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A CHALLENGE TO THE AMERICAN WORKERS

Prison

By DAVID KARSHNER.

Moundsville, W. Va., April 14.—Eugene Victor Debs will sleep tonight, not in a cage like a wild beast, as he slept last night, his first night in the West Virginia State Prison, but in a little room in the hospital of the prison, for "Our Gene" has been appointed a hospital attendant, and he has a separate room to himself, with a

But when I saw Debs late this afternoon the prison suit was not unbecoming to him. It was well fitting and contained the tiniest check. It is the kind of a suit that anybody might purchase at a

cheap clothing store.

Warden Joseph Z. Terrill explained that he had at first thought of placing Debs in the prison library because of his knowledge of books and literature, but he did not do this because he thought that he might be too much subjected to curiosity. As hospital attendant Debs will have a room entirely to himself. The room is of a good size, larger than most rooms of the Bronx apartments. It is on the ground floor. There are two ample windows one facing the south, and one the east. There are no bars at his windows. The door will be open at all times, and Debs has full

windows. The door will be open at all times, and Debs has full privilege to come and go as he pleases. He has full and complete access to the prison yard and the lawns.

When Engdahl, Wagenknecht and myself went to the prison today we were led by Warden Terrill through the turntable. He took us through long winding corridors to the hospital section. As we passed the prison druggist was making little pellets. He was a convict "in" for murder. He locked at us as we passed with a

a convict "in" for murder. He looked at us as we passed with a furtive look, then went on filling the capsules.

We walked up one flight of stairs. The warden opened the door of a freshly painted room, and there was "Our Gene" quietly sitting in a low rocking chair, smoking his pipe and reading a book. At first he did not look up.

"Mr. Debs, here are your friends back again to see you," said the warden. Gene put his book aside on the bed and disturbed the

big gray cat that was sleeping by his side.

Greetings were over and the warden then told Debs that he had free access to the prison library. "We have a rule here, Mr. Debs, that prisoners must be checked up on the books they take

from the library, but we will waive that rule for you. I know you appreciate the value of good books.

"Indeed I do," said Debs, thanking the warden.

We talked a few minutes and Debs told us that he slept "like a log last night," and now felt "as chipper as a young coat on a fixed the total land of the slept "like a log last night," and now felt "as chipper as a young coat on a fixed this transfer the turntable cage."

He laughed good naturedly as he looked at his prison garb and the latest prison ingenuity to bar the "inside" from the "outside," Arthur Baur, 'Gene's brother-in-law, a brother of Mrs. Debs, who had come to the peniasked us how we liked his new suit. Debs had come to the peni-

tentiary in a new blue serge. He was still wearing the vest of it. He wore his own collar and tie. "I have met many fine men in here," said Gene to us. "In

the cell right next to mine last night there was a man whom I met at McKees Rocks, Pa., many years ago. He was telling me his story." We walked down the hall with Debs, and Gene assured the do it, why do they do it?"

Yet Debs' last message to the workus that he had had three good meals, and "that everything was us that he had had three good meals, and "that everything was ers of the nation perhaps bear anall right," his usual expression in cases of extreme adversity. The swers why they did it. This message warden made it plain to us that he did not wish our visit to be of was: length. We tarried a moment while Debs said that he had received a number of telegrams from his comrades in all parts of the

Just before we entered the prison we met three messenger boys, and all of them owned up they had just delivered messages for Debs. The warden insisted that Engdahl, Wagenknecht and myself take dinner with him. We did so. The warden was inter-

ested to learn something of Debs' history.

Warden Terrill told us that twenty-five years ago he was a telegraph operator on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad when Debs was organizing the railroad men in the American Railway Union.
"I remember when Debs went to prison at that time," he said.
"Ind. Now, if this world would reach was organizing the railroad men in the American Railway Union. The warden admitted that he had never seen Debs, but added, "he has a wonderful mind, and a fine brain.'

As we talked with the keeper of the great liberator in his private apartments on the top floor of the prison overlooking the Ohio valley and the river that flows at its feet Terrill's little girl romped and played on the floor. The name of Debs was mentioned frequently and finally the little brown-eyed baby looked up in her father's eyes and asked: "Daddy, who is Debs?" The prison warden blushed. "Ask these gentlemen here, my dear, they seem to know better than I." In turn the three visiting men explained to the little girl who Gene Debs is and told her that some day she

could say she had lived in the same house with him. "I don't know what you gentlemen may think," said the warden, at one paint, "but I want you all to know that I have had no instructions from any one, none from the governer, nor from Washington, to show Mr. Debs any special favors or considera-

tion. What I am doing is purely my own affairs. The warden seemed to want to impress us with that view of the matter. We had all hazarded the guess that in the case of Debs unusual consideration would be policy, and that this consideration very likely came from high authority. The warden per week

While we were all talking in Debs' room the warden spoke about Gene's new job as hospital attendant.

"I am going to do whatever you think is best," said Debs. "I letin No. 6:" want to earn my board here at any rate," he added, and the tall, THE SITUATION TODAY. classic frame of the great Socialist and humanist bent almost double with silvery laughter.

The book that Debs had been reading was John Reed's "Ten ly and enthusiastically than ever.

Days That Shook the World." I had presented Debs with my own Nothing can daunt us!

Before we left, the warden permitted us to leave with Debs a box of cigars, a cake of chocolate, and a bag of apples and oranges.

The hope of victory grows brighter as we prove our solidarity, courage and power to the masters. They in the couridar we present assume that the couries we prove the masters. In the corridor we passed several convicts painting the banisters. Debs patted each on the back. It was a spontaneous movement of his. He could not refrain. The warden smiled.

In spite of this kindness, in spite of this manifestation of official consideration for Our Gene, let our Socialists not relax one iota in their efforts to get Debs out of prison and all of the men and women out of prison who were convicted under the most atrocious law that ever disgraced this republic. The main point to keep in mind is that Debs is denied his liberty. He is a prisoner behind Co. came out. There will be more to the surrender of all property in the bars. He cannot come out of jail for ten years unless the organized power of the working class forces the capitalist class to swing the lever of that automatic turntable through which Debs passed

Debs knows this as much as any. It is liberty that Debs wants, and in getting liberty for himself he demands it for every breathing being. I am reminded of Debs' classic statement, printed and stated so many hundreds of times. Shall we write it our battle among the New York thodically by unscrupulous ex-offiagain: "While there is a lower class I am in it. While there is a comrades. Likewise, the Socialists of the whole country continue to specifically the bare-faced fraud will free."

Debs' First Day In Federal Authorities Grab Ruling Class Throws Down Gage Of Battle By Imprisoning Debs Debs And Hurry Him To Prison

Cleveland

By J. LOUIS ENGDAHL.

home, last Saturday, "We are ready for another crucifixion." "It will never happen. They will

never do it. They won't put Debs in

prison."
This is what the millions over the land have said for lo these many months since his indictment, and even since his conviction and sentence. But tonight we said "Good night" to him through the bars that constitute 'Me door of his dark door in this human hive they call tiers of cells.

Debs tonight took his place—a convict—among a thousand other con-

victs, criminals of all grades, and shades and brands, and the words that he uttered in the court room at back to us, who who were with him:

"As long as there is a criminal class I am of it, as long as there is a slave class I am for it, as long as there is a soul in prison I am not

with 'Gene all the way from Terre Haute, uttered the anguish of an out-raged working class when he ex-

"Tell my comrades that I entered the prison doors a flaming revolutionist, my head erect, my spirit untamed and my soul unconquerable.

It was on the trip here, at East Liverpool, O., that he remarked that today, was April 13, the anniversary of the Battle of Lexington, the beginning of the American Revolutionary War in 1776; that it is also the anniversary of the Ludlow Massacre during the great Colorado coal strike. him through the mails it must address him: 'Gene Debs, 1818 Jefferson Ave., Moundsville, W. Va., which s the address of the penitentiary of

this state.
Workers of many nations have al-

By J. LOUIS ENGDAHL.

Moundsville, W. Va., Aprli 13.—
'Gene Debs is in prison! He is caged in a steel cell, with a door of heavy metal bars.

It is Cell No. 51, in the south wing of the West Virginia state penitentiary here at Moundsville.

This thing happened tonight, at 10 o'clock, on the night of Palm Sunday, with Easter one week distant, and as an admirer of Debs said on his departure from Terre Haute, Ind., his home, last Saturday, "We are ready for another crucifixion."

"It will never happen. They will never happen. They will never do it. They went to the call the center of the little group that arrived on this Palm Sunday, in a day night at this bastile, that promises to take a prominent place in American wouking class history. There was Debs, his brother-in-law, Alfred Wagenknecht, director of organization and propaganda, National Office of the Socialist Party; David Karsner of the Call, the New York Socialist daily; the writer, and of course, under the place to which a federal judge has sentenced "Our 'Gene" to spend the prison, but guards sit in turrets at (Continued on page 4)

There was Debs, his brother-in-law, Alfred Wagenknecht, director of organization and propaganda, National Office of the Socialist Party; David Karsner of the Call, the New York Socialist daily; the writer, and of course, under the course, and of cou man; who was the center of the little! intervals with loaded rifles in their



DEBS ON WAY TO PRISON.

By Imprisoning Debs

In putting Eugene V. Debs behind prison bars the capitalist class of the United States has thrown down the gage of battle to the workers. They have said, as clearly as if the words themselves had been uttered: The revolt of the workers elsewhere may be overturning thrones and hurling the exploiters of the workers from control of industry and power, but we are certain that you

white iron bed. newly clothed, a table and a chair.

Shortly after 11 o'clock this morning Debs was taken from his cell, No. 51, in the second tier of the south wing, to the prison physician, and then donned prison underclothing and the prison uniform.

But when I saw Debs late this afterneous the prison guit was not been and thoroughly hypnotized that even this outrageous act will not stir you.

The ruling class of this country knows that Eugene V. Debs is loved by the workers as no other man in the working class movement is loved. It knows that he has won the loyalty and devotion, of hundreds of thousands of men and women who have beard him of hundreds of thousands of men and women who have beard him. raise his matchless voice for the freedom of the workers. It knows

that no act that it could commit would arouse such bitter resentment and opposition as sending Eugene V. Debs to prison.

During the weeks since the supreme court rendered its cowardly decision upholding the conviction of Debs without daring to affirm the constitutionality of the Espionage Law, workers by the tens of thousands have met in protest meetings against the imprisonment of Debs in all parts of the country. These protest meetings brought out greater numbers of the working class than have ever gathered for similar demonstrations. The workers showed in an unmistakable fashion that the threat against Debs touched them to the quick.

The war is over; the patched up peace treaty is about ready for ratification. Other countries, which have not posed as the highly developed democracies, are freeing the men and women incarcerated because of their opposition to the war. But in the United States the most loved leader of the workers is hurried to prison with a brutal callousness to the opinions of the workers that has never before been equalled.

Debs would be the last man to make an appeal because of what might happen to him because of the action of the ruling class. Those who know him, however, fear that his imprisonment will not leave him much of life. He is 63; only a year ago he was compelled to remain in a sanitarium for many months because of the breakdown of his health; recently he has been ill a number of

It will be easy to imagine the effect of the brutality of the prison regime upon a man of the temperament of Eugene V. Debs. Each day there are ugly acts committed in those dark and noisome places in which many are thrown because of their opinions by our beneficient democracy, which are outrages to the soul of every person who has not become callous through seeing these cruelties constantly repeated. In this atmosphere Debs, who has nothing but love in his heart for even his lowliest brother, is to live for ten vears!

this country permit this thing to be?

by the capitalists that this some may be consulted against them without rousing them to action.

