and to urge all locals to put tickets in

the field. Motion State Secretary be author-

duct State Office properly. Carried.

Good and Welfare. General discussion of party policies and joint visit and discussion with Local Galion. Auditing committee rendered fol-

lowing report: March 30, 1919. Books audited up to March, 1919, and found correct with exception of

Receipt No. 13,201, amt. \$1.75, entered in cash book as \$1.00.

M. J. BEERY. J. P. BAKER. Auditing Committee. Report accepted.

Motion made to adjourn. Carried. H. WAGENKNECHT, State Sec., P. T. ized to secure all help needed to con-

Exploiters Tell About British Workers (Continued from Page One)

But this cannot be mines. secured merely by pressing the man- power." or even by encouraging the 'captains' of industry' to a less wasteful organ-

a profit-making basis.
"What the Labor party looks to is deflected by individual profiteering) No wonder Secretary Wilson's comon the basis of the common owneradoption, in particular services and tries taken away from the capitalists occupations, of those systems and made the property of all the peomethods of administration and conple for the common good. Should

the public interest. The Labor party stands not merely revolution undesired by the labor ex-

ally the whole of British organized ship of the nation's land, to be aplabor back of it. That program says: plied as suitable opportunities occur, "What the nation needs is undoubtedly a great bound onward in its prodict of nationalization of railways."

Current reports from England indicate that the working people are using their combined political and ecooutlined in the above extracts from the platform of the British Labor

mittee of labor exploiters are worried ship of the means of production, the at the prospect of having such large equitable sharing of the proceeds blocks of profit-producing industries among all who participate in any ca-pacity and only among these, and the the mines and electric power industrol that may be found, in practice, the process go far enough they might best to promote, not profiteering, but have to go to work for their living. which, of course, would be a social

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Before me, a notary in and for the state and county aforesaid, personally appeared Elmer T. Allison, who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the editor of The Ohio Socialist, and that the following is, to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management, (and if a daily paper the circulation), etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the act of Aug. 24, 1912, embodied in Section 443, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to wit: 1. That the names and addresses of the publisher, editor,

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Sworn to and subscribed before me this 1st day of April, 1919. EDWARD H. TRACY, Notary Public. (Seal) My commission expires March 14, 1921.