The capitalists have issued their challenge. They have thrown down the gage of battle. They are leering sneeringly into the faces of the workers, sure of their power, sure that they can send Debs to prison—and possibly to death—without being hurled from

Debs is in prison by order of the capitalist class, but it is the workers who have the power to open the prison doors.

The workers do not need to resort to violence; they do not

need to cause bloodshed.

Let millions of workers make the demand that the prison doors be opened, let millions voice their denunciation and protest at the dastardly crime committed against them, let the capitalist class feel that this act of theirs has caused the germination of that power which is sweeping the ruling classes of Europe aside like so much debris which incumbers the road to a better world, and the prison doors will open, and not only Debs, but all other champions of the working class will go free. The ruling class itself will open the prison doors to stem the rising tide.

The gage of battle is at our feet.

Shall we take it up? We must take it up. We must answer the ruling class with great demonstrations of protest; we must gather by the tens of thousands in every city and town; we must arrange great demonstrations; we must agitate and propagate until the whole working class rises up and demands "freedom for Debs" and folds its arms and stops the machinery of capitalism until the prison doors

Firm for Victory

ers here are continuing with unbroken union treasury.

Ten thousand union books contain the treasury are in the hands of

The present situation is set forth in the following bulletin issued by the strike committee as "Victory Bul-

drawing to a close. Our spirit is un-

what we said at the beginning of the strike—that we would stay out a year rather than give up 48-54! Spring orders are coming to the

Soon they must begin work. They cannot operate without us. Meanwhile more workers are coming out all the time. Last week the lowed by legal proceedings should the loomfixers of the American Woolen Czarists refuse to yield, also call for

Money for our struggle continues to sian government. Money for our struggle continues to arrive in increasing amounts. This week the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America have sent thousands of dollars. Our Lawrence felegal steps will be taken to put a stop to the indiscriminate squandering of Russian property by discredited former Russian agents. low workers who have been speaking before amalgamated locals in New Martens is prepared to prove the Rus-York report the greatest interest in sian government is being robbed me-

Lawrence, Mass.—After eight weeks OUR ONE BIG UNION. of determined struggle the mill work
already paid initiation fees into the

tion of their wages because of the ing cur preamble are in the hands of reduction of their hours from 54 to 48 | the printer. Have you got your name down so that you may get one as soon as they arrive? We expect to have to order more immediately.

(Continued on page 2)

The eighth week of our struggle is Martens Demands Russia Property

Serving notice on the former Russian Ambassador to the United States, Boris Bakhmetieff, and other agents abandon any pretense to authority in this country, L. C. Martens, repre-

The demands, which will be fol United States belonging to the Rus-

It was declared yesterday that

Lawrence Workers Stand Fifteen Thousand Cleveland Workers in Great Demonstration for Debs

entire party machinery was set in motion to arrange a great demonstration on the eve of his departure.

Tom Clifford presided at the meeting. Addresses were made by M. A. Toohey of Toledo, David R. Williams

this country, L. C. Martens, 16706 sentative of the Russian Soviet government, demanded that the Russian Embassy in Washington be delivered to his charge.

the homes of the comrades in charge those who were depiving the homes of the work of distribution in various freedom. At the end of the parts of the city. By 8 o'clock Sunday morning 30,000 circulars announced ay morning 30,000 circulars announced to form in line and march to form in line and march to form the federal building and the

period that the Socialists have been using that place for their mass meetings, but the crowd Sunday afternoon, was at Franklin Ave., on W. 25th St.

Beginning as early as 1 o'clock, every street car which reached the authorities to become every street car which reached the frightened, expecting that the work-junction of Lorain and W. 25th St. ers might storm the structure through

When word was received at Social-I brought its load of workers eager to which Debs had passed only a few ist headquarters in Cleveland on Sat-urday afternoon that Eugene V. Debs mand his freedom. When the meeting the building were locked and policewould arrive Sunday to surrender himself to the federal authorities, the one packed mass of humanity.

Comrade Carl Hacker, who was in charge in the absence of C. E. Ruth-suberg on speaking tour, took charge were loudly cheered. The more radiof the arrangements. A circular was cal their protest and demands the drafted and rushed to the printer, an greater was the storm of applause and automobile was requisitioned, and all approval from the great audience. Saturday night the presses were kept The crowd was body and soul with running turning out the circulars, Delsand ready for anything in order which were rushed by automobile to the homes of the comrades in charge those who were depriving him of his day morning 30,000 circulars announcing a mass meeting on Market Square the federal building and the had been destributed from house to house, to the Saturday night theater crowds and wherever people gathered.

The results were beyond all expectations. Many great audiences have gathered at Market Square during the gathered at Market Square during the possed that the Socielists have been sign was leaving the eastern and of

gathered as the result of twenty-four hours' work, was the largest by all odds that has ever appeared upon the odds that has ever appeared upon the The announcement that the crowd would march to the federal building

men, mounted and on foot, guarded every entrance when the procession arrived. The crowd, however, conshouts for "freedom for Debs," "Hurrah for the General Strike" and 'Down with capitalism and its tools' and then going to the Public Square for a continuance of the meeting.

Soon the situation at Market Square was duplicated. The Public Square was filled with a great mass of people. They climbed on the Tom arms and shoulders of the branze figures and even had the temerity to Liberty Loan sheds as points of vantage, from which to watch the proceed-

Although there was a grim determination about the crowd which would not permit of any interference, both the meetings and the demonstration was without any disorder and there was no excuse given for the authorities to bring into play the machine guns which have been installed about Market Square and the Public

Square, according to current gossip On Thursday night the Socialists held another great demonstration and protest meeting at Acme hall and on Friday night and Saturday night out-

Tom Mooney Must Go Free

everywhere, speeding up the workers, how well he would perform the task,

were he free and another in his place;

So we, who are free, must act, and

We must make the general strike

a success—so stupendous that even

Governor Stephens may hear.

corner of the country.

talking to a woman evedently dear to him, the atmosphere of repression, force and melancholy made my heart

I was overwhelmed with the conviction that Fickert, with his Oxman, is victorious and, so far, we are

I couldn't help asking myself "will Tom Mooney ever be free?"
Tom Mooney finally walked in, passing the warden and guards near the door.

He looks well. His frank, open

handsome brown eyes and friendly smile, though a trifle sad, gave me hope. There he was in the flesh. We saved him from the gallows: surely, we can free him from the

thusiastic about the penitentiary. He would lead you to seek it for a health resort. "You ought to see the fine During our hour's talk he did not beds and you just ought to see the fine came near saying, but that is not he said triumphantly the word for a man confined in the penitentiary. When he was in the penitentiary constantly, writing the looked at me in astonishment. jail he worked constantly, writing pamphlets, addressing envelopes, etc., "Why, the dirty, low-down rascals, I but now he can do nothing, nothing see them taken there-Why, hang-

but slave in the iron foundry.
"What they do here is to silence a ing is too good for them."
"Look at this," he said, holding up man. A man can do nothing, write nothing. Why I wrote Rena (his wife) 16 letters that never went out ture. They circulated about 300,000

of the penitiary," he said

How I felt it. The penitiary is
next to the tomb for a burial.

"Well, how about the Mooney conof them. His sentence was commuted to life imprisonment a little while ago by the Governor."

"What did he do that for?" I asked.

Reply to Ball

I visited Tom Mooney in the penitentiary at San Quentin yesterday.

As I sat waiting for him (he was working in the iron factory, a mile away) the high walls and watch tower, with its machine guns, the whispered conversation of a convict talking to a woman evedently dear to

As he talked I wished I could fly penitiary?

On the way home I got to thinking of his warning about the commutation of sentence.

Undoubtedly, that will be the program. How like Governor Stephens! but no he must mold iron in the prison, while his heart is with the toilers in New York, Chicago, in every Governor Stephens was determined to hang Tom Mooney.

The fear of a general strike "made him think he'd better commute his sentence," to quote our ticket agent. But, if he is not informed in no uncertain terms that nothing short of complete freedom will satisfy the working people of this country.Gov-While waiting at the ferry to return home, I got into conversation ernor Stephens will commute his with the ticket agent. He was ensentence to 17 or 15 years Tom Mooney says he would rather

be dead. Be on your guard! Do not be stampeded at the last minute! Be assured that, when the general strike is organized, ready to be pulled aff at a certain moment, Governor Stephens will commute Tom Mooney's sentence!

Governor Stephens means to shatter our forces at the last moment. He thinks that never again will we be able to reinforce them, and Tom Mooney will remain in the penitentiary nearly a quarter of a century.

Never! We must be prepared for that blow.

We must not let our forces be shattered by a cowardly commuta-tion of sentence at the last moment. vention?" I asked him.

"It was fine," he said, his face brightening. "The test is with the was an uproar all over the world about Mooney" (his tone indicated strike."

"Well, what do that for: I asked. Itom of sentence at the last moment.

Be prepared! The slogan is "Freedom for Tom Mooney or a general about Mooney" (his tone indicated strike."

In Starving Petrograd

By ANISE, in Seattle Union Record.

I wish to reply to some of the statements made in the letter of Comrade John R. Ball, published in the Ohio Socialist for Marh 26.

The statement that we, the nation-In yesterday's paper al executive committee, refrained The tale of Frazier Hunt from calling a special national convention of the party at a time when the party members were generally de-Of STARVING Petrograd. manding such a convention, is a mis-Nine-tenths of all the people Our meeting was held in January.
Only a few locals had asked for a
convention. Knowing the state of the
party treasury, and knowing that
there was no occasion for a special Are UNDERFED, he said, For Russa is * * * convention to be held so soon before RINGED-IN by armies the regular convention next spring, we would have been recreant to our Shut off from her grain. duty if we had called such a convention upon the demand of a few lo-The government enforces cals. A minority has the power to An IRON law of RATIONS. call for a referendum vote on the question. This has now been done. If the widespread electioneering for That gives to every man, a convention creates a general demand for it, the membership can make that demand effective by voting According to the NEEDS Of his DAILY TOIL. for it.

I hope, however, that the members will vote it down, for we should devaluate the down workers.

All heavy workers And CHILDREN *

vote ourselves to propaganda and organization this year, instead of scrapping over party questions which can wait a few months; until the regular And MOTHERS of al the fact that the party does not pay the railroad fare and expenses of delconvention next spring, just as well egates to the amnesty convention, whereas a party convention would cost the party fifteen or twenty thousand dollars? Also, why does office and professional folks he not state the fact that those ex-he not state the fact that those ex-leger whom he ad-Get a quarter of a pound; mires voted for the amnesty conven-And a small number of people tion, as well as those whom he does not admire? Likewise, why did not those locals and comrades who wan-(About one person in forty) ted a party convention provide, along Who do no work at all, with the convention referendum, that a special assessment should be levied to pay the expenses, instead of pro-But live on their money,

posing to bankrupt the organization?
The charge that we are reactionary is pure moonshine. If anyone concerned is reactionary, it is Com-rade Bell. He has a perfect right to vote for whomsoever he chooses in And have to get the rest the party election, but he has no right to make false statements and From high-priced speculators. create strife in the party by means of such reactionary practices.

As for Berne, the members of the executive committee whom Comrade Besides the general rations, ONE MEAL A DAY

Ball admires also voted to send delegates and they did not make a solitary suggestion to the contrary. We gave the delegates instructions which would have enabled them to bolt the congress and proceed to the organization of a new international if necessary. It was not known at that SPECIAL care of CHILDREN time that the Bolsheviki, the Spartacans, the Swiss and the Italian socialists would not be represented.

Comrade Ball knows that fact, but And text-books free. he does not state it. I am sorry that to give better account of itself. I split in two.

Get only an eighth of a pound But the government gives,

With free school meals

And all NECESSITIES-Clothes, and shoes, and rubbers-Are rationed much like food. Each man must PROVE his need To a committee, "Because," they say, "The whole of Russia Is like a besieged city; The little that we have Must go as far as it can." It was a pitiful * * * And most heroic picture-A war-exhausted people Pleading for PEACE, Not once, but many times, Attacked by its old friends, Who give NO REASON, To its many cries, Yet even in despair, PATIENT and ORDERLY Dividing its last CRUSTS As a FAMILY divides—

By NEED, and still the BEST To SAVE the CHILDREN! And then I turned and saw An editorial in that paper That mocked at starving RUSSIA

Jeering: "She feeds her CHIDREN * * * Only to corrupt their minds And rear them up * *

For CANNON FODDER"! And I shrank back SICK, Thinking: Could any Bolshevik

Crying to crush lier further,

In any kind of TERROR

Have so DISEASED a MIND

And LEPROUS heart as THAT?"

Open Forum for Discussion of Party Problems

WHAT SHALL WE DEMAND?

veloped and carried on vigorously,

and when necessary, fought in a most violent manner. To be exact, the

violent manner. To be exact, the revolutionary Socialists believe that

the class war, no matter how terrible

it may be, is only a menace to a men-

fers to class struggle as follows: "The

and resistance for the capitalist class,

Why should we make such

tive power, consisting of various min-

isteries, be chosen by the House of

ple; that social parasites and exploit-

The demand (in our Immediate Pro-

decent standard of life, means nothing

whole "Immediate Program."

ace of civilization.

co-operation.

terests."

BY J. H. PALLO.

For the reason that the following further existence of the latter is a article was written previous to the formulation of the Left Wing Program no mention is made herein of the reason that the following further existence of the latter at a structure of the class struggle is the only means by which capitalism may be abolished and therefore it should be encouraged, de-

Now is the time for all revolutionary Socialists to prepare and organize for the next convention of the Socialist Party. Those who have learned something from the revolutionary struggles in Europe, and acclaim the uncompromising methods of Bolsheviks and Spartacans, must see that the spirit of Liebknecht and Lenine prevail.

If we cannot defeat the tactics of our compromising office seekers (demonstrated by Meyer London, Van Lear and others); if we cannot destroy the middle class reform movement within our party (into which Milwaukee Socialists, especially, have degenerated under the leadership of Mr. Berger); if we cannot stop the policy of compromise between the several reform parties (the Non-Partisan League and the Labor party), we must at least be able to show a strong and determined opposition.

The debate on all vital questions which may come before the convention should be opened in the Socialist press at once. The projects of various declarations and resolutions should be drawn and discussed in advance, so that the standing of candidates may be tested, and membership may have some means of finding out whom they shall send to the convention.

our platform takes for granted that it is possible for the working class "to Now is the time to open the bitterest criticism against all divergencies from Marxism within, the party, and also against the Gompers-lead unionism and the "down with the pol-itics" slogan of I. W. W.

The sharp struggle between the capitalist and the proletarian classes of Europe, and the reactionary capitalist "reconstruction" at home, prove beyond any doubt that socialism in America and everywhere else cannot he inaugurated through the ballot box only. We dare not dream that we will ever be allowed to peacefully expropriate capitalists and establish Socialist society. We must prepare for a revolutionary situation, a situation in a class society when the oppressed masses are entirely dissatis-fied with the existing social conditions, and are economically forced to

change them. Such a situation may take place during the coming economical crisis, which will be the severest American workmen have even seen. No capitalist "reconstruction" of any kind can avoid it. As long as workmen are deprived of full value of their labor, sooner or later, according to success of imperialistic policies, all kinds of commodities are bound to accumulate to such an extent that it will be detrimental to the interests of capitalists to allow working to continue production. Mall to ries and foundation ill be starving and fre and warehouses will be overstocked with food and clothing.

The starving masses will not listen to advices of fake Socialists, to wait till the next election day. As in Petrograd, Moscow, Berlin and Vienna, they will demand food and clothing at once. The bourgeois charity will be starved to keep out of our party all kinds of reforming the control of the only way to keep out of our party all kinds of reforming the control of the people. The stablishing of a regular and unrestricted social intercourse (mail, ous Menshevik, Scheideman, Ebert, Thomas and, if you please, Berger at once. The bourgeois charity will be stated to keep to the results of the hearing. Do not listen to runting the results of the hearing. The strike communication about the results of the hearing. The strike communication and the results of the hearing. The strike communication and the results of the hearing. The strike communication and the results of the hearing. The strike communication and the results of the hearing. The strike communication and the results of the hearing. The strike communication and the results of the hearing. The strike communication and the results of the hearing. The strike communication and the results of the hearing. The strike communication and the results of the hearing. The strike communication and the results of the hearing. The strike the results of the hearing o The starving masses will not listen

not be able to satisfy the people. Then the millions of workmen, who are now ignoring our revolutionary teachings, will be forced to change their minds in regard to who is the rightful owner of the accumulated wealth, and who shall rule the coun-Only during such a situation the than that of a king or a kaiser.

proletarian dictatorship may be established, provided there is a party which is uncompromisingly leading to that end. Only through proletarian dictatorship and after a complete breakdown of the strong and complicated capitalist political machinery, ers of labor are not allowed to parcapitalism in America, as in any othcapitalism in America, as in any other country, may be abolished and Socialist society established.

The above conclusions do not correspond with those which are embodied in the Socialist Party platform (adopted by national referendum, July 24, 1917). Its references to the class struggle are very misleading. The preamble of the platform speaks of it as follows: "This terrible class of the class work and the working men want; confiscation of all deposits of the exploiting the most important and vital issue confronting the human race." Any reactionary preacher and a capitalist cach the workmen to understand representatives. we delegates from America were not in attendance at Berne. We might have been able to cause the congress to give better account of itself. I to give better account of itself. I do not believe in surrendering in advance. I think the Bolsheviki, the Spartacans, and the Socialist parties of Switzerland and Italy should have sent delegates. By doing so, they in the spiral of allowing it to be spiral to cause the congress to be and honest with their comrades in the split in two.

These are days when we need unity among the comrades in this country, as well as internationally. I would like to suggest to Comrade Ball and other traitorous "majorative consideration of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday. They must be stricken out of the nation until their 18th birthday.

alize that a conglomeration organized by means of compromising literature and campaign speeches, is liable to become the worst enemy of the proletarians when the final struggle s going on, and no further compromise is possible! Now, let us consider what kind of

the working class. This may be proven by the steady stream of the proven by the steady stream of the members coming into and leaving the party. Most of them become members because they find some agreeable the capitalist interstate commerce planks in our program. When they find out that the Socialist Party is not strong enough to push the planks through, they simply leave the party to fight for socialism, and never believed that there is much difference between the Socialist Party and other political parties. Why? Because our of these "parts." There are 627,930 In another section the preamble restate platforms and the campaign among themselves according to the speeches do not expound any definite number of "shares" of stock they principles, only a misty aim and an own. Socialist Party aims to abolish this class war with all its evils and to subundetermined dissatisfaction with the The interstate commerce commission stitute for capitalism a new order of present system. They are compromisdivells upon and the bourgeois reform-Do Socialists really aim to abolish tirely to the interests of the prolethe class struggle first and then to substitute something for capitalism? If not, why not tell this thing in the same and therefore the only class which proper order? Besides the abolition of the class struggle is not the aim struggle. Our national platform and of Socialists, it is only incidental to a lot of other literature as it is proven their aim—the abolition of capitalism. above tends to prejudice against the The platform naively clings to the unscientific and reactionary "theory of a democratic government," a bourgeois theory which entirely conpeaceful means, such as elections and legislation and that it is a such as elections and legislation and that it is a such as elections and legislation and that it is a such as elections and legislation and that it is a such as elections and legislation and that it is a such as elections and legislation and that it is a such as elections and legislation and that it is a such as elections and legislation and that it is a such as elections are such as el legislation, and that it is necessary tradicts the Marxian conception that in a class society a real democracy is impossible. In spite of the fact that the for revolutionary and severe methods possible. In spite of the fact that the government is becoming more and of class struggle. It conceals the absolute necessity of the proletarian dictatorship, an entirely different inscious labor movement, it will be sent the present democratic continuelly changed to the continue chan

continually shaped to fit as a more and more perfect tool of oppression cialism. Our duty at the present time is to prepare for the socialistic revolution All our declarations, demands and accapture the government and all its tivities must have a direct relation powers and use them in its own in- with our ultimate goal. Our immedion this misconception is based the be nothing less than the following: Political Demands

If the Socialist Party is to become 1. Unlimited suffrage for all men a real representative of the class and women who are 18 years old and conscious proletarians, its "Immediate have acquired the means of living Program" must be considerably through labor that is productive and changed. In order to safeguard our program from stealing by such radi-chisement of all who have acquired cals as Mr. Roosevelt was, and from the means of living by exploiting the reformers as Spargo's new party type, or the Labor party, or the Non-Partisan League, we simply must get presidentship. Election of heads of

rid of all the non-socialistic planks. The governmental departments by the For instance, let the Democrats fight for government ownership. Why should we worry about who distributes the profits? Let the various retailed and subjection of courts to the House of Representatives.

formers fight for "a complete adult of Representatives. suffrage." Why should we make such 4. Initiative. ref Initiative, referendum and re-

a demand in a country where there call. are about half a million adults who are nying entirely from our sweat and blood, while performing no social-ly useful labor? Why should we ask for a "democratic control of the press, free speech and free press, free press, free speech and free press, 5. Abolition of all federal and for a "democratic control of the gov- blage. Immediate release of all perernment," knowing that the latter is sons convicted, imprisoned or arrested entirely unfit for our purposes, and on account of lack of aforesaid freeonly may be destroyed but never con- dom.

trolled by the working men.

We must formulate our demands in such a manner that each one is a direct blow against the capitalist dictatorship. Each demand must be "an impossible demand" for capitalism Each one should prove to the reader.

dom.

6. Discontinuation of imperialistic policies and secret diplomacy. Immediate recall of armed forces from all foreign countries, and granting unmolested self-determination to all U.

S. colonies. Demobilization of the Each one should prove to the reader.

Economic Demands.

In order to direct the attention of the working men to the fact that the present government is neither demo-Immediate confiscation and sopresent government is neither democratic nor responsible to the people, used for exploitation or speculative we must demand not only abolition of the senate, but also abolition of the presidentship. The latter office is more dangerous to labor interests than that of a king on and useful labor.

2. Gradual expropriation with re-

We must demand that the execucompensation of all small land (house, lot or farm) owners, who have acquired the title through productive Representatives, and be made directly responsible to that body and the peoand useful labor, until the private ownership of land is completely abolished.
3. Confiscation and social owner-

ship of all railroads, telegraphs, telephones, steamship lines, warehouses, stores and all other means of comgram) for a legal minimum wage munication, transportation, storage based on the ascertained costs of a and distribution. 4. Confiscation and social owner-

more than the reactionary slogan of ship of all mines, mills, foundries, facthe American Federation of Labor, which is, "a fair day's pay for a fair day's work." This is not what the 5. Nationalization of banking and

day's work." This is not what the 5. Nationalization of banking and class conscious working men want; confiscation of all deposits of the ex-

the attitude of the Democrats throughout this war brands them as even worse reactionaries than the Republicans. Kerensky was a Democrat and sold his countrymen to the allies; Scheidemann was a Democrat and sold his comrades to the kaiser, first, and later the German bourgeoisie; Clemenceau was a Democrat, now the worst reactionary in France; Lloyd. George, another Democrat, is hailed as the champion of the Tory element of Britain. The Democrats of the United States represent only the landed aristocracy and mill owners of the south, where child labor laws are over-ridden, black men are still consciousness. burned at the stake and every labor hating device known to capital is em- United States alone, nor of Russia, ployed mercilessly against the workers, both black and white, male and

have had unlimited powers, politically and industrially. We have only to recall the massacre at Ludlow, Colo., blazing dawn is invariably tinged with

The Railroad Stockholders

The bourgeois reformists are using an educational work may be carried on with our national platform as a that 8,000 labor exploiters own more basis. None, that is of any value to than half of the railroads in the United States-or, rather, more than

because they never joined it in order 97,475,776 parts, each owner of a national platform and most of the parasites who divide this plunder up

ing and do not confine themselves en- ers emphasize the fact that about 8,000 of these capitalist loafers own in the neighborhood of "shares" of stock out of the 97,475,-776. These gentlemen, all of whom abhor socialism, seem to be worried over the unequal division of the plunder among the stockholding plunderbund.

The worker and Socialist knocks the whole subject aside with the simple statement that it makes no difference to him how the surplus wealth which he creates is divided up among the plunderbund. The worker wants an industrial system under which he will be able to retain for his own use the social equivalent of the wealth he pro-

Socialism is that industrial system.

Lawrence Workers Firm

(Continued from page 1)
The union will open an office in a

day or two. The name—The Amalgamater Textile Workers of America.
Plans are being made to call at once a convention of textile workers from various centers, so as to make the Amalgamated Textile Workers at once a national organization. The

Amalgamated Textile plus the Amalgamated Clothing Workers will be a

power in the land.

For milk and medicine apply, in case of real need, at 35 Jackson St. The soup kitchens and coffee houses

are open as usual.

Due to the fact that scabs and even people who have no connection whatever with the mills took advantage of us, we have to reorganize some of our relief work. This may cause slight delay and hardship. Let all be patient, and necessary help will be given. We do not want to take the hard-earned gifts of our fellow workers to feed scabs!

We must formulate our demands in such a manner that each one is a direct blow against the capitalist dictatorship. Each demand must be "an impossible demand" for a judiciant of the Each one should prove to the reader that we want nothing less than a complete breakdown of the capitalist state. This is the only way to keen by the people.

On Monday, March 31, at 2:30 p. On Monday,

ALL NATIONALITIES.

We are making a just demand-all

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ing wrecked, that action was taken.

Thank heaven! I was man enough to take up arms in defense of labor then, and whenever and wherever my voice, my pen or my physical strength is needed to help in the onward and upward push of the downtrodden working class, I promise you, fellow and sister workers, that I will not be

found wanting.

I therefore welcome the attempt of the poor little Democrat to warn the workers against belshevism and the socialism of myself and the other ranankerous ones who fired Mr. Russell. Mr. Spargo, Mr. Benson, et al., from the party when they failed to measure up as men, but I repeat that I certainly resent my perfectly good name being soiled and sullied by appearing in a capitalist sheet.
Light on the subject of bolshevism

is what we want, and the most publicity given the question the quicker the workers will grasp the truth about it. The editors of the Democrat, the Herald and the Journal, buried in the dark and musty files of a past gen-eration think that labor still sleeps with the narcotics applied to it through the columns supplied by the old Granny, Associated Press reports, and the assistance of fossilized edifors, but the child is grinning through the bars of the cradle at the playmate it has found-socialism, bolshevism, spartacanism—and when it is ready it will gently but firmly tell Old Granny that it is old enough to know its own mind, and will hereafter walk on its own feet.

And so, I will bravely carry the burden of the blot on my fair name because of this insertion in the Democrat since thereby the workers have had their attention called to the question of bolshevism. Knowing that they are awakening, I am content to consciousness.

Werkers of the world! Not of the nor of Hungary, nor of any other nation; workers of the world! Rise to

WHAT LIARS THESE NEWSPAPERS BE

(Apologies to Bill Shakespeare) By WALTER B. DILLON.

This morning I picked up the paper and in great scare-headlines a glad-some sentence met my view, to wit:

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"A pricona, if the resolutions adopted by the Central Labor body in support of the Council of Workers, Farmers of the expense of the state.

"TABLISH SOVER GOVERNA"

"This morning I picked up the paper demonstrate to you by several pretty to typos or pressmen in Phoenix, cialist state, except that those incapable of work, or for whom no work can be found, will be taken care of at the expense of the state.

Some uncouth person or persons riled the editor of the Albuquerque Evening Herald, also, by scattering

of happiness! One glance at the sub- might believe that this was a typoof happiness! One glance at the sub-headlines was sufficient to show me that it was only another Kept Press that it was only another Kept Press well informed know that is was and is a deliberate and contemptible at-Lie. "Boston" was evidently the new is a deliberate and contemptible atway to spell "Berlin" in the favored tempt to prejudice the reader against imagination of the anti-Bolshevist what is proving to be the greatest

recently, published in Boston, and got shevism! shevism!

Shevism!

There are none of us who will blame jump the "big pond" and land right the editors of the Journal for we know so badly sacred that he made Limine jump the "big pond" and land right in our midst.

Any how, this raising my hopes so high only to dash them to earth again just naturally peeved me so bear with me, comrades, and I will so bear with me, comrades, and I will so bear with me, comrades, and I will sale with the made Limine just and the made Limine just and institute socialism. There are none of us who will blame democracy who will blame democracy with capitalistic querque take over the reins of political and undefiled—but I democracy, pure and undefiled—but I democracy was resent having may name appear professing to the sold that the mine barons of the light and the capitalism and institute socialism and institute socialism.

There are none of us who will blame the editors of the Journal for we know democracy, pure and undefiled—but I democracy was resent having may name to the light and the reaction of the social may resent having may name to the light and the prevent farther civil war. It was common to reaction to some the provent farther civil war. It was common to react the feditors of the Journal for we know the democracy was resent having may name to some the provent farther civil war. It was common to r

labor and proceeded to read on so as ly with the purported scheme of the be able to be in full readiness to take my place in the proud procession, and to fittingly commemorate the demise of capitalism in that good old mise of capitalism in that good old labor and to fittingly commemorate the demise of capitalism in that good old labor labor and to fittingly commemorate the demise of capitalism in that good old labor labor labor and proceeded to read on so as ly with the purported scheme of the place and are not make the purported scheme of the purported scheme of the labor la frontier.

who concocted the headlines. But perhaps he had been reading the Revolutionary Age, which I had circulated political and industrial power—bol-

the Phelps-Dodges and coal barons, Innocent readers of this paper that they are not yet ready to stand erect like men and say: "I am a man!"

> Lenine coming to Boston, the Journal editorially adds insult to injury by at-tempting to make me believe that the

> Hungarian Bolshevists and the Russian Bolshevists are entirely different, absolutely, Mabel. If you don't believe it read this specimen of mental

tion issued by the Soviet government, which COMPELS all able-bodied men and women to work or denrives them.

and women to work or deprives them but the Weekly Democrat scribe ediof the right to eat, and further conof the right to eat, and further considering that others have brought this matter to the attention of the editors of the lowest I arek you this guest of the Journal, I ask you this questo advertise my wares, especially to tion: Is the editor of the Journal at- know that I am a full-fledged, fight-

With wild joy coursing through my veins, I breathed a prayer of thankfulness for the saviour of American labor and proceeded to read on so as to be able to be in full readings. with the necessities and even the luxuries of life."

Now, comrades, I leave it to you; considering that I have painstakingly issued copies of the Russian constitution is good by the Soviet group met.

female. All the beautiful rhetoric of President Wilson cannot hide the ugly history of the Democrats where yet they have had unlimited powers verified. let the workers of this city and state know that I am a full-fledged, fight-ministration, and a Democratic state administration, and a Democratic fedsilver and gold, of love and happiness, tempting to prove his incapacity for labor under the ruling of mental Bolshevist, and Spartacan, and any weakness to the end that he can be other thing that bids fair to overthrow weakness to the end that he can be excused when the workers of Albuquerque take over the reins of politi
democracy, pure and undefiled—but I

mons shook like a leaf when the demand was made on him at Denver that federal soldiers be asked for to stretch their arms to the light and

blue law state of Massochusetts.

And then-GOOD-BYE, fair dreams

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Showing The Way

By the disregard of the law when it suits their pleasure and when the oportunity to 'get by' with it presents itself, the capitalist class and their henchmen, often times government representatives, are showing the working class of this country how to stage a violent revolution where no consid-

eration of legality may be tolerated.

Loudest to prate of law and order and the sacred priveliges of the ballot, these same representatives of exploiters of the workers seek every opportunity to disregard and set at naught the provisions of the law, when such do, by some peculiar circumstance, favor the workers or stand in the way

of the attainment of the desires of the master class.

Innumberable instances may be cited in proof of this. There is a law against murder, but the tools of the lumber interests at Everett, Wash. turned a barrage of rifle bullets against a ship load of workers murdering and wounding half a hundred men. They were never apprehended and never will be unless by a tribunal of the workers. Twelve hundred miners were deported into the desert from Bisbee, Arizona. There is a law against deportation but it is not made for the copper interests. The cases against the perpetrator of these crimes were discharged by the court—the court of

the capitalist class. Yes, there is a law against deportation, but it does not prevent the capitalist class from kidnapping the spokesman of the workers and carrying them away at their pleasure. When outrages like this are perpetrated by the agents of the law, of the government, then and there is sown the seed of hatred for that government, for the laws it enacts, and for those who

represent it in public office.

The idiocy, the ability for endless blundering on the part of those who uphold the present economic system is beyond comprehension. Capitalism, in its decline and desperation causes the very developments it seeks to prevent. Served by a visionless, ignorant and corrupt officialdom, capitalism

vent. Served by a visionless, ignorant and corrupt officiations, capitalish gallops headlong to its final dissolution amidst the wreck of its own making. These crimes against the working class can serve but one end—to shorten the life of capitalism, and its misrule. The millions of workers know the extent of these crimes. They will be the judges of it. Their verdict may be held in obeyance yet awhile, but it will be given. And when it is given the foundations of capitalism will crumble to dust.

Served by a visionless, ignorant and corrupt officiation, capitalism in the was acting under instruction of expressed their intention of attenting tions of the mayor. We discontinued the meeting and in company with a number of comrades, followed by a large crowd of sympathizers visited the mayor's office, demanding the protection of the police so that we protect the second tions of the mayor. We discontinued the meeting and becoming members in company with a number of comrades, followed by a large crowd of sympathizers visited the mayor's office, demanding the protection of the police so that we protect the mayor of the mayor. After the meeting comrade Lewis, in company with several company with several company and the meeting and becoming members.

The New Aristocracy

Already the changing economic order is developing its new social manifestations. Witness the opinions emanating from an ex-grand duke of Russia. Mr. Grand Duke is now private citizen of no country in particular, he, having terminated his citizenship at the same time as his graft upon the workers of Russia. Both by compulsion, tra-la-la.

Although the former aristocrat has at last given up hope of re-dedicating his existence to the work of riding softly on the back of the Russian worker, he states for the benefit of the world at large "that there must always be an aristocracy of brains, of gentlemen." Of course he is the first candidate for a place in this clique that is to retain its identity in the new

Great stuff! Every revolution in history has left a bunch of these precious birds stranden high and dry on the rocks from which no tide returns to float them again. Time was when capitalism was young, that the landed grafters of England held in scorn the rising class of traders. Even in new America we have passed an epoch wherein this same phenomena presented itself. After the black men and womn of th south were freed, southern gentlemen and gentlewomen were adicted to the morbid habit of attempting to retain some vestige of social standing be referring to their past as slave holders, whom an unfortunate war had bereft (very unjustly) of their means of mak-

ing a better showing among the parastic element. Too bad.

An aristocracy of "has beens" will no doubt arise and flourish perhaps for half a generation after the shroud has been wrapped about this capitalist system and it is laid to final rest in the bosom of time. But we are unable to believe that men and women of either brains or gentle breeding will make themselves elegible for it. Never the less, this melancholy clique should be numerous enough—the present aristocracy which cumbers the earth is noted for the vacuum which occupies the inside of their individual headpieces. We are living in a great age. Watch it change.

The Peace Conference confers and confabs-while Bolshevism, Socialism—The Rule of the Workers, develops a monumental momentum setting at naught, like chaff before a hurricane, the mighty deliberations of the so-called wise men of the world. Pity the poor dippy-mats.

When Westenhaver sentenced Eugene V. Debs to ten years in prison, he pronounced the death sentence upon capitalism in these United States.

Gene Debs is in prison. He is in there for us. Are we out here for him? WE ARE!

ANNOUNCEMENT

Special Story Next Week

Next week we'll tell the story in detail of Debs' hurried trip to prison under federal guards. How the authorities attempted to dodge Socialist Party officials, how they were followed in a high powered auto thru Cleveland streets and alleys; of the two hundred mile trip by eight trolley lines from Cleveland to Moundsville, W. Va.

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ist booster and every Local in Ohio the year to help make the Ohio Soour plan for securing 5,000 subscriptions on this day. We are not overesthousand subscriptions secured on timating the possibilities of this day. May 1 will be a mighty step toward What, with the many meetings to be that goal. Help us do it. Locals and held on May 1 we should be able to secure even more than 5,000 subscriptions.

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WE WANT YOUR HELP TODAY

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Socialists Win In Battle Of Wits

meeting for April 7 was advertised to be held on the street at 8 p. m. When carried plainly to the crowd on the the hour arrived a large crowd had street. gathered about the automobile from which Comrade Lewis spoke. Across forth tremendous and frequent ap-the street from our meeting a num-plause from the crowd in the hall and ber of politicians, corporation lawyers and a few industrial lords, stool
below. A few on the street insisted bigeons and others had congregated. that the police arrest the speaker, but their purpose to have the meeting had the courage to swear out a war-

broken up. In opening the meeting I urged all shadows and automobils, hurled forth an occasional shout of "take him down," "stop him," etc. It was also noticed that the small crowd of politicians, across the street were disappearing, leaving their tools and pawns there to break up the meeting. Failing in this attempt, it is evident that they whoned to police headquarters.

Strations were made; all listened instantion against our meeting was made by someone on the roof of a building across the street from the hall, who hurled a cabbage head at Comrade Lewis, which struck the window sill.

they phoned to police headquarters and demanded that the police stop us.
Comrade Lewis had spoken about

A good collection was received and might continue, without molestation. the crowd followed. given the next day as to whether we demonstration against us, but they would be allowed to hold street meet-failed miserably in their efforts.

ings for that night. The hour being A large number of people followed too late for the continuation of the us to the hotel after our meeting, but

that the police be ordered to protect plutes wince, while the courage and our meeting and maintain order. How-ever, we were given no assurance of the plutocratic supporters in awe. protection and were advised not to

our constitutional rights of free speech were not to be trampled upon so easily by a few politicians, lawyers and industrial fords, whom it is plainly evident were the real instigators of the antagonism, the mayor and police officers being only the tools. We advertised a meeting for Tuesday, April 8, at 8 p. m., and long before that hour hundreds of workers gathered at the meeting place. A number of politicians, lawyers, would-be capitalists and others of their class began to assemble, but true to their of the comrades here is the solution of the comrades here is the speech were not to be trampled upon so easily by a few politicians, lawyers at this ring, which keeps the release or a new trial for Tom Mooney and all political and religious prisoners now serving sentence and all political and religious prisoners now serving sentence and against the workers in this city for advertised a meeting for Tuesday, and not until of politicians, lawyers, would-be capitalists and others of their class began to assemble, but true to their of the comrades here is the solution of the comrades here is the solution of the comrades here is the solution of price of the release or a new trial for Tom Mooney and all political and religious such that release or a new trial for Tom Mooney and all political and religious such the release or a new trial for Tom Mooney and all political and religious such the release or a new trial for Tom Mooney and all political and religious such the release or a new trial for Tom Mooney and all political and religious such the release or a new trial for Tom Mooney and all political and religious such the release or a new trial for Tom Mooney and all political and religious such the release or a new trial for Tom Mooney and all political and religious such the release or a new trial for Tom Mooney and all political and religious such the release or a new trial for Tom Mooney and all political and religious such the release or a new trial for Tom Mooney and all political and religious such the release gan to assemble, but true to their the spirit of the comrades here is the cowardly spirit remained far in the same, back ground or hid themselves in the

surrounding buildings, and automo-

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bridge.
Comrade Thurber Lewis was scheduled to speak here April 6 and 7. An ordinance of this city requires permission from the mayor for a meeting on the street. The mayor was approached and we were requested to secure a hall for our meeting of Sunday. We were assured by the mayor that we could hold our meetings on the street at any other day or night. the street at any other day or night sleeves which out-generaled and gave of the week. We decided to comply the plutocrats of Cambridge the surwith his request, and being granted prise of their lives and from which permission for a street meeting on they will not recover soon. The hall, three stories high, faces the main ments accordingly. ments accordingly.

Our Sunday meeting, held in the street were raised to the full height. abor hall was a decided success. The Comrade Lewis stationed himself at

Comrade Lewis' remarks brought soon became evident that it was true to their cowardly nature, none

In the street the audience rapidly to be calm, peaceful and quiet. Com-rade Lewis then faced the huge people had congregated, and aside crowd, while a few hecklers on the from the applause, contrary to the extreme edge of the audience, from newspaper reports, no other demonshadows and automobils, hurled forth strations were made; all listened in-

20 minutes when the police ordered the meeting discontinued. The chief states he was acting under instructions that the made, while a score or more expressed their intention of attending

After a lengthy conference we were informed that a decision would be our meeting attempted to incite a

meeting at the time, we decided to adjourn to the labor hall and decide upon a plan of action for the maintainance of free speech in Cambridge.

Next morning Comrade Lewis and myself approached the mayor and that it appeared to them that the police intended to shirk their duty.

It is safe to say that our member-the results are the police intended to shirk their duty. noroughly explained the situation, ship will now be largely increased. and insisted that the constitutional The courage and grit displayed by rights of free speech be upheld and Comrade Lewis actually made the

Street meeings for Socialists have hold a street meeting. In reply to been prohibited in Cambridge for the mayor's statement that his force many years, even before the war. It of police was insufficient to cope with a serious disturbance, we assured him that we could secure a hundred men is now on in earnest. The lawyers, who were willing to be deputized to politicians and the various bourgeois help maintain order, without any ex-pense to the city. Our offer was, of our meetings, they are well organcourse, not accepted. After a meet- ized and are well trained in wielding

> Yours for industrial democracy, HERBERT KNECHT.

With Our Organizers

quarters.

height. Comrade Baker was to speak want to say about our national headat Xenia about the 15th.

LILITH MARTIN MEETINGS. mouth on the 7th is reported by Com- the goods to enthusiastic crowds. proved the interest of the audience.
Comrade Martin's dates are as follows: April 17, Lima; 18, Marion;
19, 20, Galion; 21, Ashland; 22, Creston; 23, Wadsworth; 24, Barberton;
25, Akron; 26, Massillon; 27, Canton;
28, Kalen, Mart Belleire, flavorable for street meetings but a good hall meeting was held. Comrade Lewis visited a large manufacturing plant here and had a good meeting and dispagad of some literature and control of the control 28, Salem; May 1, Bellaire afternoon

and evening. also the collection. Comrade B. L. tour. Comrade Lewis will speak at Kizer speaks very highly of Comrade Neffs May Day in the afternoon.

33—Sandusky 26

CHAS. BAKER MEETINGS. Lewis' ability as a Socialist lecturer. Comrade Baker was scheduled for Comrade Kizer states that his house Debs' protest and amnesty meeting (in the center of town and next door at Hamilton the 12th. This meeting to headquarters) is always open to was expected to be a monster though every Real Red who comes to town we have no report of the results at and he adds that the headquarters this time. Comrade Baker reports will never be closed by any capitalist that socialism in Hamilton is hum-tools as he owns the whole proposiming and all activities are at their tion, and that, he says, is what we

Comrade L. B. Skinner reports a fine hall and street meeting at Cam-A splendid street meeting at Ports- bridge when Comrade Lewis delivered rade Martin. The comrades were overjoyed at the success of the first venheld on the street at Toledo, (and the ture. A good collection (\$13.08) mayor didn't object). Good litera-

and disposed of some literature and Ohio Socialists. At Mansfield on the 4th a good

THURBER LEWIS MEETINGS.

Comrade Lewis reports a very good meeting was held at headquarters.

Comrade Lewis dates are: April 17, meeting at Montpelier. At this meet-Canton; 18, Barberton; 19, Ravenna; ing literature sales were good as was 20, Kenmore. This date concludes this

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RESOULTION BY U. M. W. of A.

April 6, 7 and 8 were days of the most successful events for our great cause of industrial democracy in Cambridge.

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Whereas, These men were held incommuicado, and kept in a room so small that half had to stand up while the others lay down to sleep. were denied sufficient food and clothing. Some became so weak from privation they could not walk. Money was sent for relief disappeared en route. Food was sent in by sympathizers was placed outside the bars in sight of the famished men and allowed to rot, and
Whereas, There is a bill before the

legislature of California which strikes at the very heart of organized labor in that state, when reduced to plain English fixes a penalty of twenty years for the defenders of labor cases, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we the members of Local Union 2249, U. M. W. of A., of Pleasant City, O., request the president of the United States, Woodrow Wilson, to intervene in this case, and use his influence to get these men a fair and impartial trial, and punish the men that are guilty of such outrages against organized labor in the state of California, and be it further Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to President Wilson, and a copy to all the leading papers in the United States for publication. FRANK BENDER,

JOHN HERRON, HARRY WILLIAMS, Committee on Resolutions.

A COMBINATION THAT

The hall at Neffs was packed Friday night to see our play and hear Comrade Holman. Many had to stand. The audience was well pleased with the play and with Comrade Holman. diving a play with propaganda meeting is certainly a good way to get out a crowd. We are thinking of put-ting on the play in many places in

the county.
Comrade Holman is a very good speaker. This is not only my opinion, but of all the comrades. He is a very entertaining speaker also.
Yours for the revolution,

FRED WALCHLI.

FROM A SOLDIER— Dear Comrade: Here is a list of fourteen subs as a protest against the imprisonment of our Comrade Debs, from a soldier that has seven months' service in France and has returned to

fight for a better cause. Please send some sub blanks in a

Yours in the good work, GUY S. BUTTS. Sidney, Ohio.
Formerly 323d Machine Gun Branch, 83d Division.

MINERS DEMAND

PRISONERS RELEASE Wellford Kanawha Co. Supplies Byesville, O., April 1, 1919. Be it Resolved: We the miners of Guernsey county assembled in our ing of the comrades we decided that the economic club over the workers' Guernsey county assembled in our constitutional rights of free heads whenever they attempt resist-

G. W. EUBANKS, Sec'y.

PIQUA TRIES NEW PLAN

Word comes from Local Piqua of a new plan of organization work that is getting good results. The local has employed Comrade Wagner as organizer. His preliminary work consists of making a house-to-house canvas for the purpose of ascertaining the sentiment of the people toward socialism, and also the econmoic and political affiliations of the residents. Dues collecting is also a part of this work as well as securing applications for membership. Very encouraging results are forthcoming.

LILITH MARTIN AT AKRON

Comrade Lilith Martin speaks at Akron April 25, at 50 So. Howard St. Women comrades are especially invited to attend this meeting. Bring a friend or two with you and help sow the seeds of Socialist thought in the minds of your women associates. Comrade Martin will interest women in the Socialist movement.

READY TO ORGANIZE

A letter from Comrade P. R. Davis Chesapeake states that a great deal of interest is being manifested in socialism in this locality. The comrades are ready to organize he says. Comrade Davis will do some preliminary work among the comrades until an organizer can be sent which will

PROGRESS IN BELMONT COUNTY Comrade J. J. Hoge, who is doing the nominees were notified and 10

organization work in Belmont Co., has days were given for acceptance. The our zeal has not grown cold. I am organized a local at West Wheeling, with five members, and another at Dilles Bottom, with 20 members, so writes Comrade Fred Waolchli. Local Belmont Co. is alive to the possibilities and needs of organization and is "going after them" as these results

BALL STARTS ROLLING IN RICHLAND COUNTY

Locals Mt. Vernon and Mansfield have started more thorough organization work in Richland Co. At a meeting held April 6 plans were formulated to put an organizer in each school district, and in each township also. These organizers to co-operate with the county organizer in building up a strong movement in this county.

Local Hamilton enjoyed its monthly social March 29. It was a grand success both socially and financially, reports Comrade Cahalane. If all the locals, says he, are advancing as fast as Local Hamilton we are in for a big year in Ohio. This live local is camplain why my name does not appear Comrades Baker and Holman have paigning for a building lot upon which on the ballot. I was forced to deproved winners. The comrades have February, 454. Total number of locals reporting, 40; with 4,421 paid up of it expects to erect a headquarters. Comrade Ruemmelle spoke there recently and had a good meeting.

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

- LOCAL CINCINNATI. 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

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

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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,

Charleston Dues

Fairmont Dues

Buckhannon Dues

Buckhannon Supplies

500 How to Organize 50 How to conduct a Local... Miscellaneous Books

Postage Express chgs. Literature

Printing Ballots

National Office Dues St. ... \$15.00

Secretary's Commission 16.76

The Debt Problem Solved

Fooled" you with the Debt Case Reported in our last bulletin. In reply to a letter to Comrade Firth concern-

ing the matter, he writes me that we

expenses of our delegates to the St.

Louis convention; that he would have the charge against our State Organ-

ble to pay the delegates' expenses out of the National treasury. When it was found that such was not the case,

Comrade Holt informed Comrade

tion to reinburse him, and Comrade

Gillespie's claim was satisfied by paying him out of the State Treasury,

his hotel expenses less \$5.00. So you

see, Comrade, it was through the

generosity of the delegates represen-

ting us at the St. Louis convention that we are released of this debt.

The Election of State Officers

Organization of the socialist party

following is a list of all Nominees

P. R. Garret, Harrisville; Jesse Bird,

Barracksville; P. M. Camp, Charles-

For State Committeemen-at-Large

For State Committeemen

Fairmont.

tersville.

Charleston.

First Dist. H. L. Franklin, Fairmont; J. B. West, Mannington; J. L. Dawson,

Second Dist.

G. W. Gillespie, Huntington; H. N. Carricoffe, Huntington; Ö. E. Tracy, Sistersville; C. W. Kirkendall, Sis-

Sixth Dist.

W. R. Bennet, Fayetteville; G. W. Harper, Charleston; H. P. Williams,

Perhaps at this point I should ex-

E. L. Smith.
Third Dist.
Wasto

J. W. Wright, Weston Fourth Dist.

J. H. Snyder, Fairmont; M. S. Holt,

who reported their acceptance: For State Secretary

Nomination for offices of the State

It seems that I unwittingly

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.

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

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

**** 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 a. m. Debate and social every Sunday, 7:30 p. m. MASONIC HALL,

Branch Meets TIFFIN Every except the first Tuesday after the first Sunday. General party meeting first Sunday of each month, 3 p. m., 213 Michigan St.

164 N. Chestnut St.

WEST VIRGINIA

Official Organization News

H. F. OBERHOLTZER, STATE SECRETARY,

T most important office of the socialist FINANCIAL STATEMENT party, in the state. I have managed to take care of the FOR MARCH, 1919 Receipts. Lithu nian Federation M. A. L. Dues

rades are beginning to "come out of 3.50 the woods" and renew their interest 3.00 in the cause, that I would not be able 6.00 to do the work that the head of the 12.00 State Organization ought to do. I 6.00 want to say that I only wish I could afford to devote my time to this work, for I never did anything that

Balance on hand Mar. 1 \$17.62 locals and the members-at-large that Surplus for March \$2.06 Bal. on hand Apr. 1 \$19.68 I am notified by the National Sective Committee, four International Delegates and the International Section 1.00 Firth writes: "Try to get everybody to vote in the coming N. E. C. election for realSocialists. It is very important the coming of the parameters of the real section for real socialists."

Brief Observations.

When it comes to paying dues and keeping up the organization against great odds, we have to hand it to the locals and branches of the Foreign speaking federations. And they send in carefully made reports every month

\$43.97 and good ones, too.
Local Wellford sent in a report for "April February, and have just received one see Re-n reply haps by the end of this month I will have enough reports from which to make an interesting summary for my need pay no attention to the \$107.40 next bulletin. debt to the National office, for the The first ballot, in our state elec-

tion comes from Comrade John H. Means, M. A. L., a soldier now in Gen. Hospital No. 16, U. S. A., West ization stricken off the books of the Haven, Conn. Local Buckhannon takes the prize

National Office. Our delegates, Com-rades G. W. Gillespie and M. S. Holt for largest purchase of Ducs Stamps iled their accounts of expenses with this month. Comrade E. Hager's letthe National Secretary, on the supposition that the funds were available to pay the deferates' expenses out ter, accompanying his order for Dues Stamps has the true r ng.

There must be a lot of wives in West Virginia that have their social-

ism in their husband's name. This office has not sold any Dual Stamps Firth, then State Secretary, that he would not ask the State Organization to reinburse him, and Comrade Comrade Jesse Bird, Secretary of Fairmont Local, from Fairmont to Barrackville. We ventrue the guess that Comrade Bird found Fairmont

unfavorable to the Soviet idea and he concluded Barrackville would be a better location. Comrades, have you seen the names of any West Virginia Socialists in the Booster Column of the Ohio Socialist lately We did some very good work, for two or three months, getting "Subs" for the Ohio Socialist. I hope

sure it merits our support and it is getting better every week. H. F. OBERHOLTZER, State Sec.y. Socialist Party of West Virginia

OBITUARY

We are in receipt of the following notice of the recent death of Com-rade Elizabeth Donaldson of Colum-

"Mrs. Elizabeth Donaldson, 66, wife of Luther Donaldson, died of heart trouble Tuesday, at her home, 1131 Say Ave. She leaves her husband, one daughter, Mrs. Charles W. Dutcher, Glen Echo Drive, and a son, Thomas Bradshaw, Chicago. Mrs. Maggie Howlson, Prospect, O., is a niece. Funeral at 2 p. m., Friday, at the H. A. Fletcher chapel, 1122 N. High So. Burial in Green Lawn,

GOING UP AT EAST LIVERPOOL

Socialist activities are on the jump in E. Liverpool. Recent meetings by Comrades Baker and Holman have cline because the position, on which a fine hall, where they meet weekly I depend for my living, takes too much of my time to do justice to the ers.

NEWS AND VIEWS-A WEEKLY SURVEY

Edited by C. E. Ruthenberg

Hoist By Their Own Petard

The American Bankers Association is very much to challenge their power. alarmed. Millions of aliens are leaving the country, and as is natural, they are taking with them whatever property they happen to possess. The fact that millions of these aliens are withdrawing their savings from the banks, small as they are, is creating a dangerous situation for the banking institutions of this country. Hence a cry of alarm from the American Bankers Association and an urgent call, which it has just issued, asking all banks to endeavor to

The banking business is a case of pyramided credits. Every dollar of currency is loaned scores of times. The deposits to credit of depositors on the books of the bankers are many times as great as the currency in circulation in the United States. Therefore the withdrawal of the comparative small amount the aliens have in the banks is a danger to the banking system, for these aliens are turning whatever they have into cash and taking the cash

As usual when something unpleasant occurs for the capitalists in these days, the American Bankers Association charges that Bolshevist propaganda is responsible for these aliens leaving and taking their money with them.

What interest supporters of bolshevism in this country have in getting people to leave the country in the other direction.

The plain fact is the capitalists are reaping the have been made to feel that they were not wanted. They have found that the freedom they sought here Siberia. was a snare and a delusion. Many of them left their native land to escape conscription for military serv- the two great food producing territories of Russia, of Russia. For the revolutionary workers of the

the aliens could at least get work, but since the sign- Russia. ing of the armistice they have found themselves disaroused in the aliens the desire to return to their native country. Unable to get work and finding our Japan, one of the nations that fought for self-deboasted freedom non-existent the alien workers are termination for nations, is giving an example of leaving the country in which they have been made what that means by murdering the Koreans who are

their fellow workers have overthrown the masters who oppress them here, or are at least strong enough

tard—reaping what they sowed. Unexpected results | Co. I of the 339th Infantry, which has been fighting have followed and these unexpected results of a against the Bolsheviki in the Archangel territory. condition of their own creation have brought the cry | Commenting on the incident General Marsh, chief of of alarm from the American Bankers Association. staff, is quoting as saying:

Hopeless

The insidious propaganda against the Soviet government of Russia is evidently being directed toward making the workers of other countries believe that the ousting of the capitalists and workers control has brought about the utter collapse of industry in

This note is being sounded constantly in the dispatches, interviews and editorials discussing Russian' conditions. The latest statement of this character comes from Herbert C. Hoover, under whose handling of the Food Administration the profiteers waxed fat. He is quoted as saying:

The Lenine and Trotzky socialization of the processes of production has so wrecked production and distribution as to create a state of famine in a country which formerly contributed so largely to the food supply of the world.

Mr. Hoover must have known what he said was a lie when he said it. He knew that the breakdown of is not clear. It would seem that their interest lies industry took place under the czar. He knew that the reason the shortage of food exists in Russia is because through the Ukrainian propertied classes results of their own actions-and don't like them. selling out to German imperialism, the Soviet gov-During the past two years the aliens in this country ernment was cut off from the granaries of the Ukraine and that with the help of the allies the They have been discriminated against and abused. traitorous Czecho-Slovaks cut off the supplies from

Mr. Hoover knows that these two sections are ice only to find the same thing quickly established and to these the Soviet government has not had access. Still he repeats the lie that it is due to for it shows the American capitalist class is not While the war was on and their service was needed the socialization of industry that famine exists in

The purpose of the capitalists is evidently to criminated against in seeking jobs. Thousands of make the workers here believe that working men men have found that the fact that they were not cannot conduct the industries successfully without American citizens meant that they could not get them. It is their last hope to stave off the coming work. In their great fear of bolshevism the capi- revolution which will force them to go to work. It talists themselves created the conditions which will meet with as little success as their other lies.

to feel they are not wanted. At home they know demanding independence for their country.

Undermined

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Even the heads of the War Department seem to The capitalists are being hoisted by their own pre- be impressed with the seriousness of the mutiny of

> This is a very striking thing. I have had long experience in the army and I do not recall ever having seen American soldiers who did not want to get into a fight. They always said: "Lead, me to it" and they

Looked at from the outside the class government which upholds the capitalist system seems a very strong power. With the police, the army and navy, the judiciary at their command, the capitalists seem o be impregnably intrenched. It seems a herculean task to uproot a system so supported.

But after all the power of the capitalists, though real while it lasts, rests upon quicksand. It is only real so long as it can hypnotize the workers into acceptance of the point of view of the capitalists. Once a new culture, new ideas of justice grips the minds of the workers all the capitalists instruments of repression become harmless, for police forces, the army and navy, are made up largely of working men whose minds become imbued with the new culture as well as those of the workers generally.

The Archangel mutiny is the first example of this so far as the United States is concerned. Evidently the soldiers of Company I, have, through Bolshevik propaganda, that weapon more terrible to the capitalists than great armies, become imbued with the desire to help rather than fight the workers of Russia, who are trying to build a better world. No wonder General Marsh is compelled to exclaim, "This is very striking." It should be striking enough to teach the American capitalists not to go too far, that it is possible to shift the bases of their power from under United States it should be a source of new courage,

Homes or Palaces

Commenting upon the fact that the Soviet government of Hungary is taking over the residences of the rich a capitalist newspaper editorial tells us:

To expropriate is to take away from the owners. In the case of a residence, it means that the owner and his wife and children are dispossessed, evicted, turned out on the street, while the property is taken for the present use and absolute ownership by those having force to do the expropriating.

Written in a way so as to give the impression that all home owners are being expropriated, this is, a clever attempt to array the small home owners against the Bolsheviki. Of course the writer of the editorial knows that it is not these that are being expropriated. He knows that it is the palaces and mansions containing a score or more rooms which are never used by their owners that are being taken over by the Soviet government, but that doesn't make any difference, the lie may stick.

It may be pleasant for the dwellers in Bratenahl, and Cleveland Heights, the fashionable suburbs of Cleveland, to contemplate having their mansions occupied by workers who are now festering in the squallor of some of the Cleveland slums, but such are the conceptions of justice of the workers of Russia and Hungary, that they are removing the workers from the slums of the city and compelling their former masters to give up part of the space they do not need in order to make room for them.

Frank Austey, one of the Australian delegates to the Berne Conference, expressed this interesting view of conditions as he found them, in an interview in London the other day:

Western Europe goes into the melting pot, and there is, in my opinion, no power on earth that can save it. The war has gone on too long. Had it stopped at Brest-Litovsk in March, 1918, capitalism might have saved itself. Now capitalism suffers from over-indulgence. Jack London tells a story of two wolves that fought over a cap-tured rabbit. They fought to exhaustion, and a mean, hungry, non-combatant wolf stepped in and grabbed the rabbit. Outside nations are gathering the spoils. Everybody can have them. Europe has fought to the point of economic exhaustion. It starves, and the nation not starving today will starve in a few months. The capitalists wish to preserve their perquisites. The workers want the promised paradise. At a time when the debt is heaviest, and the burden of crippled workers the greatest, the workers are asking for a larger share of the wealth they produce at the very time when the drain upon it for pensions, debts, interest and armies, is the heaviest.

It cannot be done. Either the workers

must go back to the pit, work harder, produce more, get less, and permit the surplus to meet the debts, or the bondholders must The workers cannot get a sacrificed. better world, and the bondholders their pound of flesh, at one and the same time.

The war is over, the League of Nations is agreed thousand volunteers to go to Europe.

Dan Hogan, who become the delegate of the Socialist Party of the United States to the Pan-American Socialist and Labor Conference when James H. Maurer declined, in commenting upon the refusal of the State Department to grant him passports, proudly claimed that he had submitted with his application the recommendation of the chairman of the Red Cross of his home town and also that of the chairman of the State Council of Defense, and threatened to add to these the recommendation of the federal judge of his district. It really seems in view of this, that the State Department has done the Socialist Party a service in denying Hogan passports, for all of his recommendations are so many reasons why he should not represent the Socialist

One of the horrible ways that the Bolsheviki have treated American soldiers captured on the Archangel front, by taking them to Moscow and Petrograd in private cars, showing them the sights of the city, including the new social institutions the soviet government has brought into existence, taking them to the theatre, operas and ballets, and then sending them back to their own lines to tell their comrades what the workers had achieved. We will have to admit that is a horrible way to treat prisoners of war.

While the Peace Conference deliberates upon how to make the "fourteen points" mean something different from what they say, Japan is calmly enforcing the letter of its "twenty-one points" upon China. The latter country has set up a howl that what Japan is doing is a violation of the constitution of the League of Nations, but who cares about the League of Nations? It is just as elastic as the fourteen points.

Pittsburg is being saved from bolshevism by approaching industrial democracy from a practical standpoint, says David Lawrence, in the New York Evening Post. That means that the workers are being fooled again. But wait till they wake up. . . .

Both the Majority Socialists of Germany and the British capitalists are trying to compromise with the soviet idea by giving the workers a limited control in industry. Haven't they heard about the devil and the little finger?

Hungarian bankers are going to work now that Hungary has a soviet government, the latest dispatches from that country tell us. Just think how J. Pierpont Morgan must feel. Surely by this time he has given orders to the kept press to double the upon, but the war department has asked for fifty daily dose of lies about Soviet Russia and Soviet Hungary.

Republicans Plan Con-Five Thousand Socialist scription of Workers | Locals to Unite in May to Raise Huge Army

Washington.-Jukius Kahn, chairman of the House Committee on Military Affairs, is in Europe inspecting the military states in operation there. In an official interview with the correspondent of the New York Times Coblentz, Germany, Kahn announces that he will return to America to use all his influence and power as chairman of the House Military Committee to enact into law a compulsory military training bill

Kahn is a class conscious legislative representative of the labor exploiters of the United States. He knows that the workers, benefitting by the Socialist education they have received through Socialist propaganda, are fully aware of the fact that the work ers produce all the wealth and are "allotted" as their "share" a mighty small portion of that wealth in the form of a "living wage"—or less. Kahn knows that the workers know that the capitalists "take" this surplus wealth over and above what it costs the worker to live for themselves in the form of interest and dividends and sinecure salaries. Kahn knows that the workers know that the capitalists "take" this surplus wealth by means of a species of economic terrorism and governmental terrorism expressing themselves in low wages, lock outs, policemen's clubs, militiamen's bayonets, court decisions, and all the other ramifications of a thorough capitalist terrorism masquerading under the name of "dedocracy."

Kahn knows all this. And he knows

too, that the workers are growing more and more rebellious as their understanding of the plundering to which they are subjected increases, and he predicts that the only way in which they can be kept meekly at their jobs is through military coer-So he is prepared to impose peace-time conscription on the workers in order that his employers, the capitalists, may always have at their command an army to shoot down the rebellious proletarians.

is generally understood that Kahn favors the peace-time conscription bill introduced during the last session of the sixty-fifth congress by Senator New of Indiana. New's bill imposes one year's compulsory military training and service upon every man in the United States who reaches the age of eighteen. In certain cases the training may be postponed from year to year until the age of twenty six, when compulsion ceases, but it is expected that long before every man reaches that age he will have an international commission. been run through the cannon-foddermaking machine. The bill fixes a penalty of five years in jail and \$5,000 the English government.

"So we shall not go to Russia—for ers in Germany for these reaction—for each of the control of the second of the control of the control of the second of the control of refuse to go to the military training

that with his compulsory military training scheme an army of practic-

(Special Correspondence) find themselves confronted. Providrespond to the call of the capitalists to shoot up their brother workers either at home or abroad. The sailors and soldiers at Brest, France, patriotically and class consciously mutinied when the French government tried to force them to go to France to shoot up the Russian workers in the interest of the Russian bonds held by the French investors. Many of those who mutinied are still in jail at Brest. But the glorious fact is that they are in a French jail rather than in Russia

struggling for economic liberty.
Kahn incidentally revealed his nefarious plot against the liberties of the Amrican working class and the Party who is directing the effort. use he would make of the peace-time

Day Demands

ed, of course, that the working people, who will make up the bulk of the potential military forces, consent to working men and women—on the local is urged to hold a protest meet—local same day, to help keep 'Gene Debs ing. "You're quite a tall man, Mr. from going to prison for ten years! "Under no consideration should you This is the great undertaking fail to hold a meeting," says the call, trically manipulated turntable cage planned for International May Day, ing members of the Socialist Party. Great Machine on the Move.

history of the Socialist Party of the ing!"
United States that the entire organThe task of rallying at least 5,000 under orders to shoot their brothers the same day for the same purpose, conscript army. He has read the constitution of the Federated Socialist Soviet government of Russia, especially and socialist movement will platform that day. cially those portions which abolish work in harmony everywhere, in reprivate property in the means of pro-private property in the means of pro-duction and prohibit people from liv-made to it. The struggle to keep nounces Director Wagenknecht, "we allowed to see Debs at almost any high terms, he said Debs might send ing in idleness on the labor of others. A capitalist loafer himself, he doesn't like the looks of that kind of a social severem. He knows that system by like the party have been crystem. He knows that system by looks of the party have been crystem. He knows that system by looks of the party have been crystem. He knows that system by looks of the party have been crystem. He knows that system by looks of the party have been crystem. The warden wrinkled his brow just that they might be sent to him. He date.

Socialists. These comrades cannot be present, of course, at these meetings, would be any restrictions on papers, would be any restrictions on papers. ing in idleness on the labor of others. Debs from going to prison is making are preparing and sending out a spesystem. He knows that system by the somewhat general term "bolshev-tallized into united action by the great

(Special Correspondence) | 10,000 copies of The Bulletin, the of

"even if it is only a meeting of the planned for International May Day, "even if it is only a meeting of the door moved noiselessly, transferring May 1, by the national Socialist Party, that is meeting with a hearty response from the 100,000 dues pay- can. But if you cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- can. But if you cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall, response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall greeting and response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall greeting and response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall greeting and response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall greeting and response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall greeting and response from the 100,000 dues pay- cannot get a hall greeting and res then hold a meeting in the home of a comrade. Have a meeting, no mat- as they passed on. "This is really the first time in the ter where it is held. Have a meet-

ization has attempted to function on speakers for this day is one of the the same day for the same purpose," most stupendous problems the party declares Alfred Wagenknecht, director of organization and propaganda tionally prominent Socialist speakers Debs, and the treatment he would the "flu bug whipped out." tor of organization and propaganda itonally prominent socialist speakers are receive.

In the National Office of the Socialist will be called upon, to be sure. But receive.

The will be allowed to write all "Every Socialist and every Socialist ers at the command of state and local

"In order to make every program so some good reader among the local And he fears it. And he says: danger that threatens the movement's comrades will read the speeches."

John Tucker. Efforts are being made to get others. An attempt will also be male to get telegrams from So-cialists already in prison. Amos L. Baur and the rest of us thanked him. Hitchcock, former Socialist member man, member of the party national executive committee, in the McNeill's Island prison, Puget Sound, Washington., and J. O. Bentall, former candidate for governor of Minnesota, now in the Crow Wing, Minn., county jail.

Debs Makes Membership Appeal. In addition to the speeches, telegrams and resolutions, it is planned to have an organization talk at every meeting, with a special appeal for membership. The special application blank provided for the occasion contains a plea from Debs, himself. There will also be a special collection taken up, to be sent to the Na-

state of siege, by smothering protests, by preventing public meetings-in short, by app ying the most dictator-

In spite of the censor, in spite of the governmental provocations, in spite of the police brutalities, we shall coninduction in the writer. Pach card carbon in spite of the statement that, "Millions of Saturday morning, April 12, some one purporting to be Federal District Attorney E. S. Wertz, who prosecuted the present. But in my opinion the ary ends.

the present. But in my opinion the delay will be short. It is impossible

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"Will the workers of France con-

DEBS HURRIED TO PRISON

Continued From Page One. nade a speech at Canton, O., in June, made a speech at Canton, O., in June, 1918. And so Debs spent his last few moments on "the outside" forgiving everybody. "With malice toward none," as Abraham Lincoln put it. Warden Joseph Z. Terrill and the prison physician, Dr. O. P. Wilson,

"You're quite a tall man, Mr.

We went back into the warden's of-

the letters he pleases," said Warden cut. Upon entering the prison Debs one of Debs' counsel, who lives in terrell, "subject of course to the was not subjected to the usual shower Cleveland. Deputy Walsh called up the way of the best of the was not subjected to the usual shower course to the way of the best of the way of the way of the best of the way of t prison censorship. He may receive bath and the usual change of clothing visitors twice a month," but the understanding seemed to be that visitors Debs didn't need it. Although the

magazines and books sent to Debs.

sense in my treatment of Debs," said brought back. We were shown the the warden, for which announcement "solitary" cells, but it was claimed the warden, for which announcement

tional Office of the party to meet the brought into use in only very extreme of the Cleveland, O., school board, in the Atlanta, Ga. prison; Emil Herpaign which is intended to play its While we were talk dustrial prisoners.
"If we are to be successful in gain-

our cause.'

the 5,000 meetings the National Office of the party is sending out tens in which Debs was spirited off to for local use.

One contains a big picture of Debs, while the feature of the other is a cartoon showing the necessity of ornation's political prisoners.

gressmen, newspapers, labor unions five years' incarceration in the state and also friends, relatives and shop penitentiary at Jefferson City, Mo., ment in accord, without doubt, with announces to us today that he intends In spite of the censor, in spite of the ries the statement that, "Millions of

that with his compulsory military the necessary campaign, with all their training scheme an army of practically a million would be secured with ally a million would be secured with possibility of swelling it to alpost the possibility of swelling it to alpost to meet any emerging the reactionaries of Paris and the sword.

The compulsory military the necessary campaign, with all their cure social enfranchisement, the ments and the accomplices of the most sinister enterprise which any reactionary government was ever guilty of undertaking against the independance of the possibility of swelling it to alpost the provided the possibility of swelling it to alpost the possibility of undertaking against the independance of the most and the accomplication direct to the National Office to help in this capture of the possibility of undertaking against the independance of the most and the accomplication direct to the National Office to help in this capture of the possibility of undertaking against the independance of the possibility of undertaking against the independance of the possibility of undertaking against the independance of the possibility of "Also send to the National Office for Prevey, one of Debs' bondsmen. Mrs. have been planned for Debs on his May 1 literature." May 1 literature."

Baur then left with the marshal and his deputy for the return trip home.

prison physician, Dr. O. P. Wilson, "Good night," in his prison cell. One were waiting for us. In a moment of the jailers led us up an iron stairwe were all acquainted, and then—
"Mr. Debs, come with me," said
Warden Terrell, and in another moment the threshold that leads for the paners led us up an iron staircase and along the corridor of a second tier of lairs for humans. Through the bars of his cage's door we asked him again if there was a rething to Cleveland on a Saturday night train. Debs arrived in Cleveland Sunday morning at 7 o'clock, had his breakfast and was taken into custody. The margin if there was a rething to Cleveland on a Saturday night train.

"No, nothing more," he replied. "I am going to have a good night's rest. Debs." said the warden as the elec- My only hope is that everyone tonight could have as good a couch as mine. door moved noiselessly, transferring Don't worry about me, comrades, I

pleasantly, and that was all we heard more questions. Both the warden and the prison physician insisted that the "flu" epidemic that has been raging fice and waited. Soon the warden re- in the prison, resulting in several turned and signed several papers that deaths, is now a thing of the past. the already impatient marshal and like the stated that the wing in which his deputy presented to him. Then Debs' cell is located has been thorbeen notified, neither had Moskowitz,

bath and the usual change of clothing Marshal Lapp from the hotel office, "I believe we should deal with an iron hand toward the Bolsheviki in America, be absolutely pitiless. Bolshevism is an ugly thing which should be is an ugly thing wh oners who have been caught and the federal building. One reason for these were not used except in rare instances, while the "shackles" were

> While we were talking a reporter part in releasing all political and in-dustrial prisoners. statement about his entering prison ing freedom for our comrades," le- as a flaming revolutionist. The ward-clares Wagenknecht, "we must tell en pricked up his ears and insisted the world about the righteousness of that Debs must not start a revolution in his prison. He was assured that In order to give local pu'licity to he had nothing to fear. The sudden and mysterious manner

> of thousands of two different posters prison, when it was thought that he would be at liberty at least until May , took the entire nation by surprise The manner in which Debs whisked away from his friends is ganization to secure the release of the looked upon by some of those closest to him as a polite form of kidnap-

> Millions of Debs' protest post cards are also being sent out for local use. These cards will be mailed to congiven one month to brepare for her Debs was given only a few hours.

views."

"Those who are unable to attend person at the Cleveland end of the land claiming to be Mrs. Marguerite ble Socialist ovations that might

home on the phone. Nevertheless, in good faith, and taking for granted that all arrangements were satisfactory, Debs took a Saturday night train for Cleveland,

fice seemed ignorant of Debs' whereabouts because it was not until Deputies Walsh and William F. Gauchat followed Mrs. Prevey, with her sis-ter, Mrs. May Diebel, Wagenknecht Engdahl, that they found Debs wanted.

"We have come to get Mr. Debs epidemic that has been raging and take him to the marshal's office. said Deputy Gauchat.

Mrs. Prevey stood on her rights as nor Debs' lawyers; she charged that the entire proceeding was irregular, Debs is bald headed, just like the and insisted that the deputies should warden, so he will not have his hair await the arrival of Attorney Wolf, after which he returned to Debs' room declaring:

"I am ordered to take you to the federal building, Mr. Debs. I have a United States supreme court man-

"All right, I am ready," replied such purchases, saving Debs, and accompanied the deputy ee to buy anything they marshals down to their automobile agazines and books sent to Debs. they were free to buy anything they marshals down to their automobile marshals down to their automobile and was taken to the marshal's office

the anxiety displayed by the federal officials and the speed with which they were hurrying Debs off to prison, was that Cleveland Socialists had planned a Debs' protest meeting at which

Debs was to speak. Behind this anxiety, however, was a greater fear, that Debs would be cheered by huge demonstrations in the cities thru which he passed. This is the only explanation that can be offered for the attempt to elude all Socialists. After the necessary formalties had been gone thru with at the federal building, Debs was rushed into an automobile which started off in direction opposite to that of the Cleveland Union Station. We had a high-powered automobile of our own, however, and trailed the U.S. Marshal's car up and down thru Cleveland's main thorofares and down its side streets. There was a merry race along Euclid Ave., Cleveland's fashionable boulevard. When the officials saw they couldn't drop our car, they halted theirs near the home of the late mayor Tom Johnson, and exhibited this showplace to their prisoner. Then the race began again, ending in a draw at the Broadway station of the Erie railroad.

Marshall Lapp was good natured as Wagenknecht, Karsner, Engdahl, Baur, Mrs. Deibel and the Morris Fried piled out of the Socialist car, and he offered no objections when the first four joined him in buy-This was to be the start of an all-day roundabout trip to dodge any possi-

ence Committe To Go To Russia The following editorial by Paul "It is a disgrace because they have Faure, editor in chief of Populaire, not the right when they pretend to he Socialist evening daily of Paris, is administer a democratic regime to act interesting in the fact that it shows like a kaiser or a czar, that the capitalist governments are "It is a confession because, after

Refuse Passports to Berne Confer-

that the capitalist governments are even unwilling to permit representacialist conference to go to Russia and that the investigating commission of get the facts about conditions there, the labor international, some of whom Evidently the capitalist governments are declared anti-Bolsheviks, shall not are afraid of the truth about condi- go to Russia to determine the truth tions in Russia, even as it might be and the falsehood in these accusations presented by reactionary Socialists, -this is to confess their fear of the who have too often shown themselves results of the inquiry.

"The role played by the French republic relative to the Russian reverses." willing to side with these governments

"We are not to go to Russia to per-form our part of the mandate for in-formation which the International So-gime. It is the ally cialist conference at Berne confided to peoples who wish to abolish capitaln international commission.

"Thus decides the French govern"Thus decides the French govern"Thus decides the French govern"But the measures."

"But the measures."

In the authorized interview Kahn said he is in favor of a volunteer and England shall rest quietly under ened capitalism. Wherever it is a whole. standing army of 100,000, explaining this humiliation and not begin at once question of suppressing by sword and

tives of the reactionary Berne So- Russian Soviet Republic, to decide

the necessary campaign, with all their fire the attempts of the people to se-sent much longer to be the instru-any of these May 1 meetings should wire were met with evasive replies, ing railroad tickets for Youngstown

ency with which the labor exploiters at once a disgrace and a confession, task by augmenting the rigors of the ence of the peoples?"